



**A Great Place To Live!**  
3600 Townsquare Blvd  
Carleton, MI 48117  
734-782-0268

**Capital Crossings**  
13531 Declaration Court  
Eagle, MI 48822  
517-626-1166

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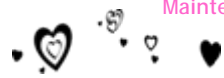
February 2010

**Community Staff**

Community Manager - Tammee Iverson    Administrative Assistant - Donna Cohoon  
Maintenance Staff - Dave Langley and Jason Heater

**Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 10am to 5pm



**Around Town**

**2010 Super Bowl.** The 2010 Super Bowl XLIV will be played on Sunday, February 7, 2010 at Dolphin Stadium in Miami, Florida. It will be broadcast on CBS, which lists the start time at 6:30pm.

**Goodfellows Food Bank.** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. 2pm-4pm at Sherry's Academy of Dance (Old Carleton High School), 12610 Harris St., Carleton. You will need to bring ID & utility bill to establish residency. The Orchards Office will continue to accept donations of food on behalf of the Goodfellows.

**MOM2MOM Sale** St. Roch Catholic Church in Flat Rock. February 20, 2010 from 9am-2pm. Table prices \$20. Contact Amanda at 734-624-0193 for more info.

**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, 2010 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 Involvement**

**February 10<sup>th</sup>** - We will be holding a monthly "Coffee Hour" at the Community Clubhouse beginning February 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 11am. Join your fellow residents for coffee, cookies and conversation. Bring along some playing cards, board games, etc. if you like.

**Community News**

**Welcome** - Please welcome Dave Langley to our maintenance staff.  
**Welcome Home!** We know the search for a new home can be hectic. Now that you've found The Orchards relax, enjoy and meet your neighbors. **Welcome Home - The Bint Family & The Dagenais Family!**  
**Community Liaison.** Please join us in congratulating Ann Schoenberg on her newly elected position!

To all Orchards Community Residents,  
My name is Ann Schoenberg and I have been living in the Orchards since August 2001, I am also a condo owner. At the recent association meeting I volunteered and was nominated to be the condo association liaison. I would like to extend that to all the residents in this community. I can be reached either by phone or email. My phone # is: 734-777-4627 and my email address is: [amschoenberg@sprint.blackberry.net](mailto:amschoenberg@sprint.blackberry.net). I can't guarantee to resolve every issue that may arise but I will do my best to make our community one that you want to live in. I would like to have an open meeting for all residents in the near future, date and time will be posted at the mailboxes. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Ann Schoenberg

**Neighborhood Watch.** Are you interested in maintaining the great quality of life at The Orchards? Do you have some free time where you could volunteer in your community? Hopefully your answer is YES! We need volunteers to help with The Neighborhood Watch Program. This program is only as successful as we make it. Please call the office at 734-782-0268 to sign up or get more info.

**Parking.** The parking of recreational and/or large vehicles is limited to 24 hours. Also, parking on the street and in the dirt areas of vacant lots is prohibited. Residents are required to park in their driveways and designated parking areas only, or, they are risk of having their vehicle towed at their own expense.

**Children.** Please advise children and teenagers that if they are walking down the middle of the street and/or playing in the roadway, they are to move out of the way of traffic to allow vehicles to pass by. Notices will be sent to households whose children have been identified as causing a nuisance to other residents. Also, it is requested that parents of teenagers instruct them not to be wandering around the community in the middle of the night, or, they will be at risk of having the Sheriff's Department called on them for suspicious behavior.

Please submit any new Classified ads for Merchandise and/or Services to the Community Office. We will Insert this section in The March 2010 Newsletter with updated Information.

The Story of St. Valentine

In 270 A.D. marriage had been outlawed by the emperor of Rome, Claudius II. Claudius issued this decree because he thought that married men made bad soldiers since they were reluctant to be torn away from their families in the case of war. Claudius had also outlawed Christianity in this time period because he wished to be praised as the one supreme god, the Emperor of Rome. Valentine was the bishop of Interamna during this period of oppression. Valentine thought that the decrees of Rome were wrong. He believed that people should be free to love God and to marry. Valentine invited the young couples of the area to come to him. When they came, Valentine secretly performed services of matrimony & united the couples. Valentine was eventually caught & was brought before the emperor. The emperor saw that Valentine had conviction & drive that was unsurpassed among his men. Claudius tried & tried to persuade Valentine to leave Christianity, serve the Roman empire & the Roman gods. In exchange, Claudius would pardon him & make him one of his allies. St. Valentine held to his faith & did not renounce Christ. Because of this, the emperor sentenced him to a three-part execution. First, Valentine would be beaten, then stoned and then finally, decapitated. Valentine died on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 270 A.D. While in prison, waiting for his sentence to be carried out, Valentine fell in love with the jailer's daughter, the blind Asterius. During the course of Valentine's prison stay, a miracle occurred & Asterius regained her sight. Valentine sent her a final farewell note. He signed his last note, "From Your Valentine." Even today, this message remains as the motto for our Valentine's Day celebrations.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Community Rent and Association Fees Due Late Fees After the 5 <sup>th</sup>	2	3	4	5	6
7  2010 Super Bowl	8	9	10 Coffee Hour 10am to 11am at The Community Clubhouse	11	12	13
14 	15	16 Goodfellow Food Bank Carleton	17	18	19	20 Mom2Mom Sale St. Roch Church Flat Rock 9am-2pm
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	1	2	3	4	5	6