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Disability Network Opens Location in Saginaw Township

Saginaw - Disability Network of Mid-Michigan (DNMM) opened a new location in Saginaw Township in November of 2014 at 2070 Hemmeter Road, and has been successfully providing services for the past 6 months in collaboration with Saginaw Psychological Services.

The new location is the result of an expanded partnership with the Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA).

"At this new location, DNMM provides Supports Coordination services to consumers who have developed an independent living plan through SCCMHA," said David Emmel, Executive Director of the Disability Network of Mid-Michigan.

"Supports Coordination staff work closely with people receiving CMH services to ensure all requested and needed services are being provided timely and sufficiently."

"Having a physical location in Saginaw allows us to better meet the needs of our Saginaw County consumers," said DNMM Independent Living Program Manager Kelly PeLong. "Our agency has had a long-standing partnership with SCCMHA since 1998 and now our collaboration and co-location with Saginaw Psychological offers more of an all-encompassing, wrap-around service through access to psychiatry and therapy services.

Although the typical 'medical model' is in contrast with our mission, we recognize

the importance of intervention and recovery based services for folks with developmental disabilities and mental illness. This collaboration gives us the best of both worlds.

Our new space houses four full-time Support Coordinators and a Supervisor and we are currently serving 100 individuals per month in Saginaw County. We thank Matt Briggs, SCCMHA Contracts & Properties Manager and Fran Erwin, Executive Director, Saginaw Psychological Services for helping make this partnership a reality."

Disability Network provides an array of services to those seeking a better, more independent quality of life. The benefits of independent living to the consumer are many and as varied as the people themselves.

DNMM provides supports, requested by an individual, in order to ensure that an individual has full access to his or her community.

For more information, please visit www.dnmm.org or call 989-835-4041.



(Left to Right) – Harry Leaver (DNMM Board President), Bob Van Deventer (Saginaw Chamber), Kelly PeLong (DNMM Program Manager), David Emmel (DNMM Executive Director), Jody Fetters, Jacqueline Dent, Tara White, Veronica Albin (DNMM Staff), and Tim Braun (Saginaw Township).

Light up the City is Coming!

Saginaw - The 'Light Up the City' initiative is a community outreach action plan working toward crime prevention through community participation.

The initiative provides leadership from law enforcement and unites partners with community organizations; local residents, politicians, healthcare organizations, educators, housing organizations and other stakeholders.

Prior to each event, a promotional walk will be done in the identified area to educate the residents about the 'Light Up the City' initiative as well as the 'Helping Neighbors' program.

A FREE energy efficient light bulb provided by Consumers Energy will be distributed to participating residents, and residents are encouraged to turn on their porch light in support of the initiative. The visual message signifies the unity of law enforcement and the community by taking back control of their neighborhoods.

The following is the schedule for the eight walks this year:

- June 17 (Quadrant 3 - southeast)
- June 24 (Quadrant 4 - northwest)

- July 1 (Quadrant 1 - northeast)
- July 8 (Quadrant 2 - southwest)
- July 15 (Quadrant 3 - southeast)
- July 22 (Quadrant 4 - northwest)
- July 29 (Quadrant 1 - northwest)
- August 5 (Quadrant 2 - southwest)

The week after the final walk on Aug. 5 will bring the Aug. 12 "community celebration" at Objibway park, which will take the place of the three citywide picnics held in July last year.

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Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat Receives Recognition for Success

Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity was recently recognized for the continuing success of the organization within the communities.

The organization is part of a global, nonprofit housing organization operated on Christian principles that seeks to put God’s love into action by building homes, communities and hope, and dedicated to eliminating substandard housing locally and worldwide through constructing, rehabilitating and preserving homes.



U.S. Congressman Rep. John Moolenaar (left) presents a tribute to Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity Executive Director, Cameron Brady, in recognition of as Habitat’s Michigan’s Affiliate of the Year at the Saginaw Office. *Courtesy Photo*



SSHFH staff, volunteers and Sandy Pearson, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Michigan, accept the award for Affiliate of the Year in Michigan at the Michigan annual awards dinner. *Courtesy Photo*



Saginaw-Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity receives the award for -Consumers Energy Excellence in Energy Efficiency-Outstanding New Contractor, Insulation & Windows Program. *Courtesy Photo*

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Marvis Cofield Presented with Prestigious FBI Director's Community Leadership Award

By Larry Green, Co-founder
Alkebu-lan Village Organization

Detroit – Marvis Cofield, one of my former karate students, and CEO of the Alkebu-lan Village program was recently honored as a recipient of the prestigious 2014 FBI Director's Community Leadership Award for crime prevention and educational programs in the community at a ceremony on May 1, held at the Federal Bureau of Investigations headquarters in Washington D. C. of which I had the opportunity to attend.

In addition to founding Alkebu-lan Village, Cofield also served the community as a substitute teacher for Kettering High School from 1980 to 1990. He has also been an advocate and community partner with the FBI Detroit Field Office Community Outreach Program for more than 10 years.

The Alkebu-lan Village is a non-profit 501(c)3 African-centered community-based organization committed to developing and nurturing an environment where families work together to build healthy minds, bodies and communities.

Cofield, a seventh-degree Black Belt, founded the Alkebu-lan Martial Arts Federa-



FBI Director James Comey and the 57 Recipients of the Directors community leadership award. Marvis Cofield, top Center. Courtesy Photo

tion in 1978, the original purpose of the organization was to provide affordable martial arts training for African American youth.

Since its inception, over 250,000 individuals have been trained in the discipline of martial arts. To reflect the growth and expansion of the program, in November 2000, the organization launched its new identity as Alkebu-lan Village.

The program presently includes: youth and adult sports, fitness programs, leadership training, visual and performing arts, homework assistance and tutoring, youth entrepreneurship development, community service, and a diversion program serving over 1,000 Detroit youth and families through on-site and outreach activities throughout the year.

Alkebu-lan Village has partnered with many Detroit Public Schools and EAA and Charter Schools.

The supporters of Alkebu-lan Village include, Chrysler Corporation, which has given over \$250,000, Skillman Foundation, Quicken Loans, Academy For The Arts, D.P.S. Strengthening Families, S.E.S. (No

Child Left Behind, United Way, Wayne County Executive, Warren Evans, City of Detroit Honorable Mayor Michael Duggan and past Mayor Dennis Archer, and a host of other VIPs.

The goal of Alkebu-lan Village is to continue to counteract violence, drugs and expand services and activities to prepare the youth for global success. To learn more about the Alkebu-lan program, visit www.alkebulanvillage.com



L-R Duane Lucas (co-founder of Alkebulan Martial Art Federation) Marvis Cofield (CEO Alkebulan Village) 2014 recipient of the DCLA award, Larry Green (co-founder of Alkebulan Martial Art Federation) Paul Abbate, Special Agent in charge of the Detroit FBI Division. Courtesy Photo



Marvis Cofield Receiving the Director's Community Leadership Award from Director, James Comey. Courtesy Photo

THE LATINO BANNER

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Midlife Latinas Are Boosting U.S. Entrepreneurial Numbers



Yesi Morillo-Gual, founder of Proud To Be Latina.
Photo Credit New America Media

By Elizabeth Isele

Wash. - Entrepreneurial activity in the United States is in a historic slump, according to Gallup and the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation for Entrepreneurship. But you'd never know it by looking at the data on Latina entrepreneurs. Latinas are the fastest growing cohort in the U.S. women's entrepreneurial arena.

According to The State of Women-Owned Businesses 2014, a report commissioned by American Express OPEN, the number of Latina-owned firms has more than tripled since 1997 (up 206 percent), their employment has risen 85 percent and their revenues have more than doubled (up 160 percent).

By contrast, there's been just a 68 percent growth in the number of all women-owned firms in America during that time, an 11 percent growth in overall employment and a 72 percent growth in revenue.

A Million Latina-Run Businesses

The 2014 report also notes that Latina entrepreneurs in the U.S. now run an estimated 1,033,100 businesses (up from 540,074 in 2002), making them second to African American

women (1,237,900 businesses) among all female minority-owned firms. The Latina-run businesses generate \$71.1 billion in revenue and employ 433,600 workers in addition to their owners.

Anecdotal evidence indicates that many of these Latina business owners began their entrepreneurial endeavors in their 40s and 50s.

Eager to understand this cultural phenomenon, I interviewed Yesi Morillo-Gual, a 40-plus Dominican-American serial entrepreneur and founder of Proud To Be Latina (PTBL), a personal and professional development network aimed at helping Latinas "rise to their full potential." PTBL's target audience is middle-management Latinas in corporate America, most of them in their 40s to 60s.

I started by asking her: "Are there unique strengths inherent in their cultural backgrounds that make Latinas predisposed to think and act entrepreneurially?"

She was quick to correct my perception that Latinas (and immigrants) in general) look to their communities for support and have an innate desire to help one another.

Fiercely Competitive

"They may live in communities to ease their way into a new culture," Morillo-Gual said, "but they are still fiercely competitive within those communities. My own mother, for example, who immigrated to America from the Dominican Republic, was opposed to my success. She said I was supposed to be subservient—not a businesswoman."

Far more relevant, she noted, was that "immigrants, in general, have innate entrepreneurial skills. When they arrive in America, they have to figure out everything for themselves—from language to where to live, to how to support themselves.

Morillo-Gual has been an entrepreneur nearly all her life. Her first business was as a typist while in college. That transformed into being a virtual assistant. In 2006, she launched a notary public business that paid for her master's and PhD. degrees, allowing her to graduate with zero debt.

In 2010, while holding down a senior executive job at a top Wall Street financial services firm, she founded PTBL, her most personally rewarding business. By that point, Morillo-Gual says, she had "made it" in corporate America and was eager to help other Latinas navigate their career space with more confidence.

PTBL hosts free monthly conference calls with roughly 150 people on a specific topic, such as how to take rejection and make it work for you. The organization also hosts quarterly networking events and annual Empowerment Conferences; its next one (cost: \$199) will be held in New York City, June 8.

Morillo-Gual says the Latina entrepreneurship business startup impact far exceeds Latinas' corporate impact. In her corporate division of 500 people, for example, she says she's the only Latina at her executive level.

4 Tips for Starting a Business

I asked Morillo-Gual what advice she'd offer midlife Latinas eager to start their own businesses. Here are four of her tips (which she says are equally applicable to anyone of any gender, ethnicity or age):

1. Be patient and plan strategically.

"All businesses need to be built on strong ideas, and it takes time to build them. You need to grow your business slowly and organically," she said. "I started businesses while I was still in school or was employed, to get them robust enough to support me.

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“PTBL was an idea I wrote in a notebook and put it away for five years. Then I joined a similar organization as an unpaid volunteer until I realized I could do this and do it more effectively in an organization of my own.”

2. Set concrete goals and stick to them. “You need to know what you want and then focus on what you need to get to the next step,” said Morillo-Gual. “I began my corporate career in administration. My goal was to become a Vice President and I did. Now my passion is to encourage others to break barriers and rise to their potential. If I can, you can!”

3. Believe in yourself and ignore the naysayers. “I grew up surrounded by negativity, people always saying you can’t do it. If you believe you can do it, you can figure it out,” she said.

4. Put in everything you’ve got. “You have to be prepared to do almost all the work on your own when you begin,” said Morillo-Gual. “Everything you see on the PTBL website is my creation.”

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Last-Minute Call Leads to SVSU Students' Chance to Shine



Felicia Jostock (center) and Mark Babcock (right) at the University of Chicago with their student moot court adviser, Jacob Mojica (left), a political science major from Freeland. *Photo Credit: SVSU*

University Center - An unexpected opportunity resulted in an impressive performance by students in Saginaw Valley State University's moot court program. Students Mark Babcock, a psychology major from Saginaw, and Felicia Jostock, a criminal justice major from North Branch, advanced as a team to the quarterfinals round of the American Collegiate Moot Court Association national invitational tournament in Chicago April 24-25.

The SVSU duo's deep run came as a surprise because SVSU wasn't planning to compete in the tournament just 24 hours before it began.

Julie Keil, assistant professor of political science and adviser to the SVSU moot court program, was scheduled to volunteer at the tournament. The day before the competition, one team dropped out of the tournament, and officials with the American Collegiate Moot Court Association asked Keil if SVSU students could step in.

Jostock and Babcock answered the call, driving to Chicago Friday morning.

"We have some awesome 'mooters' in our program," Keil said. "Anyone who can pick up the case after five months of not looking at it, and can come close to winning the tournament on one day's notice, is an outstanding competitor."

With little preparation, the duo won several rounds and advanced beyond the first day of

competition. On the second day, the SVSU team defeated the tournament's No. 3-seeded pair before falling short in the quarterfinal round to a team from The University of Chicago.

In a moot court competition, students act as attorneys in teams of two. They make arguments to a panel of judges by drawing from constitutional law and Supreme Court cases. Judges then decide winners based on public speaking ability, knowledge of cases and of law, and the ability to answer questions.

"I had to get my shift covered at work and make arrangements at home, but I was able to go," Jostock said. "It was extremely fun. I was super nervous."

The successful showing for Babcock and Jostock is the latest accomplishment for the moot court program.

In January, Samantha Jackson, a political science major from Goodells, and Rachel Stocki, a business major from St. Clair, together placed 21st in the national tournament in Miami.

SVSU finished 2014 ranked No. 20 out of 75 colleges and universities competing in the American Collegiate Moot Court Association.

Earlier in April, SVSU graduate and former undergraduate moot court competitor Ashley Hanson Chrysler was part of a Michigan State University College of Law team that won the nation's largest law school-level moot court competition.

Opportunities to Serve as a Voice for Abused Children are Open

Saginaw - CAN Council Great Lakes Bay Region is offering a training in June for those interested in becoming volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in Saginaw or Bay County. CASAs are highly trained volunteers serving as the voice for children who are in the system due to abuse or neglect.

The CASA Program fills the gap of the foster care and child welfare systems by training and supervising volunteers to advocate for the best interests of abused children.

With the help of a CASA, a child is half as likely to languish in the foster care system and is more likely to find a safe and permanent home.

Judge Karen A. Tighe, newly retired from Bay County's Probate/Family Court says, "I have seen the excellent results of CASA volunteers in other counties, and most notably, I am aware of many judges in Michigan who credit CASA with making their judicial decisions better informed in matters concerning vulnerable children."

People from all walks of life who are at least 21 years old are encouraged to apply to become a CASA volunteer for either Bay or Saginaw County. Upon completion of training, a CASA can expect to contribute an average of 10 hours each month.

To begin the CASA application process, contact Randy Dee Roberts, CASA Program Director, at 989 752-7226.

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Education

SVSU, Delta College Offer Joint Program in Nursing

University Center - A new dual enrollment program between Saginaw Valley State University and Delta College will allow nursing students chasing both a bachelor's degree and a career in healthcare to achieve those goals more quickly.

Andrea Frederick, SVSU coordinator of the initiative that kicked off in fall 2014, said the program is "a wonderful opportunity" both for prospective nurses and the community's healthcare partners.

"Recently, there has been increased pressure to have more BSNs (nurses with bachelor's degrees) providing patient care," said Frederick, an SVSU assistant professor of nursing. "This is one intervention that will help our area to achieve that goal."

The new program fast-tracks the process by offering classes for associate's and bachelor's degrees concurrently. In some cases, SVSU classes are offered on Delta's campus in an effort to centralize attendance.

Students who enrolled in the program during its inaugural semester are expected to receive an associate's degree from Delta College in

spring 2016 and a bachelor's degree from SVSU that same December.

Jarrod Givens, a student in the joint program, already sees the advantages of the initiative.

"Most people who go the regular route would work as an RN (registered nurse) and go to school at the same time," said the Linwood native who hopes to become a traveling nurse one day. "Right now, we're not working, so it's easier and it gives us more time to study."

One of his classmates, Katheryn Howden, said the initiative creates a more efficient learning process. The collaboration synchronizes the academic requirements of the SVSU and Delta College nursing programs while also eliminating the challenges experienced when students attempt to juggle a nursing position with baccalaureate schoolwork.

"Because we are going year-round, we won't lose our skills," Howden said. "It's nice to be able to keep your skills and refresh them. It's a great program."

Howden, who is pursuing a career as a neonatal intensive care nurse, said the program

offers relevant coursework, coordinated instruction, and supportive faculty.

"It's been great," the Ypsilanti native said. "They really want you to succeed, and everyone has been so helpful."

SVSU and Delta recruit students for the concurrent program from the Delta Nurse Scholar Program, which typically selects 30 Delta students per semester, based on academic criteria and other factors, including work experience related to nursing.



Howden (left) and Givens pictured in Delta's nursing facilities *Courtesy Photo*

Former Congressman John Dingell Donates Archive to U-M Bentley Historical Library



Former Congressman John Dingell Donates Archives to U of M Bentley Historical Library.
Photo: University of Michigan

Ann Arbor - John D. Dingell Jr., who served in the U.S. House of Representatives from December 1955 to January 2015—the longest congressional tenure in U.S. history—has donated the collected materials from his 59 years in office to U-M Bentley Historical Library.

On May 6, 2015, four days after being awarded an honorary doctor of laws at U-M's spring

commencement ceremony, Dingell was present at U-M to celebrate the arrival of his collection.

"I consider myself the luckiest guy in shoe leather for having the opportunity to serve the good people of Southeast Michigan for as long as I did, and it is a real honor that the work we all did together will be documented here at this fine institution," Dingell said.

"I am pleased they were able to find the space for all of it, but mostly I'm just honored and humbled to join the other outstanding individuals whose good work for our state is archived at the Bentley, including my father. It means so much to me, and I am truly grateful."

The collection, which covers more than 550 linear feet and spans from 1955 to the present, includes correspondence, bills that Dingell introduced in the House, photographs, and more.

These materials will join many other collections of important Michigan political leaders at the Bentley, comprising the papers of 31 Michigan governors—from the third

governor of the Michigan Territory, Lewis Cass, to two-term Democratic governor Jennifer Granholm—as well as 15 U.S. senators and 16 members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

"We are honored to have received for processing the papers of John Dingell Jr., one of the great members of Congress in Michigan history," said Bentley Director Terrence McDonald.

"Given the breadth of issues with which he was involved and the historic length of his service, anyone wishing to write the history of national politics in the 20th century will need to consult them."

The library's archive also contains the papers of his father, also John Dingell, who was a Michigan congressman from 1932 until his death in 1955 and played a major role in New Deal legislation.

The Bentley has officially received the materials and will begin processing the collection to prepare for public use, which may take up to one year.

CMU Faculty Association Gives Back, Establishes Endowment for Students



Sociology professor Brigitte Bechtold teaches students.
Photo: Central Michigan University

Mt. Pleasant - The members of Central Michigan University's Faculty Association are showing appreciation to their students. They have established a scholarship endowment as a gesture of respect, appreciation and gratitude for CMU students' unwavering support of faculty throughout the years.

Faculty association members have a short-term goal of raising \$25,000, which will enable them to grant the first scholarship to a student in Fall 2015. Their long-term goal is to grow the endowment to \$2 million, at which point they would be able to give \$1,000 scholarships to nearly 100 undergraduates each year.

So far, nearly \$22,000 has been donated to the scholarship endowment. In October, CMU will match donations made with 50 cents for every \$1 donated as part of the Annual University Campaign — as it did last fall.

Bryan Griffin, CMU director of annual giving, and online engagement said the endowment represents the passion and commitment of CMU faculty to positively impact students.

"The fact that the Faculty Association has collected more than \$20,000 in endowment donations in four months' time via crowdfunding is unique, impressive and a testament to their commitment to CMU students," Griffin said.

The scholarship fund illustrates the faculty's commitment to student success and understanding of increasing financial burdens students may face with increasing educational expenses.

English language and literature professor Daniel Patterson said the idea for a student endowment began four years ago after the fall 2011 semester.

"This endowment is a living emblem of our respect for our students and our gratitude for their support," Patterson said. "This fund acknowledges that we care about the expenses they incur while pursuing their education at CMU. It will tell them that their professors want to help in a tangible way and will strengthen the already strong bond between faculty and students."

Close to 80 percent of CMU's 27,000 students receive some form of financial aid.

Social work professor Susan Grettenberger said she's watched students struggle to stay awake in her class after working all night because they need to earn money for school expenses. She also said she has encountered other students who want to study abroad but who are afraid the extra cost of travel is out of their reach.

"Students are at the heart of the university, and CMU's faculty wants to help them succeed," Grettenberger said. "For many of our students, the barrier to success is lack of adequate funds. Through our union, CMU's Faculty Association, we are joining together to create an endowed scholarship fund that will always be here to help students fund their education."

Last year, CMU increased its merit scholarships by \$6 million. Financial aid packages were re-engineered to award more and larger merit scholarships to prospective students. With this increase, the university invested a record \$61 million in making college education more accessible and affordable for families. Close to \$300 million in private, state and federal financial aid awards and grants also were distributed.

The 2015 Annual University Campaign is scheduled to kick off on Oct. 12.

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Morgan State University Breaks Ground on New \$79.4 Million Academic and Research Facility



Community leaders and politicians joined Morgan State University staff and faculty to break ground on the HOK-designed Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral and Social Sciences Center (BSSC) in Baltimore.

Photo Credit: Morgan State University

Maryland - Morgan State University recently broke ground to begin construction on its new \$79.4 million Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral and Social Sciences Center, a state-of-the-art academic and research facility made possible through a partnership with the State of Maryland.

As part of the university's Phase II West Campus Expansion initiative, the new construction will add more than 148,000 square feet of additional classroom, laboratory, and office space accommodating six academic departments.

Construction on the facility, which replaces the existing Jenkins building located on Morgan's main academic quad, is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2017.

"The construction of this upgraded and multifunctional facility will increase Morgan's ability to attract a diverse body of students, qualified faculty and additional research dollars,

which in turn further enhances our status as a doctoral research institution," said President David Wilson.

"The instruction and access to resources made available in this type of experiential learning environment will be critical to giving our students the necessary skills to compete and excel in an ever competitive workforce."

Located near the east end of the Northwood Shopping Center on Hillen Road and Argonne Drive, the completed five-story building will feature classrooms, laboratories, research space, testing rooms, conference rooms, offices, study hall, and computer labs.

In addition, the building will house the University's College of Liberal Arts, Morgan's largest school. It will include the departments of Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology, Political Science, Economics, History, and Geography.

The current Jenkins facility was constructed in 1974 and will be demolished due to its age, functionality, and condition once the new building is complete.

The design of the new facility was completed by HOK, a global design, architecture, engineering and planning firm. Construction of the project was awarded to Barton Malow Company.

The Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral and Social Sciences Center is named for educator Martin D. Jenkins who served as Morgan's president from 1948-1970. Jenkins, who died in 1978, was lauded for his pioneering work in the field of education.

Morgan State University, founded in 1867, is a public, historically Black, institution in Baltimore, Maryland. .

www.morgan.edu.



Martin D. Jenkins Behavioral and Social Sciences Center architectural illustration

Photo Credit: Morgan State University

Kids Night & Autographs @ Tri-City Motor Speedway

Saginaw - Bring the kids, grab a seat and let them meet their favorite drivers, at Tri-City Motor Speedway, located at 85 W. Wheeler Rd., in Auburn, MI, on June 19.

The kids will have the opportunity to climb into the race cars, wave the race flags and score some amazing prizes during the autograph session, 7:15 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be Late Model, IMCA Modified, Pro Stock, Street Stock, and V6 car classes.

Admission for Kids 6 and under is FREE, and 7 to 13-year-old youth admission is \$1.

Teen Tuesday at the Saginaw Art Museum

Visit the Saginaw Art Museum, located at 1126 N. Michigan Ave., for a free evening of art, music and creativity, on June 9, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The event is sponsored by ThunderBrew Coffee Company.

You can listen to student performers and bring your own instrument to perform, and visit the museum galleries, explore creative writing or create art. Refreshments will be available.

Delta College Named One of Top 10 Digital Community Colleges

University Center - Delta College is eighth on the list when e.Republic's Center for Digital Education announced the winners of the 10th annual Digital Community Colleges Survey recently. The community colleges are being recognized for their innovative uses of technology to achieve first-rate student learning environments.

"We are pleased once again to be recognized nationally for our efforts to use technology as a tool to advance education," said Dr. Jean Goodnow, Delta College President. "We strive to do everything possible to provide a quality and state-of-the-art education to our students."

The survey analyzes how community colleges use digital technologies to improve services to students, faculty, staff and the community at large.

Findings include: 58% support student job placement through online resume-building

tools, 43% have strategies in place for the use of mobile devices and 81% of colleges surveyed use cloud computing services resulting in cost savings.

"Technology is being used on campuses and in lecture halls to lower costs and improve student outcomes," said Alan Cox, Senior Vice President for the Center for Digital Education.

"This year's survey indicates that community colleges are making great strides in using data to improve decisions, providing professional development to assist faculty in the use of technology, and creating robust online and mobile environments for their students. Congratulations to this year's survey winners."

The Center for Digital Education is a national research and advisory institute specializing in K-12 and higher education technology trends, policy and funding.

The center also provides education

and industry leaders with decision support and actionable insight to help effectively incorporate new technologies in the 21st century, and is a division of e.Republic, the nation's only media, and Research Company focused exclusively on state and local government and education.



Local Saginaw Elementary School Receives Supplies from No. 1 Fan Mascot



Fan was greeted by students at Saginaw's Jessie Rouse Elementary School. Saginaw Public Schools Interim Superintendent Kelley A. Peatross (second row from the top, far right) also participated to share in the occasion with students.

University Center, MI - Students at Saginaw's Jessie Rouse Elementary School received 10 boxes full of school supplies after a collection drive organized by Saginaw

Valley State University students, staff and faculty.

No. 1 Fan, one of SVSU's Cardinal mascots, helped deliver the boxes full of notebooks, pens, chalk, children's books, poster boards, rulers and markers to the school campus on Wednesday, April 22.

The supplies were collected during the "SVSU Cares For Kids School Supply Drive" that kicked off in February.

"I thought it went very well, especially since this was our first time doing this," said Jenny Jimenez, whose idea sparked the campaign.

Jimenez, SVSU's assistant director of graduate and international admissions, said she pitched the idea to university officials after a conversation with her friends in Saginaw

Public Schools turned to the need for supplies at some facilities.

"We have such a great student body, faculty and staff, and so I thought, we could put something together for the schools," Jimenez said. "It was a natural fit."

The drop-off was the first of the campaign, but organizers plan to continue the tradition on a regular basis, dropping off needed supplies to schools in the Saginaw, Bay and Midland areas in the future.

In 2015, SVSU received the Community Engagement classification from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, a distinction achieved by only 7 percent of U.S. colleges and universities. For more on SVSU's community engagement, visit: svsu.edu/communityengagement/.

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~Tom Brokaw



Rose Buckley (left) Central Michigan University 2015 Master of Science in Administration; Human Resources Degree Graduate with daughter, Diamond Magee. *Courtesy Photo*



Dr. Jean Goodnow, President of Delta College., presents Diplomas to 2015 Delta College Graduates. *Photo Credit: Delta College*



Ursula M. Burns, chairman and chief executive officer of Xerox Corporation, delivered the 2015 commencement address at Howard University’s 147th commencement convocation. The University also awarded honorary degrees to award-winning actor and director, Morgan Freeman; President of Spelman College, Beverly Daniel Tatum; and philanthropists Eddie C. and C. Cylvia Brown. *Photo Credit: Saginaw Valley State University*



Mother-daughter duo at SVSU 2015 graduation. Athena (left) graduated with her Bachelor of Arts degree in graphic design. Lisa Perreault Grills (right, Athena’s mom) graduated with her Master’s in Administrative Science. *Photo Credit: Saginaw Valley State University*



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Young Entrepreneurs Graduate As CEOs



Young Entrepreneurs Academy 2015 Graduates

Midland- Eighteen middle and high school students from the Midland Area received CEO status on Wednesday, May 6, at the 2015 Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) Commencement on the campus of Northwood University.

After months of hard work, this year's instructors Bill Gagliardi, AVP Marketing and Public Relations at Northwood University and Sharon Miller, Owner of ITH of Michigan will award the class their diplomas, alongside the program's director, Tina Lynch.

"This is a very unique program, where kids can actually launch real businesses or social movements," said Tina Lynch, Midland Area Chamber of Commerce Business Development Coordinator.

This year's enterprises range from Meals by Macaiah, a business that delivers home style crock pot meals and Road to Educational Success, a business that provides online tutoring to Bear Claw Wood Works, a business that creates customized wood gifts and Youth Empowerment Initiative, a business that sheds light on third world poverty and education.

The Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) is a groundbreaking seven-month after school program that guides students in grades 6-12 through the process of starting a real business, including business plan development, pitching an investor panel, obtaining funding, launching the venture, managing media campaigns, e-commerce and web development, sales events, and trade shows.

Students, ages 11 to 18, are taught to recognize the power of their ideas, and to develop the skills necessary to turn those ideas into meaningful enterprises. The following students are the 2015 Midland YEA! class:

Middle School Students:

- Jefferson Middle School: Sreya Manchiraju, Amelia Mylvaganam, Bennett Veith
- Northeast Middle School: Kyle Burks, Ethan Davis
- Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy: Perry Hamilton & Nasir Roberts

High School Students:

- Midland High School: Hope Kessler
- Dow High School: Naoki Kihata, AnnMarie Moolenaar, Nick Nelson, Augustine O'Dell, Kofi Ofori-Darko, Amanda Pokriefka, Austen Zhu
- Carrollton High School: Perrece Hamilton
- Bullock Creek High School: Macaiah Smith
- Great Lakes Bay Early College: Olivia McKeith

Big Strategies for Small Business - Determining the ROI of Digital Marketing

Saginaw - The MLive Media Group will present on May 19, at Four Points by Sheraton, 4960 Towne Centre Rd., in Saginaw, strategies to set up your campaigns correctly to determine the ROI of digital

marketing and how to analyze the data to make improvements.

The event is 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. with check-in and networking at 11:30 a.m. For additional information call 989.752.7161.

Business Fact:
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Determined Memphis Contractor Tells of Investing in People

Tenn. - Marcel Hill, president and CEO of Charles H. Hill Contractors, Inc. and a third-generation minority contractor, has a straight-forward message when she gets the opportunity to share her story with others.

"I don't give up," said Hill, who spoke at the Jobs Hatchery March Meetup at CoWork Memphis. "I exhaust everything I possibly can. And, by the grace of God, I'm still here."

Hill's grandfather, Chalmer Hill, founded the company in 1956, offering landscaping, excavating, seeding and sodding services. Her father, Charles Hill, took over following his father's death in 1963. He expanded into concrete installation and demolition, site development and demolition, hauling and installation of erosion-control devices.

At \$6 an hour, Marcel Hill began working in the family business in 1994 as an administrative assistant. The Memphis State University (now University of Memphis) graduate often would accompany her father to customers' offices, which helped teach her the importance of building long-term business relationships.

In 2008 after her father died, Hill assumed control of the company, assisted by her sister,

Melody, who serves "all-in-one" as office manager, HR manager and payroll clerk.

The small-business challenges included cash flow. Although it sometimes takes 45 days or longer to get paid by large customers, Hill still needed to pay employees and vendors for time and materials in a timely manner.

In common with most area contractors, that lesson hit hard when a months-long rainy season began in December 2013 and continued for several more months.

"I had to get creative," she said. "I pulled equity out of my equipment and borrowed against it to keep us going."

Working with several general contractors, Hill said, "I had to be bold enough to lay out my cards." Building those long-term relationships with her father years ago have paid off. Now, weather permitting, contracts in the pipeline will help the company exceed its mid-seven figure revenue goal for this year.

Hill's advice for entrepreneurs?

She recommended that they build negotiating skills and hold down vendor costs, while being creative to "do what you have to do" to get the job done and hold on to your people.

Small business ownership in a tough industry is for survivors only...no guts, no glory.

Jobs Hatchery, Inc. is a non-profit corporation with the mission to turnaround lives by connecting people with jobs and creating jobs. It offers monthly Meetups, weekly e-blasts to inspire solo and small business owners to keep their heads up, and access to a small loan fund.

Tri-State Defender @ <http://tsdmemphis.com/>



Marcell Hill

President and CEO of Charles H. Hill Contractors

Inforum Presents Iyanla Vanzant at Annual Meeting



Iyanla Vanzant
Courtesy Photo

MI - Inforum's 53rd Annual Meeting presented by Ford Motor Company will take place on Wed., May 20, 2015 at The Henry, 300 Town Center Dr., in Dearborn, MI. The meeting will bring together members, corporate investors and guests from across the state.

Vanzant, from welfare mother to New York Times best-selling author, from the Brooklyn projects to Emmy award winner, from broken pieces to peace, Iyanla Vanzant is one of the country's most celebrated writers and public speakers.

She is also among the most influential, socially engaged, and acclaimed spiritual life coaches of the time. Host and producer of the breakout hit Iyanla: Fix My Life on OWN: Oprah Winfrey Network,

Iyanla's focus on faith, empowerment, and loving relationships has inspired millions around the world.

The event is 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The tickets are \$50 for inforum members, \$75 guests, \$700 table sponsor (preferred seating for 10) and \$25 students.

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This seminar is designed for individuals who are considering self-employment and those who may be at the beginning stages of starting a business.

Delivered in a seminar format, this introductory session helps aspiring entrepreneurs assess their abilities to lead and manage a company, as well as evaluate market and sales potential for their products/services.

For more information about Michigan SBDC, online resources, business education seminars and registration, go to www.SBDCMichigan.org or call (989) 686-9597 pre-registration is required.

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Saginaw Pathways - Connecting the Community to Better Health



Faye Jones (sitting) and Marcie Kolhagen, Community Health Worker.

Submitted by Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority

Saginaw - Faye Jones sits comfortably in an armchair in her living room while a bright orange cat dances around the furniture and her grandchildren eat lunch at the dining

table behind her. There is someone bustling around in the kitchen out-of-sight and the distinct smell of a home cooked dinner being prepared fills the house.

Jones is happy and has an easy smile that almost seems permanently placed on her lips as she listens to her grandchildren chatter back and forth behind her. However, that smile hasn't always been so easy to come by for Jones.

Depression and health concerns were a constant struggle for her, and stability in any sense of the word seemed like a dream just out of reach. But with the help of Saginaw Pathways to Better Health and her Community Health Worker (CHW) Marcie Kolhagen, her old life now seems like a far off nightmare while she gets to live the dream of health, stability, and happiness.

Not long ago Jones' depression had her bouncing in and out of care at a psychiatric hospital while she tried to get her medications regulated. "I was all over the place," she said. "I was fighting some serious emotional issues and didn't know where to turn.

"My medications didn't seem to be helping and I felt isolated in my own world between visits to the hospital." It was during one of Jones' visits to the hospital that she was referred to Saginaw Pathways to Better Health, and eventually her CHW Marcie.

"I've been seeing Marcie for about a year now, and I couldn't be more grateful for who she is as a person and the support she has given me," Jones said with a smile. "I honestly don't think I would be sitting here today if it weren't for her."

Saginaw Pathways to Better Health serves adults across the age spectrum (18 to seniors) in Saginaw and adjacent counties who are eligible for or enrolled in Medicare and/or Medicaid who have two or more chronic conditions.

Clients are assigned a CHW who will help educate them about their conditions, promote healthy behaviors and facilitate access to needed health and social services such as housing, food, and transportation.

Saginaw Pathways to Better Health works in partnership with Early Childhood Home Visiting partners, and soon, the Michigan Children's Health Access Program (CHAP), under the Saginaw Community Care HUB which is operated by Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA).

"I love my job," Kolhagen says, beaming. "I get to visit clients where they're comfortable and I think that really builds a connection that we wouldn't necessarily be able to build in the walls of a doctor's office.

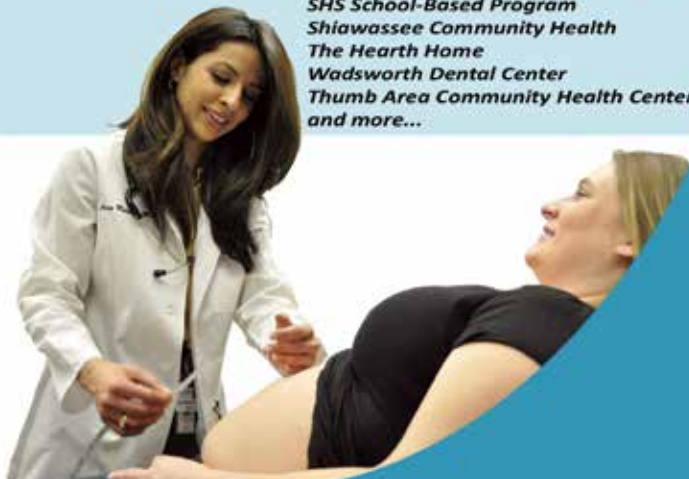
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“I can observe what their life might look like on a normal day, and offer support and connect them to resources that are really going to make an impact on their individual life. It just doesn’t get much better than that.”

Kolhagen explained that she visits her assigned clients at least once per month, spending anywhere from one to three hours with them developing and reviewing goals and objectives for them to work towards.

“The point is that the client directs me on what kind of support and resources they would find beneficial and I help get them connected to those resources in the community,” she said.

“It’s up to them to do the legwork and utilize the resources, but I help get them there. For someone who isn’t used to

navigating the systems in our community, it can be overwhelming.”

Jones says she hasn’t been back to the hospital since Kolhagen started seeing her and has even lost 10 pounds recently. “Marcie got me connected to really good services at SCCMHA, my medication is doing what it’s supposed to do, and I’m keeping my blood pressure down,” she said.

“I’m so grateful for what she and Saginaw Pathways have done for me. I’m setting goals now and am able to focus on my family and grandkids. Marcie is more than just a CHW to me and my family, she’s a great friend.

“We’ve laughed together, cried together, prayed together. I can talk to her about anything and she offers support wherever she can. Saginaw Pathways to Better Health is an amazing resource for our community and I

wish more people knew about the help that’s available to them.

“Can you imagine the changes this community would see if everyone knew about Saginaw Pathways and the Saginaw Community Care HUB?”

For more information on Saginaw Pathways to Better Health, Saginaw Community Care HUB, and how to get involved, visit their website at www.saginawhub.org or call 989-498-2266.

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Michigan Blood Encourages Community to Donate Blood



Saginaw - The first holiday weekend of the season traditionally signals the start of another Pure Michigan summer. It also signals a slump in blood donations.

Michigan Blood is encouraging donors to make an appointment and donate blood during the Memorial Day holiday to help ensure an adequate blood supply at hospitals across Michigan. As a special thank you, anyone who attempts to donate at any Michigan Blood donor center will receive a \$10 Meijer gift card.

“We realize that people are busy this time of year with activities and travel,” said Tamar Chipp, community relations coordinator for Michigan Blood. “Still, the need for blood never takes a holiday, so we are asking people to set aside about an hour of their time to help save lives across Michigan.”

In the Great Lakes Bay Region, Michigan Blood is the exclusive blood provider for Covenant HealthCare, St. Mary’s of Michigan, and MidMichigan Medical Center-Midland.

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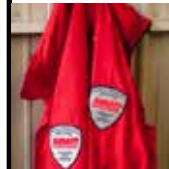
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Any healthy person 17 or older (or 16 with parental consent) who weighs at least 110 pounds may be eligible to give blood every 56 days. Blood donors should bring photo ID (or two forms of non-photo ID). Appointments (preferred, but not required) can be scheduled online at www.miblood.org or by calling 1-866-MIBLOOD.



In your opinion, why is it important to raise awareness about child & youth mental health issues in our community, and fight the stigma associated with mental illness?



"I think it's important to prepare youth and families now for challenges they may face in the future. If we can educate the community about the importance of a healthy mind and body, and resources available to them, they'll be more likely to succeed when life throws them curve balls." **Kolby Holden, Saginaw Resident**

"With as much stigma and negativity directed towards youth in general these days, I believe it is necessary that our community be aware of the solutions and positive things happening with youth and families as well." **Ke'Ontae Owens, Saginaw Resident**



"It's important for youth and families to know what is going on when someone they love is in crisis, and know about resources that can help them through it. That's how our community is going to grow stronger, by being educated and lifting each other up." **Tyshia Gilyard, Saginaw Resident**



"It is important because not many individuals understand or know that mental health is an issue in our community. By raising awareness, it helps families become knowledgeable about what life challenges youth can experience in their lifetime." **Timothy Walker, Youth Program Coordinator, Saginaw MAX System of Care**



"It's of the utmost importance because people need to know that it's acceptable to seek help for their mental health concerns. Mental health deserves as much attention as physical health, it's just as important, and people need to know they're not alone. It is possible to improve your life." **Karla Beslay, SCCMHA Child Therapist**



"I think it's important that youth and families get educated on all of their health needs, including mental health. This will help them grow up successfully and be productive members of the community." **T.J. Holden, Saginaw Resident**





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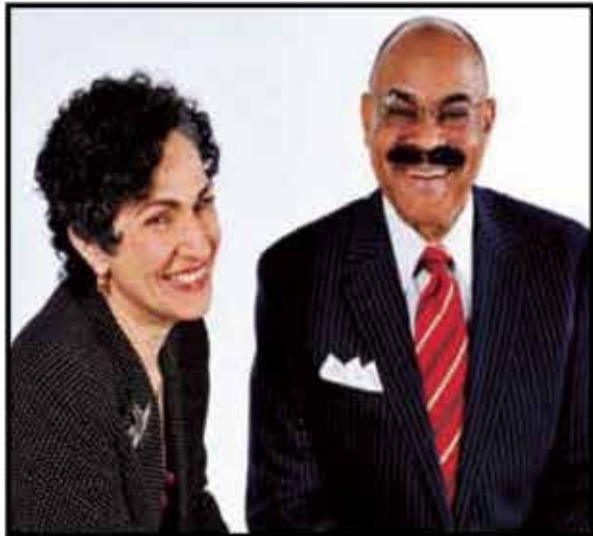
FUNdraising Good Times

Fundraising and Basketball

Part one of a two part series

By Mel and Pearl Shaw

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Mel and Pearl Shaw

Recent columns have focused on questions for employers to ask prospective fundraising employees, and questions for interviewees to ask their interviewers.

Our goal is to help all parties understand the critical role of fundraising professionals and what it takes for them to be successful.

As a nonprofit executive or as the person in charge of fundraising for an organization, you need to know what to look for in a candidate when hiring. And, as a fundraising professional you have to know how to ask questions that will reveal whether or not you are joining a fundraising team or if you will

be expected to be a miracle worker.

A number of readers reached out to us in past weeks, sharing reactions to these columns along with true confessions.

We heard from a development director looking for work because the new executive director doesn't know fundraising and doesn't know strategic planning. Another confessed he really hadn't given his all in his prior position - he never felt a part of the team.

Through our work we have heard a common plea from executive directors and board members who talk with us about their staff, asking in exasperation "why don't they just raise the money?"

Given that it's NBA playoff season we offer the analogy of basketball.

Consider these comparisons.

Great basketball players go beyond scores and defense and are known for how well they elevate the play of their fellow team mates.

Think of superstars such as Michael Jordan, LeBron James, Magic Johnson, Larry Bird, and Oscar Robertson. The list is long. Point guards such as the Warrior's Steph Curry, the Clipper's Chris Paul and the Spur's Tony Parker make sure the strengths of each player are brought to the game.

In fundraising, it's the same. Sure there are superstar vice presidents and development directors who exceed fundraising goals year over year. But

are they leading a fundraising team?

Some are, but some hog the ball, becoming a one person team. These fundraisers don't take the time to invest in their team members.

Think about it - do all members of your team have a chance to play or are some left consistently sitting on the bench? And, what happens when your top people leave?

A fundraising superstar engages the key players. As the chief fundraising officer, he or she is the "playmaker," setting things in motion. He or she takes the time to learn the strengths of team members and figure out how to best deploy the strengths.

Fundraising team members include the chief executive or president, board chair, development chair, chief operating officer, chief finance officer, the data management and administrative team, researchers, and proposal writers. All these individuals need to be in motion, working the game plan.

More next week.

Mel and Pearl Shaw position nonprofits, colleges and universities for fundraising success. For help with your fundraising visit:
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6 Reasons We Should Admit Our Weaknesses and Ask God for Help and Healing

By John Callahan

Wash. - We often hide our pain. But, is that really going to help? In order to fix a problem, we must first admit we have the problem. Then from there, we can ask the Lord to help us and guide us in the direction we need to be in.

We hide our hurts for many reasons. Whether it's because of pride, shame, or even fear, the result is the same: that pain eats away at us unless we bring it to the Lord.

We must bring it to light and our hidden hurts will be healed. There is no painful experience that God can't touch and use for his glory. The Bible gives us guidance and

reasons why it is important to bring these hurts to the Lord.

Below are 6 reasons and Bible verses stressing the importance of bringing your problems to God:

God Knows... "Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account" (Hebrews 4:13).

God Cares... "...God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 John 4:8-10).

God Provides... "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19).

God Desires... "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing" (Luke 13:34).

God Heals... "Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me" (Psalm 30:2).

God Delivers... "Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!" (Romans 7:25).

Source: www.christianpost.com

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Sports

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Destiny Harrison

Saginaw - Destiny T. Harrison is a 15-year-old student at Saginaw Arthur Hill High School with a G.P.A. of 3.8. Harrison is invited to participate in the East Conference Girls Basketball Team on the Gold Coast of Australia. She is scheduled to leave July 13, 2015.

Each year Down Under Sports chooses two players to represent each state. "I am humble and grateful to God that I have been chosen as ambassador to represent Saginaw, the great state of Michigan and the United

States of America. I cannot imagine a better opportunity to give back to my community than by doing something I love "Basketball," Harrison said.

A major source of the funds for her travel expenses will need to be obtained through voluntary contributions with a deadline for all funds due on June 15, 2015.

To contribute to the dream and a lifetime opportunity for Destiny, you can donate monies to her GoFundMe account, <http://www.gofundme.com/ndgics>.

LaMarr Woodley Hosting Free Football Camp

Saginaw - Former Saginaw High star LaMarr Woodley is sponsoring a free football camp on Saturday, June 27 at Saginaw High for the eighth season.

The camp will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Saginaw High football field. Check-in

time is 8 a.m., and registration is open for players ages 7 to 15. Woodley and other NFL players will be at the camp.

Registration, liability and waiver forms are available at www.lamarrwoodleyfoundation.org and at Saginaw High.

All forms must be signed and returned by Friday, June 5 to LaMarr Woodley 8th Annual Football Camp, c/o Coach Durrett, Saginaw High School, 3100 Webber, Saginaw, MI 48601.

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ORDINANCE NO. 264: LICENSING AND REGULATION OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY
ORDINANCE NO. 265: FIRE CODE ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 266: VIOLATIONS BUREAU ORDINANCE

TAKE NOTICE THAT, at its regular meeting on April 27, 2015, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Buena Vista adopted four ordinances, which are generally described as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 263

An ordinance of the Buena Vista Charter Township, adopting the 2009 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures in Buena Vista Charter Township; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore and repealing all ordinances and parts of the ordinances in conflict therewith.

ORDINANCE NO. 264

An ordinance to provide for the licensing and regulation of residential rental property within the Charter Township of Buena Vista, and to provide for penalties for noncompliance thereof.

ORDINANCE NO. 265

An Ordinance of Buena Vista Charter Township adopting the 2009 International Fire Code, regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of building and premises and repealing all ordinances and parts of the ordinances in conflict therewith.

ORDINANCE NO. 266

An Ordinance adopted pursuant to 1994 Public Act No. 12 to establish a Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau for the purpose of accepting admissions of responsibility for ordinance violations designated as municipal civil infractions for which municipal ordinance violation notices have been issued and served by authorized officials; to collect and retain civil fines/costs for such violations as prescribed herein; and to repeal all conflicting ordinances or parts of ordinances.

NOTICE: Pursuant to Section 8 of the Charter Township Act (Public Act 359 of 1947, as amended), the full text of the adopted ordinances have been posted, and are available for inspection at, the following locations: (1) the office of the Township Clerk, 1160 S. Outer Drive, Saginaw MI 48601, and (2) the Township's website, located at the following web address: www.bvct.org.

Copies of the adopted ordinances can be obtained from the office of the Township Clerk for a fee to be determined by the Township Clerk in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231, *et seq.*

Gloria Platko, Township Clerk
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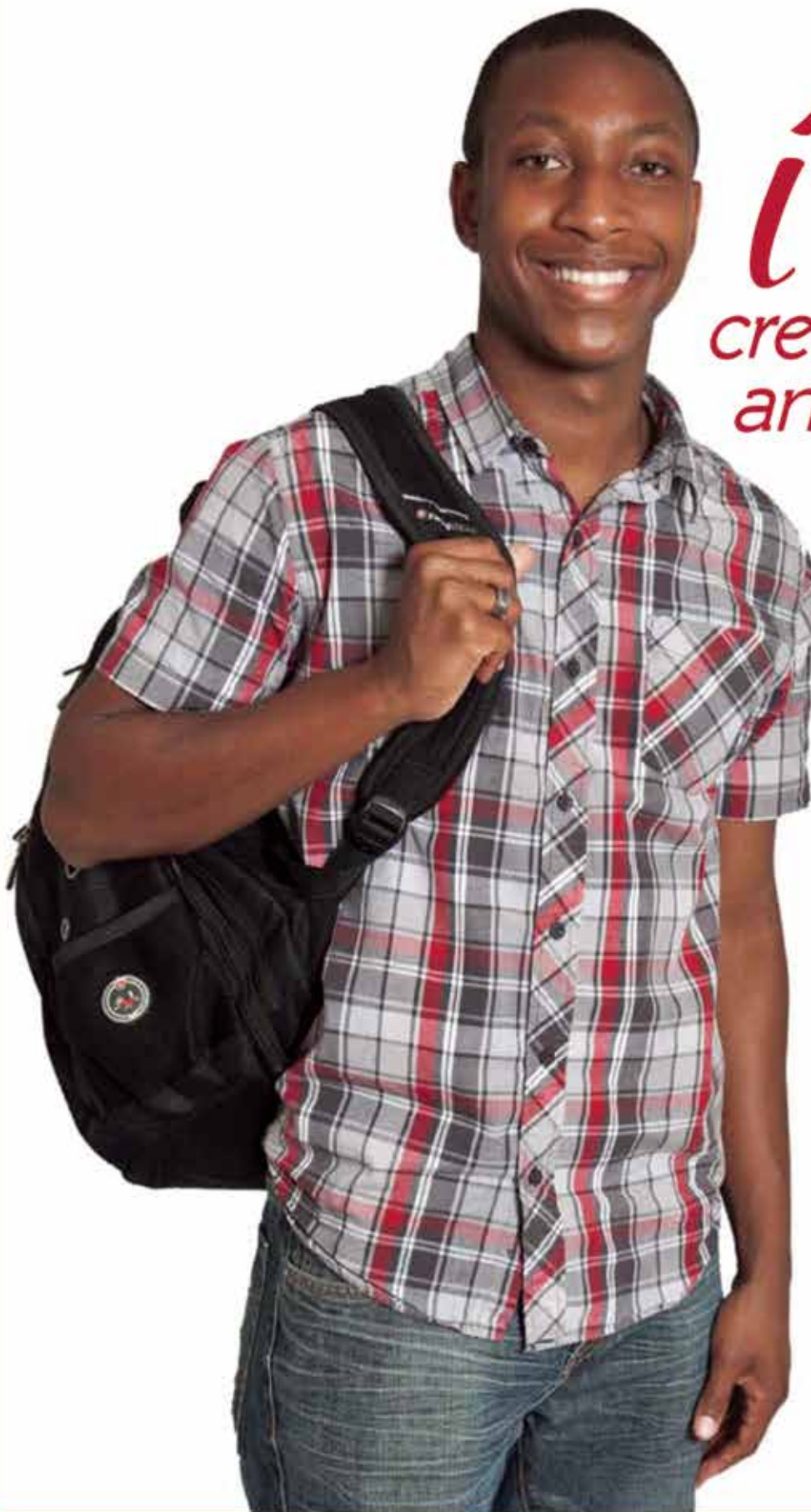
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Carleton Green loves to help people — specifically, to create opportunities for others. It's why the sophomore communications major devotes himself to organizations driven to develop people's potential. Carleton is the vice president of SVSU's chapter National Society of Leadership Success, an organization on campus that emphasizes goal-setting and achievement. In fact, Carleton's chapter achieved a few goals of its own: in its first year, it has been named the Best New Organization and become the largest registered student organization on campus.

A brother in the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity and a former mentor in the Great Lakes Bay Region Youth Leadership Institute, Carleton also recently became involved in AISIEC, an international organization that helps students arrange exchanges abroad. "I have done so much and have become involved in quite a few organizations," Carleton says. "I love that SVSU feels like my home away from home."



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