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October 1, 2015

We are Celebrating 13 YEARS OF POSITIVE NEWS!



I would like to congratulate Jerome Buckley and the staff of the Michigan Banner on the leadership role they have taken in our community by publishing a newspaper dedicated to printing positive news centered on our local communities. This unique approach is aligned with their mission of "Empowering Communities and Changing Lives."

The Michigan Banner has done great work in bringing to the forefront leaders in our community who are making a positive difference in all facets of our community such as education and government, in broadening economic opportunities and bringing to mind social responsibility.

There are many talented and inspiring leaders this

community and many great organizations committed to the betterment of our Great Lakes Bay Region.

The Michigan Banner provides a great value to the community in educating and informing readers on news and events locally and engages readers, encouraging them to get involved and be empowered to play an active role in creating a positive and healthy community for their families to work, live and play.

Thank you and congratulations to staff of the Michigan Banner on your 13th anniversary! I look forward to your continued growth and success!

Sincerely, Richard Garber, President Garber Management Group



The Michigan Banner is very important to the Saginaw Community. Many citizens have come to depend on The Banner for their local news over the past several years.

The Banner is the perfect way to communicate what's important to the city and its citizens, as the staff is committed to educating, informing, and enlightening the public.

Tim Morales City Manager City of Saginaw 1315 S. Washington Ave. Saginaw, MI 48601



Congratulations to Jerome Buckley and the Staff of The Michigan Banner for a Job well done in our Community. Thank you for 13 years of service you have given to the Great Lake Bay Region.

Wishing you and your staff many many more years of success Brenda F. Moore Saginaw City Council Member



Congratulations and accolades are in order for The Michigan Banner, publisher Jerome Buckley and your dedicated team of writers, photographers, and interns as you celebrate 13 years of growth and publishing in the Great Lakes Bay region.

I commend you for bringing positive news, timely information, and coverage of local community events to readers living in our communities. The Michigan Banner is the print source that keeps the community connected, informed, and involved.

Congratulations on your past efforts and successes, and wish you continued success in the future.

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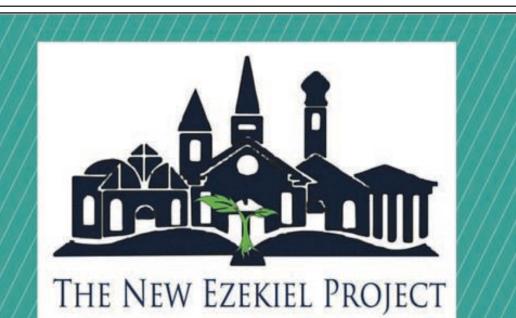
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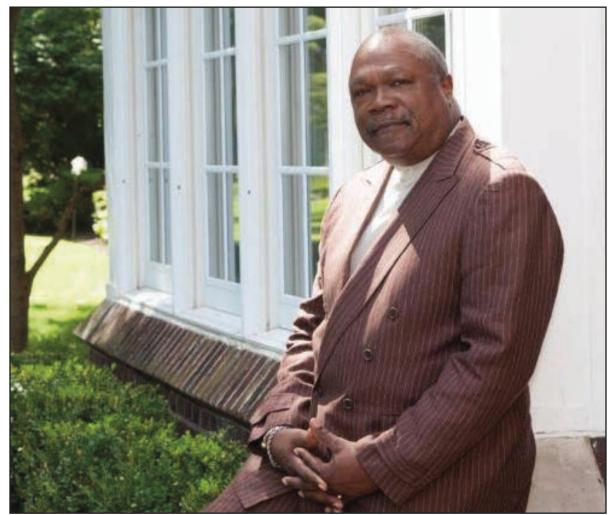
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A Pope For Such A Time As This



Rev. Dr. Anthony Wendell Courtesy Photo

By Rev. Dr. Wendell Anthony

Wash. - The visit of Pope Francis to the United States of America was indeed invigorating and historically significant during these most critical times. I listened with great interest as I sat next to the Dean of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Honorable John Conyers, Jr., on the South Lawn of the White House.

I could not help but notice Whites, Blacks, Asians, Native Americans, Latinos, persons of all faiths Democrats, Republicans, Conservatives, and Liberals many who often (verbally), violently disagree with each other, all listening to both President Barack Obama and Pope Francis.

The two have turned the negative tide of historical correctness back to a place where it rightfully belongs, away from people of goodwill.

As I witnessed a Pope from a non-European country and the first African American President together on the South Lawn of the white house, it just reminded me of the awesome power of God.

The message from the Pope was one for all humanity. Respecting the poor, dignity for all people, protecting the very earth which God has given to the people as part of their divine duty to nourish and sustain, and above all, peace in a very violent world. It was indeed inspiring.

President Obama set the stage as he spoke of the need for a nation not to be divided over religion, race, or economic status. Yet, our nation must fulfill its promise for the dignity and freedom of all people. He also petitioned to the world to remember the least of these, the immigrants, the refugees, the poor and those marginalized and often left out. Pope Francis even recalled to memory that he too was an immigrant and that our very nation was built by immigrants. I would also add lest any of us ever forget (on the backs and bones of enslaved Africans whose very spirits still cry out from the halls of the Capital that they helped to build).

It is important for us to remember, just as Pope Francis so eloquently proclaimed years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. came to Washington, D.C. to collect on a promissory note, and yet for some reason it came back marked "insufficient funds".

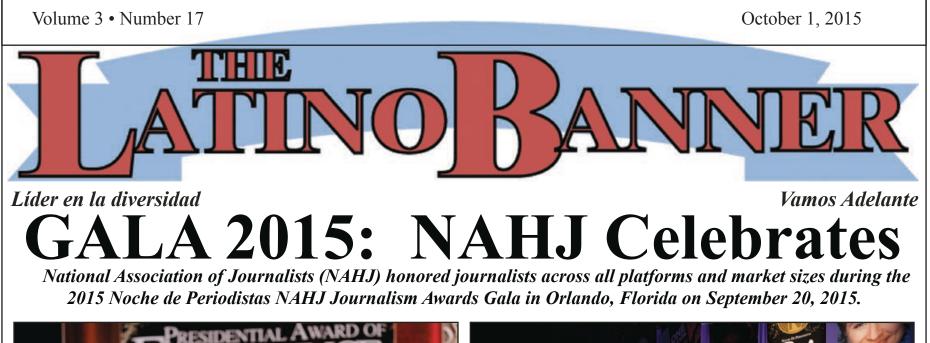
Today, America has the ability and the opportunity to make a new deposit in the bank of freedom, justice, and equality for all. Let us pray and work with the intention that no future generation shall ever have to make a withdrawal from the bank of freedom and democracy, and the note comes back marked "insufficient funds".

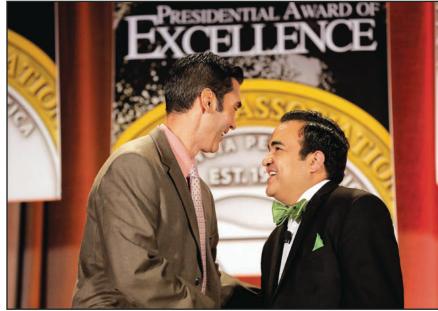
Let us remember the words of scripture reflected in Matthew 25: 35-40:

"I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me drink, naked and you clothed me, a stranger and you took me in, sick and imprisoned and you visited me, and the question was asked, when did we see you hungry or sick or thirsty Lord, and what did we do? The answer comes back, when you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me."

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"It's beautiful to have dreams; it is also beautiful to fight for those dreams. Today, we have to keep dreaming." — Pope Francis speaks about dreams and Martin Luther King Jr. at Harlem's Our Lady Queen of Angels School.





David Plazas and NAHJ President Mekahlo Medina shake hands on stage during the 2015 Noche de Periodistas NAHJ Journalism Awards Gala. Plazas announced the winner of the George Ramos "Chale" Award, which included a \$5,000 check from the Gannett Foundation. Loren Townsley/ Latino Reporter



Carmen Aristegui (left) receives a Presidential award of Excellence during the 2015 Noche de Periodiastas NAHJ Journalism Awards Gala in Orlando, Florida.Loren Townsley/Latino Reporter



(Left) NAHJ New York Chapter President Geraldine Cols Azocar celebrates on stage after accepting the Chapter Cup award for best chapter during the 2015 Noche de Periodistas NAHJ Journalism Awards Gala. Loren Townsley/ Latino Report

(Right) Excellence in Journalism conference attendees dance during the gala. Loren Townsley/Latino Reporter

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Student Creativity Explosion Student art exhibit display all week Marshall M. Fredericks Museum Monday - Saturday: 11:00am - 5:00pm Sunday: 12:00pm - 5:00pm

September 16

Mexican/Chican@ Identity & History Spoken Word/Open Mic Event with Michael Reyes Marshall M. Fredericks Museum 6:00 pm

September 22

Latino Americans Documentary Student Life Programming Room 5:00pm - 7:00pm

October 1

Longoria Affair Documentary Student Life Programming Room 12:00pm - 2:00pm

October 14

Hispanic Business Association Meeting Hosted by SVSU Marketplace Dinner 4:00pm Members Only

September 21

Zahnow Library Hispanic Heritage Month Display Roberta E. Allen Reading Room Zahnow Library Soft Reception 5:00pm

September 24

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MC, producer, activist, artist and advocate for human rights. Rhea Miller Recital Hall 7:00 pm

October 6

Loteria Mexican Bingo Unity Room 5:30pm - 7:30pm

October 14

Hispanic Heritage Month Fiesta Entertainment & Fun Central Courtyard 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

October 17 Latino Alumni/Latino Awareness Association Homecoming Celebration



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Wishing the Michigan Banner congratulations and continued success on your 13th anniversary.

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INTERSECTION OF BUSINESS & WEALTH

Congressman Dan Kildee to Host October Job Fair



Congressman Dan Kildee will host a job fair on October 15, 2015, that will bring employers and recruiters to Flint.

Flint –

At the job fair, various employers will be on hand, some of

Congressman Kildee which will be conducting interviews and on-the-spot hiring.

The event will also have hiring coaches from the Michigan Workforce Talent Bank to provide career help to job-seekers, including advice on compiling a resume, filling out applications and participating in interviews.

The job fair is in partnership with the Michigan Workforce Development Agency, Michigan Works, and Michigan Job Connect.

"I'm excited to host a job fair in Flint so that those looking for work can connect directly with employers looking to hire new workers," Congressman Kildee said.

"It is great to partner with employment agencies as well, who will also be on hand to help ensure that job seekers can get one-onone advice and best practices when it comes to their resume, filling out job applications and being interviewed. All are welcome to attend this free and public event."

A special session of the job fair will also be dedicated to helping veterans find employment opportunities.

After a brief commemoration ceremony thanking them for their service, the first hour of the event will be limited to veterans only, so that the men and women who have served our country overseas will have a unique opportunity to speak to prospective employers and find job opportunities.

"I'm especially pleased that a specific portion of the job fair will be dedicated to helping our returning service members find good-paying jobs back home," Congressman Kildee said.

The job fair is open to the general public and will run from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. The general public session will begin after the veterans' hiring hour at 11 a.m. No registration is required to participate in the sessions for veterans or the general public, and admission is free.



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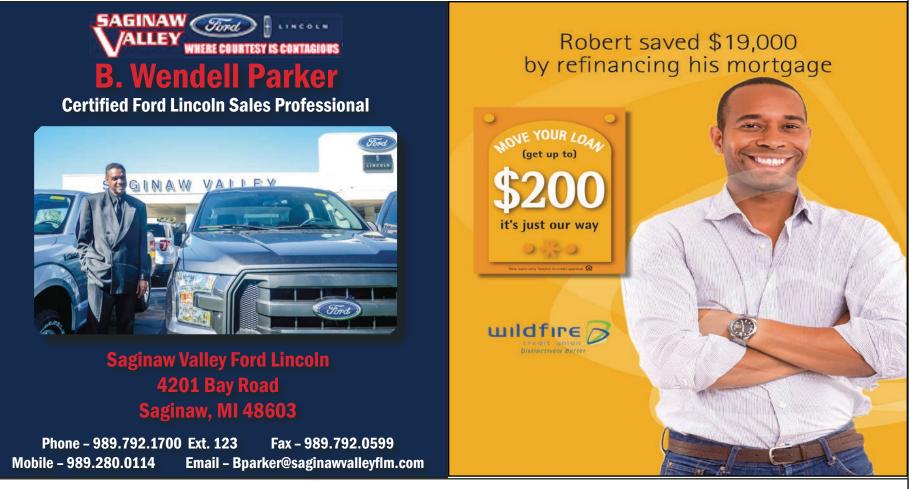
SVSU Welcomes Noted Leader in STEM Education



Dr. Calvin Mackie speaks with Amy Hlavacek (right), SVSU associate professor of mathematical sciences and a 2015 recipient of an Achievement Recognition Award from the Saginaw chapter of the NAACP. Dr. Mackie was the keynote speaker of the NAACP Recognition Award Ceremony.

University Center, MI - Saginaw Valley State University invited Dr. Calvin Mackie (left), a noted leader in promoting STEM education (science, technology, engineering, math), particularly among ethnic minorities, to campus Monday, Sept. 28 to speak with students from SVSU, Arthur Hill and Saginaw High schools, and Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy.

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A View from the Top

Two Saginaw CEOs combine their time and talent to spark innovation and growth in the Great Lakes Bay Region



Saginaw - Leadership That Delivers Management Group (L.T.D.) and ACCESS Business Solution Center (ACCESS) serves as a business incubator/accelerator offering professional development services, access to state-of-the-art equipment and facilities and business assistance.

Shiela Little, LMSW and Desmon R.

Daniel, PHD are the duo behind the business incubator/accelerator.

Their goal is to provide professional development services through L.T.D., while also meeting the needs of small- to-medium -sized businesses with tangible business resources and solutions through their ACCESS Business Solution Center. They have scheduled an open house for Thursday, October 1, 2015 from 5pm to 7pm.

Ms. Little and Dr. Daniel believe this incubator/accelerator is just what the region needs to support its thriving business community. Dr. Daniel states, "I am excited, about this opportunity to help foster innovation and contribute to the momentum surrounding the renaissance of Saginaw and its surrounding areas."

Dr. Daniel, Executive Minister of Mount Olive Institutional Missionary Baptist Church and CEO of Motivating Factor, is a Certified Maxwell trainer. He also held the position of superintendent of schools for Bridgeport Spaulding Schools.

As CEO of Shaping Solutions, Shiela Little recognized the need for a "solution center."

"I found that managing my financial and professional resources, managing a schedule, and maintaining the integrity of my profession within a suitable work environment was exhausting, as most small business owners may know."

Driven by her experience, she teamed up with Dr. Daniel to provide the resources many small businesses lack access to: infrastructure, consulting services, leadership training, executive coaching, and professional development.

Ms. Little is a Master's Social Work currently pursuing her doctoral degree in Business Psychology, with a concentration on Business Consulting and Industrial/ Organizational Psychology. She has also served as an Associate Counselor at Delta College.

ACCESS Business Solutions located on the 5th floor of the Commerce Center, 301 E.Genesee Ave., 5th Floor. For more information visit our facebook page www. facebook.com/accessingltd, call 989-327-1775 or email info@accessingltd.com.



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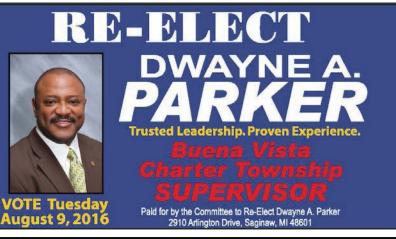
> "The most valuable asset I have is my family, so when I buy a car I look for quality, integrity and safety. In other words, I buy Garber. They sold me a great car and then followed it up with even better customer service after the sale. I did better with Garber and you will too. It matters where I buy my car. That's why I buy from Garber."

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Community Leadership Awards Luncheon to Honor Community Individuals

Saginaw - Join us as we recognize and honor the individuals in our community who have invested themselves in the people, businesses and future of Saginaw County at the Community Leadership Awards Luncheon, November 6, 2015, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Horizons Conference Center, 6200 State Street, Saginaw. For additional information, contact Lisa at 989.757.2115, or lisa@saginawchamber.org.

Daimler North America Corporation moves headquarters to Michigan

Mercedes-Benz Das Beste oder nichts.

Gov. Snyder sits in a futuristic concept interconnect car by Mercedes at the 2015 Frankfurt Auto Show

Frankfurt– Daimler North America Corporation, the holding company for all of the company's business units in the United States, will move its headquarters to Michigan from New Jersey, Gov. Rick Snyder announced as he completed an investment mission trip to Japan and Germany.

"Michigan is the world's automotive leader, and Daimler's decision to increase its presence in state is another indication that we intend to hold that position for generations to come," Snyder said.

"This company has long been a valued member of our business community. Michigan is leading the United States in creating new auto jobs and our leadership extends across all parts of the industry -manufacturing, R&D, engineering and technology development."

After meeting with Daimler executives at the 66th Frankfurt Auto Show, Snyder said the headquarters relocation will bring 30 jobs to Michigan in central office functions including treasury, legal, accounting, and executive staff.

Daimler is a historic automaker with roots tracing back to the very invention of the car. Today it manufactures the premium Mercedes-Benz line of vehicles.

Daimler's Michigan operations currently include Mercedes-Benz Financial Services headquarters in Farmington Hills, Detroit Diesel in Redford Township, and Mercedes-Benz Research and Development in Redford and Ann Arbor.

Snyder also announced Michigan is expanding its international presence with the opening of a Michigan, Europe Center to promote trade and export development between the state and European markets.

"Having a European center will help Michigan businesses by expanding and strengthening partnerships and business opportunities between our state and European nations," Snyder said.

"This new venture will help promote Michigan made products while spurring investment to enhance our engagement in the \$17.6 trillion European market, creating more and better jobs here at home."

With offices in Berlin and London, the center will promote and assist export trade development. Teams of in-market specialists will assist Michigan companies with research, market entry strategy, matchmaking, regulatory issues and trade mission meeting programs.

With an office in Europe, Michigan small to medium enterprises will have easier access to customers in the 28 European Union countries.

During his two-day visit to the Frankfort Auto Show, Snyder met with top executives of leading automotive supply chain companies and European parts manufacturers, delivering the message that Michigan is the premier automotive business location in North America.

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Where's the Scar? Patient's Story: Dual Surgery at Covenant



Saginaw - Jeff Klass is

an engineer in Saginaw. He is also only 46. Klass likes

to swim, run, lift considers himself a fairly active person. He had hernia issues for some

Dr. Maher Ghanem

time, but they did not get in the way of his active life. "I had hernia issues for years, but was able to do everything I wanted to, so we put off the hernia surgery.

Over time, I began having issues with my gall bladder." The pain caused by his gallbladder would last longer with each episode. "At the time, I travelled a lot for work... I knew I had to do something."

Wilbert J. Smith and Alois B. Smith

Owner/Operators

When his doctor told him he should have his gall bladder removed, Klass asked his surgeon a question. "I asked if it was possible, and if there would be any advantage, to having my gall bladder removed and the hernia fixed at the same time."

Dr. Maher Ghanem, a surgeon with CMU weights, and overall Health Division of Surgery, practices at the Covenant HealthCare Center for Advanced Robotic Surgery. He says individually, these procedures are very simple, however, the exact procedure of fixing a hernia and removing a gall bladder is very rare.

"Dual surgeries are not as common." However, it was possible and there are advantages. "The fact that a person can have two major surgeries at one time is a benefit to the patient- no increased risk, fewer surgical site incisions, and the recovery time and hospital stay are less than if a patient had two separate surgeries."

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Klass had his hernia fixed and gall bladder removed in the same surgery; and went home the same day.

"The first few days were rough, but 2.5 weeks after surgery. I was in the pool again swimming 1 mile. About three weeks after surgery, I was running again." And now that he is a few months past the surgery, he can't think of any restrictions he has.

There is an added cosmetic benefit of robotic surgery as well. "If you didn't know I had surgery, you wouldn't even see the incision," says Klass.

"For Jeff, we did both surgeries robotically through one incision 2.5 cm wide directly above his belly button," says Dr. Ghanem. "In the past to perform both of these surgeries laproscopically, we would have had to place up to seven ports in the abdomen."

For those with a technical mind, a representative from Intuitive, the maker of the da Vinci Robot, says this surgery is the first single site multi-quadrant robotic surgery in Michigan.

"Single site robotics is still growing; there are many applications for this in the future," says Dr. Ghanem."

For more information on robotic surgery at Covenant visit www.covenantroboticsurgery.com.

Covenant Cancer Care Center Offers FREE Mammograms for Uninsured/ **Underinsured Women**

Saginaw - The Covenant Cancer Care Center is offering a free breast health screening Saturday, October 10, at the Covenant Breast Health Center, 5400 Mackinaw, Saginaw, MI. To find out additional information call 989.583.6278 option #1 to schedule a free clinical breast exam and digital mammogram performed by experienced physicians and technologists. Advance appointments are required between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., and space is limited.

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The Spectrum Autism Center to Host Behavior Skills Training and **Autism Family Support Group**

Freeland - The Spectrum Autism Center, located at 3949 N. River Road, in Freeland, will host research, and best practices when a community support and training meeting on human behavior, October 27, at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The topics change at each monthly meeting and can be found by checking the calendar of events page at www.spectrumautismcenter. com.

The meetings will benefit parents, caregivers, siblings, teachers, police, firefighters, doctors, nurses, and any community member interested

in learning about behavior, motivation, autism, autism working with people with autism. The staff members will facilitate social groups and play time for children and young adults.

If you are interested in attending, RSVP with the number of adults attending for training and support, and the number of children, adolescents, or young adults with their ages that will attend for social time to leasa(a)spectrumautismcenter.com or by calling 989-702-2082.

Lifestyle choices that may help lower your risk of cancer

Healthy lifestyle choices may help lower your risk of different types of cancer and other health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes and osteoporosis.

Although not all the behaviors listed below lower the risk of breast cancer, they are good for overall health.

Everyone should aim to:

• Be physically active (get regular exercise).

• Achieve and maintain a healthy weight. (Survivors who are overweight or obese should limit high-calorie foods and beverages and increase physical activity to help with weight loss.)

• Eat at least $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups of fruits and vegetables every day.

• Choose 100 percent whole grain foods (such as 100 percent whole grain breads and cereals, brown rice, millet and quinoa).

• Limit red meat and processed meat. Choose chicken, fish or beans more often.

• Limit "bad" fats (saturated and trans fats). These are found in foods such as red meat, fatty deli meats, poultry skin, full fat dairy, fried foods, margarine, donuts and microwave popcorn.

• Eat "good" fats (polyunsaturated and monounsaturated fats). These are found in foods such as olive and canola oil, nuts and natural nut butters, avocado and olives.

• Limit alcohol intake to less than one drink a day for women and fewer than two drinks a day for men.

Adapted from the American Cancer Society's Nutrition and Physical Activity Guidelines. For additional information visit the Susan G. Komen website at http://sgk.mn/1JxLvqi.

Source: Susan G. Komen Organization

Study aims to reduce suicides after jail time



Jennifer Johnson, C.S. Mott Endowed Professor of Public Health at MSU. Courtesy photo

Lansing - A Michigan State University public health researcher is embarking on a first-of-a-kind study that will look to reduce suicides among recently released jail detainees.

Jennifer Johnson, with the College of Human Medicine, has landed a \$6.8 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health and National Institute of Justice to keep those who serve jail time from taking their own lives.

Currently, it's estimated that 10 percent of all suicides involve legal issues such as an arrest or jailing and half of all those who commit suicide aren't in treatment.

"Suicide prevention efforts need to find those at risk and intervene where they are," said Johnson, who is a C.S. Mott Endowed Professor of Public Health. "Right now, there's a critical gap for those who are transitioning back into the community from jail and we're looking to fill that void."

She will be conducting the study with co-investigator Lauren Weinstock, associate professor of psychiatry and human behavior at Brown University and psychologist at Butler Hospital.

The four-year study, known as the SPIRIT Trial, or Suicide Prevention Intervention for at-Risk Individuals in Transition, will follow 800 recently released detainees from the Genesee County Jail in Flint, Michigan, and the Department of Corrections in Cranston, Rhode Island.

Each participant will be randomly assigned to today's standard care or to a newer intervention method for one year after release.

Researchers will then track the mental health of all participants, including any improvements in suicidal behaviors, psychiatric symptoms, hospitalization and overall functioning, and compare the results between the two intervention strategies.

"With almost 12 million admissions a year in jails across the country, facilities have a difficult job because more than half of people detained have mental health and substance use problems," Johnson said. "Jail catches people who are at risk."

The standard level of care offered now in the justice system only provides assistance to those while in jail and very little when released.

But according to Johnson, there will be some monitoring of participants who are assigned to this type of care throughout the study, and if needed, emergency help will be provided.

The newer method involves a prioritized list, or safety plan, written by the participant that identifies coping strategies and support mechanisms that can be used before or during suicidal crises.

"Recently released inmates are four times more likely to attempt suicide than those in jail," Johnson said. "Right now, the three largest mental health treatment providers in the country are jails. The problem is the need for help is much greater than the available budget dollars and legislators don't tend to campaign on better health care services for this population."

Johnson also said that people don't realize the role jails play in public health and likely think of those in these facilities as separate from their families and communities. But the reality is the opposite.

Jails pick up many of the most vulnerable people at a low point in their lives and offer population-level services that will benefit the entire community.

"One in 34 people in the United States are currently involved with the justice system," she said. "So chances are... they could be your neighbors. Offering them a chance to succeed is important."

This is the National Institute of Mental Health's first major investment in suicide prevention research within the justice system.

Other researchers involved in the study include Sheryl Kubiak, a criminology professor at MSU, Danis Russell, CEO of the Genesee Health System, and Genesee County Undersheriff Chris Swanson.

Last year, the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation created a \$9 million endowment for the expansion of MSU's College of Human Medicine Flint campus and recruitment of leading public

health researchers from across the country. This endowment supports Johnson's position. Source: http://humanmedicine.msu.edu/

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Henry G. Marsh Day Oct. 11

World Habitat Day of Prayer Oct. 5



Saginaw has had 64 mayors in its history, but for the last 45 years Saginawians have associated the words "Mr. Mayor" with one person above all others:

Henry Greene Marsh

Out of the night that covers me. Black as the pit from pole to pole. I thank whatever gods may be For my unconquerable soul. In the fell clutch of circumstance I have not winced nor cried aloud. Under the bludgeoning of change My head is bloody, but unbowed. Beyond this place of wrath and tears Looms but the Horror of the shade. And yet the menace of the years Finds and shall find me unafraid. It matters not how strait the gate, How charged with punishments the scroll, I am the master of my fate: I am the captain of my soul. -William Ernest Henley





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EDUCATION

"A Teacher Shortage? What is Saginaw Valley State University doing to address this?"

By Craig Douglas, Dean, SVSU College of Education Guest Columnist

Mich. - There are many indicators that say we are on the brink of a national shortage of teachers. In the recent

months, there

Dr. Craig Douglas

have been widely circulated articles describing the causes-and-effects of the supply/demand of teachers being out of balance.

A case can be made that the supply of teacher candidates is less than the demand. We are on the brink of teacher shortages. (For example, see NPR, August 15, 2015; New York Times, August 9, 2015; or Washington Post, August 24, 2015.)

Bottom line: We anticipate a teacher shortage. Soon. What are we doing about this at Saginaw Valley State University?

In the wake of impending shortages, we are striving to:

* Be positive about the profession as nothing discourages a possible applicant to our teacher education program like an adult who tells a student what a foolish move it would be to become a teacher—to the contrary, we cannot allow ourselves to be our worst enemies. We need to be positive about the profession. It is time to respect undergraduates who aspire to teach.

* Be creative about partnerships...we want to create articulation agreements with public school systems and intermediate schools who have cadet teacher programs, and we want to create relationships with community colleges to assist student transfers.

* Be innovative... we want to develop an early enrollment option into the Teacher Education Program that could connect freshmen with the College of Education much like nursing has done.

Bottom line: We do not have all of the answers and cannot do it alone. It IS in our collect best interests to figure out how to address the impending shortages—sooner rather than later.

If we put information about this into the

hands of our college students, I feel they will analyze the situation as it relates to each individual and will respond accordingly.

I am in my 40th year of public education in Michigan schools, and I make no apologies for having chosen to become an educator. I would encourage anyone who has the knowledge, skills, and abilities to follow their passion.

Become a teacher! You may regret NOT going for it someday, and you MAY end up grateful that you followed your dream and became a teacher. I know I am very thankful for the opportunities teaching has brought to me.

Why should it be any different today?

AT&T delivers tools to public schools



(L-R) Gavin Goetz, Director, External Affairs at AT&T. and *Representative* Edward Canfield deliver some AT&T Pioneer Tools for Learning Backpacks to the Ubly Public Schools and the North Huron Public Schools

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Discipline for Students with IEPs



An application has been submitted for 5 SCECH's and Social Work for Contact Hours. Credit will be offered for all workshops, pending approval. Course approval information will be available at the training. October 7, 2015 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (Registration Starts at 8:30 am)

Family Resource Center 1901 Maple Street Saginaw, MI 48602 (989) 272-0231 for Directions Only

The workshop highlights areas of discipline. It also addresses the topics of disproportionality in disciplinethe overrepresentation of a particular group of people in a particular group or system-- the unequal or inequitable treatment of one group as compared to another. Attendees will be able to take back to local school/district and begin conversations to implement local change.

Funded by The Michigan Department of Education

To Register For This Session Online Visit: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Y7MVKKJ

Please note: To be good stewards of resources, we need a minimum number of participants registered by the registration deadline for the presentation to be held. If it is after the deadline and you haven't registered, please call or email info@michiganfamilyvoices.org to check the status of the event. If you require accommodations or materials in an alternative format, please let us know one week before the workshop.

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Women of Colors membership promotes sisterhood and values the differences in each individual by offering knowledge, encouragement and friendship. One of the great benefits of joining Women of Colors is connecting with others. WOC offers numerous opportunities and various ways for you to connect.
Monthly regular meetings are held to include a variety of speakers and educational topics of interest.
Opportunities are available to build new friendships and to personally empower each member. We collaborate with schools, churches, agencies, and other organizations to provide various resources to individuals in need.

Meetings: Every 1st Thursday of the month Time: 8:00 p.m. Location: 612 Millard (Warren Avenue Presbyterian Church)



Location: 612 Millard (Warren Avenue Presbyterian Church) For more information contact: Evelyn McGovern: (989)737-9286



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WMU grad student's poetry book published, wins big award

By Mark Schwerin

Kalamazoo - A book of poems by a Western Michigan University doctoral student in English has just been published by the University of Pittsburgh Press after winning the 2014 Donald Hall Prize for Poetry.

The award, sponsored by the Association of Writers and Writing Programs and named after American poet, writer, editor and critic Donald Hall, came as a big surprise to author and student Iliana Rocha, who is now entering her fourth year of studies at WMU.

"I was really surprised because, up until that point, I had been submitting to book contests, and I hadn't been a finalist for anything," Rocha says.

"So it was like, 'OK, we'll see how this process goes.' And then, kind of out of the blue, I was getting ready to go work at the Writing Center on campus and I get a call from AWP and they said, 'You won!' I didn't have a clue, because I didn't know I was a finalist or that I was on any kind of short list."

Rocha's book is titled "Karankawa." Raised in Victoria, Texas, Rocha was inspired by the Karankawa Indians, who lived along the Texas coast of the Gulf of Mexico. Her aunt lived in the region of Texas generally inhabited by the Karankawa Indians, and her passing was the impetus for the collection.

Her book examines some of the ways people construct or reconstruct their individual histories. Winning the award comes with a \$5,500 prize in addition to publication.

To read the entire article, visit wmich.edu/news.



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Sabrina Beeman-Jackson

Saginaw ISD Head Start/Early Head Start Program

Director



About Saginaw ISD HE/EHS

Established in 1965, Head Start promotes school readiness for children, ages three to five, in low-income families by offering educational, nutritional, health, social and other services.

Head Start programs promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families.

Early Head Start, launched in 1995, provides supprt to low-income infants, toddlers, pregnant women and their families. EHS programs enhance children's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development; assist pregnant women to access comprehensive prenatal and postpartum care: support parents' efforts to fulfill their parental roles; and help parents move toward self-sufficiency.

Together Head Start and Early Head Start have served tens of millions of children and their families.

At Saginaw ISD Head Start our attentive staff is available Monday through Friday to answer all your questions and make every effort to ensure you are 100% satisfied. Saginaw ISD Head Start Claytor Administrative Building 3200 Perkins Street Saginaw, MI 48601 Phone 989.752.2193 Fax 989.921.7146

Office Hours Monday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Tuesday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Wednesday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Friday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM Sunday: 8 AM - 4:30 PM

For additional information concerning Saginaw ISD Head Start visit: www.saginawheadstart.org

Source: www.saginawheadstart.org

"This program has changed millions of lives, uniting teachers, parents, and entire communities around the shared goal of ensuring our most vulnerable children have the head start they need to succeed, in the classroom and beyond." ~Vanessa Rich, Chair of the National Head Start Association **Board of Directors**

"Our mission is to provide high quality services, developing school readiness and family empowerment for prenatal to age five children and families by working in partnership with parents and the community." -Saginaw ISD HE/EHS



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PRAISE CONNECTIONS & LIFE

Zion Missionary Baptist Church begins new community informative ministry

Saginaw - The Quality of Life Support Ministry of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located at 721Johnson Street, in Saginaw, Pastor Rodrick A. Smith, will begin a new series of informative, educational, legal and health related topics, beginning Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at 10:30 a.m.

The guest speaker is Thomas Begin, Public Affairs Manager, East Region for Consumers Energy. The topic is "Energy Conservation" that includes the following:

• How to decrease your monthly utility bills.

- Display various energy efficient products for in home use.
- Update of the energy efficient programs available to the community.
- Give an update on new laws and how they will affect the consumers.
- Review the various Consumer Energy Payment Plans.

This event is open to the public and refreshments will be served. For more information call 989-777-4861.



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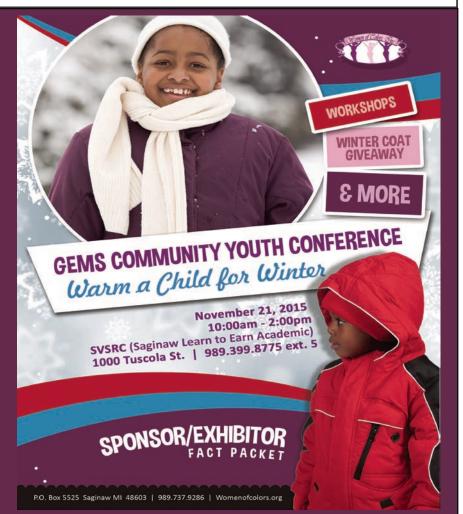


Left - Pastor Vincent McMillon and First Lady Gwen McMillon, of St. Paul Baptist Church, Saginaw, with Pastor Willie Hill and First Lady Martha A. Hill, Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Saginaw. Courtesy Photo

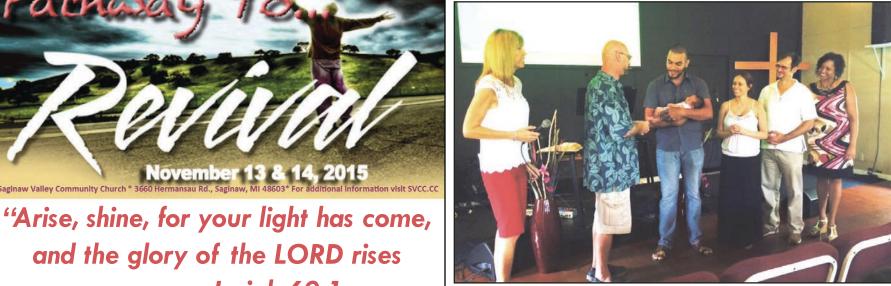
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upon you. Isaiah 60:1



Dedication Ceremony of Keoni Nathaniel



Missionaries Rafael and Leilani Caetano, Youth With a Mission (YWAM) of Hawaii (Middle), at dedication ceremony of son, Keoni Nathaniel, with grandparents, Tom and Lisette Defoe, (right) of Saginaw. Great grandparents are Pastor Ginny and Tom Defoe of Saginaw. Facebook

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Women of Colors P.O. Box 5525 Saginaw, MI 48603 989-399-9275 or 989-737-9286

The Brain Game is Back!

Saginaw - Flex your mental muscles and outguess the competition Tuesday, October 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Frankenmuth's Bavarian Inn Lodge.

Invite family and friends to cheer you on as you vie for the championship. All trivia players and cheering section attendees will enjoy a Frankenmuth chicken dinner.

The event proceeds support CAN's Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program. CASAs are highly trained volunteers serving as the voice for children who are in the system due to abuse or neglect.

Register an individual trivia player for \$30, a half-team of 4 people for \$120, or a team of 8 people for \$240. Cheering section tickets are available for \$25.

Join the game or sponsor the event by calling Delores at (989) 752-7226. Register your team online today at http://cancouncil. org/.

Can Council Invites Community to Open House

Saginaw - The CAN Council Great Lakes Bay Region will host an Open House from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, October 8, at 1311 N. Michigan Avenue, Saginaw. The CAN Council invites the community to celebrate its increased capacity to serve area

families and children.

For easy parking, Open House guests may take the shuttle from St. Andrew Catholic Church (612 N. Michigan Avenue). For more information, please call Suzanne Greenberg, CAN Council President/CEO, at (989) 752-7226.



FUNdraising GOOD TIMES Walking a mile in her shoes

"What size shoes do you wear?" That was what we heard. We saw a well-dressed woman casually take off her sneakers and give them to a woman who appeared to be homeless. Both were getting cream and sugar for their coffees at Starbucks. One walked out with designer sneakers on her feet while the other got into her car wearing socks.

We looked at each other. It happened in less than five minutes. A casual conversation between strangers that ended with an act of charity and kindness that made an immediate material difference in one woman's life. If we hadn't been sitting right next to where the conversation took place, we would never have known it happened.

Something inspired the more affluent woman to take action immediately. She saw a need and she filled it. She didn't wait for someone else to take action. She didn't refer the other woman to a nonprofit, church, or government agency. She took the shoes off her feet and gave them to her.

It was a touchstone event for us. It reminded us that at the heart of nonprofits is passion, concern for others, a desire to make a difference. This beautiful, personal act of kindness reminded us of the goodness that surrounds us. We saw it as a reflection of the spirit, compassion, and love that is a driving force for so many nonprofits.

In this column, we typically share information and suggestions related to the art and science of fundraising. Yet, at its heart fundraising, or philanthropy as it is referred to in some circles is about a love for humanity. It is that love which we need to keep front and center when we get tired, angry, disappointed, or frustrated. That is what draws so many of us into the nonprofit sector in the first place.

That love should be the cornerstone of building strong and vibrant organizations that address the immediate concerns of people in need.

That love should be what sustains us in long-term policy and advocacy work that

addresses the underlying causes of poverty, inequality, and injustice.

Love and compassion can temper our tongues when we want to lash out at others, or when we wish people would "just give" so we can get on with the important work of our organizations.

Love in action binds us together in a united vision. Love in action keeps us at the table as board members when we disagree on a specific matter. And love in action sustains us when the road seems long and our vision appears clouded. Our suggestion: let us try infusing love more fully into our consciousness and our actions, including fundraising. Let us lift up those who give and invest. And let us give with an open heart.

With open hearts Mel and Pearl Shaw position nonprofits, colleges and universities for fundraising success. For help with your fundraising, visit www.saadandshaw.com or call (901) 522-8727.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Pit and Balcony Theatre presents a silent auction of original drawings



Saginaw - Pit and Balcony Theatre will hold a silent auction for two original, autographed drawings by Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman of Hairspray.

The framed drawings will hang in the lobby of Pit and Balcony for the run of Hairspray the Musical, October 2, to October 11.

Marc Shaiman composed the music, and with Scott Wittman, co-wrote the lyrics for Hairspray. For their score, the pair won a multitude of Tony Awards, Drama Desk Awards, and a Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album.

The team has graciously gifted our theatre with two original works of art. On each cardstock page, Shaiman sketched a bar of music from songs performed in Hairspray.

One piece features notes from You Can't Stop the Beat and the other from Good Morning Baltimore. Both Shaiman and Wittman have also autographed the pieces.

A table will be placed in the lobby, monitored by a theatre board member, with a bid sheet, pen, and clipboard.

Pit and Balcony Theatre is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization that has long played a strong role in the realization and fulfillment of arts and culture in the Great Lakes Bay Region.

Hairspray marks the beginning of Pit & Balcony's 84th consecutive season and the theatre is thrilled to provide the community with these special items from two very talented theatre professionals.

For more information, and to buy tickets for Hairspray, contact: Deb Korf, Office Manager, Pit and Balcony Theatre, 805 N. Hamilton, Saginaw, MI 48602, 989-754-6587, office@pitandbalconytheatre.com

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Saginaw - The Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission will open its Art @ the Andersen 2015 Fall Show with an exhibit featuring works by members of the Saginaw Area Watermedia Artists (SAWA).

The show will be on display from October 6, through October 15, at the Andersen Enrichment Center in Saginaw's Celebration Square, 120 Ezra Rust Drive.

The public is invited to meet the artists at a reception on Tuesday, October 6, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. The exhibit hours are 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The exhibit and reception are both FREE to the public.

This year's show, Rhythm and Blues, will highlight the original works of 20

Mid-Michigan SAWA member artists. The more than 75 pieces on display will feature imaginative and soulful interpretations in both watercolor and acrylic.

Visitors will also have the opportunity to view the photography of Marcella Hadden, owner of the Niibing Giizis (Summer Moon) gallery and studio in Mt. Pleasant.

The Powwow Dancers exhibition features a series of photographs of Native American dancers from Honoring the Water, the 31st Annual Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Powwow.

The Saginaw Area Watermedia Artists is a non-profit organization, which works to promote the fine art of painting in mediums of watercolor and acrylics.

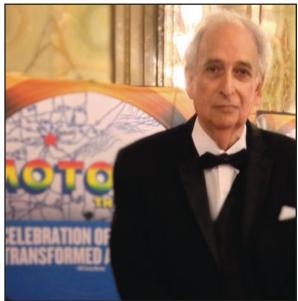
To support art education in the schools, each year SAWA gives a community award to an area school. The award is used for the purchase of much needed art supplies.

Art @ the Andersen is made possible with the support of the Maxwell K. Pribil Memorial Trust, Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

This project has been established by the Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission to give artists in the Great Lakes Bay Region an opportunity to exhibit and sell their work. For more information call the Saginaw Arts & Enrichment Commission at 989.759.1363.

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Motown is coming to Saginaw



Al Abrahms, Motown Founding Publicist

Saginaw - Let the essence of Motown take you back to a time when audiences around the world challenged racial barriers and embraced the "Sound of Young America."

The Castle Museum of Saginaw County History invites you to celebrate the creation of this iconic record label at the Motown Black & White exhibit opening Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Clothing, jewelry and never before seen photos of Motown artists from the personal collection of Al Abrams will be featured in the exhibit. Abrams was the founding publicist and public relations director of the label at that time.

"Motown was more than a musical genre,

it was a movement, and I was there from the very beginning," said Al Abrams, the exhibit creator.

"To be presenting this exhibit at the Castle Museum is an incredible honor. It is my hope that those who have the opportunity to visit leave with an amazing history lesson, an up close view of the Hitsville teens and a nostalgic Motown vinyl record playing on the turntable."

Abrams is also the feature speaker for Lunch and Learn at the Castle Museum scheduled for Oct. 6 at noon, where he will discuss the highlights in his career and his fondest moments at Motown. This event is open to the public and free with museum admission.

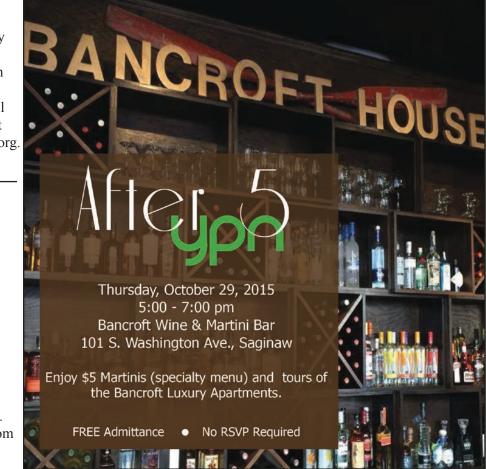
The Motown Black & White exhibit opens Oct. 6 and continues through Dec. 31, 2015.

This exhibit is made possible by the support from the Frances Goll Mills Fund administered by FirstMerit Bank and the Saginaw Arts and Enrichment Commission ArtReach Grant.

The Castle Museum is open Tuesday, Saturday 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4:30 p.m. For more information on this exhibit and upcoming events, call 989.752.2861 or visit www.castlemuseum.org.



Ms. Martha Reeves, Motown Singer



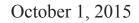
Fashion with Compassion -Embellishments that Empower Charity Event

Child & Family Services Sexual Assault Center invites you to Fashion with Compassionembellishments that empower Charity Event on Oct. 1, 2015, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Apple Mountain, 4519 N. River Rd., in Freeland.

Your evening will include fine hour d' oeuvres, a signature drink, live music, silent auction and live auction, and raffles.

The event will feature both gently loved and new designer purses, stylish jewelry and

fashionable scarves! Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door available at Child & Family Services, 2806 Davenport, Saginaw, MI 48602 or at www. brownpapertickets.com



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Delta Hires New Men's Basketball Coach



Coach Carlos McMath

University Center, MI - Delta College has announced the hiring of Carlos McMath as the men's head basketball coach. McMath is in his second year with the program after spending the 2014-2015 as an assistant under recently departed coach Kyle Blackbourn.

Coach McMath, a Saginaw native, was hired as the Men's Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator after spending five years of service at Arthur Hill as the head varsity assistant coach.

"I believe that Coach McMath is the perfect fit for the present and future of the program," said Athletic Director Shelly Raube. "His dedication and hard work is seen by all. His background and his ability to connect to players will fuel our program." "I am truly honored and humbled to have the opportunity of leading these young men," stated McMath. "The program will be based around hardwork, accountability, and efficiency on and off of the court."

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Said Raube, "Coach McMath's vision of the program did not only meet my expectations but surpassed them. I believe in his ability to recruit the players we are looking for at Delta College as well as bringing forth so many other qualities we are looking for in a head coach."

The Pioneers will begin practice for the 2015-16 season on October 1. They will look to build on a 19-13 record from the year before and a District Tournament Runner-Up finish.

First Ward Community Center to Host MSU vs. Michigan Bowling Tailgate Fundraiser

Saginaw - On Saturday, October 17, 2015, First Ward Community Center will host its 1st annual MSU vs. Michigan Bowling Tailgate Fundraiser at LaFevre Family Bowl, 6220 State Street, Saginaw.

This signature event begins at 3 p.m. and is designed to celebrate 85 years of serving the Saginaw community and the many accomplishments we have achieved over the years.

Our board members, corporate sponsors, partners, staff, families, friends, volunteers and the community are all welcome to participate.

The tickets are \$25 and include 2 hours of bowling, shoes, pizza and a drink. Come in your favorite school colors and show your school spirit. There will be games, 50/50 raffle, trivia and door prizes.

For more information contact First Ward Community Center at 989-753-0411.



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October 2015 Long-Range Weather Forecast

OCTOBER 2015: temperature 55° (3° above avg.); precipitation 3.5" (1" above avg.); Oct 1-4: Rainy periods, turning cool; Oct 5-7: T-storms, warm; Oct 8-12: Sunny, cool; Oct 13-20: Rain, then sunny, nice; Oct 21-27: Rainy periods, turning cool; Oct 28-31: Sunny, cool. http://www.almanac.com/

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a runner and go-getter

For Lauren Little, it's all about making connections. The rhetoric and professional writing major spends her summers volunteering and works during the school year giving tours as a Club Red ambassador and an Orientation Leader. "A student's mom came up to me years after she took a campus tour, and she wanted to say hi," Lauren said. "That's the kind of connection I want to make."

Lauren hopes to go on to pursue a master's degree in Chicago and eventually to run her own public relations firm. Waking every day at 5:30 a.m., Lauren organizes her life around running, but ask her, and she'll tell you that learning is the top priority. "Education is my all, and SVSU is truly home for me; it makes it that much easier for me to love what I do every day. I simply love everything it has to offer — the campus life and all the opportunities for growth."



Prospective or transfer students can check out SVSU by taking a campus tour and meeting with an admissions representative. Call (989) 964-4200 or email admissions@svsu.edu.

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