

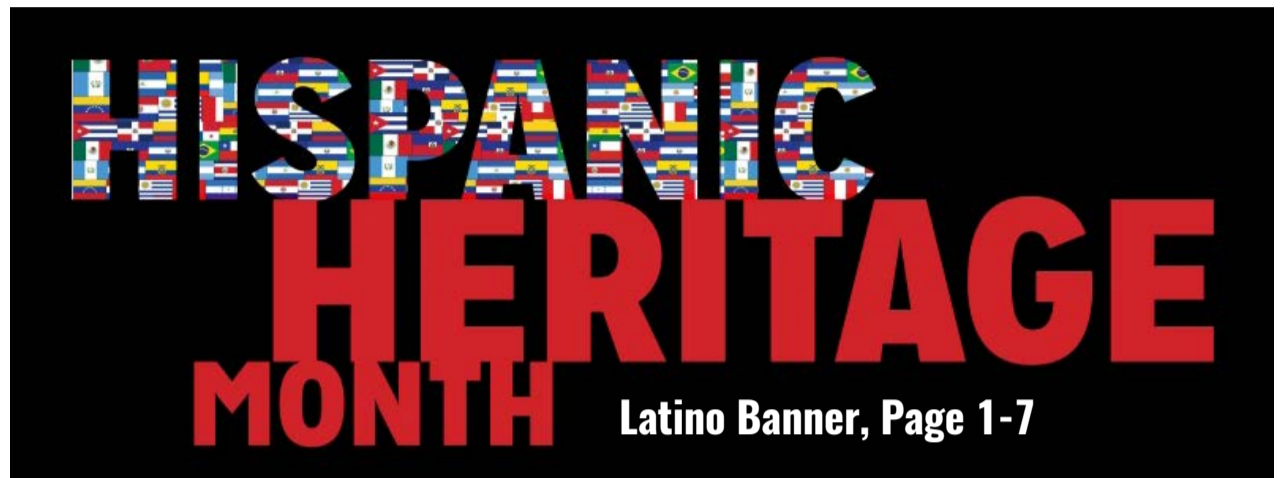
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Kimberly Houston Named Interim Executive Director of the YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region



YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region is pleased to announce the selection of Kimberly R. Houston as Interim Executive Director. Kimberly's new role is to move YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region into the next chapter, while supporting the mission and values of the organization.

Kimberly holds a B.S. in Economics and an M.S. in Organizational Development, with academic distinction from Fisk University (Nashville,

TN.) and Case Western Reserve University (Cleveland, OH.) respectively. She is a well-respected business and community leader with more than 35 years leadership experience in business, philanthropy, and fund development. She is a seasoned professional and retiree of Dow Corning Corporation.

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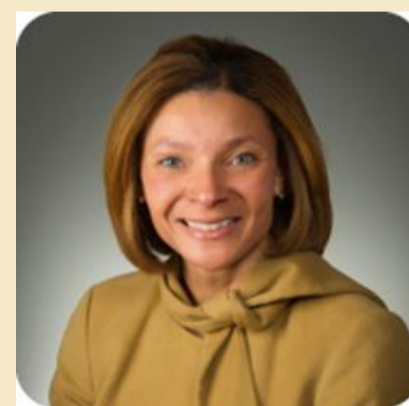
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Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan Planning Annual Statewide Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration in Saginaw



The Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan (HLCOM) and the Hispanic Heritage Month Planning Committee are excited to announce that for the first time, we will be hosting our annual Statewide Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration event in Saginaw, MI on Friday, October 12, 2018, at the Horizon Center from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

This year's theme is "Celebrating our Heritage." The annual Statewide Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration is an excellent event where we honor leaders from our community. We also celebrate accomplishments and our diverse cultures. This event is unique because it pulls people together from across the state. The celebration's MC this

year will be Q-TV's Somos Hispanos host Nina Hageness ([click here for more information](#)).

The celebration begins with a networking reception, elegant dinner, and keynote address. Appreciation awards will be presented to six community leaders (from around the state) who have made outstanding contributions to the Hispanic/Latino community in Michigan. We will end the night by presenting ten \$1,000 scholarships to current college students from various community colleges and universities.

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Central Michigan Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month at Central Michigan University is celebrated annually September 15 to October 15. In conjunction with other national celebrations, we recognize the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States, Michigan and CMU. Join us in celebration of Hispanic heritage and culture.

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Hispanic Heritage Month Keynote Speaker:
Alfonso Salais
7pm, Pearce Hall 127

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Painting Party featuring Omar Cruz
4pm-6pm and 6pm-8pm, Kulhavi 142
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Soup and Substance "Life Through the Eyes
of the Other: a Conversation on Interracial
Marriage"
12pm-1pm, Bovee University Center Terrace
Rooms A-D

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Latin American Dance
6pm, Bovee UC Rotunda
Sponsored by Sigma Delta Pi

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Latinx Discussion
7pm-8:30pm, Bovee UC Terrace Rooms
Sponsored by the Empowered Latino Union

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

Heritage Month Annual Food Taster
3pm-6pm, Wesley (1400 S. Washington)
\$5 per student

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

Zumba with Officer Laura Martinez
6pm, Student Activity Center (MAC Gym #1)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

Latino Alumni Chapter Annual Career
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Hispanic Women in History
7pm, Kulhavi 142
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Jose Angel Gutierrez is a Crystal City, Texas native. He has degrees from Texas A&M University at Kingsville (B.A.), St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas (M.A.), University of Texas at Austin (Ph.D.), and University of Houston, Bates College of Law, Houston, Texas (J.D.). He was a Professor of Political Science at University of Texas-Arlington (UTA) until June 5, 2015 and designated Professor Emeritus on October 8, 2015. Founder of the Center for Mexican American Studies at UTA. He has authored and co-authored 14 books; three are revised editions of a text on Texas politics.

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VISION AWARD

The HLCOM Vision Award recognizes an individual for serving as a role model and advocate, demonstrating leadership and creativity, while making them an inspiration to others. This individual has been active in the Hispanic/Latino community, and made noteworthy contributions. Nominations are accepted from the community at large, but the awardee will be decided upon by the Selection Committee, made up of HLCOM commissioners and community members.

LEADERSHIP AWARD

The HLCOM LEADERSHIP Award recognizes distinguished community leaders living in Michigan who have contributed to the betterment and well-being of the state. This award honors the accomplishments of a Michigan Latino/Latina leader in the area of career achievement and community involvement. This individual has gone above and beyond to improve the Hispanic/Latino community. The HLCOM Leadership Award is given to the Latino/Latina leader candidate who receives the highest number of popular votes from the community at large.

HLCOM TOP LATINAS AWARD

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STEM AWARD

The HLCOM STEM Award recognizes a Hispanic/Latino honoree for excellence and leadership in supporting STEM. The candidate must demonstrate selfless, outstanding, and consistent contributions in the fields of engineering and sciences. Nominations are accepted from the community at large, but the final selection will be decided upon by the Selection Committee made up of HLCOM commissioners and community members.

MILITARY CAREER AWARD

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COMMUNITY CHAMPION AWARD

The HLCOM COMMUNITY CHAMPION Award recognizes an individual who has developed outstanding services, creating a significant impact on the Hispanic/Latino community over the years. The recipient of this award does not have to be of Hispanic/Latino descent. Nominations are accepted from the community at large, but the final selection will be decided upon by the Selection Committee made up of HLCOM commissioners and community members.

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How to know if you should launch a major fundraising campaign

When it comes to planning for a major fundraising campaign, people always want to know “what are the indicators that we should launch our campaign?” We suggest that the number one indicator is how well you have conducted your annual campaign. While there are differences and distinctions between an annual campaign, and a capital or major gifts campaign, successful annual fundraising indicates that basic systems, processes and relationships are in place.

If you don’t yet have a strong annual campaign, we suggest taking the time to build one. Doing so will offer your organization the opportunity to prepare for a major campaign in a less “high stakes” environment. Of course, you can always “build as you go” but the challenges you incur may be more than anticipated and more than you can respond to.

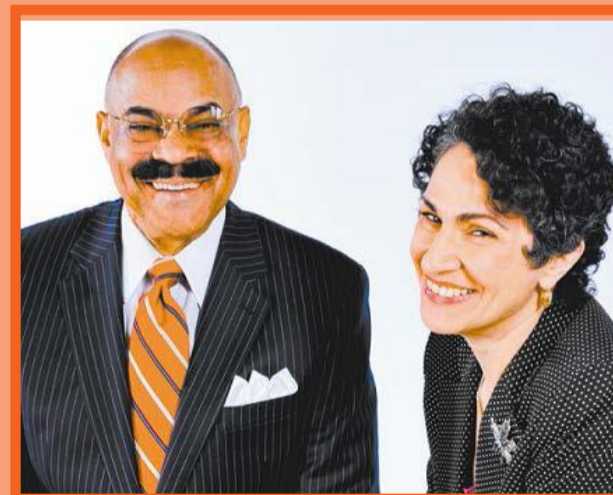
Reviewing the financial and fundraising reports for your annual campaign and meeting with your staff, board and volunteers can help answer questions that inform whether or not to move forward with a major campaign.

1. Has your annual giving program met or exceeded goal over each of the last three years?
2. Do you have enough donors and prospective donors to give at levels that would support your proposed campaign?

3. Do you have the capacity and infrastructure to move to the next level in fundraising?
4. Are your large and consistent donors open to considering a lead gift for your proposed campaign?
5. What is your annual attrition rate? Does the rate of new donors equal or exceed the attrition rate? Do the funds from new donors replace the funds you are losing from lapsed donors? What does the net of these numbers tell you about the organization’s fundraising?
6. Have you conducted a formal or informal feasibility study amongst your strongest donors and key volunteers to learn how they respond to the proposed campaign?
7. Do you have the technology, money, time, volunteers, staff to support a large campaign?
8. Do your current fundraising leaders have the experience, skillsets, relationships

- and willingness needed to lead a larger campaign?
9. Do your data management systems serve your annual campaign well? Can they support a larger campaign?
10. Are the cost ratios for your annual campaign within generally accepted guidelines?

Bottom line: Look at your annual fundraising as you contemplate a capital or major gifts campaign. Your numbers and people can inform your next steps.



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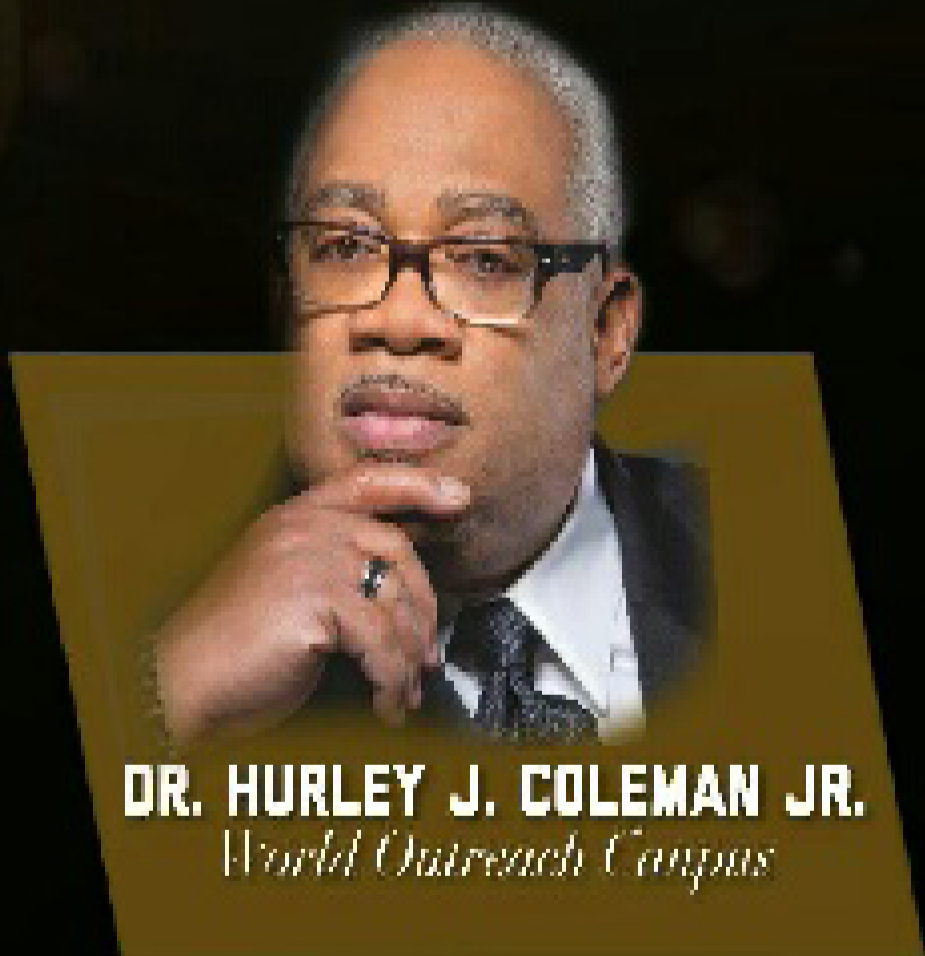
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The Saginaw Promise is working to affect the future of Saginaw and the lives of its students through postsecondary education and the promise of a “last dollar” scholarship. “The Power of a Promise” fundraiser luncheon will celebrate community support and outcomes on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at Horizons Conference Center from 11:30 – 1:30 PM (doors open at 11 AM). The Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce is serving as “Promotional Partner” for the “Power of a Promise” event.

Keynote speaker is Dr. Donald Steele, Ph.D., an expert on “optimal performance psychology”. Steele will speak on how you can transform to achieve optimum performance in business and in life and will do this using humor and metaphor. He will be joined by special guest, Kim Norris, Vice President of Administration/Glastender Inc., who will speak about changes implemented and outcomes achieved at Glastender. Robert “Bob” Van Deventer, retired President/CEO of the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce, will be

honored with the Saginaw Promise organization’s 2018 “Visionary Award”.

Easy on-line registration/payments for Sponsorships, Advertising or Tickets (using a credit card) is available at <https://saginawFoundation.ThankYou4caring.org/powerofapromise>. For questions or to purchase tickets with check or cash, call Saginaw Promise at (989) 755-0545. Tickets are \$100 per person and tables of eight are available.

Since 2012, the Saginaw Promise has awarded \$760,600 in scholarships to 443 students who have attended 27 colleges, technical schools and universities throughout Michigan. The goal of the Saginaw Promise is for every graduating student in Saginaw to earn a program certificate or degree. For information about the Saginaw Promise, programming or scholarship, please visit their website at www.saginawpromise.org or call (989) 755-0545.

Stars Grieves after the passing of Sylvester Payne, Former Executive Director



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The STARS family grieves the loss of former Director Sylvester Payne, who passed on September 16th, 2018 at the age of 63. He served the agency as Director for a total of 18 years, first in the 90’s, and when he came out of retirement to serve again in the 2000’s. During his last few years leading the agency, he underwent treatment for cancer and suffered a stroke and he retired for a second time to focus on his health.

The STARS family fondly remembers his time leading the agency. ‘He led STARS through many important years and we could never be where we are today without his dedication and hard work. We will miss him not only as a colleague but as a friend. We send our deepest sympathies to his family,’ says STARS Board Chair Carl Ruth.

Mr. Payne was also the President of the Michigan Public Transit Association where he led collaboration between transit agencies from across the state. He was also a member of Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located next door to STARS headquarters, where he served loyally for many years.

Complete details on funeral arrangements are not yet known. Paradise Funeral Home is handling the farewell and we hope to celebrate the life of this great member of the Saginaw community with his family and friends.

HEALTH

National Recovery Month is September 1 - 30, 2018



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National Recovery Month (Recovery Month) is a national observance held every September to educate Americans that substance use treatment and mental health services can enable those with a mental and/or substance use disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life.

Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those in recovery, just as we celebrate health improvements made by those who are managing other health conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and heart disease. The observance reinforces the positive message that behavioral health is essential to overall health, prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover.

There are millions of Americans whose lives have been transformed through recovery. Since these successes often go unnoticed by the broader population, Recovery Month provides a vehicle for everyone to celebrate these accomplishments.

Each September, tens of thousands of prevention, treatment, and recovery programs and facilities around the country celebrate Recovery Month. They speak about the gains made by those in recovery and share their success stories with their neighbors, friends, and colleagues. In doing so, everyone helps to increase awareness and furthers a greater understanding about the diseases of mental and substance use disorders.

Now in its 29th year, Recovery Month highlights the achievements of individuals who have reclaimed their lives in long-term recovery and honors the treatment and recovery service providers who make recovery possible. Recovery Month also promotes the message that recovery in all of its forms is possible and encourages citizens to take action to help expand and improve the availability of effective prevention, treatment, and recovery services for those in need.

Each year, Recovery Month selects a new focus and theme to spread the message and share the successes of treatment and recovery. The 2018 Recovery Month observance will focus on urban communities, health care providers, members of the media, and policymakers, highlighting the various entities that support recovery within our society.

The 2018 Recovery Month theme, “Join the Voices for Recovery: Invest in Health, Home, Purpose, and Community,” explores how integrated care, a strong community, sense of purpose, and leadership contributes to effective treatments that sustain the recovery of persons with mental and substance use disorders. The observance will work to highlight inspiring stories to help people from all walks of life find the path to hope, health, and wellness. Learn more about this year’s and past year themes.

Each year, SAMHSA creates a Recovery Month toolkit to help individuals and organizations increase awareness of the power of recovery. The kit provides media outreach templates, tips for event planning and community outreach, audience-specific information and data on behavioral health conditions, and resources for prevention, treatment, and recovery support services. These resources help local communities reach out and encourage individuals in need of services, and their friends and families, to seek treatment and recovery services and information. Materials include SAMHSA’s National Helpline 1-800-662 HELP (4357) for 24-hour, free and confidential information and treatment referral as well as other SAMHSA resources for locating services.

Additional Recovery Month resources are available on the Recovery Month website. Resources include logos, web banners, flyers, posters, television and radio public service announcements (some materials are available in English and Spanish), an event calendar to post and share your Recovery Month events or locate events in your community, the Road to Recovery Television and Radio Series, and social media outreach through Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

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Light the Night is an inspirational community event, raising awareness about blood cancer and raising funds for groundbreaking research and treatment options, and is coming to the Midland Farmer’s Market on Saturday, Sept. 22nd.

We have volunteer shifts from 12pm-10pm (event runs 6pm-9pm), and need help with everything from registration to serving food to cheering on walkers. Groups, kids, and pets are welcome!

If you can spare a few hours on Saturday, please sign up here (<https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp2978221.jsp>) or email Anne at anne.bradley@lls.org.

For more information, visit our event page: <http://www.lightthenight.org/events/mid-michigan>



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St. Mary's of Michigan honors Raghu Sarvepalli, MD



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St. Mary's of Michigan Foundation is proud to announce Raghu Sarvepalli, MD, as this year's Spirit of St. Vincent Award honoree. Dr. Sarvepalli will be honored during the 24th Annual Cornette Ball on Saturday, November 10 at Horizons Conference Center, Saginaw.

With inspiration from Mother Teresa and Mahatma Gandhi, Dr. Sarvepalli has made his life mission to serve all patients, including the poor and vulnerable. His passion for charity started as a young medical student, making and selling candles to raise funds to support the sick children of India. Though years of hard work, dedication and longtime support of friends and colleagues, Dr. Sarvepalli established charities to help India's blind and handicapped children grow and live successfully. HEAL, Health and Education for All, is one of Dr. Sarvepalli's most cherished and beloved charities. His charity is thriving today by educating, providing housing, food, clothing and healthcare to orphaned and handicap children of India, due to the support of many.

"I have three passions: healthcare, charitable work and St. Mary's of Michigan," shared by Dr. Sarvepalli. "The mission to serve the poor and vulnerable is what attracted Bhrama and I to St. Mary's of Michigan and Saginaw in 1997."

Since 1999, Dr. Raghu has served in

various hospital executive leadership roles including Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, as well as founding Medical Director of St. Mary's Physician Hospital Organization. He has led the development, implementation and management of many quality, service and strategic initiatives for the regional health system and formed hundreds of relationships with physicians and providers across the Mid-Michigan region.

Dr. Sarvepalli returned to full-time family medicine practice in April 2018. He, along with his wife, Bhrama Sarvepalli, MD, joined Heritage Family Physicians more than 20 years ago. Dr. Sarvepalli reunited in medical practice with his wife as well as with Brent Boggess, MD; Venkat Maganti, MD; and the Heritage Family Physicians team at the Saginaw office.

Dr. Sarvepalli completed graduate studies and training in orthopedic surgery and family medicine in the United Kingdom. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh. Dr. Sarvepalli completed his residency through Saginaw Cooperative Hospitals and is Board Certified in Family Medicine. He has served as President of the Saginaw County Academy of Family Physicians, Medical Director for HealthPlus and Blue Care Network, received the Governor's Award for Diabetic Management and has been a member of the St. Mary's of Michigan Medical Executive Committee for almost 20 years.

In addition to his exceptional professional and charitable achievements, Dr. Raghu is devoted to his family. United in marriage for 36 years to his wife Dr. Bhrama, both are proud parents of son, Uday.

Proceeds from the Cornette Ball support the purchase of monitoring systems for St. Mary's of Michigan Neurodiagnostics Program.

The festive evening includes a cocktail hour, magnificent gourmet meal, live music by Detroit's Intrigue, extravagant silent auction and the Spirit of St. Vincent Award presentation. Tickets and sponsorships available. For additional details call the Foundation office at 989-907-8875.

Rehmann Recognized as one of Best and Brightest in Wellness

For the second consecutive year, Rehmann has been named as one of Michigan's Best and Brightest in Wellness.

The Best and Brightest in Wellness awards program honors organizations that are making their workplaces, their employees and the community a healthier place.

"Health and wellness programs are at the forefront of every business looking to retain a healthy workforce. This year's winning companies represent high standards and an exceptional commitment to their employees' wellbeing," said Jennifer Kluge, President and CEO of the Best and Brightest Programs.

Rehmann offers several wellness initiatives, including a wellbeing program that encourages associates to focus on all aspects of their overall wellbeing, including physical, mental, financial, social, career and community health.

"The overall wellbeing of our associates and the communities we work in is a key initiative at Rehmann, so we're excited to be recognized for our commitment," said Katie Strehler, Rehmann chief human resource officer. "We look forward to continuing to develop our firm's culture as one that has a healthy and positive work environment."

As an award recipient, Rehmann will be honored at the Michigan's Best and Brightest in Wellness symposium and awards gala on October 5, 2018 at The Henry Autograph Collection Hotel in Dearborn.

The Best and Brightest program provides yearlong education, benchmarking, assessment tools and interaction amongst the best employers throughout Michigan.



New Foot and Ankle Surgeon Joins St. Mary's



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St. Mary's of Michigan is pleased to welcome Laura Reitz, DPM, a foot and ankle surgeon who joins the St. Mary's of Michigan Orthopedic and Wound Care teams.

Dr. Reitz is trained in all aspects of the foot and ankle and has a special interest in fracture care, ankle arthroscopic surgery, wound care, and complex forefoot and rearfoot reconstructive procedures.

She received her podiatry degree from the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine and completed a three-year intensive podiatric surgical residency training in trauma and

reconstructive surgery of the foot and ankle at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc.

Her areas of expertise include:

- Preventative routine foot care for patients with diabetes, neuropathic or vascular issues
- Lower extremity wound care, treatment of ulcers
- Infections of the foot and ankle
- Heel pain
- Arthritis of the foot and ankle
- Hammertoes
- Fractures of the foot or ankle
- Tendon ruptures and injuries

- Removal of bone spurs
- Bunion care
- Flat foot reconstruction

Dr. Reitz is an active member of the American Podiatric Medical Association and the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

Dr. Reitz is accepting new patients at St. Mary's Orthopedics. To make an appointment, call (989) 790-6719. Dr. Reitz also treats patients at the St. Mary's Wound Care & Hyperbaric Center located at 4599 Towne Centre Road. Appointments for wound care can be made by calling (989) 497-3214.

BUSINESS & WEALTH

Merrill Technologies Partners with Amtrak and Alstom



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Alstom and Merrill Technologies Group (Merrill) celebrated the completion of the first power car bodyshell for the future Avelia Liberty trainsets to serve as the new Acela Express fleet on the Amtrak Northeast Corridor, highlighting a major milestone in production of the new Acela fleet.

On hand to celebrate the milestone were Alstom's Jérôme Wallut, Senior Vice-President, North America, Eric Dufourd, Director, Sourcing North America and Didier Cuadrado, Amtrak NGHST Project Director; Merrill's top leadership including Chief Executive Officer, Robert Yackel, Chief Operating Officer, Jeff Yackel, Chief Financial Officer, Michael Beyer and Vice President, APEX, Christopher Hubert, as well as Amtrak Senior Director Ray Lang.

The power car bodyshells are made from 100% U.S. steel and have been specifically painted to reflect the Amtrak blue and white colors. Approximately 175 workers at Merrill's Alma, MI, facility are working on the manufacturing of the 56 bodyshells for Alstom. The first bodyshell will arrive at Alstom's passenger rolling stock center of excellence in Hornell, NY, in the coming weeks, where Alstom will complete the manufacturing of the power cars.

"We proudly celebrate this project milestone, not only with respect to supplying Amtrak with new trainsets, but also the emergence of a high-speed rail manufacturing industry here in the U.S.," said Jérôme Wallut, Senior Vice-President of Alstom

in North America. "We look forward to receiving all of the bodyshells and congratulate Merrill and their highly-specialized staff on the completion of this first unit for the new Avelia Liberty trainsets that will carry passengers on the Northeast Corridor."

"Merrill is honored to partner with Alstom in their pursuit to grow high-speed rail manufacturing in the U.S.," said Robert Yackel, Merrill CEO. "Completing the fabrication and painting of the inaugural bodyshell symbolizes the unlimited potential we can reach when companies and countries work together."

"Amtrak and the new Acela Express trainsets proudly rely upon U.S. manufacturing up and down the supply chain, from across America," said Amtrak Vice President of the Northeast Corridor Service Line Caroline Decker. "We thank Alstom for their commitment to supplier diversity and Merrill Industries for delivering a product that will power the new trainsets thus playing a critical role in the future of Amtrak's service on the Northeast Corridor."

In 2016, Alstom and Amtrak announced a contract for 28 next-generation Avelia Liberty trainsets to serve the Acela Express and for long-term technical support and the supply of spare components and parts for the long-term maintenance of the new trainsets. Alstom has the highest level of Buy America content among rail companies doing business in the U.S.,

working with over 500 U.S. suppliers, including partnerships with DBE, SBE and Veteran firms. The new trainsets will be 95% Made in America and will create 1,000 directed and 300 indirect jobs.

The Avelia Liberty is the latest development of Alstom's Avelia high-speed train range. The new trainset will be able to carry nearly 30% more passengers than the current Acela trains. The trainset configuration includes two innovative compact power cars and nine passenger vehicles, with the possibility of three more being added if demand grows. The train can travel at speeds up to 300 km/h (186 mph). Each concentrated power car is equipped with Alstom's pioneering Crash Energy Management system.

Alstom's facility in Hornell dates to the 1860s and has manufactured over 2,000 new rail cars, and refurbished over 5,000 more, as well as manufactured over 8,000 traction cases. The site, which boasts 700,000 ft² of manufacturing space is comprised of engineering, manufacturing and assembly facilities, paint, water test, and inspection facilities, a climatic chamber and a test track. More than 800 Alstom employees in Hornell are currently overhauling vehicles for transit authorities and operators such as Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Maryland Transit Administration and Port Authority Transit Corporation, in addition to manufacturing the next generation Avelia Liberty high-speed trainsets for Amtrak.



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Three Rivers Corporation Wins ABC Greater Michigan Awards



Picture from Left to right: Paul Crivac, Chris Moultrup, Jon Lynch, Mike Sosnofsky, Brian Hawkins, Ted High, and Brian Powers

Three Rivers Corporation was recognized with two awards from Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Greater Michigan Chapter's Greatness & Gratitude Awards Celebration on Thursday, September 13th at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center in East Lansing. They received awards in the Excellence in Construction category, as well as a Diamond award in the Safety Training & Evaluation Process (STEP) category.

Each year, the ABC Greater Michigan Chapter provides an opportunity for members to compete for honors in the construction industry's premier annual awards program: the Excellence in Construction (EIC) Awards. The EIC Awards recognize the outstanding Merit Shop construction projects completed during the previous year by member companies.

These awards distinguish the level of construction standards throughout the industry by recognizing the workmanship of those who contribute and by showcasing results of

their dedication. Teamwork and collaboration between general contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers are part of the fundamentals for building excellence and quality into any construction project.

Submitted entries are judged on a project narrative, detailed description of the construction process, time, budget, and space restrictions, and any special challenges associated with the project's completion. Now more than ever, design and construction projects must be innovative to keep up with ever-evolving economic, environmental, and aesthetic demands.

ABC of Greater Michigan honored Three Rivers Corporation for their design and construction of West Midland Family Center - GC/CM: Addition/Renovation \$1 - \$5 million category.

The Safety Training and Evaluation Process (STEP) Award recognizes efforts of ABC members who strive to achieve effective

safety practices within their companies; it is an organized approach for analyzing and developing safety and loss prevention programs. Three Rivers provides contractors with tools to objectively evaluate their safety programs, policies, procedures and training.

"I believe this reflects not just the quality of our safety program but the commitment each of our employees makes to maintain that program every day. Three Rivers is committed to building more than buildings in our local communities. We are honored to receive this significant construction award knowing our work has lasting impression on the community," said Jon Lynch President at Three Rivers Corporation.

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Midland Area Chamber of Commerce and Next Chapter Communications to Launch Program to Build Intergenerational Connections



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The Midland Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC) and Next Chapter Communications are proud to announce the launch of a new initiative designed to build high quality connections between elementary school students and senior citizens. The “Increasing Intergenerational Connections” program will bring third-grade students from St. Brigid Elementary School and residents of Riverside Place together throughout the school year, and provide participants with the opportunity to build new relationships while learning more about agribusiness and healthy eating.

The program was developed by Emily Lyons, Farmers Market manager and director of educational programs with MACC, and Jennifer Sigsworth, president of Next Chapter Communications. Lyons and Sigsworth were both members of the first cohort of community leaders who earned a Certificate in Applied Positive Psychology (CAPP) after completing an intensive, six-month curriculum developed by The Flourishing Center, and developed this program as their capstone project.

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Psychology Center defines positive psychology as “the scientific study of the strengths that enable individuals and communities to thrive,” and CAPP graduates are now working to enhance wellbeing throughout Midland in various ways. “We wanted to do something to bring youth and the elderly together, and food is a great connector because everyone needs nourishment,” said Lyons. “If you think about celebrating holidays and other special occasions, many of these involve building and sustaining relationships around a shared meal with family, friends, and loved ones. However, not everyone in our community has those relationships or the ability to connect with others in person, which can lead to feelings of loneliness and isolation.”

A community wellbeing survey conducted earlier this year showed that the majority of respondents feel as though they only have one place where they belong, such as at home, outdoors, at work, with friends, or in a church or spiritual group. “In the CAPP program, we learned that people who don’t have a strong sense of belonging in their community are more likely to feel isolated, lonely, and depressed, and at a greater risk for serious health issues,” said Sigsworth. “Our goal

is that by participating in this program, students and seniors will have the opportunity to work together, learn from each other, and hopefully develop strong, lasting relationships to enhance their sense of belonging in our community and overall wellbeing.” In addition to building high-quality connections, the program was also designed to support the social studies curriculum followed by third-grade students, which focuses on Michigan’s history, economy, geography, and culture. Future program sessions will cover topics such as seasonal produce and safe food handling, what’s involved in running a farm, local traditions, and eating well on a budget.

Lyons and Sigsworth are both encouraged by the response to their program concept so far. “We received a lot of great feedback when we first presented our project to our fellow CAPP classmates, and St. Brigid’s and Riverside were immediately supportive when we approached them about participating,” said Sigsworth. “If this year’s program goes well, we hope to expand it to other schools and senior living communities in the future.”

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Valley Lutheran High School to Break Ground on \$6.5 Million Expansion



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Valley Lutheran High School is happy to invite alumni, association members and media to a groundbreaking ceremony at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14 that will celebrate the addition of 30,000-square feet to the McCarty Road campus.

“Our school has always challenged students to fully use their God-given abilities to serve others,” Valley Lutheran Executive Director Dr. John Brandt said. “The addition not only reflects the growing interest and need for excellent STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) education, but also the importance of arts and athletics in the lives of students.

“This project is also a testimony to the faithfulness of God’s people to this ministry.

They are excited to help position Valley Lutheran to continue to be a place where educational excellence and Christian faithfulness are taught and modeled.”

Fundraising began in late 2015 for the \$10 million campaign, which includes a \$6.5 million addition that will modernize the school’s STEM capabilities by adding four new science labs, in addition to new music and art rooms, a new special needs room, a new weight room, new and remodeled locker rooms, common areas and a new main entrance with security improvements.

More than 450 people are expected to be in attendance, including keynote speaker Rev. Greg Schlicker (a member of the first graduating

class of Valley Lutheran in 1980), Saginaw Mayor Dennis Browning, Saginaw Township Supervisor Tim Braun, lead architect Doug Kuefner of WTA Architects, Matt Bronner of Wm. Bronner & Son Contractors, board members, faculty, staff, students and more.

Everyone in attendance will receive a construction hat with a logo commemorating the event, as well as ice cream sandwich “bricks”.

Valley broke ground on its original facility in 1978 and celebrated 40 years of service in 2017.

SVSU freshman class rises by 28 percent; gains in student retention seen, too



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Saginaw Valley State University saw a dramatic increase in the size of its freshman class for the 2018-19 academic year, as the number of first-time students rose by 28 percent over the previous year.

“We enjoyed a very successful recruiting season because of a lot of hard work from many people in different offices across campus,” said Deborah Huntley, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. “We are very pleased by the overall growth of the freshman class, especially when you consider the declining number of high school graduates in Michigan.”

SVSU enrolled 1,576 freshmen for the 2018 fall semester, compared to 1,229 last year. The current cohort is SVSU’s largest entering class since 2013.

“We have expanded our outreach efforts, and

that has contributed to a growing awareness of the high quality of our academic programs,” Huntley said.

SVSU-sponsored scholarships and financial aid also played a role in attracting new students, as 88 percent of the freshman class received financial assistance other than loans.

“We recognize even our relatively low costs can present a barrier for students and families, so we have taken steps to help students meet their financial commitments,” Huntley said. “By expanding and restructuring our scholarship offerings and financial aid, we are able to support our students and provide access to a college degree, which is an important part of our mission as a public university.”

The academic preparedness of the 2018 freshman class mirrors last year’s class with an

average high school GPA of 3.4.

SVSU also has seen a sharp rise in its student retention rate, which has improved to 77.4 percent, up from 74.4 percent last year. The rate has risen for five consecutive years, up from 70 percent in 2014.

“We are making great strides in student retention, as we continue to offer outstanding opportunities focused on student success,” Huntley said.

Overall enrollment at SVSU dipped slightly with 8,535 students taking classes for the current term, compared to 8,662 in 2017. SVSU has seen large graduating classes in recent years, which is a main reason for the decline.

Fall classes at SVSU began Monday, Aug. 27.

Delta College Receives National Ranking for Sustainability



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The 2018 Sustainable Campus Index, published by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), has recognized Delta College as a top performer in sustainability. In fact, Delta College ranked fifth in nation in the community college category.

“I’m very proud of this recognition for Delta College,” said Dr. Jean Goodnow, President. “I thank our students and faculty and staff – including project leaders Janis Kendziorski, Academic Sustainability Coordinator and Linda Petee, Facilities Management Sustainability Coordinator -- for their continued efforts to advance sustainability in the classroom, on our campus and in the community.”

Results are based on 477 self-submitted reports to the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS). Institutions’ sustainability efforts are evaluated in 17 areas within academics, engagement, operations, and planning and administration.

In the category of Associate Colleges (two-year colleges), the top institutions are:

1. Nova Scotia Community College, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
2. Portland Community College, Portland, Oregon
3. Mohawk College, Hamilton, Ontario
4. Fleming College, Peterborough, Ontario
5. Delta College, University Center, Michigan

“I think one of the main reasons Delta did so well in the ranking is because we work collaboratively across the college,” said Linda Petee, Sustainability & Risk Management Coordinator. “It’s not just one group. Faculty have integrated sustainability themes in their curriculum, and have joined with the Facilities and Administrative Services departments on a variety of other initiatives.”

Specific areas where Delta College earned points toward this ranking are as follows:

- Living wall and using the campus as a living lab
- Sustainability incorporated into study abroad
- Percent of total courses that are sustainability-related

- Sustainability websites for faculty/staff and for the public/students
- Student sustainability reps engaged in outreach
- Power of a Single Action campaign
- Rethink your Drink (water refill stations)
- Volunteer/ intern opportunities in sustainability
- Community partnerships
- Sustainable dining
- Sustainable procurement, including electronics purchasing
- Cleaning/janitorial purchasing
- Waste minimization & diversion, including hazardous waste management
- Rainwater management
- Wellness program

The report indicates that 906 STARS reports were submitted by 477 institutions in 11 countries, including community colleges, 4-year institutions, and advanced degree-granting institutions.

Mott Community College Student, Nia Skinner-Miller named Forge Fellow



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Nia Skinner-Miller, of Flint, has been awarded a Forge Fellowship from the Roosevelt Institute, a progressive think tank and the nonprofit partner to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in Hyde Park, NY. As part of her Fellowship responsibilities, Skinner-Miller will launch a Roosevelt Chapter at Mott Community College (MCC) and implement a policy project in her community.

The Forge Fellowship is a stipend opportunity for students attending a community college or public university that does not have an existing chapter, to develop the skills needed to launch a Roosevelt Chapter at their school. Participants are trained in core policy, organizing, and base-building skills, and receive one-on-one guidance from Roosevelt staff and alumni as they build chapters and launch policy projects.

Skinner-Miller is a 2018 graduate of the Mott Middle College, and concurrently earned two associate's degrees from MCC. She is continuing her studies at MCC majoring in Political Science

with a Minor in Linguistics and a concentration in International Studies before transferring to Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. in 2019. On campus, she is President of the Feminist League and Vice President of Service for Phi Theta Kappa Psychology Honor Society.

With a strong sense of social justice activism, Skinner-Miller began giving back to her community through non-profit organizations like Edible Flint, the YWCA, and Habitat for Humanity. "My goal is to someday start a non-profit organization focused on civic engagement and advocacy in K-12 schools. I want to take my community service to the highest level by working with legislators to make long lasting and significant changes in issues related to youth," she said.

"We are so very proud of Nia for being named one of only nine members of the inaugural class of Forge Fellows nationwide," said MCC President, Dr. Beverly Walker-Griffea. "Nia's commitment to community is evident in the

many projects and organizations she has already participated in. She will definitely make her mark on the world in the years to come."

The Forge Fellowship is dedicated in memory of Reese Neader. Reese worked in communities across the country whose voices were not being heard in national politics by building civic infrastructure in order to address the unique challenges faced by these communities. Reese recognized the untapped potential for progressive power in many of our diverse, hardworking, and often overlooked communities, largely in the Midwest and South. His life's work was dedicated to building that power: he founded Forge Columbus to encourage civic innovation in Ohio, worked for the Obama campaign as the Youth Vote Director in Pennsylvania, and served as Policy Director for the Roosevelt Institute. This Fellowship seeks to empower a new generation of those like Reese who enthusiastically envision and push for progressive policy change in their communities.



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Light The Night Midland walk expected to raise over \$245,000. Over 500 Great Lakes Bay Region residents expected at cancer awareness fundraising event; still seeking teams, walkers, and volunteers.

Every three minutes, another person is diagnosed with cancer, and it can seem like the whole world goes dark. On September 22, 2018, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society along with Corporate Walk Chair Richard Garber will bring light into the darkness of cancer at the Midland Area Farmer's Market.

Light The Night is an inspirational community event, raising awareness about blood cancer and raising funds for groundbreaking research and treatment options. The light and warmth generated by participants delivers hope in time of despair, community in place of loneliness, and life-saving research & support for cancer patients and their families.

300+ expected participants will walk along a one-mile route between the Tridge and the Dow Diamond, and carry illuminated lanterns—white for survivors, red for supporters and gold in memory of loved ones lost. Dedication banners and remembrance ceremonies provide an opportunity to display a name or message, honoring or commemorating a family member or friend with cancer. The opening ceremony will honor survivors, and will feature a presentation by Honored Hero Rachel Cull, herself a survivor of blood cancer, as well as a representative from presenting sponsor Garber Automotive. All are welcome to join teams, walk individually, or volunteer during the event.

“This organization has a very special place in my heart,” said Richard Garber, Light The Night's Corporate Walk Chair. “I have personally experienced the devastating effects of lymphoma

and have committed to making a difference for other families facing this illness.”

Light The Night is the fastest growing charity walk/run event in North America. Mid-Michigan's Light The Night was started by volunteers, and saw the greatest growth in the community market last year; the walk quickly became an official LLS staff-run event because of the generosity of people in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Because of Light The Night walkers and community supporters, LLS was able to provide over \$2,200,000 in 2016 to help Michigan residents pay for their cancer treatments & medications.

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Cover Story, Kimberly Houston



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During the last 10 years of her Fortune 500 tenure, Kimberly held the positions of Chief Diversity Officer, Global Community Relations Director, and President of the Dow Corning Foundation. In these roles, she led the strategic development and implementation of innovative initiatives to positively enhance the company's public reputation.

She then transitioned to fund development in 2012 and headed-up Central Michigan University's (CMU) Corporate and Foundation Relations activity through November 2016 where she leveraged her social capital in the philanthropic and community sectors to build new university relationships across the state and helped facilitate one of the largest private foundation gifts in CMU's history.

Ms. Houston launched her consultancy in 2013 to bring positive energy and talent to make the world and our communities stronger. She advocates passionately for leadership development, succession planning, enhanced diversity, and cultural inclusion. Kimberly supports constructive growth and development for individuals and organizations, with a special emphasis on the advancement of women and people of color. She passionately believes in the practice of exemplary leadership and the intentional development of an asset-based culture using all diverse talents, backgrounds, and experiences of others. Throughout her career, Kimberly has shared her aptitude and expertise as a volunteer leader with non-profit boards and organizations including Delta College, Council of Michigan Foundations, Michigan Nonprofit Association, Inforum,

Saginaw Promise, and the Pulse3 Foundation.

Over the coming months, Kimberly will assist in strengthening the strategic foundation of YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region through the alignment and development of the organization's staff and board of directors while delivering on mission and values of the organization; she will also assist the board of directors in the search and selection of a permanent Executive Director. YWCA staff and board are looking forward to working with Kimberly as they continue on their mission to eliminate racism and empower women in the Great Lakes Bay Region.



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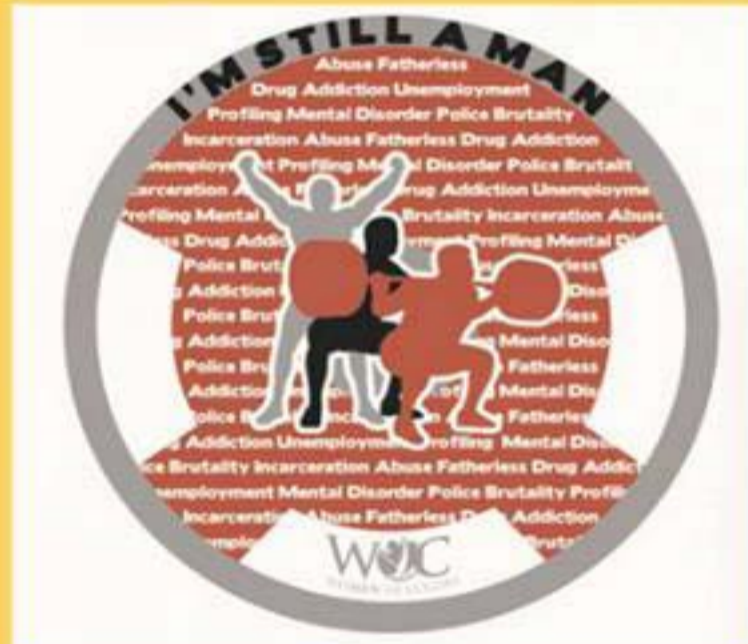
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Made in Michigan Series presents Korie Lee Blossey at the Midland Center for the Arts



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Co-Founder of The Onion to Speak at Delta



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Please plan to join Delta College students and staff, Tuesday, September 25, when Scott Dikkers – co-founder and longest-serving editor-in-chief of the news satire organization, The Onion, will speak in the Delta College Lecture Theater, as part of the President's Speaker Series. From 10 to 11:30am, Dikkers will take us along on his journey from being a kid who loved reading Mad Magazine to fulfilling his dream of having his work published.

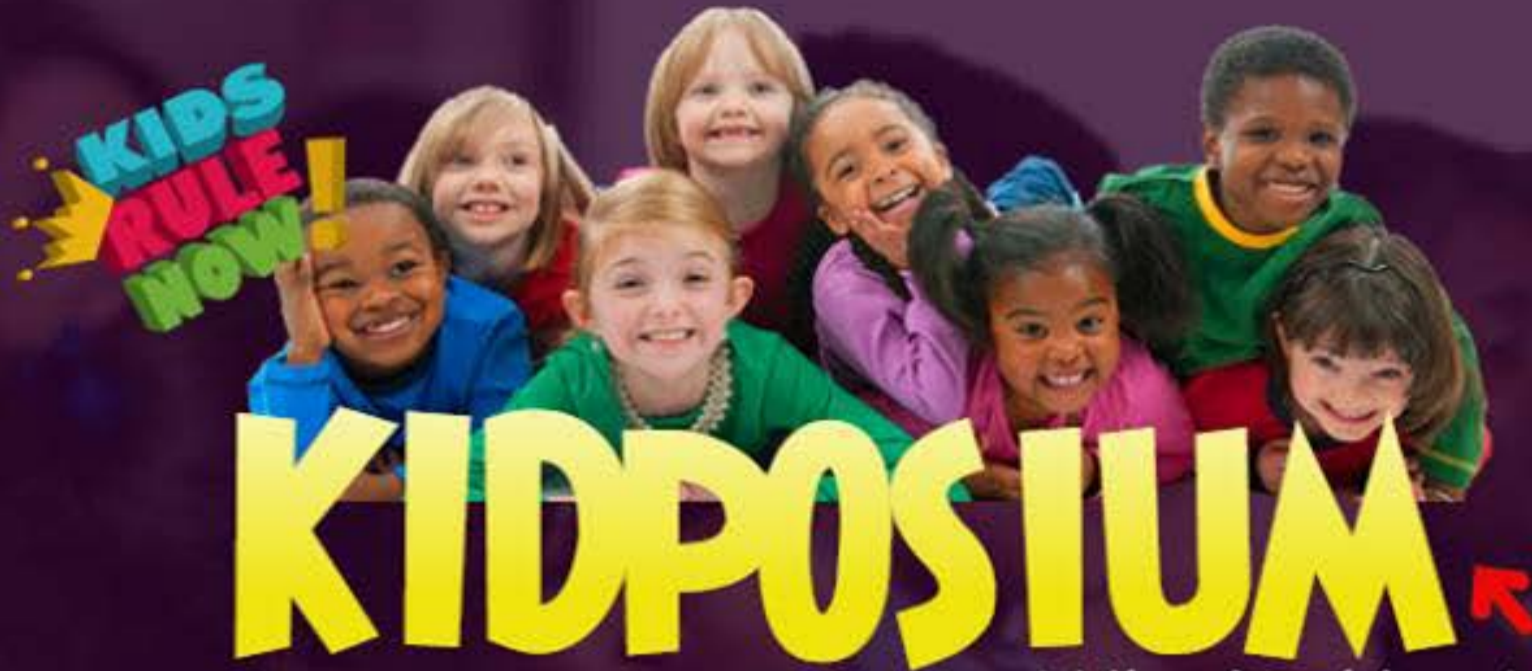
Get ready to laugh as we learn vital lessons on innovation, tenacity and the importance of following your dreams from this comedy writer, speaker, entrepreneur and native Minnesotan. This President's Speaker Series presentation is free and open to the community, and one you won't want to miss!

Scott Dikkers, who was born in 1965 in Minnesota, started his career in the entertainment business with his comic strip titled Jim’s Journal, a college cartoon consisting of little more than stick figures. Jim’s Journal led Dikkers to a self-published book collection that became a national best-seller and was ranked by Rolling Stone as one of America’s top ten favorite writers in 1992.

Later, Dikkers helped to create The Onion newspaper, a small college humor publication. Then in 1995, he furthered his work with The Onion by founding the world’s first humor website called TheOnion.com. He has served as The Onion’s owner and editor-in-chief, on and off, for the last 25 years. During the mid-2000s, Dikkers led the creation of The Onion News Network web series, which led to many viral videos, a TV series on IFC, and a Peabody Award in 2008.

Dikkers has also written or co-written several books including The Onion’s first original book titled, Our Dumb Century, which has sold over a million copies and debuted as a #1 New York Times and #1 Amazon best-seller.

Dikkers guided The Onion’s rise from a small, relatively unknown college comedy publication to an internationally recognized, respected and successful comedy brand. His work earned him the number 43 spot on Time magazine’s list of the “Top 50 Cyber Elite” that includes names such as Steve Jobs, Bill Gates, and George Lucas. Furthermore, he is an accomplished voice actor and has written and directed many award-winning short films and two feature films, Spaceman and Bad Meat.



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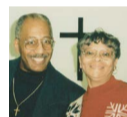
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Change to: Woodbridge > Outer > Perkins
Adding: Ricker Center

Route 3:

Stays on Michigan to Superior - No bridge crossing
Drops: YMCA (YMCA on Route 7)

Route 54:

Drops Ricker Center (Ricker Center added to Route 112)

Route 6 changes to Fashion Sq and SVSU Express:

Was: Weiss > Bay > SVSU > Tittabawassee > I-675
Change to: I-675 > Fashion Sq > SVSU > Fashion Sq > I-675
Adds: Fresnius Dialysis Center

Route 7:

Adds: Ruffin Clinic, YMCA, MI Works, DaVita Dialysis
Drops: Michigan Ave (added to Route 3)

Route 82:

Was: Vets > Jefferson > Warren
Change to: Jefferson > Warren > Vets
Will take Jefferson to Williamson (Drop Holland, Weber, Hess)

Route 9:

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Change to: Weiss > Covenant Mackinaw > Fashion Sq > Tittabawassee > I-675
Adds: Covenant Mackinaw
Drops: Bay Pointe Apts, Southbound Bay (Route 9 Adds Southbound Bay)

POLITICS & PUBLIC POLICY

Gov Snyder: Collaboration key to strong and thriving communities



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LANSING, Mich. – The city of Ewart is poised to continue its economic growth thanks to Michigan’s Project Rising Tide and the collaboration of community leaders, Gov. Rick Snyder said today. He celebrated Ewart’s graduation from the first round of the statewide program.

Ewart is the eighth community to graduate from Rising Tide, which Gov. Snyder created in 2015 to provide technical assistance and resources to communities aspiring to rise so they, together, can build a stronger framework for economic success.

“Communities whose leaders work together to overcome challenges and find common goals continue to show that collaboration is key to helping Michigan communities grow and thrive,” Snyder said. “Ewart’s graduation today is another example of how Michigan wins when we all work together to create positive change.”

Rising Tide is led by the Talent and Economic Development Department of Michigan and brings additional technical assistance from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, the

Michigan State Housing Development Authority and the Talent Investment Agency.

“Project Rising Tide is an opportunity to inspire collaboration among local leaders in Michigan’s smallest communities to create a stronger economic framework,” Talent and Economic Development Department of Michigan Director Roger Curtis said. “It’s also about the state working hand-in-hand with communities to ensure Michigan’s remarkable comeback can reach every corner of the state. Ewart embodies the spirit of Project Rising Tide and we look forward to seeing what the future holds for the community.”

During its time in the program, Ewart received technical assistance in creating an economic development strategy, becoming a select-level Michigan Main Street community, and creating a community ready for business investment and growth.

“Project Rising Tide has created a transformation in our community – both seen and unseen,” City of Ewart Mayor Casey Keysor said. “The program has provided us with a newly found sense of

community pride, but also a stronger city that residents and businesses are excited to call home. This program’s effects will far surpass today’s graduation festivities and have effected positive economic changes that will live on for generations to come”

Since 2015, Ewart has seen two business restorations, nine new businesses, and a \$1 million investment in upgrading the city’s storm water infrastructure.

Ewart can now share its roadmap and lessons learned along the way with other communities in the region, knowing Michigan is stronger when Michiganders work together.

Ewart joins Sandusky, Hillsdale, Charlotte, River Rouge, Grayling, Paw Paw and Harrison as graduates.

Learn more at www.mirisingtide.org.

Dan Kildee Helps Pass Legislation to Help More Wounded Warriors Work in Public Service



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The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bipartisan amendment introduced by Congressman Dan Kildee (MI-05) that will provide more opportunities for wounded veterans to continue to serve our country by working in congressional offices. The amendment was also sponsored by Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy (FL-07), Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (HI-02) and Congressman Brian Mast (FL-18). Congresswomen Gabbard and Congressman Mast are both veterans who served after 9/11.

Congressman Kildee's amendment, which has the support of Republicans and Democrats,

expands the existing Wounded Warrior Fellowship Program. The program provides wounded post-9/11 veterans the opportunity to serve in a two-year paid fellowship within the House of Representatives. The government spending bill that contains this amendment was also passed by the Senate and will be sent to the President to be signed into law.

"By investing in the Wounded Warrior Fellowship program, we can expand job opportunities for veterans and bring their critical insight and skills to more congressional offices. I am proud to introduce this bipartisan legislation that supports

veterans who want to continue their service in a different way," said Congressman Kildee.

Currently, there is a waiting list of over 100 congressional offices who would like a wounded warrior fellow. Congressman Kildee's amendment expands the Wounded Warrior Fellowship Program so that additional opportunities are available for veterans to serve in Congress. In 2017, Congressman Kildee successfully passed a similar amendment to expand the program by \$250,000.

SPORTS

SVSU appoints John Decker as Director of Athletics



courtesy photo

Saginaw Valley State University has appointed John Decker to serve as director of Athletics in a permanent capacity. Decker had been serving as the interim director since January when Mike Watson retired.

"I appreciate John's willingness to accept the challenge of leading our athletic department," said Donald Bachand, SVSU president. "His career has been outside of intercollegiate athletics, and over the past several months while he has been serving in an interim capacity, I have found value in the fresh perspective he has brought to the job, and the opportunities for growth he has identified."

"As a former student-athlete himself, John is passionate about providing our student-athletes with the best possible experience both educationally and competitively, and I know that will be his top priority every day."

Decker joined SVSU in 2014 as associate vice president and general counsel. Prior to that, he worked for 34 years for the Saginaw-based law firm Braun Kendrick, including 12 years as managing partner.

"I am excited for this opportunity to lead the SVSU Cardinal athletics program," Decker said. "We have a rich athletic tradition, combined with

a good balance of academic performance, which is what the NCAA Division II athletic experience should be."

A Saginaw native, Decker played college football at the University of Nebraska, where he completed a bachelor's degree. He earned a law degree at Duke University.

Decker will hold an appointment as associate vice president for legal affairs at SVSU, though his primary responsibilities will lie in Athletics. His wife Sally is a professor of nursing at SVSU; they have two adult children.

Bridgeport High sports star earns his respect

By Mike Thompson



courtesy photo

Bridgeport High School's SirQuarius Ball, a standout in both football and basketball, got started with support from the two main women in his life.

How did he receive his unique name? "My grandmother (Tammi Ball-Davis) has always wanted me to be respected, and to respect myself," he says, "by having the title, 'Sir.' "

And don't forget his mother, Shelisa Ball, who ran track in middle school and is a fan of sports at all levels.

"I was the one who started him playing sports when he was younger," she recalls, "We would get up during early mornings and pull the rim out and shoot around and throw the football to each other every day."

Basketball and football both are team sports, but in basketball we have multiple passes of the ball,

while in football it's only one at a time.

SirQuarius I is a standout in both, and he says basketball helps him apply team concepts in football.

"I can go make a block for someone else when they have the ball," he says. "That's something I need to work on, being a better teammate."

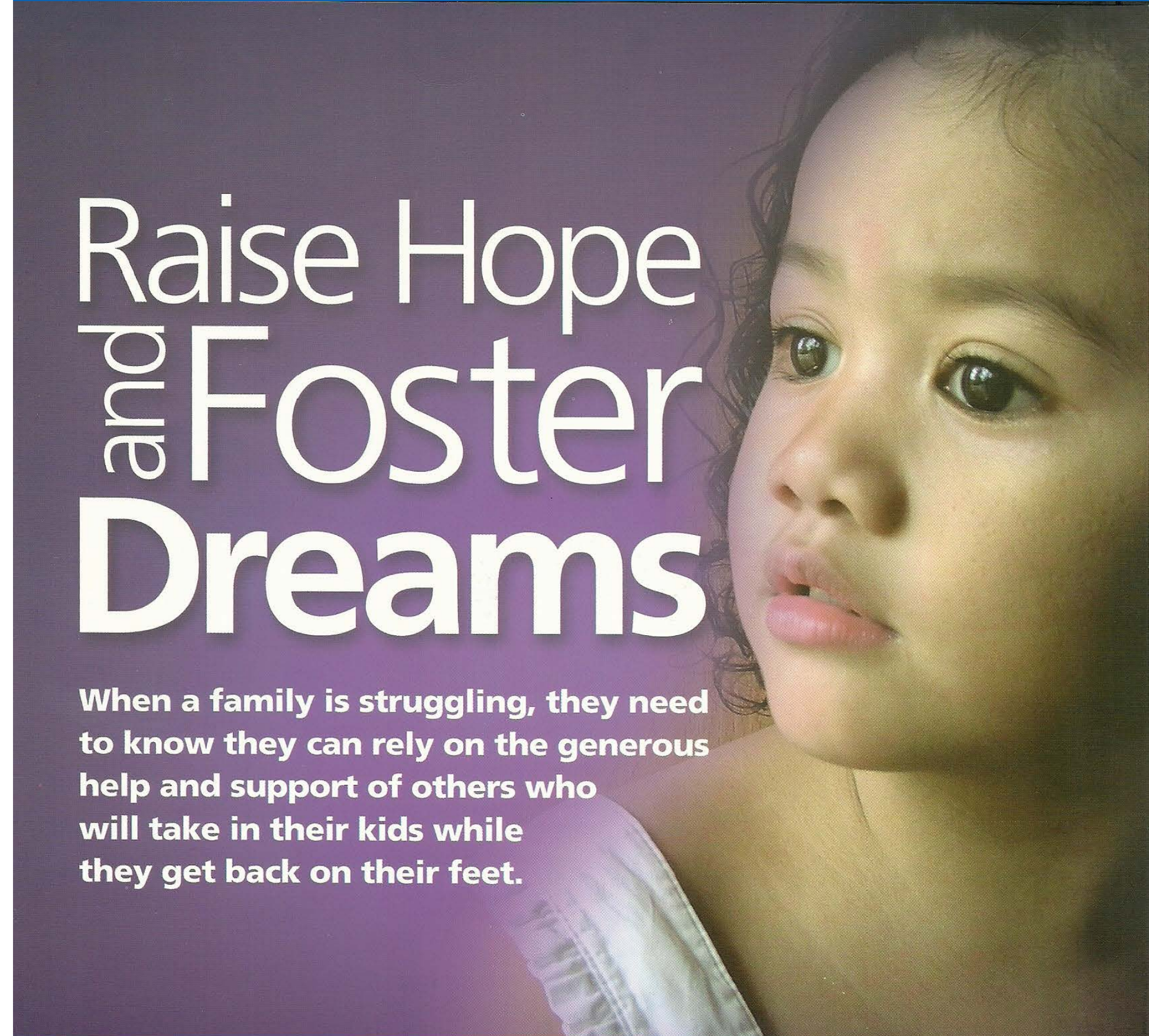
"I can also be more vocal, like we are in basketball. I need to take a bigger leadership role, now that I'm a senior."

As a junior, Ball was a leader while the Bearcats achieved historic success in both sports. The football team achieved the state playoffs for the first time since 1999, and then the hoopsters won the school's first-ever regional crown while finishing 24-2. He was a key player in both achievements, and once was named Saginaw News Player of the Week.

College recruiters are pitching SirQuarius in both sports, but he's getting the most attention in football, which has been his narrow favorite ever since he broke loose for a pair of long touchdown runs in a youth flag football championship games.

At 6-foot-5, he shows the agility of a smaller athlete. Part of the reason is that he actually was smaller, until he went through a middle-school growth spurt. Friends teased him, but he says he now enjoys the height advantage as a rangy pass catcher similar to many taller pros who outleap smaller defensive backs.

SirQuarius is interested in trying to play both sports in college, which would be more possible at a smaller school, such as Saginaw Valley, Grand Valley or Ferris. He intends to pursue a career in computer engineering.



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