

# MASON *in Motion*

## NINTH ANNUAL MACC RAFFLE ON OCTOBER 14

"The Chamber has kept the MACC raffle ticket price at the same low \$20 again this year and has discontinued the dinner in favor of a free (with ticket) mixer party. Now everyone in the community can afford to participate in this important fundraising effort," says MACC Raffle chair **Ron Tatro**. "The chance of winning up to \$15,000 cash is a great incentive for making a small \$20 investment in the enhancement of the Mason area."

For the ninth year in a row, the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its community raffle, with the drawing this year on Thursday, October 14, 2010. At 8:00 p.m. that evening at the **VFW 7309** Hall, 1243 Hull Road (just south of Mason), a grand prize worth between \$5,000 and \$15,000 cash will go to the lucky holder of the winning \$20 ticket in the "On the Town" MACC raffle (ML#R05742), sponsored by **LAFUCU**.

Tickets are available from Chamber volunteers throughout the Mason community. Remaining MACC raffle tickets are also available, while they last, at the Chamber office, which is at 148 E. Ash Street in downtown Mason, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. weekdays.

If at least 1500 of the 2000 available tickets are sold, the prize will be \$15,000 maximum. If less than 1500 are sold in advance of the drawing, the raffle reverts to a "50/50 basis," with a minimum prize of \$5,000. As always, applicable taxes are the responsibility of the winner. You need not be present to win. Net proceeds go to benefit the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce's "Hometown U.S.A." programs that create so much value for the community. Mason's community identity advertising, banners, publications, visitors' center, and more are all partially funded by the proceeds.

"This year we'd still like to put some of the raffle proceeds money away to eventually buy Christmas decorations for the streetlight poles on North Cedar Street," says MACC raffle chair **Ron Tatro**. "We put more banners up this year, and would like to do more year around to provide a visible welcome for visitors and residents."

Three hours before the grand prize drawing at 8:00 p.m., MACC raffle ticket holders may begin to gather at 5:00 p.m. Admission is free. A cash bar will be available during that time, along with complimentary snack items. To accommodate more ticket holders in the evening's events, there will be no dinner served this year. Unlike the Chamber parties of years past when ticket prices were \$100 each, the bar costs are not covered by the regular MACC raffle ticket purchase.

Other things are similar, though. In-house bonus raffles for regular \$20 MACC raffle tickets, drawings for great door prizes, and chances on the \$10 and \$5 "50/50" boards are offered between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Two "50/50 boards" will contain paper slips numbered from 001 to 500. Each number will be sold for \$5 each on the \$5 board and \$10 each on the \$10 board. The holder of the numbers drawn separately for each board in drawings at 8:00 p.m. will win one-half the value of each board. The \$5 Board will offer all numbers for \$5 each with a potential payoff of \$1,250 to a single winner. The \$10 Board will offer the same numbers for \$10 each with a potential payoff of \$2,500 to a single winner.

All regular ticket holders are entered into the grand prize raffle drawing. There will be no draw down. No other cash prizes, except for the grand prize, will be awarded, but three new merchandise prizes are featured. Ten tickets from the raffle ticket total will be reserved from prior sale and will be offered during the party through ten bonus ticket drawings. Bonus tickets will be sold for each of the ten reserved tickets and the winner of each bonus ticket drawing will be given a regular raffle ticket.

The final event of the evening is the grand prize drawing to win between \$5,000 and \$15,000 cash. The winner does not need to be present to win. If any MACC raffle tickets remain unsold before October 14, they will be available at the door from 5 to 7 p.m. MACC raffle ticket sales will end at least one hour before the grand prize drawing. All ticket holders and guests must be at least 18 years old.



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**October 2010**

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### VOLUNTEER FOR THE HOLIDAYS CELEBRATION

The Holiday season is closer than you think! On Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce hosts the annual Mason Holidays Celebration. Events will take place at the **Cobblestone Event Center**, downtown, and the **Mason Area Historical Museum**. Santa Claus will be the featured celebrity at the end of the lighted parade passing through the city streets. The parade will be preceded by the annual lighting of the Christmas tree on the **Courthouse** square by the Mason Citizens of the Year.

Cookies and hot chocolate, musical entertainment, and other attractions promise happy holiday fun for everyone. Some businesses and groups need lead time to hold meetings, get volunteers, etc., so it is time to start organizing. The Holidays Celebration team is looking for volunteers. If you would like to join the committee this year, you may contact the Chamber office from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at (517) 676-1046 or at masonchamber@masonchamber.org by e-mail.



## NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS



The **City of Mason** will be conducting an auction on Friday, October 1, 2010, at the new water treatment plant, 1413 Avery Lane, Mason. Bidders will need to register the day of the auction starting at 9:00 a.m. The auction will start at approximately 10:00 a.m. Numerous items to include office furniture, wooden doors from the old City hall, and other miscellaneous items will be offered for sale. The **City** reserves the right to delete any item from the auction at any time during the sale. Parking will be outside of the fenced in compound on Avery Lane. All items sold "as is," cash (US \$) or check may be accepted with valid Michigan ID. All items must be removed after auction unless arrangements have been made with auctioneer.

**American Legion Post #148** will hold a Spaghetti Dinner on Monday, October 18, 2010 with serving times from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. The location is 840 E. Columbia Road (**Masonic Center**) in Mason. Cost is \$6 for ages 10 to adult, \$4 for ages 3 to 10, and free for children 2 and under. Menu is spaghetti with meat or meatless sauce, bread, salad, beverage, and assorted desserts. Take-out will also be available.

**Central Solutions, Inc.** is expanding and moving from their downtown office to a new location. **Central Solutions** is now located at: 207-A Kipp Road in Mason, not far from **Meijer**, and next door to **JP Signs**. **Central Solutions'** phone number, 517-676-4787, will remain the same, as will store hours: Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. They may also be reached through their website at: [www.centraisolutionsinc.org](http://www.centraisolutionsinc.org). **Central Solutions** is a technology consulting company specializing in personal computer support and repair; development of technology plans; wireless internet service; Internet Protocol telephone solutions; surveillance; data backup and recovery, as well as, network support, monitoring and T1 replacement. **Central Solutions'** goal is to provide quality, effective and complete technology solutions with the consumer in mind.

On Monday, October 4, the **Mason Area Historical Society's** monthly meeting will feature Sandy Pier, long time antique dealer, who will appraise 20 items brought in by the public. Items must be at least 50 years old and small enough to be carried in by one person. That's at 7 p.m. at the **Mason Area Historical Museum**, 200 East Oak Street, in Mason. For further information call **Shirley Beckman**, 676-5698.

**Kean's Store Company** will host their third "Breast Cancer Awareness Event" to support the **American Cancer Society** during the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7:30 PM. Receive a \$5 gift card with any donation to the **American Cancer Society**. Looking ahead, **Kean's Store** will have their Hallmark Keepsake Ornament Debut on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. October 14<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup> will be the Grand Opening of Margaret Ross Jewelry Design Studio inside **Kean's Store**. Thursday, October 21 is "Witches Night Out" from 7 to 9 PM with costumes, edibles, and sales for mature "witches" only.

Two big Grand Opening relocation ribbon cuttings and open houses are scheduled for Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM sharp at 207 E. Kipp Road in Mason, not far from **Meijer**. **JP Signs & Graphics** has moved to Suite B from Suite A and **Central Solutions, Inc.** has moved from downtown to Suite A. Please come and help them celebrate.



Liz Luttrell-Wilson, Vice President Human Resources of **Mason State Bank** and also a Co-Chair of the **Mason Promise Scholarship** Program was elected, Governor-Elect 2010-2011 of the Michigan District of Kiwanis at the District's 93<sup>rd</sup> annual convention in Traverse City. The Michigan District has over 5,000 members and focuses on serving the children of our communities and the world.

**Mason First United Methodist Church** will host a special blood drive dedicated in honor of Lillyen Jeter. Little Lillyen has a blood disorder called spherocytosis, where the red blood cells are shaped like spheres and premature breakdown of the cells causes anemia, which means Lillyen must have blood transfusions about once a month until she is 5-7 years old. The drive is at **Mason First United Methodist Church**, 201 E. Ash Street, on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 10:00 AM to 3:45 PM. To schedule an appointment to donate, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), sponsor code "Lillyen." Appointments honored. Walk-ins welcome as space permits. Whit's-End Entertainment will be providing karaoke and DJ entertainment. **Merindorf Meats** is providing hot dogs and buns. Crazy Larry's Catering is providing pulled pork sandwiches. **Capital Area District Library (Mason Branch)** provided additional support.



**Child & Family Services** "Every Kid Deserves A Chance" School Supply Drive helped to provide over 500 children living in foster care with school supplies. Donors included **Dart Container Corporation**, **Eden United Brethren Church** and Colleen Briggs. **Child & Family Services**, founded nearly 100 years ago, provides foster care, adoption, and post adoption support; mental health counseling; adolescent substance abuse treatment; supervised independent living; Lansing Teen Court; and **Angel House** — foster care, teen mother-baby program, and Children's Advocacy Center.

The **Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce** is welcoming Jane Applegate, syndicated columnist for CNN and Bloomberg Television in a program provided to their valued members by the **Lansing Regional Chamber Business Education Series**. Applegate is one of America's leading small business management experts and will share insight on how to manage a successful small business amidst the current economic woes. The program is on Tuesday, October 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center: Lincoln Room, 55 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI. Seating is limited and registration is required. Admission is \$35 member, \$55 for non-members. If your business is not a member of the **LRCC**, individuals associated with **MACC** members may get **LRCC** member price if they represent the Mason Chamber, rather than their individual business. To register, visit [www.lansingchamber.org](http://www.lansingchamber.org).

**Green Acres** assisted living center at 1025 E. Ash Street, near the **Ingham County Fairgrounds**, will be hosting two upcoming events. The first is a flu clinic that will be held on Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 2 PM. Flu shots are \$25 and pneumonia shots are \$45 -- with most insurance accepted. The second is on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 PM, when area children are invited to "trick or treat" in the hallways at **Green Acres** with the 20 residents. For more information, call Robin at 676-1484.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER

Please welcome the following new Chamber member:

**JENNIFER McCLURE - MARY KAY CONSULTANT**

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## CHAMBER VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CONTINUES

Brian Tort of **Central Solutions, Inc.** was the third winner in our Chamber Volunteer Recognition Program. Brian's volunteer service at the Chamber's **Ingham County Fair** booth was drawn from the fishbowl in the Chamber office on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Brian wins a \$25 MACC Gift Certificate good at any Mason area business. The gift certificate this month was sponsored by **Ace Hardware**. Your business or organization can sponsor the next one -- just call us to reserve.



For every hour of volunteering on a Chamber committee, program, or event, volunteers fill out a small, simple card with their name, activity, and membership affiliation and put it in the fishbowl to become eligible. The more one-hour cards in the bowl, the better your chances to win. While each card can only win once, all cards are kept in the bowl all through the end of the year. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month, a card will be drawn from the fishbowl to win a \$25 MACC Gift Certificate, which is sponsored by a Chamber member business or organization.

## SUPPORT KIDS WITH PROMISE CHALLENGE

Mason area financial institutions will again be sponsoring a fundraising challenge between their respective customers to benefit the **Mason Promise Scholarship** fund. Local banks and credit unions will ask for tax-deductible donations during the week starting Monday, October 4 through Friday, October 8. "For this fourth year of the challenge, **Dart Bank; Fifth Third Bank; Independent Bank; LAFUC; and CP Federal Credit Union** are participating," says Robin King-Fuller of **Independent Bank**, a challenge organizer. She is also a **Mason Promise Scholarship** board member representing the Chamber.

Established in 2005, the **Mason Promise Scholarship** program provides student support and will provide scholarships to selected graduates of **Mason Public Schools** at Lansing Community College.



In past years, some of the institutions held book sales or decorated their lobbies with a collage of student pictures. Others had small books, diplomas, and mortarboards for people to write their names on as they contributed. The winning financial institution received a staff lunch furnished by the others last year.

Currently in the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth grades, there are over 80 students already in the program. Selection criteria include academic capability, motivation, behavior, parental support, and economic need. The scholarship's Pathway Program provides mentoring over the six years between selection and graduation from **Mason Public Schools**. Contributions may be sent to the **Mason Promise Scholarship Fund** at the Capital Region Community Foundation, 6035 Executive Drive, Suite 104, Lansing, MI 48911, (517) 272-2870. Donations are usually eligible for a federal tax deduction and a Michigan tax credit.

## CANDIDATES NAMED FOR 2011 BOARD

In accordance with the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce By-Laws, Article IV, Section 3, the Chamber membership is hereby notified of six seats on the Board of Directors that will become vacant after December 31, 2010. A nominating committee consisting of Jeff Haueter as chair, Aaron Fiedler, and Jamie Robinson selected a slate of nominees to fill those vacancies. We thank the committee members for their service. The people listed below are the nominees for the five seats for a term of three years beginning January 1, 2011 going through December 31, 2013 and for one seat and one seat for a term of two years beginning January 1, 2011 going through December 31, 2012. Additional candidates for the Board may be nominated by petition bearing the signatures of the principals of at least 10 Chamber members in good standing, submitted to the Chamber office within 10 days of this notice. If no petitions are filed, the persons listed in this notice shall be deemed elected by the membership and so certified at the Board's November meeting (Chamber's annual meeting). The following nominees are principals, associates or employees of members of the Chamber in good standing and are hereby nominated for the six 2011 vacancies:

**Steven Babcock - Bigby Coffee #244**  
**Mark Dillingham - Mason Public Schools**  
**Brent Forsberg - T.A. Forsberg**  
**Liz Luttrell-Wilson - Mason State Bank**  
**Brian Tort - Central Solutions, Inc.**  
**Tim Walling - Dart Bank**

## SECOND HEARTWOOD CAMPOUT A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR KIDS

Fun times were had at the second annual **Heartwood** campout. **Heartwood School**, a 53,000 square foot facility located on the grounds of **Ingham Intermediate School District**, serves 140 mentally or physically challenged students between the ages of 3 and 26. This year marked the second annual **Heartwood** campout, held at Portage Lake State Park.

Dave Keller, organizer and father of one of the **Heartwood** students, organized this event to give students and parents a new experience and to provide an avenue for parents to share their experiences and build new relationships with other parents in



similar situations. This year, the **Heartwood School** campout was held on September 10-12. The campout was funded purely by donations and hosted through the efforts of many **Heartwood** parents and volunteers.

A special thank you went to fellow Mason Chamber member **Showtime Rentals** in Mason, who hours before the big event donated two very large canvas tents to shelter everyone from the rain. Thanks goes to many, including Chamber members **Meijer, Dr. David Golder DDS, Salon 130, Courthouse Pub, Vision Real Estate, Steven Owens Family Practice, Ingham County Community News**, and to so many other businesses, organizations, and individuals.

# GOOD MORNING MASON IS OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

Don't miss your chance to trick or treat at Good Morning, Mason! on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at the Community Building at the **Ingham County Fairgrounds**, 700 E. Ash Street, from 7:15 to 8:15 AM. Admission to the Halloween-themed event is just \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers and includes a continental breakfast catered by **Darrell's Market** and **Bestsellers**. Good Morning, Mason! is generously sponsored by **Dart Bank** and cosponsored this month by **Star Associates**. Meet and greet during our early networking session over a continental breakfast with coffee and juice. Be the first to hear the local news right from those who make it. Stick around for "Chamber 101" afterwards to discover your new member benefits. Clip out and use the coupon that accompanies this article to come for free if you haven't been at Good Morning, Mason! in the past year. Or use it to convince someone to come along with you this time!

## GOOD MORNING, MASON!



*This coupon entitles the bearer to one free admission to the October 28, 2010 Good Morning, Mason! at the Ingham County Fairgrounds Community Building at 7:15 AM, provided the bearer hasn't attended GMM! in the past year.*

### 2010 Board of Directors

Neil Kentner ..... President  
*Wynsmoor Manor*

Jamie Robinson..... Vice-President  
*Darrell's Market & Bestsellers*

Aaron Fiedler ..... Treasurer  
*Fiedler Insurance Agency*

Jeff Haueter..... Past President  
*Mason's A&W Restaurant*

Pam Bullen..... *Bullen's Weight Loss*

Sue Burgess..... *B-Dry System of S. Central Michigan*

Joe Dean..... *City of Mason*

Chris Iott..... *Ace Hardware*

Robin Manno..... *Dart Container Corporation*

Ron Tatro ..... *Mason Orchestral Society*

Brian Tort ..... *Central Solutions, Inc.*

Tim Walling ..... *Dart Bank*

Bob Warnke ..... *Mason State Bank*

Doug Klein ..... Executive Director  
 Bonnie Root ..... Administrative Assistant  
 Aleasha Wood ..... Program Assistant



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# MACC Raffle



Join us for a celebration of Mason!  
Mason Area Chamber of Commerce  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual MACC Raffle

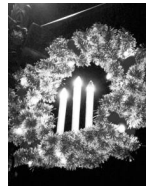
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Party at VFW Post 7309 Hall  
1243 Hull Road, south of Mason  
Thursday, October 14, 2010

Party starts at 5:00 PM with top prize drawings at 8:00 PM. All 2010 MACC Raffle ticket holders admitted free. No dinner provided, but snacks are free and a cash bar is available. One MACC Raffle Ticket per person at \$20 each required for admission.

The 2010 MACC Raffle is licensed event ML#R05732. Proceeds benefit the Chamber's "Hometown USA" Fund for community identity and improvement programs and will provide partial funding for new street lamp Christmas decorations for North Cedar Street. Thanks for your support of our community!



**Grand Prize: \$15,000<sup>00</sup> \* CASH**

**First Prize: 40" HD TV - Second Prize: HD Blu-Ray Player  
Third Prize: "Feast of Mason" Restaurant Certificate Package  
Only \$20 for a Ticket! -- Only 2000 Tickets Available!**

All Tickets Sold Have an Equal Chance of Winning the Top Prizes! You need not be present to win.  
If 1500 tickets are not sold in advance, the Grand Prize 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...

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



Please reserve my 2010 MACC Raffle Tickets:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

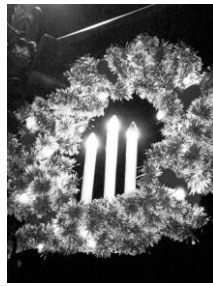
Make checks payable to: MACC

VISA/MC \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_



# 2010 "On the Town" MACC Raffle

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## Have a "NIGHT ON THE TOWN" on Thursday, October 14, 2010:

- ★ **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 5:00, 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6:00, 6:30, 6:45, 7:00, 7:15, and 7:30 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*

### 2010 "On the Town" MACC Raffle Rules:

The MACC Raffle ticket price for 2010 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 promotions. Only 2000 tickets are available for sale. The winning ticket holders need not be present to win the top prizes. The top prize winners will be selected by random drawing from all valid tickets sold.

The drawings for the top prizes will be conducted by a random drawing method. Shortly before 8:00 PM on October 14, 2010 at the VFW Hall, 1243 Hull Road, south 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 ticket stubs as the winners of the top prizes.

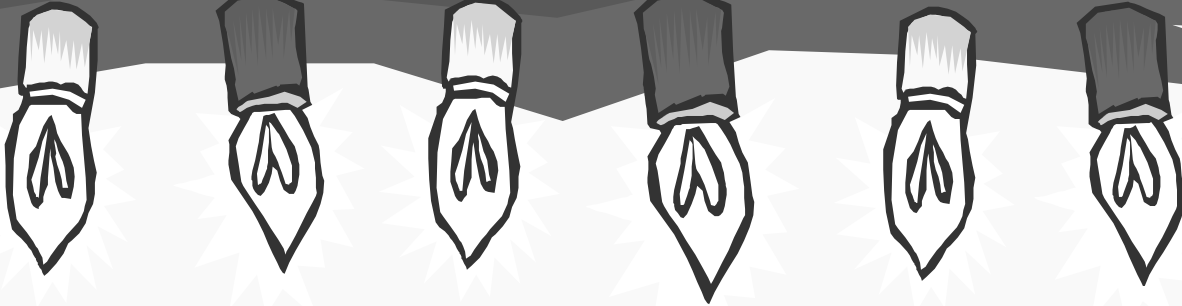
The people who own the raffle tickets corresponding to the drawn stubs will be the winners of the top prizes – a grand prize of a maximum \$15,000 cash prize\* or, if 1500 tickets are not sold in advance, the grand prize will revert to a 50/50 raffle with a minimum prize of \$5,000\* awarded -- a first prize of a 40" HD TV -- a second prize of a HD Blu-Ray Player -- and a third prize of a "Feast of Mason" restaurant certificate package. The top prizes will go to the "Ticket Holders 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 or its representatives. \*Before taxes, subject to federal withholding, all taxes are responsibility of the winner.

The winners of the top prizes and 50/50 boards will take delivery no earlier than Monday, October 18, 2010 at 10:00 AM at the Chamber office, 148 E. Ash Street in downtown Mason. The prizes may 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. No organizations or business entities may purchase tickets, unless in the name of specific individuals. If you transfer ownership of your ticket, you must do so prior to October 1, 2010 and you MUST notify the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce by that date. 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 the site for the drawing of the top prizes at 8:00 PM and to be admitted to the hall at no extra charge beginning at 5:00 PM. 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 18, 2010 at 10:00 AM at the MACC office.



Please be a part of Mason's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
***Mason Holidays Celebration ~ Electric Light Parade***  
Friday, November 26, 2010

**Seasons Greetings!**

We invite you to be a part of the Mason area community's 10th anniversary Electric Light Parade during our Holidays Celebration. The parade will be held Friday, November 26, stepping off at 6:30 p.m. This Parade and Celebration attracts thousands of people to downtown Mason each year and includes our Christmas Tree Lighting and a visit from Santa.



The parade line-up will begin at 6:00 p.m. in Lear Corporation's parking lot on North Street and the parade will travel through the Cobblestone Village Antiques District to downtown Mason around the Courthouse Square. Get your generator or inverter humming and use as many lights as you can on your parade unit so it will light up the night. (No live Santas, please.) Please fill out the form at the bottom and mail it to us, or fax it to us at (517) 676-8504, or email your response to us at [masonchamber@masonchamber.org](mailto:masonchamber@masonchamber.org).

This year, Mason will again be aglow with traditional lights, the big Santa with his mailbox for children's letters, carolers, the Mason High School Santa Band and more. We cordially invite you to join in and be a part of our holiday tradition in Mason.

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**Mason Electric Light Parade Registration Form**

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

Fax to 676-8504 or email your response to: [masonchamber@masonchamber.org](mailto:masonchamber@masonchamber.org)

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES**, we will be a part of the Electric Light Parade on Friday Evening, November 26, 2010.

Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Electric Light Parade float/vehicle \_\_\_\_\_

*All units must adhere to certain rules which are provided upon entry. Please call (517) 676-1046 if you have any questions.*



# Mason Area Chamber of Commerce

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Please consider supporting the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce's annual holiday party mixer which will be held on Thursday, December 2, 2010 from 5 to 8 PM at the **Ingham County Fairgrounds** Community Building, 700 E. Ash Street. Expected attendance is 250, based on last years attendance, and is made up of local business owners and managers, associates of chamber members, and community leaders. The proceeds of the event are used for our "Mason Values" and "Grow Mason" programs, which help us promote local businesses and the importance of keeping money in our community.

Businesses are asked for *donations* every day and the Chamber never asks for *donations*. *Donations* are made to charitable and educational nonprofit organizations. As a nonprofit business association, we ask your business for *sponsorships* – a value opportunity for your business that is exchanged for the amount of a sponsorship. We also ask for *contributions* of products or services, which is another form of sponsorship. There are many kinds of Chamber sponsorships available, but the special ones for the Holiday Party Mixer are the "Presenting Sponsor," "Corporate Sponsor," "Supporting Sponsor," the "Taste of Mason," the "Silent Auction," and "Door Prizes." We thank **Origami Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center** for being our presenting sponsor again this year.

"Presenting, Corporate, and Supporting" sponsors provide funds to help promote and organize the party. Our area restaurants, food and beverage businesses, and caterers are also sponsors, as they have been asked to provide food or beverages for about 200 people in the "Taste of Mason." Others also provide products and services as *contributions* in our auctions and door prize drawings. Contributors realize the sponsorship value of having their name in event publicity, published in our newsletter, in e-mails before the party, and highlighted in signage and announcements at the party.

Other businesses are asked to *consign* an item for the live or "Silent Auction" for similar promotional advantages. Businesses are often surprised and delighted to realize that they'll also be realizing a cash return for participating in this process, because the Chamber returns half of the final auction price as "cash back" to contributors. This "Silent Auction" is really a great way showcase your business's goods and services without having to give them away. (Some businesses decide to contribute the item anyway. We are thankful for their generosity.)

However, if your business would not like to be a part of the auctions, you may choose to contribute items to our "Door Prizes" -- especially if you have a nice item with a logo imprint. This is also a form of sponsorship. If the item your business initially considers offering to be auctioned has a value of less than \$25, you should instead consider contributing the item as a door prize. Door prizes of all types are always welcome.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to call the Chamber office. The Mason Area Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization under the Internal Revenue Service status 501(c) (6). Our tax ID number is 38-1988898 and your contribution is usually deductible as a normal business expense.

Cordially,

NEIL KENTNER  
*Wynsmoor Manor*  
2010 Chamber President

JEFF HAUETER  
*A & W Restaurant*  
2010 Event Chair



## Chamber annual awards recognize our community's finest people!

# NOMINATE SOMEONE WHO DESERVES AN AWARD

You can help honor those who are an inspiration to the Mason area community by making nominations for the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce's annual awards. Each year, your Chamber recognizes the contributions of individuals and groups by awarding Citizen of the Year, Excellence in Business, Excellence in Education, Special Recognition, and our President's Award. The deadline for nominations is Friday, November 12, 2010 for all awards. Please take a moment to review the criteria and make a nomination or two. Your efforts may have a lifelong impact on the recipient and our community!

The 2011 Awards will be presented at the Chamber's Annual Awards Dinner on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at the Eldorado Golf Course Banquet Center, 3750 W. Howell Road in Mason. Reservations for the MACC Awards Dinner can be made before February 1<sup>st</sup> at \$35 per person by calling the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce office at 676-1046. The dinner is generously sponsored by a Chamber member and each award is also similarly sponsored. Dinner reservations are \$35 per person payable in advance of the event.

- **Citizen of the Year** – An individual who has made significant contributions to the community over several years through their caring and concern.
- **Excellence in Business** – A business that has demonstrated innovation, risk and growth that represents the entrepreneurial spirit of business development.
- **Excellence in Education** – A teacher who best exemplifies the teaching qualities that inspire students to learn and value education. (Selection by Mason Public Schools)
- **President's Award** – A person or group of persons who have made significant contributions to the Chamber's goals over the past year.
- **Special Recognition** – A person, group of persons, or organization that has made significant contributions to the community or to the Chamber usually within the recent past. This is an opportunity to highlight people, events, or programs that have made an impact in the community or in support of Chamber programs.



This is a list of Chamber award winners through 2010:

### Citizen of the Year

Aggie Corner – 1987  
Jenny Dart – 1988  
Donald Cairns – 1989  
Rollin Dart – 1990  
Terry Shultis – 1991  
Mary Jo Leonard – 1992  
Wendy Pulver – 1993  
Jim Blauvelt – 1994  
Frank Guerriero – 1995  
Claude Cady – 1996  
Jackie Lawrence – 1997  
Virginia Schlichter – 1998  
Sue Parsons – 1999  
Stan Jordan – 2000  
Tom & Rose Mary Hopp – 2001  
Ray Perkins – 2002  
Larry Howe – 2003  
Bob Ware – 2004  
Jack Davis – 2005  
Doug Williams – 2006  
Don Jacot – 2007  
Shirley Grieve – 2008  
Lee Talboys – 2009  
Harvey & Carol Fanson – 2010

### President's Award

Dick Roberts – 1996  
Craig Goble – 1997  
Liz Hogg & Tom Marriott – 1998  
MACC Golf Outing Committee\* – 1999  
Jeff Haueter – 2000  
Jeanine Christman – 2001  
Tom Bergeon – 2002  
Kerry Ferguson – 2003  
Doug Klein – 2004  
Russ Whipple – 2005  
Arnold Short – 2006  
Ron Tatro – 2007  
Cathy Groce – 2008  
Pat Weiler – 2009  
Jamie Robinson – 2010

### Excellence in Education

Mary Lou French – 1996  
Cheryl Roe – 1997  
Margaret Edgar – 1998  
Sandra Haynes – 1999  
Debbie Blauvelt – 2000  
Jana Stewart – 2002  
John Berry – 2003  
Margaret Doolittle – 2004  
Michele Shafer – 2005  
Kathy Horton – 2006  
Barb Buda – 2007  
Margaret Cottrill – 2008  
David Jones – 2009  
Cindy Hyaduck – 2010

### Excellence in Business

Vision Real Estate – 1996  
Joseph A. Young & Associates – 1997  
Mason Community News – 1998  
AeroGenesis Aviation – 1999  
Grove's Motorsports – 2000  
Cayenne Grill – 2001  
Bestsellers Books & Coffee Co. – 2002  
Merindorf Meats – 2003  
Done-Right Auto & RV – 2004  
ServiceMaster Absolute – 2005  
Gestamp U.S. HardTech – 2006  
Sheridan Realty & Auction – 2007  
Wolverine Engineers & Surveyors – 2008  
Ware's Pharmacy – 2009  
Andrews Automotive – 2010

### Special Recognition

MACC Balloon Rally Committee\*\* – 2002  
John & Betty Brazier – 2003  
Mason Optimist Club and Mason DDA – 2004  
Joe Watkins – 2004  
Care Free Medical & Gorsline-Runciman – 2005  
Sheren Wright – 2005  
Mason Area Historical Society – 2006  
Jeff Haueter – 2007  
Mason Promise Scholarship – 2007  
Colleen Briggs – 2008  
American Legion Post 148 – 2008  
Len Stuttman – 2009  
Friends of the Mason Library – 2009  
Shireen Luther – 2010  
Michigan Steam Engine & Thresher's Club – 2010

\* Jeff Jones, Denise Jones, Rich Reid, Pete Hanover, Kristine Workman, Annette Snyder  
\*\* Jodi Somerville, Phil Mathews, Melissa Kean, Jackie Lawrence, Roger Fleming, Barb Smith, Craig Goble, Mike Prelesnik, Ron Weesies, Jacquie Weesies, Ellen Dral, Ivan Kerr, Dave & Camille Vanpoelvoorde



*Mason Area*  
 Chamber of Commerce  
 Mason, Michigan

# 2011 Annual Awards Program

## Nomination Form

I/we wish to nominate the following person/group for: \_\_\_\_\_

Person's Name/Group being nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (day): \_\_\_\_\_ (evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Description/details of community service/achievements:

Attach a 500 word submission outlining the nominee's background, achievements and reasons for nomination. You may enclose supporting material (newspaper clippings, certificates, etc) if desired.

Nominated by (name): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (day): \_\_\_\_\_ (evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Is the nominee aware of the nomination? (*circle one*) Yes No

I have read and accepted the conditions of entry. The information contained in the nomination is, to my knowledge, true and accurate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

***Complete this form and mail with your 500 word submission to the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce, 148 E. Ash Street, Mason, MI 48854 to arrive by November 12, 2010.***

To make a nomination for the MACC annual awards:



1. Complete the nomination form and attach it to the front of your final submission.
2. Prepare a 500 word submission outlining the nominee's background, achievements and reasons for nomination.
3. You may also choose to attach supporting materials such as newspaper clippings and certificates but please ensure these are photocopies only, as they will not be returned.
4. Nominations may be made by an individual or an organization.
5. You can make more than one nomination from the same organization.
6. Persons cannot nominate themselves for the Citizen of the Year Award.
7. Community groups may self-nominate. The names of the office bearers must be listed.
8. It is permissible to contact the Chamber office for advice regarding nominations.
9. All nomination information and materials submitted remain the property of the Chamber.
10. The committee's decisions are forwarded to the Executive Committee and they recommend action to the Board for final decisions at their December Board meeting.
11. ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2010.