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Issue 2

December 2009

It is hard to believe December is here. After an exciting start with the Parade, Dinner Dance and Christmas Decorating Contest the year is quickly coming to an end. I want to thank the promotions committee for all their hard work during the past few months! Amy Planck, Kim Jorgensen, Gwynn Hintz, Katy Turner, LuAnn Valdez, Mary Schroeder, Nancy Jean Brinker, & Yvonne Wilson.

Beginning in January we will be hosting a new format for informational sessions and networking. I will rotate scheduling them at different times of the day to allow all members the opportunity to attend. On January 13th we will have our first event at 7:30 a.m.. Our topic is "State of the Community", featuring city manager Amy Planck. It will be held at Tietz Restaurant and will include a breakfast buffet and coffee for \$8 per member. Non-members are also welcome to attend for \$10.

I am looking for 2 sponsors for the breakfast meeting. Each sponsor will be given up to 5 minutes to discuss their business and will be featured online and in the program. If you would like to sponsor the event please call me to discuss, (810)724-1361.

### Thank you to all of the following businesses for donating to the Christmas Dinner Dance!

State Representative – Kevin Daley, Gem & Diamond Specialists, CSB, Liebler Agency Inc., Muir Brothers, Imlay City Dental, Nolin, Oesch, Sieting & Macksoud P.C., Fiducial Business Centers, inc., Imlay City Veterinary, Steve Robbins / State Farm, Dodge & Son, Tietz Restaurant, Gibbard Elevator, Planck Contruction, Creations Floral, LLC, Entertaining at Home – Steve Teets, Lapeer County Bank & Trust, Lucky's Steak House, Day's Inn – Imlay City, Country Smoke House, LA View, County Press, Super 8 Motel – Imlay City, Imlay City Curves, Robert Young DDS, Vlastic/Pinnacle Foods Group LLC, Radio Shack, Nachos Taco House, Countryside Banquet Center, St. Nick's Warehouse, Trendsetters Salon, Extreme Dance, Imlay City Auto, Werners Hallmark, Wowie The Clown, Best Western Lapeer, Big Boy, Olive Garden, Gem & Diamond Specialists, Tri City Times, Learning Depot, Tri-County Bank, Lens Party Store, Amy Planck, Sunstar Tanning, Servpro, ABSolute Results Health Club, Home Goods Emporium, Schutz's Tree Farm Inc., Woods N Water, Imlay City Ford, Sue Grainer – Mary Kay, Rebecca Homer & Project Graduation.

### THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

- ♦ Smokers Palace
- ♦ Mortimer Lumber

### THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS FOR RENEWING

- ♦ Al Parsch Oil & Propane Co.
- ♦ Todd's Glass, Mirrors & More
  - ♦ Imlay City Hardware
  - ♦ Alert Medical Care
  - ♦ Tietz Restaurant
- ♦ Imlay City Fraternal Order of Eagles #4082
  - ♦ Liebler Agency, Inc.

### Congratulations to the 2009 Award Recipients! **Citizen of the Year—Kim Jorgensen** **Merit Award—Tom Hanson, Niche Line Builders** **Service Club Organization—Blueberry Committee**

This years award winners were announced at the annual Christmas Dinner Dance. It was held at Countryside Banquet Center with 112 in attendance. Kevin Daley presented the award to Kim Jorgensen and included a Proclamation signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm and Kevin Daley, State Representative. Kim is a very deserving individual and has dedicated the past 29 years volunteering and serving on numerous boards and committees to make Imlay City a better place to live, work & do business in.

The Merit Award was presented by Gwynn Hintz, to Tom Hanson Niche Line Builders. They are a group of Engine Builders at the Romeo Ford Plant who raise money to help those less fortunate. Tom and his crew believe that helping others is not a choice but something everyone must do. The money raised through the 50/50 raffle was donated to them as a contribution from the Imlay City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Their Service Club Organization Award was presented by Mayor Rod Waner and went to the Blueberry Committee. After so many years of dedication and volunteering their time to make the event a success they were most deserving. The Blueberry Festival marks its 30th Anniversary in 2010.

## Holiday Giving IMLAY CITY

**BOY SCOUTS**—The Boy Scout Food Basket Program will be going on again this year. 80 Baskets of Food are delivered on Sunday, December 20, 2009. Anyone that would like to help deliver baskets are asked to meet at the Fair Grounds @ 9:00a.m. on that Sunday to deliver. The names have been screened thru Holiday Depot to make sure no one gets more than 1 basket. To donate bring your non-perishable item to R. E. Blank / Fiducial - open 8-12 or 1-5 Monday thru Friday.

## Holiday Events

Mom & Dad, do you need the last day before Christmas Eve to run last minute errands and finish up your wrapping? Bring your kids to the studio Pajama Jam for a day of Christmas fun!

CRAFTS \* GAMES \* PRIZES\* MANICURES \* DANCING \*

BINGO \* PIZZA \* CAKE \* TREAT BAGS

Kids- Wear your pajamas and bring a blanket!\*

Wednesday, December 23 Marlette Studio 10 AM - 1 PM

3274 Main Street Marlette (989) 635-0096

Imlay City Studio 2 PM - 6 PM

131 Bancroft Imlay City (810) 724-8414

Space is limited. Deadline to register is December 17.

Cost - \$20 plus \$6 for take home crafts & lunch

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**Santa** will be at the Imlay City McDonald's December 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All children will receive a gift from Santa. Have dinner with Santa at the Imlay City Big Boy December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. Free picture with Santa and Gift.

**New Years Eve Party** will be held at Countryside Banquet Center call (810)724-5544 for details.

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## American Cancer Society Relay For Life

Annual kick off meeting. Not sure how to get involved? Attend this meeting to learn more. Anyone who is interested to attend our Kick-off meeting on Feb. 8 at 6:30 at the United Methodist Church in Imlay City. Attendance at the kick-off will be a good way to get an overview of the relay event and the American Cancer Society. It does not commitment them to anything. Our objectives at the relay are "celebrate/ remember/ fightback". The relay is open to anyone to attend. Survivors are especially urged to attend. There is no charge for admission.



*Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all  
Chamber Members!*