

MASON *in Motion*

36TH MACC GOLF CLASSIC ON JULY 30 AT ELDORADO



Your Chamber will host the 36th annual MACC Golf Classic on Thursday, July 30 at **Eldorado Golf Course**, 3750 W. Howell Road in Mason. All area residents and businesspeople are invited to participate in this year's 4-person scramble, which features numerous games, a putting and longest drive contest, 50/50 drawing, and other prizes.

This year, net proceeds will again go toward the Aggie Corner Scholarship Fund. This fund supports the MACC's annual scholarship for community volunteerism, awarded each May to a deserving graduating senior at **Mason High School**. Last year's winner was Mary Elizabeth Rasmussen.

The outing officially begins with a shotgun start at 10:00 a.m., but registration and a continental breakfast actually begin earlier at 9:00 a.m. The cost per golfer is a great value again this year, with 18 holes of golf with a cart, breakfast, lunch at the turn, beverages, and the after-golf reception/dinner/mixer all included in the fee. Fees this year have been kept at \$75.00 per person for MACC members, employees and associates -- and \$95.00 for non-members.

Not a golfer? All Mason area residents and businesspeople are invited to attend the after golf reception and mixer which features a full dinner. Non-golfers can now be a part of this networking event and are eligible to win select prizes. All major cash prizes are paid in MACC Gift Certificates -- buy local! For a \$20.00 admission fee, employees and associates of both Chamber



members and non-members are all welcome at the dinner reception, which will start after 3:00 p.m. Call the Chamber office at (517) 676-1046 to reserve your spot.

Sponsors are also always an important part of a golf outing

and businesses and organizations are invited to sponsor a hole, prizes, or more. This opportunity showcases them as part of an enjoyable outdoor networking event. MACC Golf Classic sponsors to date include: **Dart Bank, Fiedler Insurance Agency, LAFCU, Ware's Pharmacy, Mason Auto Body Repair, Independent Bank, A&W Restaurant, Mason Dental Group, Mason Kiwanis Club, CP Federal Credit Union, B-Dry Systems, Timothy Zelinski DDS**, and many others. There is still plenty of room for you to sponsor! Just call the Chamber office today.

This year, we're also bringing back Fantasy Golf Cards at the outing. There will be a big prize of \$100 for the lowest score and a smaller prize of \$50 for the highest score. The scratch-off cards are available at one dollar each to those participating in the golf outing or attending the after-golf dinner.

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Allegiance Health and Timberland Development Group, Inc. held their **Allegiance Family Medicine - Mason** Groundbreaking Ceremony on Thursday, July 23 at 810 N. Hogsback Road, just northwest of Mason at the intersection of N. Cedar Road and N. College Road – the site of the old Funtyme. The new facility will include Corrine Garner, DO and staff, Physical Rehabilitation and a Diagnostic Center. Tom Botsford, MACC Board Member, participated.



THIRD "MASON VALUES WEEK" IS AUGUST 3 - 8



This year, Ingham County Fair Week is again also Mason Values Week! Join with other area businesses to promote Mason's many values to those who are attending the 155th Ingham County Fair. The

Chamber of Commerce will have a double booth at the fair to help direct traffic to your business during Mason Values Week. We'll also be there to encourage people to visit the Mason area outside of Fair Week.

We'll be glad to distribute any of your advertising and promotional materials at the booth. Just drop off any items at the Chamber office today! Also, call us today at 676-1046 about the now very, very limited opportunities that are available at select times to staff the Chamber booth at the Fair. If you can snag one of our few open times, you and your people can talk directly to fairgoers about the Mason area and your own business!

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE CONCERTS CONTINUE

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to downtown Mason on Thursday evening, August 13, when a concert by The Backwoods Band will start at 6:00 p.m. sponsored by **CP Federal Credit Union**. This is the sixth of eight concerts in Mason's fifth season of "Thursday Night Live!," a summer series of live musical entertainment hosted by the Chamber and presented by **Independent Bank**. Concerts are free and are scheduled for select Thursdays through the middle of September, weather permitting.

The **Mason Optimist Club** will again be selling hot dogs, chips and pop on the Courthouse lawn. Many downtown eateries will be open before and after the event, as well.

The entertainment for Thursday, August 27 will be finals for the Mason Area Idol singing competition sponsored by **City Limits Sports Grill & Bowling Center**. (See the entry form in this newsletter!) Then the entertainment series concludes with the **Mason High School Band** on Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 p.m., led by Beth Bousfield, MHS Band Director. The **Mason High School Cheer Squad** will join them in the program sponsored by **Dart Container Corporation**. This last concert will also mark the beginning of Mason's Down Home Days weekend, September 17 through 20.

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS:

On Friday, July 31, **Independent Bank**, Mason Branch at 190 Kipp Road (across from Meijer), will be teaming up with **Mason Farmers Market** to promote local food growers and crafters. The **Mason Farmers Market** will be at the bank's office on that day only.

The **County Seat Old Car Club** will have a Car Show on Sunday, August 2 from 11 AM to 5 PM at **Darrell's Supermarket & Hardware**, 4520 W. Columbia, three miles west of Mason. The show is a benefit for the Child Benefit Fund.

Mason Area Historical Society will have a special monthly meeting location to hear guest bagpiper Terry Carroll. That will be on Monday, August 3 at 7 PM on the west **Courthouse** lawn. In case of rain, the concert will be held at the historical museum at Barnes and Oak streets.

Origami's 7th Annual 5K Run/Walk/Wheel is Saturday, August 15 at **Origami Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center**, 3181 Sandhill Road, just north of Mason. Registration starts at 8 AM and the 5K race starts at 9 AM. (5K is a road and turf course.) 1 mile family run/walk/wheel starts 9:15 AM. For information: www.origamirehab.org.

MORE NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS:

VFW Post 7309 Ladies Auxiliary invites you to a Mexican Fiesta. All proceeds go to the **Ladies Auxiliary** programs. It is Friday, August 7 from 5 to 7 PM. Adults - \$7, Seniors - \$6, Children 5 to 10 - \$5. Tacos, salad, burritos, nachos, chips & salsa, drink and dessert. At **VFW Post 7309**, 1243 Hull Road, just south of Mason. Call (517) 676-3181 for more information.

Two American Red Cross Blood drives are coming soon. Choose from one on Tuesday, August 11 at the **Independent Bank**, Mason Branch, 190 Kipp Road, across from Meijer, from 10 AM to 4 PM. The other choice is Thursday, August 20 at St. James Church, 1010 S. Lansing Street in Mason from 11:30 AM to 5:15 PM, a drive sponsored by the **Kiwanis Club of Mason**. Call 1-800-GIVELIFE to make an appointment.

Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 55 will hold their Mason Aviation Day on Saturday August 15 (Rain date is Sunday, August 16) at **Mason Jewett Airport** on Eden Road near Kipp Road, just south of the **Ingham County Fairgrounds**. Pancake Breakfast ~ 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Grilled Steak Dinner ~ Noon to 6:00 PM. (Pork BBQ, Hot Dogs & Brats also available.)

CHAMBER HELPS PROMOTE YOUR RIBBON-CUTTINGS, OPEN HOUSES AND TOURS

Mason area businesses have an easy way to let the entire community find out more about their business or organization by holding a ribbon cutting. The Mason Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors Committee creates value by helping to host these events at no charge to the business or organization.

Ribbon cuttings are available for such business milestones as the grand opening of a new business, a business anniversary (five-year increments), the relocation or new outlet of an existing business, major remodeling, major changes in products or services, or the appointment of a new owner or manager of an existing business.

Ribbon cuttings are easy for a business to hold because the Chamber folks bring the big scissors, the ribbon, the camera, and Chamber Ambassadors to be in the picture. The whole event only takes about ten minutes. The local media has been very generous in publishing ribbon cutting photos and captions as business news items. Managers and owners interested in a ribbon cutting should contact the Chamber office at (517) 676-1046.



Besides promoting ribbon-cuttings for area businesses, the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce encourages its members to consider hosting a "behind the scenes" open house or tour. For members who have facilities or offices that would be of interest to other Chamber members, such events allow the community to have a first hand experience with their business or organization.

The Chamber's Ambassadors Committee creates value for businesses and organizations in the community by publicizing open houses or tour events in the Chamber's monthly "Mason in Motion" newsletter. Mailing labels of Chamber members are also available at cost for businesses to use in mailings about their event. A bulk mail program is also available to members to cut postage costs.

Of course, a business can always host their own exclusive informational luncheon, reception, or after hours event by renting space in one of the many available halls and meeting rooms in the Mason area. The Chamber Ambassadors and staff are glad to help in planning and publicizing such a program. Call the Chamber office for more information at (517) 676-1046.

MASON CHAMBER AND LEGION NAME INDEPENDENCE DAY TROPHY WINNERS

With over 125 parade units, Mason's most recent Independence Day parade attracted participants from all over mid-Michigan. For the second year in a row, trophies and honorable mentions went to selected parade units. The Mason Area Chamber of Commerce and **American Legion Browne/Cavender Post 148** have teamed up to boost Mason's parades by encouraging more floats from businesses and community groups. Two parade floats were chosen to win trophies on July 4 and two other trophies will be awarded for units in the Holiday Celebration Light Parade on November 27.

The Chamber Trophy went to **CP Federal Credit Union** for their "Christmas in July" float featuring a gingerbread house and Santa Claus. The Chamber trophy goes to the best unit that belongs to a member of the Chamber. The **Legion** Trophy went to the best unit unaffiliated with a Chamber member. This year, the **Legion** trophy went to the "Crocodile Dock Vacation Bible School" float from Mason Community Church, which included bayou swamp anglers and a crocodile hunter. **Mason First Church of the Nazarene** is a partner in "Crocodile Dock" and is a Chamber member.

Honorable mentions went to the following groups: **EAA Chapter 55, Michigan Steam Engine & Threshers Club, Mason Area Historical Society, Friends of the Mason Library**, Mason Area Right to Life assisted by **B-Dry Systems** and **Mason Knights of Columbus**, Ingham County Animal Shelter, Linda's Shear Spirit, and Mason's First United Methodist Church for a 170th anniversary float promoting their Christian Child Care Center.

Awarding trophies and honorable mentions was something added last year to this long-running annual parade. Floats were judged by Chamber and **Legion** volunteers, based on creativity, attractiveness, and inspiration. Besides the recently concluded Independence Day Celebration Parade on the evening of July 4, the Chamber hosts an evening Holiday Celebration Light Parade the day after Thanksgiving. The community also has a morning Memorial Day Parade and a Homecoming Parade hosted by other groups. This year, for the second time, Mason will also have a parade for all of Ingham County to honor our servicemen and servicewomen. This year, it is on the Saturday before Veterans Day, November 7.

Businesses and organizations are invited to put together a float or parade unit for any of the parades. You don't have to be a part of an official "group" to participate. The Chamber and **Legion** invite everyone in the community -- individuals, families, clubs, and organizations, groups of friends, and neighborhoods to participate. The Chamber has a free "how to" parade booklet available that may help groups get started. Individual volunteers are needed to help the parade marshals. Call the Chamber office at (517) 676-1046 to request a booklet or to volunteer.

There were also other important parts of Mason's Independence Day Celebration. The annual car show ran from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. around the downtown **Courthouse**, hosted by the **County Seat Old Car Club**. **Bestsellers Books and Coffee Company** and the **Mason Police Department** partnered for bike decorating and licensing in front of the **Bestsellers** store at 360 S. Jefferson Street from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Food vendors including the Mason Optimist Club's popcorn wagon and the **A&W Restaurant** wagon staffed by the members of Mason's **Knights of Columbus**, a bounce house and a fish pond from **Mason RailTime Adventures** were on the west side lawn of the downtown **Courthouse** before the parade. Fireworks at dusk were at the Ingham County Fairgrounds, 700 E. Ash Street, courtesy of **Mason Fire Department**, other local fire departments, and the **Mason Lions Club**. Next year's celebration will be on Sunday, July 4, 2010.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new Chamber members:

Mid-Michigan Mechanical Contractors Association

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Becky Brimley



The Mid-Michigan Mechanical Contractors Association (3MCA) is a non-profit trade association representing and serving unionized mechanical and service contractors.

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Tim Daman, President & CEO



LRCC has a reciprocal membership relationship with our Chamber. For more than 110 years, the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce has been an engine driving economic development in the Lansing region and the leading voice for our diverse business community.

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU ON CHAMBER COMMITTEES

The Chamber's Board of Directors relies on many committees to plan, implement, and evaluate programs and activities during the year. Each committee depends on volunteers like you to contribute time and energy to help make every Chamber activity a value for Chamber members. Contact the Chamber office to get in on the action! Standing committees meet monthly and make their reports to the Board of Directors. These committees and their chairpersons are:

Ambassadors Committee – Robin King-Fuller, **Independent Bank** -- The Ambassadors Committee helps members get the most value from their Chamber membership by coordinating several networking events, sponsoring ribbon cuttings to bring attention to business milestones, and by providing a variety of additional opportunities to mentor new and current members.

Economic Development Committee – Jeff Haueter, **A&W Restaurant** -- The Economic Development Committee seeks out opportunities for business growth in the Mason area to create value for our entire business community. They maintain a list of available commercial space, identify and help resolve issues that may inhibit business growth, and provide community information to prospective business partners to promote economic growth.

Hometown USA Committee – Lance Delbridge, **Mason Public Schools** -- The Hometown USA Committee has an overall objective of highlighting the value of the Mason area and Mason area businesses through supporting the marketing and promotional activities of members. Organizing group advertising programs, assisting with marketing planning, promoting the Member Value Card and gift certificate programs, community events, and more are all activities aimed at bringing more business to the Mason area and keeping resident dollars close to home.

Membership Services Committee – Ron Tatro, **Mason Orchestral Society** -- The Membership Services Committee recommends new Chamber members and enhances the value of membership by providing opportunities for businesses to become more efficient and effective through publications, workshops, classes, seminars, speakers, and other programs. The committee looks for new services and benefit programs that add value to Chamber membership. They organize and work on the annual Raffle Party, Horse Show, and other fundraisers that provide essential funding for creating value in our community.

2009 Board of Directors

Neil Kentner	President	Tom Botsford.....	<i>EAA Chapter 55</i>
<i>Wynsmoor Manor</i>		Joe Dean	<i>Coventry Players</i>
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<i>Independent Bank</i>		Chris Iott.....	<i>Ace Hardware</i>
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MACC Golf Classic

Again this year, net proceeds of the MACC Golf Classic will benefit the MACC Agnes "Aggie" Corner Scholarship Fund for Community Volunteerism.

Thursday, July 30, 2009 ~ 4 Person Scramble

9 AM Check-In ~ 10 AM Shotgun Start

Separate prizes for: 1st place Men's Foursome, 1st place Women's Foursome,
1st place Mixed Foursome (*must include at least 2 women*)

ELDORADO GOLF COURSE

\$75.00 per person or \$300.00 per foursome (MACC Members)

\$95.00 per person or \$360.00 per foursome (Non-Members)

Includes: 18 Holes of Golf with Cart,
Continental Breakfast, Lunch-at-the-turn,
"Golfer's Goodie" Bag, Beverages & After Golf Reception/Dinner/Mixer

Clip the form below and mail to MACC - 148 E. Ash Street, Mason, MI 48854, or call 676-1046,
fax 676-8504 or e-mail masonchamber@masonchamber.org to register your team!

FOURSOME OR INDIVIDUALS (and their companies/organizations)

- | | |
|----------|----------|
| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 4. _____ |

Copy this form for additional individuals or foursomes

Many Sponsorship opportunities are listed on the back. Please choose the ones that will best represent your business/organization at this great networking event!

Payment Enclosed Bill Me

\$ _____ per foursome or \$ _____ per player + \$ _____ (Sponsorship)

= Total \$ _____ *We will not be collecting fees on the day of the MACC Golf Classic.*

Send bill to _____

Address _____

Mary Elizabeth Rasmussen is the 2009 recipient of the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce's Agnes "Aggie" Corner Scholarship for Community Volunteerism. The 2009 Mason High School graduate lives in Onondaga. Her community-related activities have included active participation in the Girl Scouts, blood drive volunteer for the American Red Cross, and food bank volunteer for Capital Area Community Services. She also has participated in the "Adopt-A-Highway" cleanup program and made quilts for those serving in the armed forces. She plans to pursue a bachelor of fine arts degree in her college studies. The net proceeds of the annual MACC Golf Classic now go toward funding the Chamber's long-time \$500 scholarship, which was renamed in 2008 to honor the memory of Aggie Corner.

MAJOR SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MASON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2009 MACC GOLF CLASSIC

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2009 - ELDORADO GOLF COURSE

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Some sponsorship opportunities have already been taken and may not be available. Previous year's sponsors have the first right to renew in subsequent years. Additional sponsorships for other parts of the event, such as hole-in-one, dinner/reception/mixer, and others are also available. Sponsorship benefits are negotiable.

☒ Presenting Sponsor – 1 Available at \$1000

1. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
2. company advertisement in the chamber newsletter in August
3. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer
4. sponsor may set up a hospitality tent
5. a golf foursome
6. a hole sponsorship
7. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
8. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
9. recognition signage on-site
10. announcements at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer

☒ Corporate Sponsor – 2 Available at \$500

1. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
2. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer
3. sponsor may set up a hospitality tent
4. a hole sponsorship
5. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
6. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
7. recognition signage on-site
8. announcements at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer

☒ Cash Prize Sponsor – 0 Available at \$300

1. recognition signage on-site
2. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
3. announcement at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer
4. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
5. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in August
6. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer

THANKS TO DART BANK – 2009 SPONSOR

☒ Lunch Sponsor – 0 Available at \$300

1. recognition signage on-site
2. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
3. announcement at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer
4. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
5. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
6. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer

THANKS TO A&W RESTAURANT – 2009 SPONSOR

☒ Breakfast Sponsor – 0 Available at \$150

1. recognition signage on-site
2. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
3. announcement at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer
4. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
5. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
6. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer

THANKS TO LAFCU – 2009 SPONSOR

☒ Beverage Oasis Sponsor – 1 Available at \$150 each

1. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
2. announcement at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer
3. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in August
4. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer
5. recognition sign at your beverage oasis
6. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services

THANKS TO INDEPENDENT BANK – 2009 SPONSOR

☒ Beverage Cart Sponsors -- 0 Available at \$150 each

1. recognition signage on-site
2. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
3. announcement at after-golf reception/dinner/mixer
4. sponsor is provided outside space to display and promote their company's products and services
5. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
6. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer

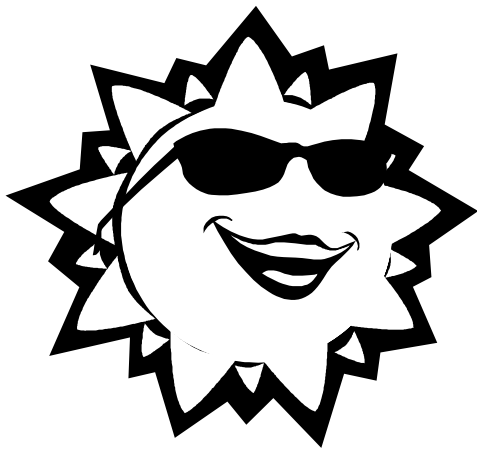
THANKS TO WARE'S PHARMACY AND MASON AUTO BODY REPAIR – 2009 SPONSORS

☒ Tee & Green Sponsors – 31 Available at \$100 each

1. recognition sign located at a tee or green
2. sponsor may provide advertising specialty items for "golfer's goodie" bag
3. recognition in the monthly Chamber newsletter in July
4. recognition in the golf outing brochure given to each golfer

THANKS TO CP FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, B-DRY SYSTEMS, FIEDLER INSURANCE AGENCY, KIWANIS CLUB OF MASON, & TIM ZIELINSKI DDS – 2009 TEE & GREEN SPONSORS and to BIGGBY COFFEE, DAVIS AUTOMOTIVE, DAVID GOLDBER, GULICK & GULICK DENTISTS, HOLT AUTO SALES, CITY LIMITS SPORTS GRILL & BOWLING CENTER, MASON DENTAL GROUP, MASON INSURANCE AGENCY, MASON STATE BANK, MEIJER, and JOSEPH YOUNG & ASSOCIATES – 2008 TEE & GREEN SPONSORS. SPECIAL THANKS TO 2008 HOLE IN ONE SPONSOR -- KELLY BUICK, 2008 DINNER/RECEPTION/MIXER SPONSOR – SOWERS CHIROPRACTIC CENTER ...AND TO ALL OUR DOOR PRIZE AND GOODIE BAG SPONSORS

CALL THE CHAMBER OFFICE AT 676-1046 TO RESERVE YOUR 2009 SPONSORSHIP TODAY!



Second Annual

“Mason Area Idol” Event – 2009

I'm the next Mason Area Idol

ENTRY FORM

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY. THIS IS NOT A COMPETITION.

SPONSORED BY:



Requirements:

1. Entertainer must be a resident of zip codes 48854 or 48819 and 18 years of age or older.
2. You must be available to perform at 6 to 8 PM on Thursday, August 27, 2009 for the Mason Area Idol event at the Thursday Night Live outdoor concert on the Courthouse Square in downtown Mason. (In case of rain, the event will be postponed and relocated. You will be kept informed if that happens.) The Mason Area Idol and Runner-up may also be asked to perform at the Down Home Days Courthouse Show on Saturday, September 19, 2009. Other finalist entertainers may also be invited.
3. Entertainers will be selected on vocal presentation to be a finalist. Event finalists will be selected for titles and prizes on both vocal and stage presentation. **OPEN TO AMATEUR ENTERTAINERS ONLY! NO PAID PERFORMERS!**
4. Entertainer participants must be prepared to sing 2 songs no longer than 5 minutes each. All songs must be family appropriate. You may be required to provide your own accompaniment CD.
5. Prize packages valued from \$50 to \$100 provided by Mason area businesses will be given to the Mason Area Idol and to the Runner-Up. Consolation prizes from Mason area businesses will be given to all finalist entertainers.

NOTE: This event is not affiliated with any competition, local, national or otherwise and is offered solely as entertainment in a spirit of fun to residents of the Mason area for the entertainment of their fellow residents and visitors to our community. Again, this is not a competition. It is a fundraiser for our Thursday Night Live programs of concerts on the Courthouse lawn.

TO ENTER: Fill out an entry form and submit a vocal audition cassette tape or CD (one song) no later than Monday, August 10, 2009 to: **Mason Area Chamber of Commerce, 148 E. Ash Street, Mason, MI 48854.** Alternatively, you may record from a limited selection of songs at our MACC Mason Area Visitors Center booth at the Ingham County Fair. All entries will be screened by a panel of volunteers who will determine who the 2009 Mason Area Idol finalist entertainers will be. Maximum number of finalists: 5 men and 5 women. Entrants will be notified on or before Monday August 17, 2009 of the selections on finalist status. All entries become the property of the Mason Area Chamber and will not be returned.



Second Annual Mason Area Idol Event 2009 **ENTRY FORM** (circle one) Male Female

FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: _____ Signature: _____

Audition Song Submitted: _____

Songs to be performed if selected as finalist:

1 - _____

2 - _____



Dear MACC Member:

The Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce (LRCC) is pleased to announce that production has begun on the 2010 Community Guide and Membership Directory in cooperation with your Mason Area Chamber of Commerce and other mid-Michigan Chambers. The Lansing Chamber is again partnering with NovoPrint USA, Inc., on the directory design and production.

Like the Mason Chamber, the Lansing Chamber prides itself on being an organization that provides leadership, influence and access. In Mason, it is for your 280 members and in Lansing it is for our 1,300 members. We place a high priority in meeting our member's needs through initiatives including Regional Cooperation, Economic Development, Business Advocacy, Government Relations and Membership Services.

The Community Guide and Membership Directory highlights the region's vibrant business climate, demographics, transportation, housing, major employers, business growth, education, health care and overall quality of life. The directory is also a key business resource for all Chamber members to promote their businesses, as well as the Greater Lansing Region.

As a Mason Chamber member, you receive special member-only advertising rates and can have your ad designed for no additional charge. Advertising space and rates have been designed to meet any size budget. In addition to the printed guide, an online interactive directory will be available on the Lansing Chamber's website, with a link to it from the Mason Chamber's website. Directory advertisers are also included in that online directory with a free website link. The 2009 online directory can be viewed at <http://www.novoprint.com/LansingEZBook.html>.

If you are interested in advertising in the 2010 directory or for more information, please contact our NovoPrint representative, Jeff Zaremba at 517-487-6340 or 262-492-5006 or complete the form below and fax to 517- 484-6910. The LRCC will schedule a time to meet with you to review advertising options.

Thank you for the consideration, support and continued investment in the MACC and LRCC. We look forward to working together in bringing new business investment and economic growth to the Greater Lansing Region.

Sincerely,



Tim Daman, President & CEO
Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce



Please fax to: (517) 484-6910 or return directly to either Chamber office

Advertising space is limited – and will be sold on a first come, first-served basis!

– Please type or print clearly –

Company _____ Contact Person _____
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Fax (____) _____ Email _____



MACC Raffle



Join us for a celebration Mason!

Mason Area Chamber of Commerce

8th Annual MACC Raffle

ML#R01422

Eldorado Golf Course Banquet Center

3750 W. Howell Road, west of Mason

Saturday, October 17, 2009

Grand Prize Drawing at 8:30 PM

All MACC Raffle Ticket Holders Admitted (as space allows)

at 7:30 PM, Cash Bar, Snacks Provided, Required for Admission

at 7:30 PM: 1 MACC Raffle Ticket per person - \$20 each

ML#X71749

For the 200 "Early Bird" Dinner Ticket Holders Only:

Raffle Party begins at 5 PM and Dinner at 6 PM, Cash Bar,

Snacks Provided, Required for Admission before 7:30 PM:

1 "Early Bird" Dinner Ticket per person - \$20 each

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Grand Prize: \$15,000 ⁰⁰ * CASH

Only \$20 for a Ticket!

Only 2000 Tickets Available!

All Tickets Sold Have an Equal Chance of Winning Grand Prize! Need not be present to win. No "draw down" for Grand Prize. Random drawing from all tickets sold. If 1500 tickets are not sold in advance, the drawing will revert to a 50/50 raffle with a minimum prize of \$5,000.00* awarded.

*Before taxes, subject to federal withholding, all taxes are responsibility of the winner.

See Official Rules on back...

Send the form below to: Mason Area Chamber of Commerce ~ 148 E. Ash Street - Mason, MI 48854
Phone: 676-1046 ~ Fax: 676-8504 ~ e-mail: masonchamber@masonchamber.org ~ www.masonchamber.org

Mason Area Chamber of Commerce ~ 148 E. Ash Street - Mason, MI 48854

Please reserve my 2009 MACC Raffle Tickets and "Early Bird" Dinner Tickets:

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

Payment in full of \$ _____ for _____ MACC Raffle Tickets is enclosed
(Enclose ticket holder names and addresses for each ticket on separate sheet)

Payment in full of \$ _____ for _____ "Early Bird" Dinner Tickets is enclosed
(Enclose ticket holder names and addresses for each ticket on separate sheet)

Make checks payable to: MACC

VISA/MC _____ Exp. _____



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Have a "NIGHT ON THE TOWN" on Saturday, October 17, 2009:

- ★ **BONUS! Tickets** ★ *must be present to buy chances to win another "On the Town" MACC Raffle ticket (10 withheld from advance sale for this purpose) Drawings throughout the evening*
- ★ **Door Prize Drawings** ★ *must be present for drawings at 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6:00, 6:45, 7:00, 7:15, 7:30, 7:45, and 8:15 PM*
- ★ **\$5 & \$10 "50/50" Boards** ★ *Drawings at 8:00 PM to win half the value of the board – Only 500 tickets per board available*

Buy your "Early Bird" Dinner Ticket -- early! ML#X71749

Early Bird Drawings (from Dinner Tickets only) for great prizes from Mason area businesses are held outside the Ingham County Courthouse, 341 S. Jefferson, Mason, MI after 7 PM on 5/28, 6/11, 6/25, 7/09, 7/23, 8/13, 8/27, and 9/17, after 3 PM on 5/2 and 9/19.

2009 "On the Town" MACC Raffle Rules:

The MACC Raffle ticket price for 2009 is \$20 per ticket to allow more people in our community to participate in supporting the MACC "Hometown USA" Fund that provides for Mason area community improvements and promotion. Only 2000 tickets are available for sale. The winning ticket holder need not be present to win the Grand Prize. The Grand Prize winner will be selected by random drawing from of all valid tickets sold.

The drawing for the Grand Prize will be conducted by random drawing. Shortly before 8:30 PM on October 17, 2009 at Eldorado Golf Course Banquet Center, 3750 W. Howell Road, west of Mason, officials will place and verify numbered ticket stubs in a drum. These stubs will represent all tickets sold. They will randomize the stubs in the drum and draw one as the winner of the Grand Prize.

The person who owns the raffle ticket corresponding to the drawn stub will be the winner of the Grand Prize – a maximum \$15,000 cash prize* or, if 1500 tickets are not sold in advance, the drawing will revert to a 50/50 raffle with a minimum prize of \$5,000* awarded. The Grand Prize will go the "Ticket Holder of Record" according to the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC). A "Ticket Holder of Record" is defined as the person recorded who purchased the ticket from the MACC. *Before taxes, subject to federal withholding, all taxes are responsibility of the winner.

The winner of the Grand Prize will take delivery no earlier than Monday, October 21, 2009. The winner's cash prize (of at least \$5,000 and no more than \$15,000) will be subject to Federal income tax withholding and those monies will be subtracted from the prize and must be immediately paid to the IRS on behalf of the winner.

No persons under age 18 may buy a MACC Raffle Ticket or an Early Bird Dinner Ticket. If you are transferring ownership of your ticket, you must do so prior to October 1, and you MUST notify the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce. Buyers of tickets must pay for purchases at once, by cash, check, or VISA/MasterCard. Upon issuance of a ticket, all sales are final and non-refundable. Only employees of MACC are ineligible to buy raffle tickets. Until payment is received, ownership of all tickets will remain with the MACC.

Ticket holders will not hold the MACC responsible or liable for any accidents, theft, or damages resulting from their participation in this event. Ticket holders, by purchase of a ticket, agree to allow the Chamber to use their names, photos, and statements in promotional material. MACC will share ticket holder information only with participating MACC Raffle sponsors.

The purchase of one \$20 MACC Raffle ticket entitles the "Ticket Holder of Record" to be present at or near the site for the drawing of the Grand Prize at 8:30 PM and to be admitted to the hall (if space is available) at no extra charge beginning at 7:30 PM. Holders of the MACC Raffle Tickets MAY NOT attend the party and dinner from 5 PM to 7:30 PM as part of their MACC Raffle ticket purchase. Early Bird Dinner tickets at \$20 per person are available for sale, but only 200 are available. A CASH BAR is available, but no one under 21 years of age may drink alcohol on the premises.

All other 50/50 Board, Door Prize, or Bonus Ticket drawings awarded that evening are drawn from separate and randomized groups of "door prize" style ticket stubs available only to those who are in attendance. The Mason Area Chamber of Commerce, and its records, will have the final word in all transactions and/or disputes. No prizes are to be removed from the premises until the appropriate paperwork has been completed. Prizes with high value have paperwork that may require later processing beginning on Monday, October 21, 2009 at 9:00 AM at the MACC office.

Celebrate

BUY MICHIGAN WEEK



Mason Area
Chamber of Commerce
Mason, Michigan

July 27 - August 2, 2009

Support the local economy by purchasing products made in Michigan and buying from Michigan-based companies.

For a list of Michigan brands and companies, visit the Michigan Blue Pages at www.BuyMichiganNow.com

MASON
HOMETOWN U.S.A.
VALUES

MASON
VALUES WEEK

follows on August 3 – 8, 2009

Buy locally.
It's good for our community
and good for our future.

Take the Pledge!

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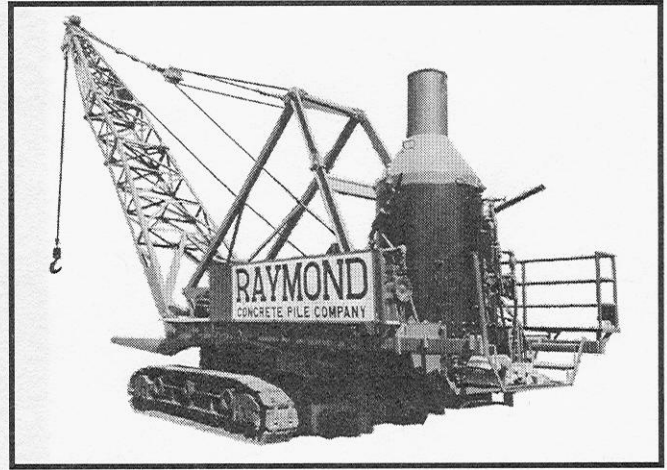
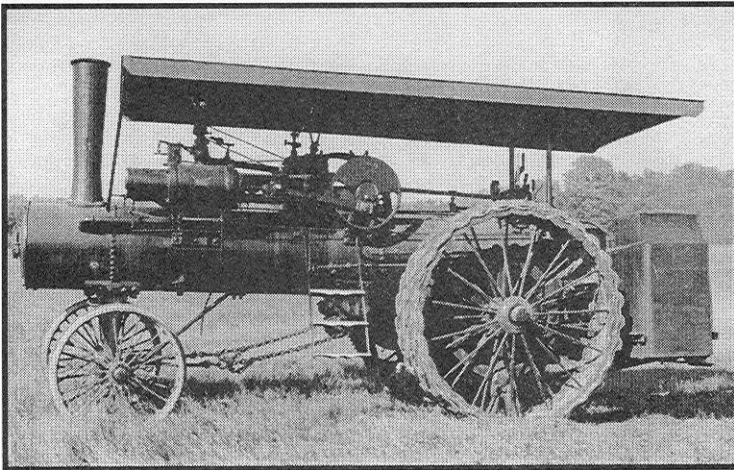
MICHIGAN STEAM ENGINE and THRESHERS CLUB

51st Annual Reunion

(Three-day show always starting the Last Friday in July!)

July 31, August 1, August 2, 2009

3 Miles south of Mason, Michigan, on Highway 127, Barnes Road Exit,
Northeast Corner of the Interchange



• Steam and Gas Threshing • Antique Saw Mill • Senior Citizen Day – Friday •

Over 30 Steam Engines – Large and Small
All Top Experienced Engineers
Antique Gas & Oil Tractors
Stationary Engines
Steam Crane
Baker Fan
Shingle Mill
Red Cedar River Cloggers Saturday
Sunday Church Service 8:00 a.m.

Flea Market
Plowing with Steam Engines
Antique Tractor and Steam Engine Pull
Demonstration
Craft Displays
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner on the Grounds
Parade Daily
Free Parking
Adults \$7.00
Gate Time – 8:00 a.m.

Children 12 & under free when accompanied by an adult • Space Available Under Cover for Steam Models

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(517) 628-2635

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For Flea Market Information:

SUSIE CHATFIELD
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All Boilers Are State of Michigan Inspected

Free Admission for Two will be given to Worthy Exhibits

ALL CAMPERS: \$5.00 PER NIGHT

NO EXHIBIT CAMPING SET-UP UNTIL THURSDAY!

Only Handicap and Official ATVs Allowed!