

Moving Forward Together

2005 marks my 15th year as a public servant at the Genesee County Health Department. In my time here, I have witnessed something truly remarkable: a steady improvement in food service sanitation in Genesee County.

Over the last 15 years, the average number of critical violations cited per inspection has decreased 74% from 2.5 to 0.9. Complaints of foodborne illness have decreased 35% from 148 to 95 per year. Laboratory confirmed cases of foodborne illness in Genesee County caused by *E. coli* 0157:H7, *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter*, *Shigella*, and hepatitis A are all decreasing. This is great news!

The credit for this great news belongs to you. Yes, the health department has worked hard to improve the way it regulates and interacts with food service operators. However, without your efforts, without your commitment to food safety, and without your willingness to work with the health department to improve your food handling procedures, there would be no good news to report.

Thank you for proving that things CAN change for the better. Keep up the good work!

Ward

Ward Lindsay,
Food Program Supervisor



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Training Opportunities

Food Workers' Classes Monthly Schedule

April 20	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
May 18	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
June 16	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
July 20	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
August 17	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
September 21	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
October 19	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
November 9	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
December 7	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Registration Cost: \$11.00 per participant
Pre-registration required

ServSafe Certified Food Service Manager Course

a nationally recognized course!

Based on the course book from the Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association

Next course: April 5, 2005 - May 17, 2005
7-week course (meets once a week)

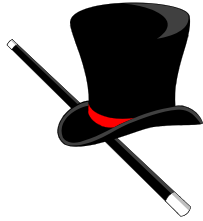
Registration Cost: \$146.00

\$59.00 annual license credit for successful completion of course

DON'T DELAY – REGISTER TODAY!

(810) 257-3603

HATS OFF



Congratulations to the following individuals who recently became Certified Food Service Managers by completing coursework and successfully earning a certificate from the Education Foundation of the National Restaurant Association:

Dana Abrahams	Fenton Farms Association
David Alexander	Cheeky Monkey
Mary Anderson	Angelo's – Bristol Road
Amy Bauer	Skip's Come Back inn
Melanie Bregan	Halo Burger
Denise Caldwell	Holiday Inn
Dean Case	MI Commission for the Blind
Blake Cease	Kentucky Fried Chicken
Vickie Cauthen	Paul's Coney Island
Gjergi Dedivanaj	Mega Coney Island
Rrok Dedivanaj	Mega Coney Island
Brian Gwinn	Mr. Brown's Backyard Bar and Grill
Jimme Hartley	Holiday Inn
Christie King	Latina's
Kara Korf	Skip's Come Back Inn
Tina Lamay	Halo Burger
Kimberley Lockrey	Visiting Nurses Association
Jeff Mann	Holiday Inn
Chantell McGhee	Halo Burger
Zolton Molnar	Genesis Coney Island
Lesley Moss	GC-CARD Sr. Nutrition
Jeff Murdock	Mr. Brown's Backyard Bar and Grill
Audrey Naddaf	Genesis Coney Island
Issam Naddaf	Genesis Coney Island
Ming Tat Ng	China City
James Patrick	Sorrento's
Lisa Podwys	Checkpoint Lounge
Betty Rhoades	Madden's Lounge
Andrew Sanders	Holiday Inn
Mark Sauve	Twin's Pizza
Duane Schmitter	Baldwin Family Dining
Anthony Snyder	Flint Auto Auction
Bradford Taylor	Hungry Howie's
Loyd Toman	Kentucky Fried Chicken
William Welch	Mega Coney Island
Christopher White	Fenton Farms Association

**Remember
2005 Food Service License
Renewals are due by:**

Friday, April 29th at 5:00 p.m.

中国语言食物安全训练录影带

Chinese 餐馆食物安全, 20 分钟录影带,
现在是可得到的经由 Genesee
县健康部门。录影带是可得到的在广州和北京话里。
费用是\$6.00 每磁带。题目包括: 收购和接受食物,
适当的存贮,食物配制, 交付, 个人卫生,
清洁和作卫生处理。请停止或与Genesee
县健康部门联系于(810) 257-3603
今天以收购你的拷贝!

Chinese Language Food Safety Training Videotapes

"Chinese Restaurant Food Safety", a 20-minute videotape, is now available through the Genesee County Health Department. Videotapes are available in both **Cantonese** and **Mandarin**. The cost is \$6.00 per tape.

Topics include:

- * Purchasing and receiving food
- * Proper storage
- * Food preparation
- * Delivery
- * Personal hygiene
- * Cleaning and sanitizing

Please call the Genesee County Health Department at (810) 257-3603 to purchase your copy today!

HACCP Corner

You can't get it anywhere else....

The Genesee County Health Department is the ONLY local health department in the entire state of Michigan that offers a license credit for a food service establishment having a valid HACCP plan (risk-based food safety plan) in place.

In Genesee County, there are 36 food service establishments that have taken advantage of this license credit, which is currently half of your license fee. That's right - **half of your license fee is waived!**

Contact Kelli Pleasant at (810) 257-3192 for more information on getting on board with HACCP!

Spotlight on the Sanitarian

Sheryl Morey



Sheryl Morey has been with the Genesee County Health Department for approximately five years. She is responsible for inspecting food service establishments and following up on food related complaints in approximately half of Flint Township (establishments beginning with A-K), Richfield Township and a portion of the City of Flint.

Sheryl is one of the instructors for the monthly Food Workers' Classes held at the Health Department. "I enjoy reaching out to the food service community through education" explains Sheryl.

Before coming to the Genesee County Health Department, Sheryl worked at the Lapeer County Health Department for two years in their Food Protection Program. In Lapeer, she was one of only two sanitarians assigned to the Food Program.

"Joining the staff in Genesee County has been a great opportunity for professional growth" says Sheryl. She has been involved with the Flint River Watershed Coalition both while "on the clock" and also as a volunteer for their various activities including river clean-ups.

Sheryl has a Bachelor of Science in Biology from San Francisco State University in California. Sheryl and her husband, Don, have three children and reside in North Branch.

Working together with you for food safety ...

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Barbra Nickels, R.S.
810-257-3159

Plan Review & New Licenses
East side of Flint/Genesee County
Rod McNeill 810-257-3827

HACCP Trainer and
Swartz Creek, Clayton, Gaines and
Argentine Townships
Kelli Pleasant 810-257-3192

Flint Township (A-K)
Richfield Township
Sheryl Morey 810-257-3820

Flushing & Vienna Townships
Bill Hough 810-257-3597

Flint Township (L-Z)
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Dawn Pickard 810-257-3601

Atlas and Davison Townships
Pete McKenna 810-257-3823

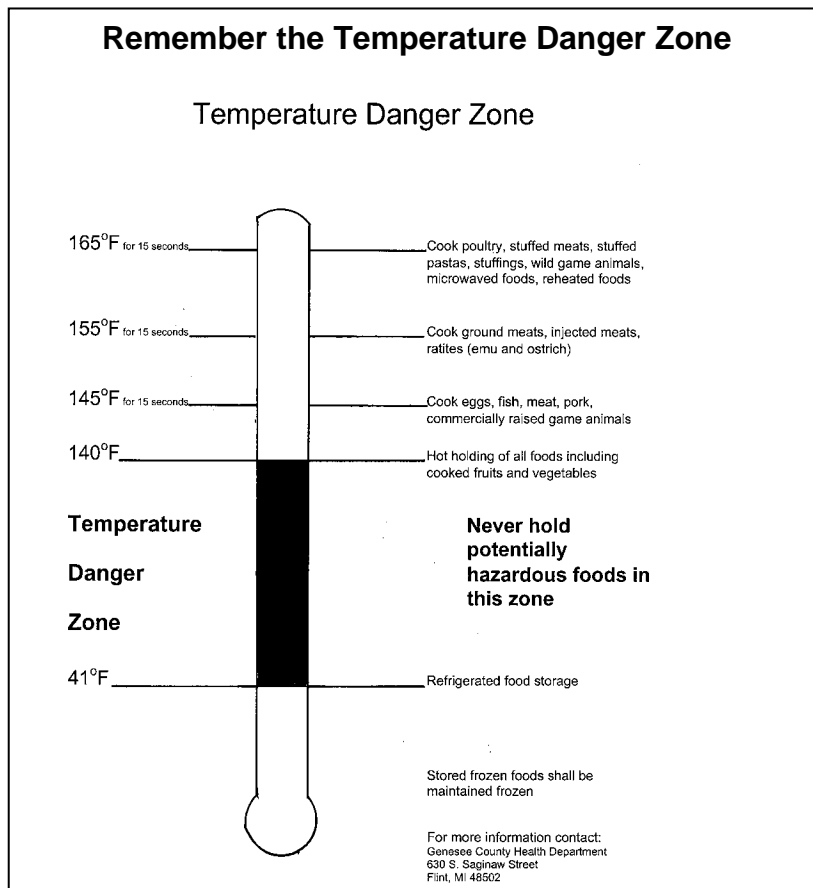
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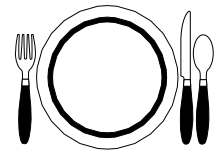
Forest, Genesee, Thetford Townships
Jeff Kost 810-257-3847

**If your operation is in the city of
Flint, contact our office for your
area sanitarian.**



2004 Excellence in Sanitation Awards

The following awards were presented on Wednesday, October 27, 2004
at a reception held at the Genesee County Health Department



Bar Only

Autumn Lounge

G-3473 Fenton Road, Burton

Bar and Grill

Pachyderm Pub

G-1408 E. Hemphill Road, Burton

Catering

Bon Appetit

9211 E. Coldwater Road, Davison Township

Concession

Courtland Cinema

4226 E. Court Street, Burton

Donut, Bagel, or Coffee Shop

East Village Java

823 Commonwealth, City of Flint

Ethnic Menu

El Ranchito, Inc.

4023 Clio Road, City of Flint

Fast Food – Franchise

McDonald's

3719 Davison Road, City of Flint

Fast Food – Independent

Big John's Steak & Onion

4180 W. Vienna Road, Vienna Township

Fine Dining

Captain's Club

1 Golfside Drive, Grand Blanc

Fraternal Organization

VFW #822

G-5065 S. Saginaw Street, Grand Blanc

Full Service with Bar Service – Franchise

Olive Garden

3699 Miller Road, Flint Township

Full Service with Bar Service – Independent

Mr. Brown's/Creative Catering

G-4031 Richfield Road, Genesee Township

Full Service – Franchise

Old Country Buffet

3583 Miller Road, Flint Township

Full Service – Independent

CJ's Café

8012 Miller Road, Swartz Creek

Ice Cream Shop

Twist N More

7499 S. Linden Road, Mundy Township

Institutional Food Service

Camp Copneconic

10407 Fenton Road, Fenton Township

Mobile/STFU Establishment

World Class BBQ

5101 N. Saginaw Street, City of Flint

Pizza - Take-out or Limited Dining

Hungry Howie's

1419 Flushing Road, Flushing

Religious Setting

Court Street United Methodist Church

225 W. Court Street, City of Flint

Serving Site Only

Stonegate Banquet Centre

1084 N. Irish Road, Davison

K-12 School – Full Service

Montrose Community Schools

301 Nanita, Montrose

Certificates were also awarded to the following establishments in the category of:

K-12 School – Satellite Operation

Anderson Elementary School

G-3248 Mackin Road, City of Flint

Bunche Elementary School

4121 M. L. King Blvd., City of Flint

Eisenhower Elementary School

1235 Pershing Street, City of Flint

Gaines Elementary School

300 Lansing Street, Gaines

Johnson Elementary School

5323 Western Road, City of Flint

Scott Elementary School

1602 S. Averill, City of Flint

Stalker Elementary School

G-3329 Burnell Ave., Flint Township

Washington Elementary School

1400 N. Vernon Avenue, City of Flint