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September 28, 2017

Chris Aikens  
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Dear Chris,

I wish to whole-heartedly thank you for the wonderful financial supportive gift Flagstar Bank gave to Housing Services Mid Michigan this past May.

As you may remember from the application, HSMM planned to use these funds to support activities for low to moderately low income Eaton County residents with housing issues.

This past summer we held monthly homebuyer educational seminars targeted at first time homebuyers. Several households who attended the class purchased homes following our seminars. Using our down payment assistance program (IDA) we had 4 purchases and leveraged over \$350,000 in mortgages. Additionally, we used these funds to support our foreclosure prevention program and worked with the County Treasurer to assist several families facing tax sale foreclosure. All in all, I believe your funds were very valuable to our mission.

Again, please accept my sincere thank you for the bank's gift. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 517-541-1180.

Sincerely,

Denise M. Dunn, MA, CFLE  
Executive Director



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Single Audit Submission Accepted - HOUSING SERVICES MID MICHIGAN (2016),  
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AUDITEE NAME: HOUSING SERVICES MID MICHIGAN

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FISCAL YEAR END DATE: 5/31/2016

The Single Audit submission for the above referenced organization has been accepted by the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC). No further action is needed.

Your FAC Accepted Date is: 9/26/2017. Please retain this e-mail for your records.

Sincerely,

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September 21, 2017

Dear Employer,

Every three years, the Michigan Dept of Technology, Management and Budget and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) request that you complete the Annual Refiling Survey to verify or provide general business information about your firm. Your cooperation is essential so that we are able to produce data that are complete, accurate and timely.

To reduce costs and save tax dollars, this survey has been moved online and can be completed in 5 to 10 minutes. Please use the Web ID and password provided below to log into our secure website: <https://idcfars.bls.gov>

**WEB ID: 260000859504**

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This survey is authorized by 29 U.S. Code, Section 2.

The BLS-3023 form is approved with O.M.B. No. 1220-0032, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor. The information collected by the Michigan Dept of Technology, Management and Budget and BLS will be used for statistical and Unemployment Insurance program purposes and other purposes in accordance with law. Additional information and instructions for this survey can be found at: [www.bls.gov/respondents/ars](http://www.bls.gov/respondents/ars)

Please provide your response within **14 days**. If you have already submitted this report, please disregard this notice and accept our thanks for responding.

Sincerely,

Emily Thomas  
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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DENISE -

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD  
WORK PUTTING TOGETHER THE STAND DOWN!  
IT WAS A GREAT EVENT WITH A  
FANTASTIC TURNOUT! THANK YOU AGAIN  
FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
SPEAK. LOOKING FORWARD TO MORE  
EVENTS LIKE THESE!

SINCERELY - BRETT



MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE BRETT ROBERTS

65TH DISTRICT

8/2017 - Recent client notes



Just can't thank you  
enough!

TAZ

I will remember this always

Todd

I'm finally in the new apartment all thanks to you and your team. I'm out of a very stressful situation and feel much relief.

I can't thank you enough. I appreciate all your help.

I believe you said I will be getting a call from someone that can help me get some furniture for my apartment?

Have a wonderful weekend and holiday.

Take Care

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Recent postings on bulletin board

4/10/17

To everyone at Housing Services,

I wanted to extend my appreciation to all of you that have helped me get help with not only housing but also furniture & gas. It's been incredible to see such kind/helpful people; it helps me have hope for the future for our country needs more caring people like you all at Housing Services. God has been really blessing me & bringing people into my life to help me get back on my feet! It's been extremely difficult for the past couple of years & now I feel like I have a new leg & its all because of people like you!! Thank you

I couldn't have done it without you ☺

Sincerely  
Horetta Barton



Hi Denise,

I just wanted to tell you how  
pleased I was to see you  
nominated — and then to see  
the committee's choice.

well done, well earned!

My best,  
Eric

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## 2017 Sunfield Farmers Picnic Fun for All Ages

Thursday evening drew many to the park for a delicious pulled pork BBQ sandwich and to attend the Grand Marshal Reception for Dar Benjamin. After enjoying a chicken dinner sponsored by the Sunfield United Brethren Church, bingo returned on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon, as well as Cook's Peddle Pull with winners Cole Goodmoot, Hudson Jackson and Rozlyn Wilcox in the 3-4 year old group; Weston Wilcox, Quinn Brummette and Kane Shaw in the 5-6 year old group; Charlie Dykhouse, Keaton Shaw and Zoie Brummette in the 7-8 year old group; and Jacob Coffmen, Riley Johnson and Adalyn Cook in the 9-11 year old group. Each participant received a ribbon and an individual bottle of Moooville chocolate milk donated by Crop Services Production. Crowning of Prince Tyler Hanna, son of Mike and Kendra Hanna, and Princess Kira Molnar, daughter of Mitch and Mychell Molnar, took place under the big tent with the royal court to include Parker Molnar, Merrick Bristow and Brookelyn Magyar. Allen As Tim performed a Tim McGraw Tribute under the Big Tent for nearly three hours to an enthusiastic crowd.



Dar Benjamin is presented with the 2017 Grand Marshal plaque.





## ROADS I HAVE TRAVELED

By: Dar Benjamin  
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Wow, what a busy last couple of weeks, but it sure was a fun time for Diane and me. We were introduced under the big tent on Thursday night by the Board of the Sunfield Farmers Picnic by Jeff Gibbs who introduced all the board members. Then they introduced me as the 2017 Grand Marshal where I said a few words of thanks. It took a lot of gumption to stand up in a crowd and talk about your being a friend, neighbor or business person with me being the person they are talking about. Several stood up and gave some humorous things I attempted as a kid and some that I completed in my lifetime. My daughter Tracy stood up and told the crowd how proud she was of me and our life together after more than 3 decades. All the kids make me feel so good and glad we are all family that does really love each other and can say it and mean it.

We had cake and ice-cream for everyone, and then I got a chance to walk around and speak with old friends, family and school friends from long ago. The first group was the Ainsworth boys, Alan who came back from his home in Florida, Albert with his wife Nancy; then my good friend from school, Durwood "Woody" Booher who came from St. Mary's Lake near Battle Creek. Soon we were joined by Brian Benedict who rounded out the group telling stories and making us laugh about things that we did when younger.

Many residents and former residents from Sunfield Apartments came to let me know I was appreciated during my time as the Manager. Most became good friends; in fact I received a very nice handwritten card congratulating me from a former Sunfield pioneer now living in south Texas. Her card was special because I had just found out Flo Sayer had Hospice Home Care coming into her life to help her and Chris & Gary with

daily needs. Chris and Gary also wrote on her envelope their congratulations to me. Another old friend Val Hanna sent me a wonderful card that always is so upbeat and makes me feel so good after talking with her or getting some words of wisdom from her note to me. Val moved back to her home state of Minnesota to be near remaining family after her husband Harold died a few years ago. They both were Sunfield's big supporters their whole life. We missed you big time Val.

Now the parade is always a big draw for Sunfield. I cannot find the word or words that describe people who may have been born and raised around Sunfield or Mulliken or went to Sunfield Schools in their lifetime that draws them "Home" to Sunfield for the Sunfield Farmers Picnic every year. It is a time that the whole town and Village Park are lined with people watching ball games, watching the parade or filling downtown shopping after the Parade is done at Mapes, filling the Museum and GAR Hall with visitors until closing time. Small town at its finest doing a good job with parking for everyone. It's the first time to see parking around the water tower north of the Ted Foltz Ballfields but the homecoming board had a John Deere Shuttle running around town picking folks up and delivering them to the park and when they were ready to leave taking them back to their car or trucks. Very nice service provided as it seemed to have riders every time I saw them coming and going from the park.

Now on Friday we had to take in the Sunfield United Brethren Church grilled chicken dinner that is a winner for everyone. A big serving of a tender half of a chicken that it falls off the bone served with a big baked potato, coleslaw and a homemade cookie or brownie. The Sunfield Red Hatters are usually the first served and many are taking half of their chicken home for another meal the next day. When we got in line it moved quickly and we had our dinner in a box looking for our friends Pastor Mark Ralph and his wife Ruth. Finding them easily we sat down

next to them and thanked them for driving up from Ohio to come watch the parade and see old friends from his time at Sunfield United Brethren Church that he pastored for years. He and Ruth said we had to see you and Diane leading the parade in your little red convertible.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to the folks at SUNDANCE CHEVROLET IN GRAND LEDGE, MI for the use of a beautiful red Chevrolet Camaro Convertible with a driver for the Grand Marshal's use in the parade. Our driver Lynn Mater works for Sundance and gave us a wonderful ride and experience sitting high on the back rails with our feet on the seat. What a view seeing all the people who came to our town's parade. We got into the line up about 15 minutes early and had lots of friends come up to congratulate us.

One of the biggest surprises was our own State Senator Rick Jones and State Representative Tom Barrett walking up to our car and presented me with a Legislative Tribute signed by both of them congratulating me on being selected as the Grand Marshal of 2017 Sunfield Farmers Picnic.

After we started moving along the route people were yelling and waving from the crowds sitting in front of the homes in their lawn chairs, kids running around picking up candy that was being thrown towards the throngs of kids and adults that lined the route. Diane and I saw lots of familiar faces as we made our way down First St. an more that we didn't know. In front of the former Wm. Bosworth's home a lot of Bosworth's, Estep's and their families had sitting and standing adults and children filling the yard that was already filled with cars. As we moved north along First St. there were several more homes with front yards filled with lawn chairs on both sides of the road. Again at the corner of School St. Yards were filled with observers on blankets and chairs. Several adults were recognized but lots of happy kids were going to have a sugar fix that night with bags filling with treats.

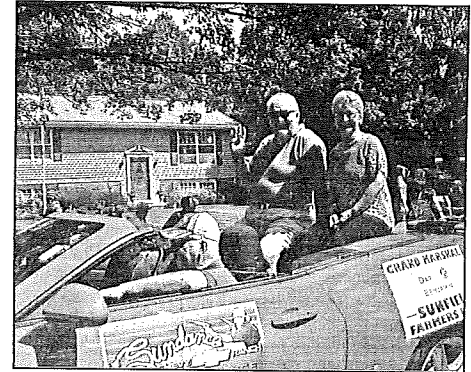
As we got to the corners of Logan and First St. loads of people

and kids, we had gone a block to block and a half waving to the crowds on both sides of the road and my arm was getting tired already. As we approached Jackson St. lots of people along the lawns on both sides of the road then I noticed my partner's brother, Tom Schneeberger and his family from Grand Ledge. We had been surprised by several friends and business associates who also watched the parade and were taking photos of us as we passed by. Another friend from our real estate office was Joe and Jane Schneeberger Gilson who last week presented us with some photos that were fantastic and I am including one of Diane and I with this article. On Washington St. our daughter's, grandson and other family were sitting along the way collecting candy with his girlfriend's children and they had a haul when we met up with them they showed us bags that had to have a couple pounds in them.

We turned on Main St. making it to the front of the Sunfield Sentinel where Main St. was filled with people when I look to my right and here are two daughters Mary and Christine along with granddaughter Lindsey and great grandson Jase. We later met at the park and Lindsey let me in on a surprise. She is pregnant and we will be great grandparents again.

As we went down Main Street we saw lots of familiar faces on both sides of the street. The Welch Museum had chairs set up for the visitors to watch the parade in front and they were well occupied. As we turned onto Third Street it seemed to be wall to wall people in front of the homes and on the corners they filled in. Many familiar faces and well wishes from the parade watchers all the way into the park and beyond. As we cruised through the park and up to Second St. then to First St.

We experienced something that only riders in the parade like us can. That is seeing people lined up for blocks going north, east, south and west to watch us in the Biggest Little Town Parade. There is something special to experience seeing fire trucks, farm



Dar and Diane Benjamin



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tractors, old cars, and musical marching bands, kids on bikes and pulling baby brother or sister in a wagon or cart. Farm wagons full of kids from the local churches or red hatters with some riders almost 90 or over having a great day with their friends and waving to the crowds that came to see them.

Thank you Sunfield Farmers Picnic Board for a wonderful time as your Grand Marshal for 2017 it has been a blast and I appreciate your selecting me. As I told you at the introduction, it made my day, my week and all the perks you provided such as the wonderful bag chair with my name, title and date. The perfect parking spot by the fairgrounds and big tent made it easier to get around with no long walk. It also had other perks like the Methodist Mint slicing me a huge quarter of a whole cherry pie with two scoops of ice cream that took me a while to eat but I ate the whole thing. Thank you to all of you my friends who made this a special Farmers Picnic to a home town boy who has been to a lot of Homecoming from a young boy who remem-

bers the ball games and the next morning I was at the park early crawling underneath the bleachers searching for coins that fell out of the pockets of the ball game watchers. Eating at the fair booths and drinking the soft drinks always made for a fun time. On Saturday I was running down about 4 pm so I went to my daughters and had a light snack knowing the ox roast was almost ready. As soon as I had that lunch with a cold drink I had to lie down. I went into her living room and stretched out on the couch and went into never never land immediately. When I got up the ox roast was over and I was then a really pooped Grand Marshal. So I not only missed getting my ox sandwich. I love gizzards and missed my favorite food this time and that was Joe's Fried Chicken Gizzards so a mission to Potterville will be in the works in the coming weeks.

Thank you all for a wonderful time at our Hometown Sunfield Farmers Picnic.

See you in a couple weeks the good Lord willing.