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17TH ANNUAL MACC RAFFLE HAS NEW SUMMER EDITION

For the seventeenth year in a row, the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual community raffle. This year, the raffle will have a summer and a winter edition. The summer raffle drawing will take place on the west side of the Ingham County Courthouse, 341 S. Jefferson in downtown Mason on Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. A first prize valued at well over \$1,000 will go to the lucky holder of the winning ticket in the annual MACC raffle (ML#R46755), presented by LAFUCU - “Your Credit Union for Life.”

There will be a Thursday Night Live Courthouse Concert in the same location starting at 6:00 p.m. featuring The Backwoods Band, that is presented by Independent Bank and sponsored by Dart Bank. The cost of each ticket is \$5. Only 4000 tickets will be sold, and all tickets sold will have an equal chance of winning the first prize package. You need not be present to win. Net proceeds of the raffle will benefit the Mason Area Chamber of Commerce’s “Hometown U.S.A.” fund for community events, identity, and



improvement programs. See the August 9 raffle drawing event on www.masonchamber.org for raffle details and a full list of sponsors.

The first prize package “Summer Bikin’” includes men’s and women’s Schwinn hybrid bikes with accessories, helmets, car carrier, locks, and more -- valued at over \$1000. The second prize package “Summer Fishin’” includes Total Firearms’ contributions of a rod, reel, tackle box full of lures, lantern, and more -- valued at over \$600. Lastly, the third prize package “Summer Picnicin’” includes a picnic table, basket, gift cards from Bestsellers and Maple Street Mall, tableware, books, cooler, and more -- valued at over \$300.

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LAFUCU is the presenting sponsor. Signature sponsors are Dart Container Corporation and Total Firearms. The event sponsor is Star Associates. Participating sponsors are the Mason Lions Club, Mason Rotary Club, Mason Optimist Club, Mason Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus, Bestsellers Books & Coffee, and Maple Street Mall. Other sponsors are The Vault Deli, Independent Bank, Daily Scoop, and Ace Hardware.



Tickets are available from Chamber volunteers throughout the Mason community. MACC past president Mark Voss says that “several Chamber volunteers plan to be at community events again this year to give residents a more convenient opportunity to support the effort.” 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.

“Everyone in the community can afford to participate in this important fundraising effort,” says MACC president Don Kill of the Mason Optimist Club and chair of the MACC Summer Raffle Committee.

“With such a low raffle ticket price, contributors can buy more tickets and increase their odds of winning this year’s raffle. Each small contribution can mean both a ticket buyer and our entire community have a chance to win big,” says MACC executive director Doug Klein. This annual raffle is normally the only time that the Mason Area Chamber actively solicits individuals for contributions. Usually, the Chamber’s projects are supported by businesses and organizations in the community through dues and sponsorships.



Don Kill encourages Mason area community members, ages 18 and older, to purchase at least one ticket. “Doing so is a sign of support for your local community, and your commitment to continuing well-loved events such as Thursday Night Live concerts, Spring Fling, Down Home Days, parades, the Holidays Lighted Parade, and many more.”

“If visiting a local business and you see a sign for the MACC Raffle, seek out the person listed who is selling tickets and ask to purchase from them.” All ticket holders are entered into the prize raffle drawing. All ticket holders, ticket sellers, and drawing guests must be at least 18 years old. Only employees of the MACC are ineligible to buy raffle tickets.

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