



Attorney General Bill

Schuette to Speak at October Quarterly Luncheon

Please reserve October 8th at noon for our next Quarterly Luncheon. Our guest will be Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette. The meeting will be in cooperation with the Grand Rapids Bar Association. Bill became Michigan's 53rd Attorney General in January 2011. He has extensive experience in both federal and state government. He has served the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government for three



decades. He began his career in 1984, when he was elected to the United States House of Representatives at age 31. He served three terms in the Congress. In 1990, Bill was Michigan's Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate.

Reserve Your

Quarterly Luncheon Tickets

for

Oct. 8th with

Attorney General Bill Schuette

Price: \$25.00 per person

RSVP to Gayle at mccrathg@gvmc.org

In 1991, Bill was named Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and served as a member of Governor Engler's Cabinet.

While he was Director of the Department of Agriculture, Bill and his wife Cynthia created Michigan Harvest Gathering, a food and fund drive to help feed hungry people throughout Michigan. The Harvest Gathering has raised more than \$6.1 million and 7.8 million pounds of food for Michigan families.

In 1994, Bill was elected to the Michigan Senate from the 35th District. In May of 2001, President George W. Bush selected Bill to be his Personal Representative to the Australian-American Friendship Week.

In 2012, Bill Schuette was elected to the Michigan Court of Appeals and served for 6 years as one of 28 appellate judges in Michigan.

Bill also served as Senior Counsel at the law firm of Warner, Norcross and Judd from 2009 to 2010. He serves on many boards and organizations in Midland and throughout Michigan. Bill is a Fellow of the Michigan Bar Association.

We are pleased to have Attorney General Schuette as our guest.

Board Meeting Highlights

Our next Board of Director's Meeting will be on Thursday August 2nd at 8:30 am. It will be held at the County Building in the County Commission Chambers.

On our agenda will be the appointment and swearing in Michael Selden, City Manager of the City of Wayland. We will also have a presentation by Roger Safford, PE, Regional Engineer for MDOT. Roger will discuss with our state-wide transportation issues as well as all the activities in our region.

We will also be presenting a first look at the GVMC 2012-2013 Budget. I am presenting it at this meeting in order to give the Board a month to review and ask any questions about the budget.

In my Budget Message is a detailed listing of all the critical budget dates. We have had many members involved in the budget process including the Transportation Policy Committee, the REGIS Executive Committee and REGIS Board, and our GVMC Budget and Executive Committees.

We have dramatically increased transparency of the process by involving so many members and allowing extra time for review. The budget will be on the agenda for final adoption in September after a one month review period.