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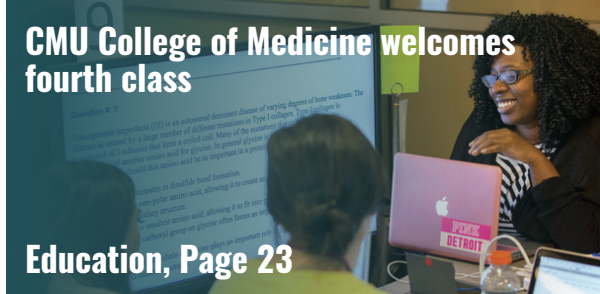


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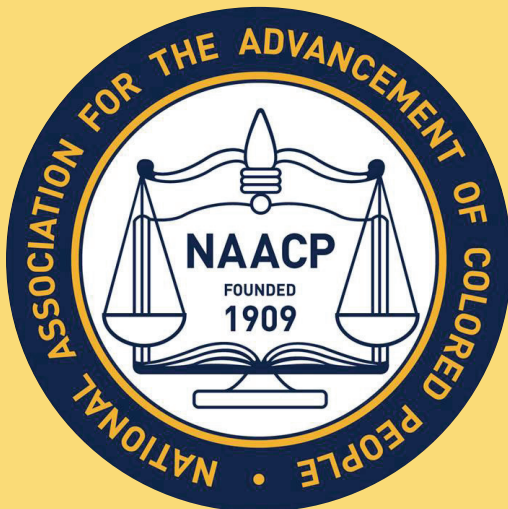
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pursuing the [yet] unsolved ones." Reading The Michigan Banner provides an opportunity for us to better discuss and understand the challenges facing our community and how to solve them. My continued appreciation for serving our community.

**J.J. Boehm,
Director of Media and Community Relations, SVSU**



To my dear friend Jerome Buckley. Congratulations on your 14th year anniversary of the Michigan Banner. You've come a long way since the days when we were scrambling trying get each edition to press. With its relevant and current news and the addition of the Latino Banner, the Michigan Banner has been

and continues to be a vital part of the Saginaw community. I'm sure you'll have continued success for the next 14 years and beyond.

**Derrick Harge
Saginaw Fire Department (Ret.)
Former Owner, Harge's Printing Service
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My sincerest congratulations to Jerome Buckley and The Michigan Banner for celebrating 14 years of unbiased journalism in the areas of business, community, education and religion! I was first introduced to Mr. Buckley and The Michigan Banner seven years ago. From that time, until now, I have seen a paced transformation occurring recognizing the expansion of outreach to the Great Lakes Bay Region in addition to a new website.

Mr. Buckley recognizes as society changes, in some areas, so must we ensuring the foundation by which the work is produced remains authentic. Keeping its mission "to operate and serve as a print and online media venue committed to educating, informing and enlightening our readers regarding events and news that directly and indirectly affect communities regionally and nationally" remains constant and steady.

I look forward to The Michigan Banner continuing to provide relevant topics to our region that are timely, thought provoking and unbiased as Mr. Buckley and his team stay strong by "Leading in Diversity, Empowering Communities and Changing Lives."

Congratulations again and thank you for your many years of service to others!

Kelley A. Peatross, PhD



It is with great pride that we congratulate Jerome Buckley and The Michigan Banner on another successful year of service. Your continued dedication and commitment over the years to serve this community in journalism show your fairness in providing a true

perspective of our community and its people. We are thankful and grateful to the Banner and you, Mr. Buckley.

Rev. Dr. Roosevelt & Dr. Nurame Austin

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Brandimore Retires After 33 Years of Service at SVSU



Merry Jo Brandimore smiled as she addressed a crowd of more than 400 who attended the ceremony to dedicate M.J. Brandimore House, a residence hall at SVSU, Thursday, Aug. 11. Brandimore recently retired after 33 years of service at SVSU.

Don Bachand, SVSU president, unveiled the plaque that will be installed inside M.J. Brandimore House, a residence hall at SVSU, during the dedication ceremony Thursday, Aug. 11. Brandimore served SVSU for 33 years, including her final eight years as dean of students.

Pedro Marin, a marketing major from Grand Blanc, spoke on behalf of students during the ceremony to dedicate M.J. Brandimore House, a residence hall at SVSU, Thursday, Aug. 11. Marin has worked as a student employee in SVSU's Student Affairs office; Brandimore

recently retired from SVSU following 33 years of service in Student Affairs.

SVSU students and staff painted the "spirit rock" outside M.J. Brandimore House, as the residence hall's new lettering was installed. The building is named for Merry Jo Brandimore, who recently retired from SVSU after 33 years of service, including eight years as dean of students. During her time in Student Affairs, SVSU's residential population grew from 645 students living on campus to 2,700 today.

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New HLCOM Executive Director Visits SVSU



(top L) Dr. Felipe Lopez Sustaita and Commission member Monica Reyes with students. (bottom L) HLCOM Executive Director Dr. Felipe Lopez Sustaita, SVSU President Dr. Bachand and HLCOM commission member Monica Reyes. (R) HLCOM Executive Director Dr. Felipe Lopez Sustaita speaks to students.



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Girls on the Run Saginaw Bay Announces Fall 2016 Season



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Girls on the Run Saginaw Bay is excited to announce the start of its Fall 2016 season. The Girls on the Run program is being offered at 25 schools in Saginaw, Bay, Arenac and Tuscola counties. Last year, more than 400 girls in third through eighth grade were inspired to be joyful, healthy, and confident, with the program's fun,

experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running.

The fall season runs from September through November. The 10-week interactive curriculum covers topics such as self-awareness, building healthy relationships, and learning how positively connect with and shape the world. The program

concludes with the completion of the Girls on the Run 5k, a celebratory, non-competitive race that kicks off the Positive Results Downtown Saginaw Holiday parade each year.

Participant registration will be open August 22nd through September 11th at www.gotrsaginawbay.org. The registration fee \$160. Girls on the Run is inclusive and available to all who wish to participate. Families may pay a sliding scale registration fee of \$10 - \$160. Girls participate equally regardless of fee paid and no girls are turned away for an inability to pay the full fee. No running experience is required to participate.

Registration includes 20 sessions led by trained volunteer coaches, a new pair of running shoes, healthy snacks at each lesson, lesson supplies, official GOTR t-shirt, final celebration, 5k entry and finisher's medallion. The season begins September 12th and concludes with the Girls on the Run 5k on November 19th. Registration is on a first come/first served basis and space is limited.

Girls on the Run Saginaw Bay is still accepting site and volunteer coach applications through September 1st.

Visit www.gotrsaginawbay.org or contact Jennifer Naegele at jnaegele@undergroundrailroadinc.org or 989-399-0007 ext. 104 to learn more about hosting a team at your location, coaching, or registering your girl.



About Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run is an international, non-profit prevention program that prepares girls in third through eighth grade to run 3.1 miles and educates them about healthy physical, emotional, and social lifestyles. The program empowers girls at an early age to prevent the display of future at-risk behaviors, giving girls greater self-confidence, a stronger sense of identity, and a better sense of community. As an international program, Girls on the Run has served more than one million girls since its creation in 1996. Girls on the Run Saginaw Bay is a council of Girls on the Run International.

HEALTH

2016 National Immunization Awareness Month



In collaboration with partners nationwide, the Saginaw County Department of Public Health (SCDPH) is recognizing August as National Immunization Awareness Month. This is the perfect time to ensure that children are protected with all of the vaccines needed as the back-to-school season draws near, and also a time to celebrate the importance of immunizations across the lifespan.

Vaccine preventable disease rates have declined tremendously, yet cases still occur in the United States. To date in 2016, nearly 6,000 cases of pertussis have been reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. While young school aged children are thought of most often, it is important to remember that immunizations are also critical to the health and well-being of infants,

adolescents and adults alike.

The SCDPH offers comprehensive immunization services at six locations throughout Saginaw County. Walk-in immunization clinic hours at the Bennie T. Woodard, Jr. Public Health Center, 1600 North Michigan Ave, Saginaw, are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 1:30 until 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday from 9:00 until 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 until 5:00 p.m.; services are also available by appointment only on Wednesday from 5:15 until 6:30 p.m. and Thursday from 1:15 until 4:00 p.m. For information on other clinic times and locations, call (989) 758-3840 or visit www.saginawpublichealth.org. For more information on the recommended immunization schedules, contact the SCDPH or visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules. Be Wise. Be Well.



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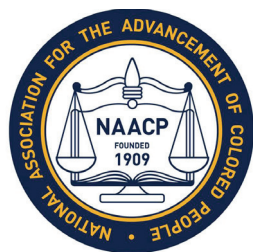
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Arson Watch History

Interim Fire Chief Ricardo Longoria, retired firefighter, stated, "Arson Watch was a grassroots community-led patrol that originated in 2007". It largely was formed to decrease arson fires

on or near Devil's Night, which many Arson Watch participants renamed Angel's Night.

The night has now transformed from "feared" to "festive" in many neighborhoods across the City. Neighborhood Associations now host pot lucks for adults and children and mingle with firefighters and police. It has taken several hundred individuals to make the difference which has brought the number of fires on these two nights down to almost none. In October, 2006, the City of Saginaw experienced the worst rash of Arson and violent crimes in recent history. Fifty-four fires were reported during a 72-hour period. Last year, 2015, the City reported only three suspicious fires, the lowest number on record since the high in 2006.

Arson Watch organizer Marcia Rabideau, the wife of retired Saginaw Police Officer Allen Rabideau, founded Arson Watch, and organized the first patrol in 2007. A large event took place at the Dow Event Center in Downtown Saginaw, in 2007 and other locations. Fundraising efforts to sustain these events became too great.

There are now various smaller events staged by neighborhoods, increasingly organized as joint efforts by multiple neighborhood associations. When darkness falls upon Saginaw during the nights proceeding Oct. 30, through Halloween, cars with yellow oscillating lights on vehicles, and volunteers in orange Arson Watch T-shirts, can be seen driving and walking through neighborhoods on the lookout for suspicious activity. In 2010, a formal Arson Watch committee was formed, led by the City of Saginaw's Inspection Department, John Stemple. It is made up by members of nine Neighborhood groups. Jan Cook has been the chairperson and

Debbie Melkonian co-chair. Planning begins in late summer and ends with a wrap up meeting the first part of November. Endless hours are spent planning, organizing, fundraising and speaking at public meetings.



Mary Jane Claybrook Currie

Education advocate

Mary Jane Claybrook Currie is a member of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc.'s Gamma Kappa Chapter, a professional organization of teachers dedicated to empowering youth. As an experienced educator and mother of two sons, Currie was inspired to support an organization that catered to African-American high school students in Saginaw County, encouraging academic excellence, cultural cultivation and community involvement. In 1992, she led the initiative to organize the chapter's Kudos youth group. After 24 years, she continues to serve as senior advisor. The purpose of the Kudos organization is to create a positive peer culture that contributes to the growth of young men academically, spiritually, civically and socially. These young men represent careers in education, medicine, law, writers, entertainers, business, finance, entrepreneurs and ministers.

In recognition of her service to the Gamma Kappa Kudos, Currie was appointed Midwestern Regional Kudos Chairperson from 2007 to 2011, overseeing the operations of Kudos groups in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin. For her service, she also was recognized as "Mother of the Year" by the Eta Upsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. in 2009.

Currie taught and mentored many students at Central Junior High and North Middle School in Saginaw Public Schools from 1968 to 2004. She was a 1994 recipient of the Crystal Apple Award from The Saginaw News for excellence in teaching. She also helped organize the first citywide Spelling Bee from the Saginaw Public

School Board of Education. While teaching, Currie advocated for and mentored students in many different capacities including as a spelling team and cheerleading coach, a remedial reading consultant, an honor society advisor, a student council advisor, and a student-teacher coach.

After retirement as a full-time teacher, Currie continues as a substitute teacher. She is a member of the Saginaw/Oakland Literacy Project Leadership Team, a longitudinal research study that focuses on improving literacy teaching and learning in urban schools. Currie also is curriculum director for Houghton-Jones/Saint Paul's Raising a Standard of Excellence in Our Community Summer Program, where she can be found writing hip-hop lyrics for students while facilitating professional development for teachers.

Currie is a member of the Saginaw County Association of Retired School Personnel and Saginaw Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She also is a member of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where she previously served as Sunday school superintendent, vacation Bible school coordinator, Sunday school teacher and member of the scholarship committee.

Currie is married to Roy R. Currie. They have two sons: Kelly S. Currie and Kenne S. (Lorraine Davis) Currie, Pharm.D.; and two grandsons: Camden Bryce Currie and Callen Spencer Currie.



Betty B. Jones, Ph.D.

Vice President Emeritus, Delta College

As one of the first ten black families to become Midland residents, Dr. Betty B. Jones arrived from Columbia, S.C. with her family in 1968 to become an early activist in the Midland community, and later, an advocate and worker for multicultural education at an international level.

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Jones worked with local groups to develop forums for community education when she first arrived in Midland. With other members of the small black community, she formed the Midland Black Coalition in 1972 and led the Cultural Impact Committee for that group for more than six years. During that time, she chaired Midland's first Black History Celebration in 1973 and the first Annual Festival of African American Books and Stories in 1975.

A charter member of Midland's first black women's organization, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Betty led this group's implementation of programs for youths to nurture positive identity, academic achievement, leadership skills and appreciation of their black heritage in the 1970s. In 1980, she initiated a partnership with Delta College and led what became an annual Leadership Workshop for Minority Teens in Midland, Saginaw and Bay City. Jones also served as a volunteer consultant and trainer for Midland Public Schools to initiate multicultural education as a working concept in the classroom. As a result, teaching strategies for multiculturalism were designed, implemented and evaluated across the curriculum.

Jones also served as a school social worker with Bay City Public Schools, where she initiated group programs for troubled youth and designed workshops for parents of minorities. In 1975, she received the Bay City NAACP Human Relations Award in recognition of her work with minority youth, parents and neighborhoods.

In 1977, she joined the social science faculty at Delta College, where she was named Community College Teacher of the Year by the Michigan Sociological Association in 1983. In 1984, she was appointed dean of general education at Delta, and in 1994, she received appointment as vice president and chief instructional officer. In that role, she led programs demonstrating positive impact in schools, churches, and arts and community programs. She earned a number of awards and recognitions, both locally and internationally. For instance, in a special tribute in 2001, the Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology in Kenya inaugurated the Betty B. Jones Library and Media Center at the college to honor her transformative contributions to education in the Rift Valley Province.

A native of Columbia, S.C., she earned a

bachelor's degree from Hampton University in 1956, a master's degree from Catholic University of America in 1965, and a Ph.D. at University of Michigan in 1981.



M.T. Thompson, Jr.

Retired Judge, 70th District Court

Following his graduation from Oakland University in 1973, M.T. Thompson, Jr. went to work for Michigan Bell Telephone Company as a business office manager. He was responsible for the billing and collection of over \$2.5 million of telephone accounts per month.

In 1974, Thompson accepted a scholarship to Northeastern University School of Law in Boston. While still in law school, he was employed as the chief law clerk in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Boston. During this same period, he served as chairperson for the Black American Law Student Associations.

After graduating from law school in 1977, Thompson accepted an appointment as an attorney with the National Labor Relations Board. He served as a trial attorney, hearing officer and opinion writer.

In 1979, Thompson joined the law firm of Lewis, White, Clay & Graves, P.C., where he became a partner. At the time, the firm was the largest African-American law firm in the nation. Thompson functioned as one of its chief trial attorneys, as well as its labor and bankruptcy law specialist. He handled major litigation at all levels of the state and federal court system.

In 1983, he returned to his hometown of Saginaw. From 1983 to 1996, he practiced law there. He served as general counsel for community organizations such as the Saginaw Housing Commission; OIC of Metropolitan Saginaw; Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council; Saginaw County Community Action Committee; Tri-City Ser, Inc.; Detroit East, Inc.; and the Metro-East Drug Treatment Corporation. He also served as special labor counsel for the Midland Cogeneration Venture and as a hearing referee with the Michigan Civil Rights Commission. From 1983 to 1993, he served as general counsel for Buena Vista Charter Township.

In 1996, Thompson was elected judge in the 70th District Court in Saginaw. He retired from

this position effective May 1, 2016.

Thompson is active in the local community and has served on several boards and received numerous awards. He is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church. He is a life member of the NAACP and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He was listed in Who's Who Among Black Americans and the Outstanding Young Men of America. He is the author of Institutional Employment Discrimination As A Legal Concept.

Thompson is a graduate of Saginaw High, Oakland University and Northeastern University School of Law. He graduated from both college and law school with academic honors. Thompson and his wife, Ivory, have two daughters and five grandchildren.



Dr. Karen W. Weaver (Keynote)

Mayor, City of Flint

Karen Weaver, Mayor was born and raised in Flint, Michigan. She is the youngest of three children born to Dr. T. Wendell Williams and Marion C. Williams. She attended the Flint Public Schools graduating from Northern High School in 1977. She graduated with a Bachelor's in Psychology from Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi. She obtained her Master's degree from Long Island University, Brooklyn, NY and PhD in Clinical Psychology from Michigan State University.

Dr. Weaver has held several leadership positions, such as Director of Behavioral Services, Mott Children's Health Center, 2000-2010; Chief Operating Officer, Ennis Center for Children, September 2012-March 2014; and is currently the Owner of Shea Lavelle Boutique, a specialty store for natural skin, hair and body products.

She serves on the following boards: The Flint and Genesee Chamber of Commerce Operating Board, Downtown Development Authority, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Flint Institute of Arts and as past president of the Pierians Inc., Flint Chapter. She has served as Flint NAACP Freedom Fund Chair since 2012. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Zeta Beta Omega Chapter and of Vernon Chapel AME Church.

Dr. Weaver has been married to Dr. Wrex A. Weaver for 28 years. They have three children, Adrienne, Alanna and Douglas.

School Starts Soon—Is Your Child Fully Vaccinated?

Make sure that your children are up-to-date on vaccines before sending them back to school.



School-age children, from preschoolers to college students, need vaccines. Making sure that children receive all their vaccinations on time is one of the most important things you can do as a parent to ensure your children's long-term health—as well as the health of friends, classmates, and others in your community.

CDC has online resources and tools to help parents and doctors make sure all kids are up to date on recommended vaccines and protected from serious diseases. Get your children to the doctor if you discover they need vaccines to protect them against serious diseases.

What All Parents Need to Know

To keep children in schools healthy, your state may require children going to school to be vaccinated against certain diseases, such as pertussis (whooping cough). If you're unsure of your state's school requirements, now is the time to check with your child's doctor, your child's school, or your health department. That way, your child can get any needed vaccines before the back-to-school rush.

Disease Outbreaks Still Happen

It's true that some vaccine-preventable diseases have become very rare thanks to vaccines. However, cases and outbreaks still happen. The United States experienced a record number of measles cases during 2014, with 668 cases from 27 states reported to CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD). This is the greatest number of cases since measles elimination was documented in the U.S. in 2000. From January 2 to July 22, 2016,

there have been 48 cases of measles reported in the United States.

From January 1– June 13, 2016, almost 6,000 cases of whooping cough have been reported to CDC by 50 states and Puerto Rico.

Outbreaks of whooping cough at middle and high schools can occur as protection from childhood vaccines fades. Those who are vaccinated against whooping cough but still get the disease are more likely to have a mild illness compared to those who never received the vaccine.

Making sure your children stay up to date with vaccinations is the best way to help protect your communities and schools from outbreaks that can cause unnecessary illnesses and deaths.

Getting every recommended dose of each vaccine provides children with the best protection possible.

Vaccines for Your Young Children (Newborns through 6 years old)

During the early years of life, your children need vaccines to protect them from 14 diseases that can be serious, even life-threatening. Parents who choose not to vaccinate their children increase the risk of disease not only for their own children, but also for other children and adults throughout the entire community. For example, vulnerable newborns too young to have received the maximum protection from the recommended doses of vaccines or people with weakened immune systems, such as some people with cancer and transplant recipients, are also at higher risk of disease.

Flu vaccines are recommended for kids 6 months and older. Getting your children vaccinated—as well as other family members and caregivers—can help protect infants younger than 6 months old who are too young to be vaccinated. Ask your family's doctor or nurse about getting a yearly flu vaccine to protect against flu.

Parents can find out what vaccines their children need and when the doses should be given by reviewing CDC's recommended Childhood Immunization Schedule.

Vaccines for Your Preteens and Teens (7 years old through 18 years old)

Preteens and teens need vaccines, too! As kids

get older, they are still at risk for certain diseases. Before heading back to school, three vaccines are recommended for 11-12 year olds—HPV, Tdap, and meningococcal conjugate vaccine—for continued protection.

HPV vaccine is important because it can prevent HPV infections that can cause cancer later in life. For other diseases, like whooping cough, the protection from vaccine doses received in childhood fades over time. That's why 11–12 year-olds are also recommended to get the booster shot called Tdap to help protect them from whooping cough, tetanus, and diphtheria. Meningococcal conjugate vaccine helps prevent two of the three most common causes of meningococcal disease, which can be very serious—even life-threatening.

It's important to know that flu can be serious, even for healthy, young people. Preteens and teens are no exception. So older kids should get at least one flu vaccine every year.

To learn more about vaccines for your preteens and teens, talk to your child's healthcare provider or visit the preteen and teen vaccine pages. CDC provides a recommended immunization schedule for people ages 7 through 18 years for parents and doctors to follow to protect preteens and teens from vaccine-preventable diseases. If your preteens or teens haven't already gotten their vaccines, you should get them caught up as soon as possible.

It's Not Too Late

Getting every recommended dose of each vaccine provides children with the best protection possible. If a child misses a shot, your child's healthcare professional can use the catch-up immunization schedule help get her back on schedule.

Keep in mind that there are many opportunities to catch-up on vaccines for your preteen or teen. Preteens and teens typically see their doctors or other health care professionals for physicals before participation in sports, camping events, travel, and applying to college. Beat the back to school rush and use these opportunities to get your preteen or teen vaccinated today!

Blood donors help save the lives of family

When they needed it most, blood transfusions were readily available

SAGINAW, MICH. (August 12, 2016) –Grace Brunett is not only a regular blood donor and blood drive host. She’s also a tireless cheerleader who works for Michigan Blood as a phlebotomist.

Grace can trace her commitment to her days as a high school student where she learned in anatomy class about the power of O-negative blood – her type and a universal option for anyone in need.

Just nine percent of Michigan’s population has O-negative blood which puts Grace in a class by herself. But her story is even more compelling. Nearly six years ago while pregnant with her firstborn, she developed chorioamnioitis. She eventually underwent an emergency Caesarian section. During her ordeal, which lasted nearly five hours and included an emergency hysterectomy at the age of 21, she needed a blood transfusion.

“I almost died,” she says, noting that she was conscious during the entire trying episode. What she took away from that traumatic experience, however, were two rewards: One, a daughter (Charlotte), now going on six years old. And two, a personal story to share about the importance of stepping up to donate blood and blood products.

Grace began donating blood in high school, where coincidentally, she met Cory Brown, the father of their child.

“I was a sophomore and he was a senior,” she relates. Both were members at the time of Business Professionals of America, which was sponsoring a blood drive at the high school.

Little did they know then that Grace would not only lean on blood donors for her vital needs, but that Cory, too, would come to require multiple transfusions.

“He was in a car accident before we had Charlotte, back in 2007, and then in 2011, he was hit by a drunk driver,” says Grace. In both instances, Cory needed donor blood.

Today, the happy trio makes its home in Cedar Springs, where Charlotte – described by mom as being “bubbly, fun and smart” -- is a whiz at jigsaw puzzles and is set to start kindergarten this coming fall. Grace is diligent about giving blood for obvious personal reasons, and also because it’s

just the right thing to do. She enjoys tracking her progress, pint by pint, acknowledging that she just passed the 6 gallon mark this past March.

It’s fun for her to travel back in her mind to those days in anatomy class, when the instructor mapped out how “With O-negative blood, you can basically save anybody,” she says. “It’s kind of awesome, that the whole world is basically eligible for my blood, and so that has spurred me to action.”

“It’s one hour out of one day just every two months of your life,” says Grace. “You can be selfless in that single hour and make a huge difference.”

Michigan Blood is the sole provider of blood and blood products for more than 60 hospitals in Michigan, including Covenant HealthCare, St. Mary’s of Michigan, MidMichigan Health, Caro Community Hospital and Genesys Regional Medical Center. Donations given outside of Michigan Blood do not have direct local impact. Any healthy person 17 or older (or 16 with parental consent) who weighs at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate, although females age 18 and under must weigh 120 pounds or more. Blood donors should bring photo ID. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. Donors can schedule an appointment by calling 1-866-MIBlood or by visiting www.miblood.org.

About Michigan Blood Founded in 1955, Michigan Blood is a fast growing, independent, non-profit blood bank headquartered in Grand Rapids. It provides blood products and services for more than 60 hospitals throughout Michigan and is an established leader in quality and service. Michigan Blood collects more than 125,000 units of blood each year at nine permanent donation sites and more than 3,600 mobile blood drives in 40 counties statewide. Michigan Blood has a nationally recognized stem cell (marrow) program and created Michigan’s first public cord blood bank. In addition, Michigan Blood provides therapeutic apheresis, cellular therapies for the treatment of cancer and transfusion medicine consultations. For more information, visit www.miblood.org.

Below is a listing of local blood drives (August-September)

8/13 - Blessed Sacrament Kof C #13452, Social Hall, 3109 Swede Ave., Midland, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm
 8/13 - Ithaca Hometown Fun Fest, Bus, 214 E. Center St., Ithaca, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
 8/15 - Caro Area District Library, Community Room, 840 W. Frank St., Caro, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/15 - Kawkawlin Community Church, BUS, 311 E Grove St, Kawkawlin, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 8/15 - Knights of Columbus Edenville 12660 Our Lady of Grace at St. Anne Church Edenville, meeting room, 5738 S M-30, Edenville, 2:00 pm to 6:30 pm
 8/15 - S.C. Johnson, Parking Lot - Bus, 4868 Wilder Rd., Bay City, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
 8/16 - Bob Love State Farm, Bus, 6122 W. Pierson Rd Suite 3, Flushing, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 8/16 - Holly Calvary United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 15010 N Holly Rd., Holly, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/17 - All Saints Parish, Parish Center, 710 Columbus Ave., Bay City, 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 8/17 - Samaritas Senior Living, Classroom, 3145 Russell St., Saginaw, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
 8/18 - Ascension Lutheran, meeting room, 8695 Gratiot Rd, Saginaw, 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm
 8/18 - North Branch High School, Outer Hall Area - SSU, 6598 Brush St., North Branch, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/18 - Unionville Moravian Church, Fellowship Hall, 2711 Cass St, Unionville, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/18 - Zion Lutheran Church & School, Gym, 1557 Seidler Rd., Auburn, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/19 - Midland County Fair, Bus, 6905 Eastman Ave., Midland, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/20 - Coleman Family Center, Cafeteria, 991 E. Railway, Coleman, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
 8/20 - Midland County Fair, Bus, 6905 Eastman Ave., Midland, 2:00 pm to 6:30 pm
 8/22 - Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fellowship Room, 8220 Holland Rd., Saginaw, 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm
 8/22 - Knights of Columbus Council #4232, Parking Lot - Blood Bus, 4840 Shattuck Rd., Saginaw, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/22 - North Branch Wesleyan Church, Fellowship Hall, 3164 N Branch Rd, North Branch, 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 8/23 - Boy Scout Troop #215, Main Hall, 1610 Reese Rd, Reese, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/23 - St. Michael's Lutheran School, Overflow Room, 3455 S. Van Buren Rd., Richville, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/24 - Birch Run High School, Banquet Room, 6817

Dixie Highway, Bridgeport, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/24 - Dow-Horizon Conference Center, Bus, 6200 State St. Suite 1, Saginaw, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
 8/24 - Pinconning High School, Library, 605 W 5th St., Pinconning, 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 8/25 - Gladwin High School, Gym, 1400 N Spring St., Gladwin, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/25 - Hemlock Youth Football, Parking Lot, 733 N. Hemlock Rd., Hemlock, 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
 8/25 - Messiah Lutheran Church-Midland, Ignite/Fusion Room, 1550 Poseyville Rd., Midland, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/26 - Beaverton Church of the Nazarene, Gym, 540 Lang Rd., Beaverton, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/26 - Independent Bank - Sebewaing, Bus, 8880 Unionville Rd, Sebewaing, 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 8/27 - Frankenmuth Area Donor Site at Covenant Healthcare Building, Basement, 600 N Main St., Frankenmuth, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
 8/28 - Line Drive 14U Gold, Cafeteria, 401 N Bowery St, Gladwin, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm
 8/29 - Pierson Rd. YMCA, Gym, 5219 W. Pierson Rd., Flushing, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/29 - St. Dominic Catholic Church, meeting room, 2711 Mackinaw St., Saginaw, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 8/29 - University of Michigan-Flint, University Pavilion, 361 University Center 303 East Kearsley St., Flint, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
 8/30 - Magnum Care, Bus- parking lot, 2160 N Center Rd., Saginaw, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 8/30 - Outdoor Adventures Campground Saginaw Bay Resort, Community Room, 4738 Foco Rd, Standish, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
 8/31 - Beaverton Activity Center, Gym, 106 Tonkin Street, Beaverton, 12:30 pm to 6:30 pm
 8/31 - Pinconning Knights of Columbus #2986, main room, 326 N Water St., Pinconning, 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm
 9/01 - Faith Lutheran Church Prescott, Church, 5315 Henderson Lake Rd, Prescott, 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 9/01 - Genesys Athletic Club, Conference Room, 801 Health Park Blvd., Grand Blanc, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 9/02 - Genesys Regional Medical Center, Auditorium, 1 Genesys Parkway, Grand Blanc, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm
 9/05 - The H Hotel, Ballroom, 111 W Main St., Midland, 11:30 am to 4:30 pm
 9/06 - Bay City Employees, Bus, 301 Washington, Bay City, 8:30 am to 11:00 am
 9/06 - Bay City Light and Power, Bus, 900 S Water St., Bay City, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm
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CMU Research Corp. Board Approves Expansion Throughout Great Lakes Bay Region: *Two new facilities will support businesses and jobs*



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The Central Michigan University Research Corp. board of directors today voted to fund an expansion that will establish new facilities in two cities within the Great Lakes Bay Region. The move will give entrepreneurs and businesses across the region better access to growth and job creation tools that have the power to boost local economies.

One new facility is planned for Bay City. Details on the second city and buildings in both locations will be finalized in the coming months.

"Developing partnerships that improve quality of life and strengthen communities is one of our priorities at CMU," said George E. Ross, president of CMU and chair of the CMURC board of directors. "This facility will bring CMURC's expertise, resources and pipelines, but also CMU, directly to Bay City and other communities."

CMURC is a business accelerator headquartered in the Mount Pleasant SmartZone adjacent to CMU. The accelerator — a nonprofit created as part of a Michigan Economic Development Corp. initiative — is charged with bringing together experts from higher education and other sectors to help startups or existing businesses grow and create jobs. The MEDC has recognized CMURC as one of the top SmartZone business accelerators in the state.

Like the Mount Pleasant facility, CMURC's two new spaces will serve as hubs to connect entrepreneurs to

each other and the tools they need. Staff work with local businesses, chambers of commerce, economic development organizations and Central Michigan University to harness and make available the intellectual, technological and material resources that help businesses thrive.

"We're excited about the opportunity to guide the development of businesses that will boost the local tax base, create jobs and, ultimately, make our communities more vibrant," said Erin Strang, president and CEO of CMURC.

More than 75 entrepreneurs and businesses are members of CMURC through its Right Choice, Exchange and Passport programs. Members include CMU professors, college students and other community members from Isabella and surrounding counties looking to move

their initial business ideas forward. Established companies also leverage the work space as a remote office or seek CMURC's guidance to reach the next step in their growth.

Services range from assistance with business plan development, commercial assessments, connections to resources for prototype development, crowdfunding platform access and networking opportunities with fellow members. CMURC business development managers work with individuals and companies to tailor the experience to their needs.

"We have created scalable programs to serve the region, but this expansion will allow us to better serve entrepreneurs and make all that CMURC has to offer even more accessible," said Strang.

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Financial and in-kind support from businesses and corporations are so important to the life of nonprofits. Whether through event sponsorships or grants for programs and operations, businesses matter. They provide visibility, funding and talent. Employees and executives serve as board members and volunteers donating their time, expertise and money. They encourage others to do the same; inviting their consumers, customers, partners and employees to join them in giving.

Likewise, there are benefits that accrue to businesses who engage with nonprofits. These include the opportunity to extend your brand to a new audience, or to communicate your support of specific nonprofits to your current audience. Supporting a nonprofit is an ideal way to increase visibility, network, and extend your brand. Sponsoring nonprofit events also helps attract and retain talent, especially amongst employees who want to feel connected to their community through the workplace. It can also be a creative – and often cost-effective – way to meet marketing or other business goals. These are a few examples of the positive impact corporate philanthropy can have on a business.

Corporate philanthropy also strengthens the community. Every day we see the impact that Wells Fargo, FedEx, Nike, Toyota, UPS, and other businesses large and small make on the quality of life in communities across the country. Local businesses are also busy investing in our nonprofits with funding and volunteer hours that increase nonprofits'

impact.

It is important to focus on the business-related benefits of a relationship with a nonprofit. At the same time it is important to remember that nonprofits provide a community with many intangible benefits that a business cannot purchase or provide.

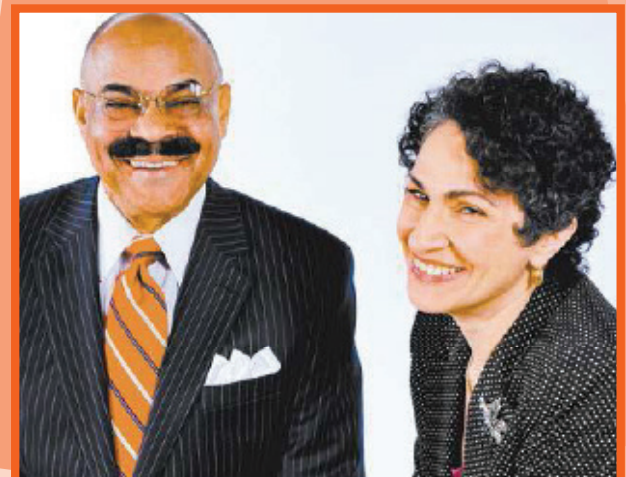
For example, if your company seeks to ensure that it conducts business with minority and women owned firms, then it is important to support those nonprofits that incubate, mentor, and help build the capacity of these firms. It is difficult for a municipality or business to contract with firms that don't exist, or that have challenges scaling to meet increased demand. History has shown the important role that minority business development organizations play, especially when there is a history of limited business opportunities for minority and women owned businesses.

One way to make a difference is to sponsor your local black chamber of commerce, or the local chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO). Sponsoring their events also supports their ongoing work.

Here are our closing thoughts: When reviewing sponsorship or giving opportunities consider the direct business

benefits and the indirect ones. Consider how your investment in local nonprofits can help create a climate that attracts and retains young professionals. Diverse, inclusive communities depend on the services, expertise and advocacy provided by nonprofits such as your local NAACP chapter, LGBTQ community center, and Latino serving organizations among many others. Your financial support makes a difference.

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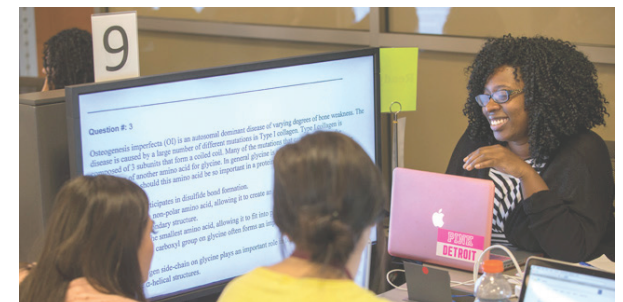
EDUCATION

The students beneath the white coats

Fourth class brings CMU's College of Medicine to capacity



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As the inaugural class of 64 Central Michigan University College of Medicine students embark on their final year of studies, 104 fresh faces bring the relatively new college to capacity.

The fourth class was drawn from an applicant pool of 4,854 — the highest number yet. The new students arrived on campus Monday, Aug. 1, and spent the first week in orientation. The week concluded with them receiving their white coats and reciting the Hippocratic Oath they wrote at a ceremony Friday afternoon.

Overall, 80 of the 104 admitted students — or 77 percent — are from Michigan. Twenty-four of those are from northern and central portions of the state. Of the 376 students in the college, 83 percent are Michigan natives.

"It's an exciting milestone for the College of Medicine that for the first time we have a full complement of students amongst all four classes," said Dr. George Kikano, dean of the CMU College of Medicine. "Similar to last year, we were fortunate to enroll 15 percent of underrepresented minorities in this class as well as two National Health Service Corps scholars. We are looking forward to another successful year."

Chris Austin, director of admissions for the college, said graduates of 48 other colleges and universities are represented in the incoming class, with the top five being Michigan universities.

Students in CMU's College of Medicine will spend their first two years of study on CMU's main campus in Mount Pleasant. Third- and

fourth-year medical students and residents complete six-month Longitudinal Integrated Clerkships at multiple sites throughout the state and hospital clerkships and electives primarily at Covenant HealthCare and St. Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw and other CMU-affiliated hospitals. The training in Saginaw is anchored at a state-of-the-art \$25 million, 46,000-square-foot College of Medicine educational facility.

The CMU College of Medicine — established in 2009 — has a mission to improve access to high-quality health care in Michigan emphasizing rural and medically underserved regions and to address an anticipated shortage of 4,000 to 6,000 physicians in Michigan by 2020.

Dear Saginaw Public School Families,

As summer vacation concludes and planning for the 2016-17 school year intensifies, Saginaw Public School's staff eagerly anticipating the return of our students this fall. If this is your experience with Saginaw Public Schools, we want to provide you with information that you need to assist your child with having a successful school year. Please visit our district website (www.spsd.net), as well as your child's school's website for updates, resources, and opportunities to get involved in our schools.

The diversity of our students is an asset within the Saginaw community. Our district believes that all students and staff deserve to be a part of a responsive school and work environment where differences are valued and celebrated. At Saginaw Public Schools, we challenge all children as we complement academic rigor with extracurricular opportunities. We are continuously working to create curriculum options for students that reflect real-world content embedded in technology rich lessons.

Our teachers engage in ongoing professional development throughout the school year to enhance their instructional practices. They are well prepared to focus on assisting students with mastering basic skills as well as exposing children to enrich activities. Our students are fortunate to have an array of choices in art, music, drama and athletics, as well as comprehensive afterschool programming. We will continue to work diligently at providing your children with the best educational experience possible.

I encourage parents to get to know your child's principal and teacher's get involved with your school's PTO, attend parent engagement events held throughout the school year, and know that we are here to help you in any capacity as the new school year begins. For your reference, we have included Parent /Student Orientations dates for schools.

Please enjoy the remaining days of summer vacation and we wish you a great start to the 2016-17 school year!

2016-17 K-12 PARENT ORIENTATION MEETINGS

Parents: The following dates, times and locations have been set for the 2016 Parent Orientation Meetings at your child's school

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Schools	Date	Times	Make-Up Date/Time
Arthur Eddy	August 22	10:00AM & 4:00PM	August 29
	August 24	(Both days)	10:00AM & 4:00 PM
Handley	August 23	12:00PM & 5:00 PM (cafeteria)	August 29
	August 24	(Both days)	12:00 PM & 4:00 PM
Herig	August 31	5:00PM (New Family Orientation/Picnic)	
	August 22	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM	August 29
Kempton	August 24	Picnic – 12:00 – 2:00 PM	12:00 PM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:30 PM	August 29
Loomis	August 24	(Both days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	9:00AM & 4:00 PM	August 29
Merrill Park	August 25	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 22	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM (New Families)	August 29
Chester Miller	August 24	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM (Returning Families)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 22	10:00 AM & 5:30 PM	August 29
Rouse	August 24	9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM	August 29
Stone	August 25	(Both Days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	8:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM	August 29
Zilwaukee	August 24	(Both Days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	9:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Family Picnic)	August 29
	August 24	10:00 AM & 3:00 PM	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Schools	Date	Times	Make-Up Date/Time
Arthur Hill	August 23	9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	August 29
	August 25	(Both Days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
Saginaw Art & Science Academy	August 23	6:00 PM (6th Grade Orientation)	August 31
	August 25	10:00 AM & 6:00 PM (Returning students)	6:00 PM
Saginaw High	August 31	6:00 PM (New Student Orientation)	
	August 23	10:00 AM & 5:00 PM	August 29
Thompson Middle School	August 25	(Both Days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM
	August 23	9:00 AM & 4:00 PM	August 29
	August 24	(Both Days)	10:00 AM & 4:00 PM

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MIKE MOSHER EXHIBITION

"Meter-Reader: Voltage, Amperage, Knowledge"
August 22 - September 14, 2016

Lecture: Thurs., September 8 - 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Reception: Thurs., September 8 - 4:30 - 6:00 pm

This exhibition will feature paintings and drawings by SVSU Professor Mike Mosher, Art/Communication Media Administration. Professor Mosher is a full-time professor in the Department of Art at Saginaw Valley State University. He received his B.A. in Art from Dartmouth College, and his M.F.A. in Conceptual Design from San Francisco State University.

Mike Mosher's "Meter-Reader" artworks are a body of paintings, drawings and other artworks he completed during his Fall, 2014 sabbatical. It makes use of the artist's inherited collection of mid-century analog (pre-digital) voltmeters and ammeters as subject matter, visual motif or assemblage elements, in numerous paintings, drawings, sculptural installations, photographs and copy-machine prints.

All gallery exhibitions, lectures and receptions are free and open to the public. For open gallery hours or call (989) 964-4159. The University Art Gallery is located in the Arbury Fine Arts Center on the campus of Saginaw Valley State University, svsu.edu/visit/campusmaps.

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September 7-11, 2016

September 7-10 at 7:30 pm
September 11 at 2:00 pm

This madcap farce is a roller coaster of crazy events and mistaken identities that doesn't stop until the last side-splitting conclusion. This production is returning to the Bush Theatre stage after a terrific audience response during CMU Summer Theatre 2016. *Includes themes and/or language that some may consider offensive.

Written by Robin Hawdon; Directed by Elaine Daugherty.

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PRICES ADVANCE PURCHASE: Students/Seniors \$7, General Public \$9
AT THE DOOR: \$10 all seats

LOCATION Bush Theatre

ACCESSIBILITY For ADA accommodations, please contact Ticket Central at least two weeks in advance. Ground floor seats or wheel chair spaces are also available online for Bush Theatre performances.



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Delta College Foundation's popular fundraiser for the Delta College Possible Dream Program is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2016, once again at the beautiful HORIZONS Conference Center in Saginaw. More information to come.

For photos from last year's event, visit <http://bit.ly/2be8yRn>. For more information about the Possible Dream Program visit <http://www.delta.edu/possibledream.aspx>. For event and sponsorship information, contact Mary Harding at (989) 686-9226.



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CMU's Mobile Recreation Program Rolls Out

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Manned by students from the department of recreation, parks and leisure services administration, the truck and trailer takes planned programming and activities to underserved youth and families who may not have access to parks or formal recreation programs. One of the goals of Play on the Way is to help get kids outside and to be more active.

"We provide equipment, programs and activities to remote areas that don't necessarily have planned activities," said Kevin Troshak, mobile recreation coordinator and Howell senior. "It's a brand new program so we're excited to be getting out on the road this summer."

Play on the Way is the only service learning-based mobile recreation unit sponsored by a university in the United States. To date, it has served over 900 local youth and 2,400 youth across mid-Michigan.

Programming this summer served children at seven sites in mid-Michigan as well as other special events around the state, and activities ranged from organized sports to family games to environmental and outdoor education activities.



"Studies have shown if you are active for even 30 minutes a day you can improve your quality of life, and we are trying to make that accessible for more kids," Troshak said.

CMU students involved in Play on the Way also gained valuable experience as they trained for, planned and facilitated events. The opportunity to get out in the community with

children of all ages is invaluable for students like Troshak, who is planning to pursue a career in community recreation.

"CMU's recreation program is known across the United States as one of the best, and Play on the Way really puts CMU in the spotlight as a leader in community recreation," he said.

Congratulations Rev. Dr. Austin

Thursday, August 4, 2016, during the 98th Annual Session of the Wolverine State Missionary Baptist Convention, Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Austin, Sr., and Dr. Nurame M. Austin were honored with their individual photo's being placed upon the wall among others who have been instrumental in the building and continued works of this State Convention. Mrs. Austin was past Music Director, Wolverine State Women's Auxiliary and Rev. Austin was past Wolverine State Congress President.



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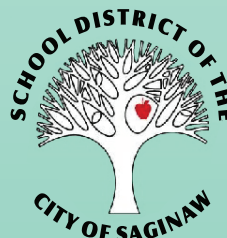
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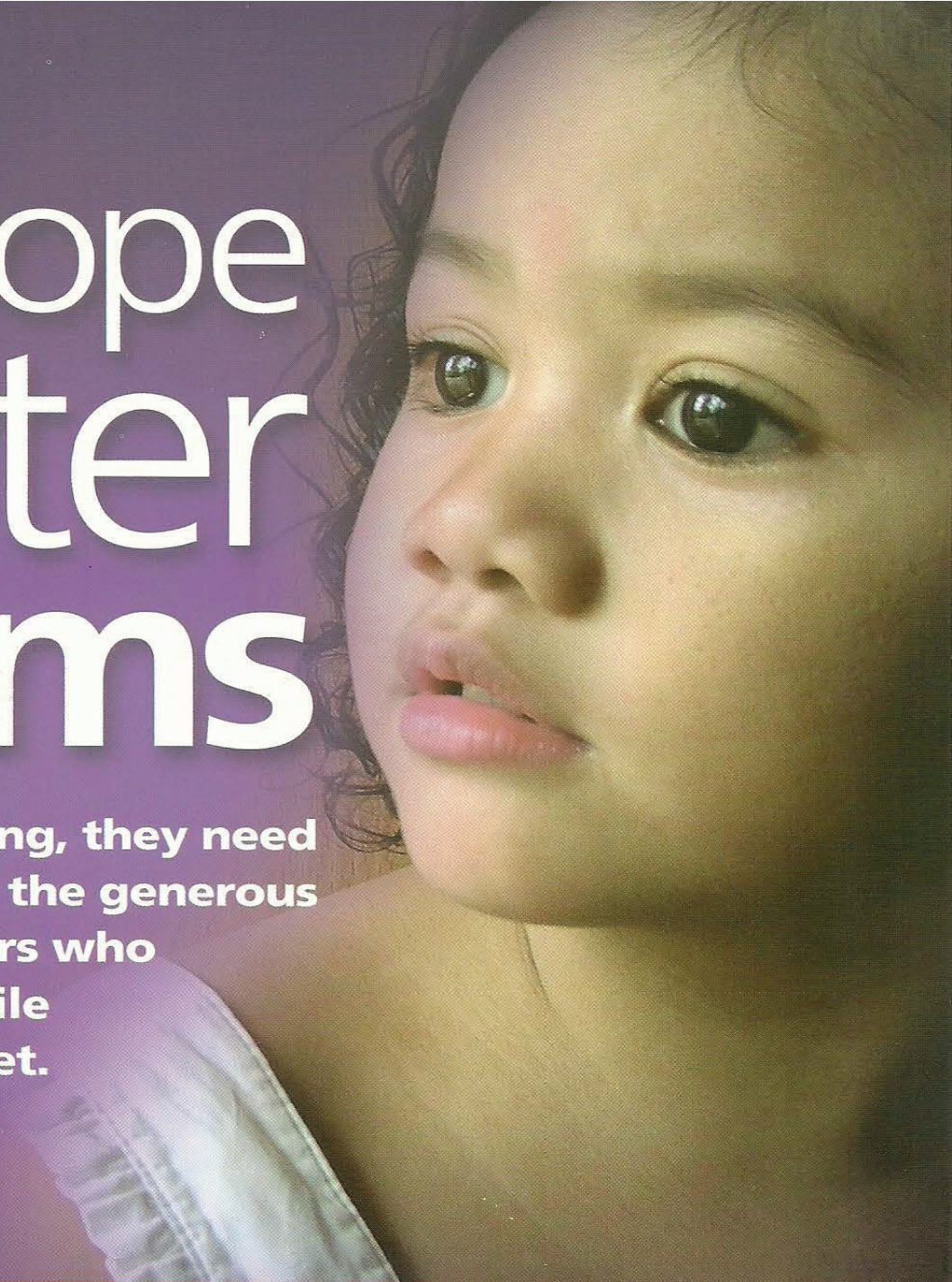
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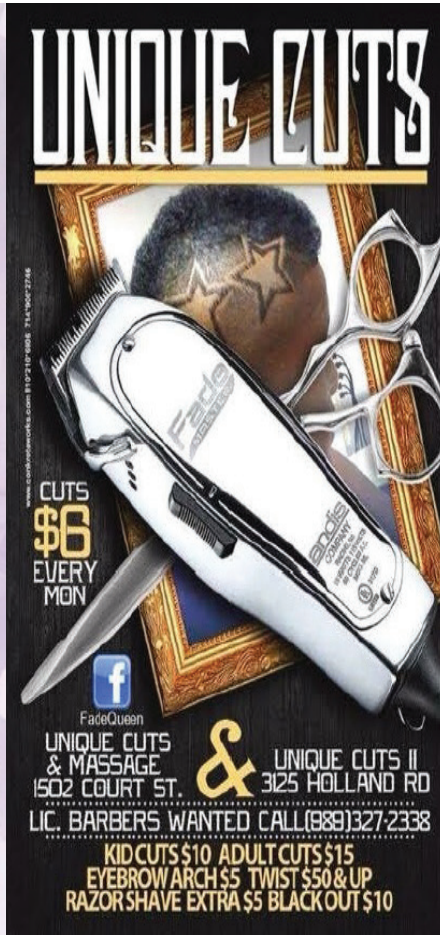


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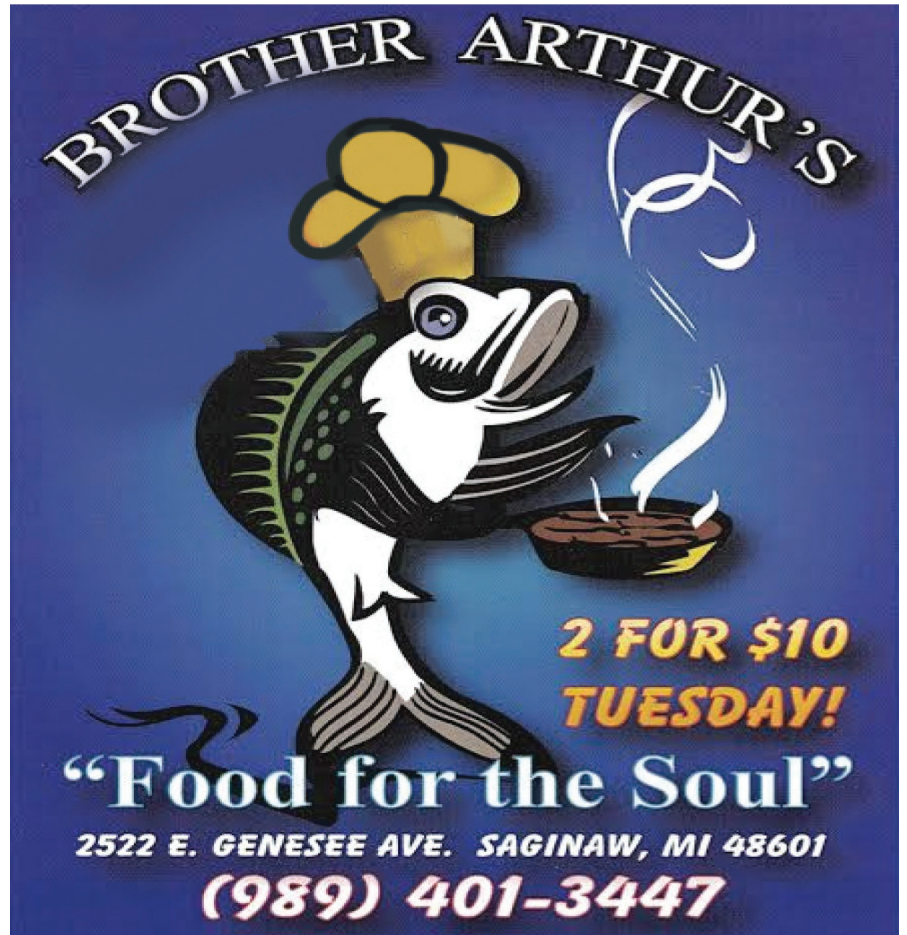
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This program is presented in cooperation with Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority, Saginaw MAX System of Care, and parent partners.

To RSVP and for more information, contact Denise Montrel at 989-395-7113 or dmontrel@sccmha.org

POLITICS & PUBLIC POLICY**Gov. Snyder signs budget for Flint's recovery, expands Healthy Kids Dental to all 83 counties**
\$54.9 billion spending plan completed in June for sixth consecutive year

HOLLAND, Mich. – To better serve Michigan's 10 million residents and keep the state's momentum moving forward, Gov. Rick Snyder completed signing the state's fiscal year 2017 budget into law Wednesday, providing funds to protect the public and bolster the state's economy. The bill signing marks the sixth straight year the state budget has been completed in June.

Snyder signed House Bill 5294, sponsored by state Rep. Al Pscholka, R-Stevensville, at Holland State Park to highlight strategic investments in natural resources protection, including unveiling a new competition styled after XPRIZE that will draw on innovative methods for preventing invasive species. When combined with the school aid bill signed by Snyder on Monday, the total investment plan for the state, including federal funding, totals \$54.9 billion.

"We're six for six on completing the state budget in June," Snyder said. "With significant investments in Flint, Detroit, education, public safety, and our economy, the budget for the next year provides the investments we need to keep Michigan's momentum going strong."

More than 75 percent of the total budget is devoted to education and health and human services.

"The budget signed by the governor today makes key investments that will help keep our growth at a steady pace," State Budget Director John Roberts said. "Our hard work with our partners in the Legislature these past few months has resulted in a fiscally sound budget that will help continue Michigan's comeback."

Another sign of Michigan's momentum is an unemployment rate of 4.7 percent, down from more than 11 percent in 2010, which is the lowest it's been since March 2001. With more than 450,000 new private sector jobs added since December 2010, Michigan has seen the largest unemployment decrease in the nation.

"Things in Michigan have turned around and employers know now that this is a state they can come to, do business in, and thrive and grow," Snyder said.

Specific highlights of the 2017 budget include:

AIDING IN FLINT'S RECOVERY

- Additional funding to aid and assist the city of Flint with its recovery, bringing the total funding for Flint's recovery to \$234 million.

PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST

- An investment of \$25 million to expand the Healthy Kids Dental program to fully cover all eligible children in all of Michigan's 83 counties, for total anticipated coverage of more than 956,000 children.
- An increase of \$3.4 million for the Family Independence Program's clothing allowance for children.
- An investment of \$7.6 million to expand the Center for Forensic Psychiatry to help ensure persons ruled incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity receive mental health services.
- An increase of \$3 million in non-Medicaid General Fund support for Community Mental Health.
- A total of \$1.8 million for additional staff at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans to better care for Michigan men and women who served their country.
- An increase of \$2.5 million for senior community services.
- General Fund support of \$66.5 million for the treatment of Michigan residents with Hepatitis C and \$43.7 million for individuals with Cystic Fibrosis.

FOCUSING ON MICHIGAN'S FUTURE

- Adds \$5.3 to the Skilled Trades Training Fund, for a total of \$30.9 million, to provide Michigan workers with the skills they need for in-demand jobs.
- A total of \$115.5 million, a \$1.5 million increase over prior year funding, for the Business Attraction and Community Revitalization.
- An increase of \$1 million for the Pure Michigan campaign to help further stimulate the state's tourism economy.
- A total of \$3 million for Protect and Grow, which is a joint initiative between the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation that aims to protect, expand and grow the state's defense industry.

INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE

- The new State Transportation package will result in \$1.2B in support for transportation when fully implemented in fiscal year 2021.
- A grand total of \$233.1 million for various

approved Capital Outlay planning authorizations for state universities and community colleges across the state, as well as two state agency projects.

- An increase of \$4 million for cybersecurity improvements.
- A total of \$2.5 million in one-time funding to upgrade communication network connections at Army National Guard armories.

PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

- An additional \$7 million to train 65 new state police troopers, bringing trooper strength to its highest level since 2002.
- An increase of \$1.5 million to expand the Secure Cities initiative to Muskegon Heights, Inkster, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park and Benton Harbor.
- An increase of \$1.7 million to expand the capacity of cyber-crimes enforcement to prevent, detect and investigate cyber-crimes.
- A total of \$481,300 for new ballistic vests to help ensure the safety of Corrections agents in the field across the state.

STRONGER COMMUNITIES

- County revenue sharing and incentive programs will receive \$217.3 million, a 1 percent increase above the funding allowed under statutory provisions for the eligible counties. Two additional counties are added this year, bringing the total eligible number of counties receiving funding to 78.
- Constitutional revenue sharing payments for cities, villages, and townships totals \$757.8 million.
- Funding is maintained at \$243 million for eligible cities, villages and townships that meet accountability and transparency requirements. An additional \$5.8 million in one-time funds is available to eligible cities, villages, and townships.
- A total of \$5 million is continued for financially distressed cities, villages, and townships. This program provides grants for local units that have one or more conditions that indicate probable financial distress.

The bill becomes Public Act 268 of 2016.

For more information on the legislation, visit legislature.michigan.gov.

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As a senior awaiting graduation from SVSU, Florence Alexander says she couldn't feel more excited and prepared for the challenges that lie ahead. "The passionate faculty, students and staff have challenged me and allowed me to make a huge impact in the local communities," she said. "I have had the privilege of becoming a mentor for the Saginaw Community Foundation's Youth First program, which provides Saginaw County's at-risk youth with dozens of recreational and development programs. I am also able to help the Saginaw community through my involvement with Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federally funded national initiative to reduce violent crimes. These experiences have inspired me to travel the world and explore ways to advocate equality and acceptance."

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