

Mercantile Bank Corporation [MBWM] to Ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell

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What:

Mercantile Bank Corporation [MBWM], the bank holding company for Mercantile Bank of Michigan, will visit the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square.

In honor of the occasion, Michael Price, Chairman, President, and CEO, Robert Kaminski, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, and Charles Christmas, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer will ring the Opening Bell.

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Tuesday, December 11, 2012 - 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at:

http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.asx.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to <u>http://www.nasdaq.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm</u> and click on the market open of your choice.

About Mercantile Bank Corporation [MBWM]:

Based in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Mercantile Bank Corporation is the bank holding company for Mercantile Bank of Michigan. Founded in 1997 to provide banking services to businesses, individuals and governmental units, the Bank differentiates itself on the basis of service quality and the expertise of its banking staff. Mercantile has seven full-service banking offices in Grand Rapids, Holland and Lansing, Michigan. Mercantile Bank Corporation's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "MBWM."

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