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HICKOK CENTER'S AUTUMN SCARECROW COMPETITION & RAFFLE AT GREEN ACRE FARM & NURSERY

ROCHESTER, NY, October 2, 2009 – **The Hickok Center for Brain Injury's Scarecrow Competition and Raffle** will feature member-made scarecrows on display amongst the pumpkins at **Green Acre Farm & Nursery** located at 3456 Latta Road, Rochester, 14612, **Saturday, October 17th and Sunday, October 18th**. While shopping for the autumn holidays, cider and the best fry cakes around, be sure to cast your vote for your favorite scarecrow. Each \$1 vote enters voters in a raffle to win a scarecrow to take home and enjoy for the season. Proceeds from this contest will help defray the cost of supplies for both our Rochester and Newark Centers' member-requested in-house and community art activities. For more information, please call 585-271-8640x104; maprice@hickokcenter.org

Extended through October 25th!



Brain injury can occur anywhere at anytime due to stroke or aneurism, seizure, such as an otherwise common fall while learning a new recreational sport, or accidents while at work or play. Brain injury survivors often describe the time during and after the injury as "life interrupted"; after which they must regain lost skills that the rest of us take for granted, such as writing or typing, conversing with friends, folding laundry, and shopping for groceries.

Hickok Center for Brain Injury members often donate their art projects back to the Centers' for sale to help raise money to enable Hickok the flexibility and resources to provide creative, individualized, and therapeutic services that assist members in rebuilding their lives after brain injury, including van transportation and vocation services providing support and advocating for both our member jobseekers and their potential employers to ensure sustained employment and long-term success. The Hickok Center, celebrating 20 years of community service, is member-driven – members set their own goals, design their own programs and utilize the agency's staff in ways that are consistent with their own priorities toward independence and self-sufficiency. Hickok Center is where people with brain injuries can go to redevelop the skills they have lost, within the safety and support of people with similar experiences and professionals who understand their struggle. For more information about the services provided at Hickok Center for Brain Injury, please visit www.hickokcenter.org or call 585-271-8640.

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Green Acre Farm & Nursery, in its 31st year in North Greece, graciously plays host to Hickok Center's Scarecrow Competition and Raffle. The farm market/garden center was founded by Jack and Millie Edmond in 1978. Though busy year-round, the fall brings a flurry of excitement worth coming out for. Working in cooperation with neighboring Green Acre Farm, they celebrate the apple harvest for nearly two full months. This includes fresh pressed apple cider, homemade pies, pumpkins, crafts and, of course, those famous fry cakes! The festive season does not end until Christmas Eve when the fresh cut trees, handmade wreaths, poinsettias and the garlands have all sold. The Edmond family and the many generations of families they employ at Green Acre Farm & Nursery pride themselves in their knowledge, superior service, quality products, compassionate ears and friendly smiles. For more information about Green Acre Farm & Nursery, please visit www.GreenAcreFarmandNursery.com or call 585-227-0510.

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Second Prize Winners – 8 Total – Took home their favorite scarecrows!

- #1 The Eye Doctor winner Mary Anne K. Barry
- #2 The Purple Witch winner Kim Edmond
- #3 The Cheerleader winner Ben Hassett
- #4 The Dungeon Keeper winner Jeff Pier
- #5 The Alligator winners Larry & Kasey Conrow
- #6 The Cowboy winner Ed Weidenkeller
- #7 The Bobbie Soxer winner Hannan Zachary
- #8 The Pirate winner Linda Hurtubis

