

Hohman column was unrealistic and wrong

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I am forced to respond to James M. Hohman's column, "Why you needn't care regarding wealth inequality." In it, he stated, "There are plenty of people who ... live a good life on less than \$15,000 a year." Let him show me how to do that. I bet he wouldn't find his life so good.

The truth of the matter is that wages for the average worker have flat-lined since 1973, while the productivity of the work force has gone way up, as has compensation for those at the top. In other words, the only ones benefitting are those at the top and their lobbyists.

We now live in a land that has all but eroded the middle class, thanks to financial predators and their lust.

Unfortunately, with representatives such as Phil Pavlov, governors such as Rick Snyder and Washington lapdogs of conservative think-tanks such as the Mackinac Center and the Cato Institute, I don't see any improvement on our horizon.

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