

Grand Ledge

Area Chamber of Commerce

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Thank You Big Event Sponsors:



Welcome New Member:
Ted Koch
- Friend of the Chamber

Happy New Year!

Winter certainly has decided to settle in and stay awhile in the Grand Ledge area. As cold as it is, it could always be worse...

* The lowest recorded temperature in Grand Ledge was -37°F in 1868.

* The highest recorded temperature in Grand Ledge was 103°F in 2012.

The Chamber Annual Dinner is set for Thursday, Jan. 16th at The Opera House. This is always an enjoyable evening with dinner, entertainment and presentations for Teacher of the Year, Business Person of the Year and the ATHENA Award. Please send in the dinner reply card this week. All members should have received in the mail the documents for the business portion of the Annual Dinner. Nomination forms for the Awards were also included. Please take a moment and nominate someone you feel is deserving of an award.

Also coming up, is the Fun On The Rocks Winterfest. A flyer is included and we hope everyone will consider becoming a Rockin Sponsor for \$250. We are eager for this NEW and FUN Event and hope for your assistance in making it a success.

As we welcome in 2014, we thank all our Members for the continued support of the Chamber of Commerce. It is your generosity which allows the Chamber to make a difference in our community!



GRAND LEDGE HIGH SCHOOL BANDS KICK OFF 'LET'S GET ROLLING' FUND RAISER CAMPAIGN



For many years our community has been blessed with an active and engaged high school marching band and music program that participates in parades and performs in many concerts and community events. What would things look like if all of that changed? While we would rather not think about that, the reality is that change has already occurred. This year the marching band transitioned to an extracurricular activity where students participate on a volunteer basis before and after normal school hours. Similarly, with the recent restructuring of the school district, sixth grade students desiring to participate in the band program rehearse two days a week before school at their respective elementary school. Combine all this with tight school budgets

and limited resources and it doesn't take long to figure out where you as a local business owner who appreciates the benefits of maintaining a vibrant and attractive community, comes in.

Although the band program remains committed to continuing its long lasting traditions, support of the 'Let's Get Rolling' campaign will fund the purchase of trailers and motorized equipment to more safely and efficiently move music instruments and heavy marching band equipment before, during, and after performances and local parades. The funding will also allow our marching band and music program to operate more efficiently by removing equipment rental fees and better allocate resources throughout the school district. Please show our school district, band students and the new band director how much our local businesses appreciate the involvement of our high school bands in our community by making a donation to this campaign.

SKI AND SNOWSHOE NIGHT FESTS

Eaton County Parks invites everyone to cross-country ski or snowshoe under the stars on illuminated trails or enjoy the sledding hill during the night Ski and Snowshoe Fests at Fitzgerald Park in Grand Ledge. All night fests run from 6 to 9 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following Fridays and Saturdays: December 27 and 28, January 17 and 18, January 31 and February 1.

Participants can warm up by the wood burning stove at the sledding hill or at the Nature Center. The Nature Center, located at the bottom of the sledding hill, will have hot chocolate available for those that are interested. Cross-country ski and snowshoe rentals are available on a first come, first serve basis at the Fitzgerald Park office.

Cost for event is \$2 per person with own equipment (payable at office) or \$5 per person per hour to rent equipment. A picture ID is required for rentals. Motor vehicle entry fee waived for this event.

For more information, please call the park office at 517-627-7351 or visit our website at www.eatoncountyparks.org.

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OPERA HOUSE: RAGTIME PIANIST

Bob Milne, nationally known Ragtime and Boogie Woogie pianist, presents a concert at the Grand Ledge Opera House, 121 S. Bridge St. on Sunday, January 26th, 3 p.m. Tickets are \$13.00 presale at the Opera House, MacDowell's Hearth and Flowers, True Value Hardware and \$15.00 at the door. Information is available at (517) 627-1443.

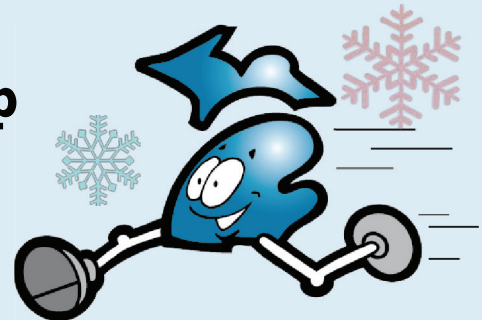
Community Partners in Health

Winter Warm Up Kick-off & Rally

Saturday, January 18, 2014

10:00 AM – 12:00 NOON

Lansing Mall, Macy's Wing
5330 W. Saginaw Highway, Lansing



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Blues Community Challenge

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Family fun!

Children's Fun Activities

Speakers & Demonstrations

Taste of Health

Sample healthy eating options from area restaurants

Walk in the Mall

Organized by Community Partners in Health

Healthy Lifestyle Resources

Visit displays and demonstrations from area organizations working to make Healthy Lifestyle Resources available to the community

and

Health Assessments

offered by



Totally FREE!

Meet Winter Warm Up Supporter Judi Brown Clarke



A five-time National Champion, Judi Brown Clarke won a silver medal in the 400-Meter Hurdles at the 1984 Olympic Games. In November 2013, she was elected Lansing City Council Member. Dr. Clarke will discuss Healthy Living.

Door prizes!

The *Choosing Health!*® movement is committed to:

- ◆ Encouraging physical activity
- ◆ Developing healthy eating habits
- ◆ Preventing substance abuse and tobacco use
- ◆ Promoting mental health
- ◆ Using Michigan's 4 x 4 Plan

For more information, contact the Capital Area Health Alliance
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Let's Get Rolling Levels & Benefits

Grand Ledge High School Marching Band Trailer Contribution Fund

1. Our company would like to participate at the following level (Check One)

Diamond \$5000+ Platinum \$2500+ Gold \$ 1000+ Silver \$500+ Bronze \$250+ Patron \$100+ Other

2. Contact Information

Company name as you would like it listed: _____
Contact Person: _____
Street Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Email Address: _____

3. Levels & Benefits

- Diamond \$5000 +** DVD, Exhibition T-shirt, program mentions, name on band equipment trailer, public recognition and PA announcement at GLHS Exhibition, GLHS Comet Marching Band performance (including drumlines) at your home or business.
- Platinum \$2500 +** DVD, Exhibition T-shirt, program mentions, name on band equipment trailer, public recognition and PA announcement at GLHS Exhibition, GLHS Drumline performance at your home or business.
- Gold \$ 1000 +** DVD, Exhibition T-shirt, program mentions, name on band equipment trailer, public recognition and PA announcement at GLHS Exhibition, guest conductor of GLHS Band at HS Football Pre-game Show.
- Silver \$500 +** DVD, Exhibition T-shirt, program mentions, name on band equipment trailer, public recognition and PA announcement at GLHS Exhibition, Behind the scenes tour accompanying the GLHS band at exhibition
- Bronze \$250 +** DVD, Let's Get Rolling T-shirt, program mentions, name on band equipment trailer
- Patron \$100 + >\$100** DVD, mention in programs, exclusive GLHS Band Let's Get Rolling T-Shirt
Exclusive GLHS Band Let's Get Rolling T-Shirt

4. Payment Information

Total Sponsorship Amount (US Funds) \$ _____
____ Check Enclosed (Payable to GLHSMB Let's Get Rolling)
____ Charge my credit card __ VS __ MC __AX __DC
Account Number _____
Exp Date _____
Name on Card _____
Signature _____

Send this form with payment to:
Grand Ledge High School
GLHSMB Let's Get Rolling Fund
200 E Jefferson St, Grand Ledge, MI 48837
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What's Happening in Grand Ledge

January

- Jan 17 Pasties at the Masonic Temple
- Jan 17 Library Book Sale
- Jan 26 Bob Milne, Ragtime Pianist
- Jan 30 Grand Ledge Voice Singing Competition

February

- Feb 9 David Kollar, Children's Magic Show
- Feb 16 Opera House Bridal Show
- Feb 21 Pasties at the Masonic Temple
- Every third Friday of the month enjoy a homemade pastie dinner
- Feb 21-22 Library Book Sale
- Every third Friday and Saturday of the month, Book Sale at the Library

March

- March 2 Lucille Olson Combo-Big Band & 50's, 60's & 70's Music