



**FOR RELEASE:**

March 4, 2009

**CONTACT:**

Dan Reynolds  
Communications Manager  
(734) 780-2116  
Fax: (734) 780-2142  
[dan@midwesteyebanks.org](mailto:dan@midwesteyebanks.org)

## **Cornea transplant recipient to appear on Battle Creek TV**

ANN ARBOR, Mich. – Cornea transplant recipient Marjorie Gunn, of Delton, will make her annual appearance on Battle Creek Access Vision on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at noon, with host Dave Eddy. The live, hour-long broadcast will focus on the Michigan Eye-Bank's efforts to provide the miracle of restored eyesight through corneal transplantation, education and vision research.

Mrs. Gunn, an Ambassador for the Michigan Eye-Bank, has appeared on Dave Eddy's show during March, which is National Eye Donor Month, for more than a decade. On the program, Mrs. Gunn will share her experience with corneal transplantation. She has had four corneal transplants since 1974. She was also one of the first cornea recipients to join the Eye-Bank's volunteer Ambassador Program.

Mrs. Gunn will be joined on the program by Midwest Eye-Banks President and CEO Kevin Ross and Dr. P. Jeffrey Colquhoun, and ophthalmologist at Southwest Michigan Eye Center in Battle Creek.

When she's not volunteering to raise awareness about eye, organ and tissue donation, Mrs. Gunn enjoys baking, and is known as the "cake lady" for her baking and cake decorating skills.

Program host Dave Eddy has been on the air for nearly 50 years, and has been a familiar voice on WBCK-AM since 1960. Known as WBCK's "Morning Mayor", Eddy also earned an Eye-Bank Special Service Award for his support of donor awareness education, and was also honored in 2007 as part of the Michigan Eye-Bank's 50th Anniversary celebration.

The Michigan Eye-Bank is a division of Midwest Eye-Banks, a charitable not-for-profit organization dedicated to the restoration of sight. It recovers, evaluates and distributes human eye tissue for transplantation. It also supports research into the causes and cures of blinding eye conditions, promotes donation awareness through public and professional education, and provides humanitarian aid to people in need of corneal transplantation throughout the world. Visit [www.michiganeyebank.org](http://www.michiganeyebank.org) or call (800) 247-7250 for more information.

