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“Rochester Junior Woman’s Club Presents Donation to Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm

Rochester, MI October 16th, 2008 -- Recently the Rochester Junior Woman’s Club presented Pat McKay, Director of Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, with a check from their 2007-2008 fundraising events.

The donation will be used towards the restoration of the 1927 Calf Barn at the Museum complex. The Museum currently houses the archival records of the Junior Woman's Club which has a long history of community involvement in the greater Rochester area. As storage needs at the Museum have increased, the Museum master plan identified the 1927 Calf Barn as the long term solution towards preserving local history as well as the records of many local community service clubs.

The Museum and the Junior Woman's Club have worked together for many years and the club has helped with many of the Museum restoration efforts. Since 1979, the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm and the City of Rochester Hills have restored the 1840 Van Hoosen Farmhouse, 1850 Red House, 1927 Dairy Barn, 1910 Milk House, 1927 Bull Barn, as well as cleaned up and restored the surrounding 16 acres of grounds. The Museum hopes to initiate the first phase of restoration of the Calf Barn within the next two years.

For over 50 years the Rochester Junior Woman's Club has contributed to the growth and vitality of the community through volunteer service and donation of funds to local charities and organizations. For more information about Rochester Junior Woman’s Club please call Michelle Vitale at (586) 206-2571, email michvitale@yahoo.com, or visit www.rhpl.org/rjwc/.