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**December 2009**

## Around Town



**Each Thursday @ 10am – Café Thursday** Join your friends and neighbors at the Clubhouse for a cup of coffee or tea and a fresh pastry. No coffee hour on **Holiday Decorations Contest** – Get out those lights, wreaths, bows and bulbs and show off your holiday spirit during this year's Holiday Decorations Contest. Have your decorations complete and your lights on by December 12<sup>th</sup>. Homes will be judged Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be announced at the Potluck on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

### December 17<sup>th</sup> – Resident Holiday Potluck @ 6pm

Come celebrate the holiday season with your friends and neighbors. We will provide a scrumptious holiday ham and beverages. All we ask you to do is bring your favorite holiday dish to share. You can also participate in a unique & fun gift exchange by bringing a wrapped gift (\$5 maximum purchase) to the potluck.

### Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> - Wonderland of Lights

Bring your family to Potter Park Zoo in Lansing to enjoy thousands of lights creating extraordinary animal exhibits and holiday displays, strolling carolers, musical performances and more! They'll also have lots of fun activities planned each night including cookie decorating, animal presentations, kid's crafts and more. Also visit with Santa and Mrs. Clause on Fridays and Saturdays.

### Dec 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> – Grand Ledge Holiday Traditions Tour

Travel to holidays past as you visit the historic Victorian homes, festive tables and decorated trees. Also stop by and see the 1928 Barton Theater organ, the Holiday Market at the Opera House and Museum, and the shops of Grand Ledge.

### Dec 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> – MSU Arts & Crafts Holiday Show

The 46<sup>th</sup> annual show will be held at the MSU Union on the corner of Grand River Ave. and Abbot Rd. in East Lansing. Four floors of booths make this show one of the largest holiday arts and crafts shows in the state.

### Dec 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> - Old Town Dickens Village



Old Town Lansing will be buzzing with merriment this weekend as the holiday spirit comes alive during a celebration of Old Town's Victorian heritage with Dickens' much-loved A Christmas Carol story. Festivities will be held from 11am to 5pm and include horse-drawn carriage rides, a holiday market, puppet shows, kids crafts and all of your favorite characters from A Christmas Carol.

### Dec 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> – Eastwood's Winter Wonderland

Don't miss this annual holiday tradition, featuring Santa Claus, live reindeer and more. And be sure to visit Schuler Books for story time with Mrs. Claus.

### Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – White Christmas the Musical

The classic tradition "White Christmas" comes to the stage at last, as a brand new Irving Berlin musical direct from Broadway and opening at the Wharton Center this December. Full of dancing, laughter and some of the greatest songs ever written, Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" promises to be a merry and bright theatrical experience for the whole family. Visit [www.whartoncenter.com](http://www.whartoncenter.com) for ticket info.



## Community News

**Parking:** The holidays are upon us and for most that will mean visits from family and friends. During this time, please keep in mind that parking on the community streets is prohibited and all vehicles should be parked in your driveway or in the guest spaces provided near the clubhouse.

**Get your newsletter delivered to your inbox!** If you're interested in receiving your monthly community newsletter via email, please go to **CapitalCrossings.com** and sign up or contact the community office.

## Show You The Money!



### Liberty Communities Refer-A-Friend Program

**Refer A Buyer** Refer-A-Friend to Liberty Communities and if they BUY an American HomeChoice Home with the Land, you'll receive **\$1250!**

**Refer A Renter** Refer-A-Friend to Liberty Communities and if they RENT an American HomeChoice Home or LEASE within a Liberty Community, you'll receive **\$500!**

\* All referral prospects must close on the purchase or lease of their home by December 31, 2009 for the referral fees to be payable. Buyer or renter must be a new resident to the community and must purchase or lease an American HomeChoice home. Current lease residents who purchase a home are not eligible for referral fees. Liberty Communities and American HomeChoice are equal opportunity housing providers.

### COMMUNITY STAFF

District Manager  
*Lori O'Connor-Proctor*  
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# Simply Sensational Truffles



Prep Time: 15 min  
 Total Time: 1 hr 15 min  
 Makes: 18 servings, 2 truffles each

### What You Need!

2-1/2 pkg. (8 squares each)  
 Baker's Semi-Sweet Chocolate  
 (20 squares), divided  
 1 pkg. (8 oz.) Philadelphia  
 Cream Cheese, softened  
 Decorations:  
 Chopped cocktail peanuts, multi-  
 colored sprinkles, flaked coconut

### MAKE IT!

MELT 8 chocolate squares. Beat cream cheese with mixer until creamy. Blend in melted chocolate. Refrigerate until firm. SHAPE into 36 balls. Place on waxed paper-covered baking sheet.

MELT remaining chocolate. Use fork to dip truffles in chocolate; return to baking sheet. Decorate, then refrigerate 1 hour.

### Kraft Kitchens Tips

Add 1 to 2 tsp. of your favorite extract, such as peppermint, rum or almond; or 1/4 cup of your favorite liqueur, such as orange or raspberry, to the chocolate mixture before shaping into balls.

### Classifieds

**Community Newsletter** Post ads, for sale items, etc. with the community office by the 25th to be included in the next issue.

**Hungry Howies** Get Pizza Delivered 517-627-8300. **Need**

**Party Catering** Call Art & Angie 517-627-2114. **Reserve the Clubhouse** Call 517-626-1166 for your special event.

**Woodworking /Carpentry** Call Fred Dixon 517-626-6994.

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday   |
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|  |   | <b>Association Fees &amp; Rent Due</b><br><small>(\$25 Late Fee after the 5th)</small> |  | <b>10am Cafe Thursday</b>                               |   | <b>Grand Ledge Holiday Traditions Tour Dec. 5th - 6th</b><br><b>MSU Arts &amp; Crafts Show</b> |
|   |   |  | <b>Potter Park Zoo's Wonderland of Lights 1st - 27th</b> | <b>10am Cafe Thursday</b>                               |   | <b>Eastwood's Winter Wonderland 12th &amp; 19th</b>  |
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| <b>20</b>   | <b>21</b>                                     | <b>22</b>  | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b>   | <b>Office Closed</b>  | <b>26</b>  |
|   |   |  |  |   | <b>Office Closed</b>  | <b>2</b>   |
| <b>27</b>   | <b>28</b>                                     | <b>29</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>Office Closed 31</b>                                 |   | <b>December 2009</b>   |