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Social media presentation

Wayne County Sheriff Cpl. Erin Diamond will speak about the benefits and pitfalls of using social media, especially for high school and college students, at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12, in the Visi-Tech Center, main campus in Livonia. Diamond's presentation is free and open to the public.

Wigs 4 Kids haircuts

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No high school principal picked

Nicole Carter gets super's recommendation, but not enough votes

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

It appears that school will start at Novi High on Sept. 3 without a principal in place after the school board last Thursday



Carter

voted against the superintendent's recommendation to hire Nicole Carter for the position.

The board's 3-3 vote was an obvious disappointment to the near-capacity audience of Carter supporters, many of whom spoke on her behalf prior to the vote. "She's just a top-notch individual," said Jerrod Hart, parent of an incoming junior. "I can think of no one else to lead our high school for the next, hopefully, several years."

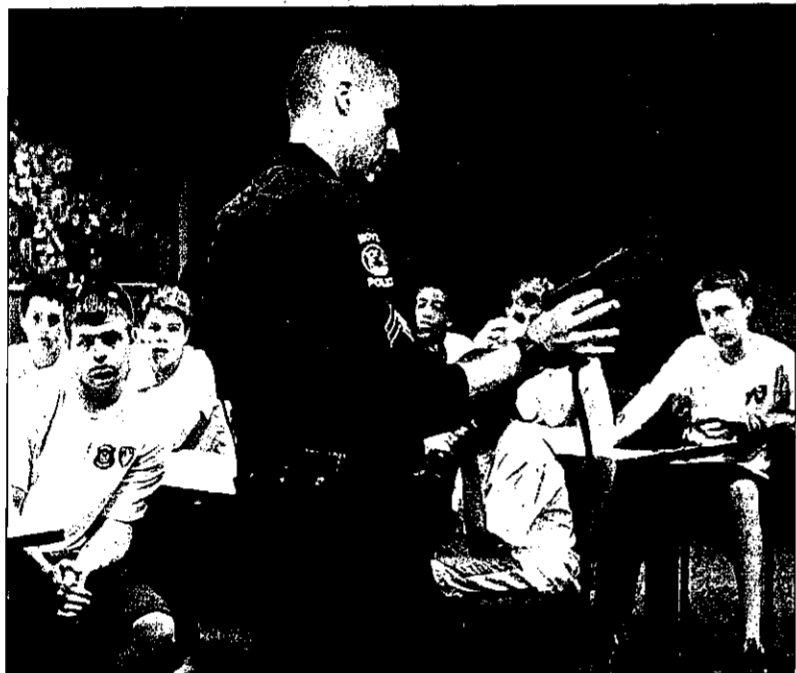
EDITORIAL

For the Novi News' viewpoint on this issue, please see the Opinion page inside.

Carter is one of three assistant principals at the school. She

had been serving as the interim principal for the last few months of the 2012-13 school year after Principal Carol Diglio was named assistant superintendent of human resources. Carter was promoted to assistant principal at Novi High early in 2010. She started at the school 11 years prior as a civics, economics and AP government teacher before

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Novi Police Sgt. Brian Wolowski demonstrates the safe operation of a video gun simulator at the department. Students were faced with numerous video situations, which they had to determine to defuse or use deadly force with their "weapons" hooked up. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER (STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)

WANT TO BE A COP?

Academy gives real look at life of police officer

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Novi teenagers got an up-close, and some times intense, look into the realities of being a police officer and firefighter during the week long Youth Police and Fire Academy.

Nearly 40 kids, ranging in age from 13-18, participated in the academy that ran from July 15-19, held each day for four hours. Novi's Public Safety staff educated the attendees on a variety of subjects pertaining to law enforcement and fire safety and prevention.

According to the Public Safety Department, "Each Novi Youth Police and Fire Academy graduate will gain a deeper knowledge of how the Public Safety fits into the Novi Community."

They learned about the use of force/taser, K-9 operations, fire safety/emergency rescue operations, crime scene investigations and undercover narcotics operations. In addition, they got to train in the firearms simulator, conducting traffic stops and spotting speeding vehicles with a laser speed measurement device.

The academy consisted of classroom instruction, as well as hands-on, practical application.

The firearms training really stood out to the participants because it gave them as near to real as the police can get to for simulated situations



Novi Police Youth Academy student Sophie Pebbles, 12, prepares to participate in a video weapons simulator.

Fourth shooting death in 17 days

Suicide, homicide latest fatalities in Novi

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

Novi had two more shooting deaths last week, making for four in a 17-day period.

A 22-year-old man was found dead near an apartment building in the Saddle Creek complex by Novi Police responding to multiple 911 calls of gunshots fired on Sagebrush in the complex (Novi Road, north of Nine Mile Road) around 10:50 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1.

Joe-Von Meshawn Cole, was pronounced dead at the scene. Preliminary findings indicate this is not a random shooting.

An autopsy performed by the Oakland County Medical Examiner's Office confirmed the manner of death as multiple gunshot wounds to the torso.

Investigators from the Novi Police Department, assisted by forensic scientists from the Michigan State Police, processed the scene.

Anyone with information regarding this recent incident is asked to contact the Novi Police Department at 248-348-7100 or by anonymously calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-SPEAK UP.

A 38-year-old Florida man and former area resident was found dead in Room 111 at the Extended Stay America hotel in Novi around 9 a.m., also on Aug. 1.

Novi Police were called to the hotel, on Haggerty just north of Eight Mile Road, around 4:30 a.m., after multiple gunshots were heard.

"Officers secured the area and tried to make contact where they believed the shots were coming from," said Jerrod Hart, Novi assistant chief.

With no response from the room's occupant, Novi Police reached out to the joint Novi/W. Bloomfield Special Response Team.

"They ended up breaking the room's window, and using a pole camera they observed a male on the floor," said Hart.

He said a total of four shots were fired, one going through the room's wall and into another room. No one else was injured, and police are treating the incident as an apparent suicide.

The deceased's name has not been released.

There was also a murder-suicide by gunshots on July 16 in Novi.



Joe-Von Meshawn Cole

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Wallendas, Shrine Circus returning to state fair

The most famous family in circus history, the Wallendas, will bring an all-new troupe of performers to Metro Detroit on Labor Day weekend for the Shrine Circus, presented by BrightHouse at the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair in Novi.

Rick Wallenda, eldest grandson of founders Karl and Helen, will proudly present his troupe of dare-devils in a rare local performance since the family appeared at the 1962 Michigan State Fair. The Wallendas' 1962 performance during the Shrine Circus at the Michigan State Fair Coliseum was marked by tragedy. During a performance of their famed seven-person chair pyramid, a man on the wire faltered and the pyramid collapsed. Three men fell to the ground, killing

Richard Faughnan, son-in-law of founder Karl Wallenda, and nephew Dieter Schepp. Karl injured his pelvis, and his

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adopted son, Mario, was also injured, with partial paralysis. "Our family is honored to be returning to Michigan, and looking very forward to introducing our new troupe to all at the Michigan State Fair. Thanks so much to the Detroit Shriners for inviting us," said Rick Wallenda. Just returning from

the inaugural tour of Cirque Musica arena tour, the Wallendas will present their new troupe. Touring worldwide, the Wallenda troupe is still led by Rick Wallenda. He has performed on three continents during his 40-year career, and on more than one occasion participated in a recreation of their trademark gigantic seven-person pyramid. As the patriarch, he leads the troupe to each destination, as his grandfathers Karl once led the fabled original group.

The original family patriarch, Karl Wallenda, was born in Germany in 1905 to an ancient circus family, and he began performing at the age of 6. While still in his teens, he answered an ad for a "hand balancer with courage." His subsequent employer schooled him well in the role of circus performer. In 1922, Karl put together his own act with his brother Herman, Joseph Geiger, and a teenage girl, Helen Kreis, who eventually

DETAILS

The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair is Friday, Aug. 30, through Monday, Sept. 2, at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi. Daily circus performance, presented by Detroit Shriners, will be at noon, 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday-Sunday. There will be no 7:30 p.m. circus performance on Monday, Labor Day. Visit www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com for more information.

became his wife and current family troupe leader Rick Wallenda's grandmother. The act toured Europe for several years, performing some amazing stunts. When John Ringling saw them perform in Cuba, he quickly hired them to perform at the world-famous Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey Circus. In 1928, they debuted to rave reviews at the Madison Square Garden and the crowd gave them a standing ovation.

Send in the clowns



Amy and Greg Grambeau of event corporate sponsor Orange-Egg Advertising in Ann Arbor and Nicole Beau-doin of Novi. www.vous.com

The circus came to town and what a grand production it was. Every year, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts' summer gala benefit, Cars & Stars, gets bigger, bolder and brighter. Brighter in that more than 300 guests donned their finest creative black-tie attire on June 7 to help raise more than \$75,000. The 12th Annual Stars & Cars had it all—more than 200 clown noses, popcorn boxes and Barnum animal crackers, 75 Cracker Jack boxes that each

contained a fabulous raffle prize, 600 hand-cut circus flags, 400' of circus roping and 450' of circus lights. Add to that daring performances by the Detroit Flyhouse Circus, a bearded woman, clowns, jugglers, Bally girls, the cast of Funny Feet and even a circus puppy named Henry. Legendary Broadway actress Elaine Stritch, who recently moved back to Birmingham following 70 blockbuster years in NYC, sang "Send in the Clowns" with the Scott Gwinnell Orchestra.

Garden Party



Novi resident Jenny Lewis.



Beth Allaer of Tampa, Fla. (left) and Amy Tucker of Novi. PHOTOS BY JULIE VOLLES

Fran and Pat Parsons of Novi.

Chamber golfers to gather Aug. 21 at Links of Novi

Friends, colleagues tee up for some golfing fun

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Sheryl Romzek, executive director of the Novi Chamber of Commerce, can be forgiven for looking to the skies a bit this month. "I can't remember having a more rainy summer than this," she said as plans continue for the chamber's golf outing. "We hope to have beautiful weather."

She and others are hard at work organizing the chamber's Challenge Cup Golf Outing Wednesday, Aug. 21, at the Links of Novi. There will be registration at 8

a.m. and a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

Cost for a foursome is \$580, with sponsorship opportunities available. This year's team sponsors are Bright House Networks Business Solutions, Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center of Novi, and Yarmak & Co. CPAs.

"It's a great opportunity for businesses to network and for them to bring clients as well," Romzek said of this year's event, the 26th such annual outing. It draws some 100 golfers, plus volunteers.

Lunch will be provided by Carabba's Italian Grill, and there will be a steak dinner in the clubhouse.

The golf outing is a Ryder Cup-style format of play. Individual golfers will choose which of

four teams they'd like to play on, the Yarmak & Co. Detroit Tigers, the Quick Lane Tire & Auto of Novi Detroit Red Wings, Bright House Networks Business Solutions MSU Spartans, or University of Michigan Wolverines.

For registration information, call the Novi chamber at 248-349-3743. The chamber website at www.novichamber.com also has details.

Email, mail or fax may be used to return the form. The fax number is 248-349-3743. "It's a pretty large group," Romzek said of the event, which supports the operating budget of the chamber. "It's one of our larger events of the year."

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in which a firearm is pulled out and ready to use.

"It was difficult a little bit, especially using the shotgun, and my heart rate was really up during some of the scenarios," said 15-year-old Greg Grant.

During this training session, the participants were presented with a variety of scenarios from a domestic violence situation to an armed robbery

chase. They were armed with a simulated handgun and shotgun. Prior to the training, Sgt. Brian Wolowski gave them an introduction to firearms safety and use.

"These are not toys," he told them.

Think like a cop

He said they had to formulate a plan and use verbal instructions when encountering a suspect. This part was difficult for some of the students and it took some time for them to get the hang of it. Not all situations involved firing the weapon, so this is where they learned a lot about being a police officer in a tense

situation. "This will help you get your head into what it's like being a real police officer," said Wolowski prior to the firearms training.

The purpose of the Novi Youth Police and Fire Academy is to increase understanding through education and interaction with the Police and Fire Departments, provide positive interaction with department staff and to educate youth about the challenges and responsibility of law enforcement and fire prevention.

In addition, it helps create and develop responsible, well-informed

youth citizens, and build lasting and productive partnerships between Novi Public Safety and the community members it serves.

Many of the students signed up because they wanted to learn more, and they feel they have. "I heard a lot good things about this, so I wanted to see for myself," said 14-year-old Katie Weber of participating in the academy. "It's been really interesting to learn about things like how a traffic stop is done to using a firearm."

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County commissioners review budget Aug. 8, 22

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners Finance Committee will review the County Executive's Recommended Balanced Triennial Budget for FY 2014 beginning at 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8.

The hearings are in Committee Room 4 at 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

The proposed budget presented earlier by County Executive L. Brooks Patterson consists of \$799,148,947, FY 2015 consisting of \$806,353,332 and FY 2016 consisting of \$813,406,699. The committee will review budgets of all county departments during the hearings.

The following budget hearings are scheduled:

- » Thursday, Aug. 8 (following regular Finance Committee agenda)
- » 10 a.m. Treasurer's Office
- » 10:20 a.m. Clerk/Registrar of Deeds
- » Thursday, Aug. 22 (following regular Finance Committee agenda)
- » 10 a.m. District Court
- » 10:20 a.m. Probate Court

LEARN MORE

To view the budget hearings online, go to www.oakland.mi.gov/govinfo. For more information, contact Oakland County Board Chairman Michael J. Gingell at 248-858-0102 and Finance Chairman Commissioner Thomas F. Middleton at 248-620-6551.

» 11:20 a.m. Board of Commissioners/Library Board

» 11:40 a.m. Parks and Recreation

All meetings are open to the public. Please note the schedule is subject to change.

Oakland County Commissioners serving on the Finance Committee are: Finance Chairman Commissioner Thomas F. Middleton (R), Finance Vice Chairman Commissioner Shelley Goodman Taub (R), Minority Vice Chair Commissioner Marcia Gershenson (D), Commissioner and Board Vice Chairman Jeff Matis (R), Commissioner Christine A. Long (R), Commissioner Kathy Crawford (R), Commissioner John A. Scott (R), Commissioner Nancy Quarles (D), Commissioner Helaine Zack (D).

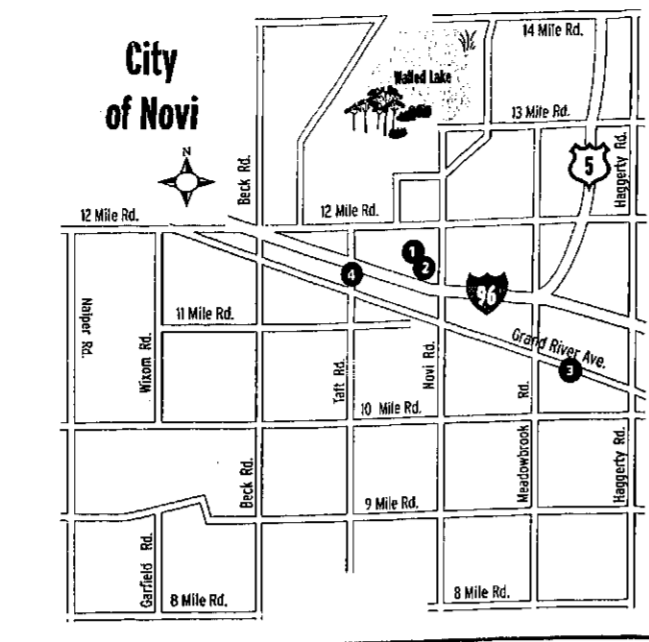
UPDATES FROM CITY OF NOVI

'The Wrecking Crew' at library

The Novi Public Library is rolling out the red carpet at 7 p.m. **Saturday, Aug. 24**, pre-

miering *The Wrecking Crew*, a music documentary about L.A. session musicians who played on numerous hits in the '60s and early '70s. The film, directed

by Denny Tedesco and rated PG, features hit records from the Beach Boys, Sonny and Cher, Frank Sinatra, the Monkees and many more. This will be a night for all music-lovers, who will also get the opportunity to purchase film memorabilia and partake in a Q&A session with the director following the premiere. Tickets go on sale Aug. 1 and are \$10 per person with 50 percent benefitting the library. For more, visit www.wrecking-crewfilm.com.



NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Assault and Battery

1 A group of people were kicked out of Lucky's of Novi for trying to bring in outside alcohol and fighting on July 20. Novi Police responded to the location at 44325 12 Mile Road on the report of some individuals trying to bring cups with alcohol in them into the bar. It was reported one of the individuals had picked up a pool cue while being kicked out by bouncers. As the bouncers were attempting to escort the group, there was some pushing and shoving. The case has been forwarded to the county prosecutor.

iPad Stolen

2 A South Carolina woman staying at the Crowne Plaza in Novi

reported to police that her iPad was stolen while in the hotel room. The larceny was reported to Novi Police on July 20 after the iPad was discovered missing from the room which was reportedly locked. After leaving the location on S. Karevich Drive for a while, the woman came back to find the door ajar. The device was in a suitcase. There was no video surveillance of the door to the room.

Vehicle Theft

3 A stolen 2005 Honda Odyssey from 12 Oaks Auto was later recovered in Wyom. Sometime between July 6-24 the vehicle went missing from the location at 40850 Grand River. The dealer plate was left at

the scene. The Odyssey was later recovered in the parking lot of Jimmy John's on Grand River with the ignition missing.

Landscaping tools stolen

4 A backpack blower and three weed trimmers were stolen from the B and B Landscaping Novi shop. On July 16-17, the shop located at 26855 Taft Road was robbed by an unknown suspect. However, there was no reported damage to the doors. The brand of the items stolen was Max, and they had been in the locked garage area of the shop.

-Compiled by staff writer Lonnie Huhman from police reports.

Novi changing fireworks ordinances

Safety, noise concerns cited

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

In response to state legislation, the City of Novi is planning to enact ordinances that will give it more control over the discharge and timing of fireworks.

According to Assistant City Manager Victor Cardenas, proposed for the City Council's review are two draft ordinances that would together take advantage of the Legislature's restoration of this local authority. Council members unanimously approved the first readings at its July 22 meeting.

Cardenas said the new legislation "allows the city to govern or regulate the hours of discharge of fireworks."

According to City Attorney Tom Schultz, in 2012 the Michigan Legislature adopted sweeping changes to the state's fireworks laws. He said the changes were apparently aimed at relaxing the rules on the sale and discharge of various fireworks, including consumer fireworks, which had previously been largely illegal (or otherwise significantly limited in use) in Michigan.

According to Schultz, municipalities were at least prohibited from regulating the discharge of consumer fireworks on the day before, the day of, and the day after certain national holidays (e.g., Fourth of July, New Year's Day, Labor Day, etc.).

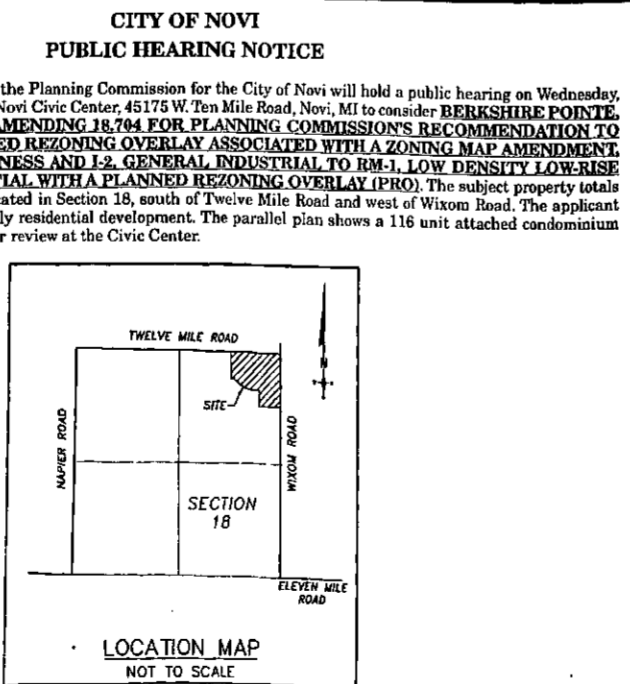
"The legislation had at least some of its intended effect, and consumer fireworks use on the Fourth of July last year was significantly increased, to the point that complaints were made to the legislature about the lack of any limits on the times that consumer fireworks could be discharged," Schultz said in a letter to City Manager Clay Pearson.

In response, Schultz said that late last month the Michigan Legislature passed House Bill 4743, which authorizes local communities to adopt regulations on the time of discharge for consumer fireworks even on the otherwise exempt "national holidays."

The first change in Novi's fireworks ordinance would be reference to the times that the city is allowed to prohibit the discharge of fireworks on the day before, the day of, and the day after national holidays.

The other is an addition to Novi's noise ordinance. Currently, the ordinance has an exception for "lawful fireworks." According to city officials, the changes would clarify the exception and refer back to the fireworks section of the City Code, which had not been amended when the noise ordinance and the exception was initially adopted.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, August 28, 2013.

Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary

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OAKLAND COUNTY ROAD WORK

The following are construction projects on Oakland County roads that could cause traffic delays.

The Road Commission for Oakland County has included its work, as well as projects conducted by others, under permit, on roads under the jurisdiction of the road commission. Officials said projects can change from day to day, whether due to weather or other issues.

Find the RCOOC on the web at www.rcocweb.org or on Twitter and Facebook.

South Lyon

Road: Lake Street (10 Mile Road) and Lafayette Street (Pontiac Trail)

Project: The City of South Lyon soon will work on Lake Street (known as 10 Mile Road outside the city) between Wells Street and Washington Avenue, and Lafayette Street (known as Pontiac Trail outside the city) between Whipple Road

and Liberty Street, so a water main can be installed. The detour route for east/west traffic on Lake Street will be Washington to Liberty to Wells and back to Lake and vice versa. The detour route for north/south traffic on Lafayette St. will be Whipple Road to Warren Street to Liberty and back to Lafayette and vice versa.

Completion date: Sept. 13

Novi

Road: Eight Mile Road between Napier and Taft roads

Project: RCOOC will resurface this section of Eight Mile Road.

Completion date: Work is to stop in November, but it's possible the project could be continued next spring.

Road: Haggerty Road, Nine Mile Road to north of Village Woods Drive

Project: RCOOC will resurface this section of Haggerty

Addison Township

Road: Rochester Road from just south of Mack Road to the southern Leonard Village limits

Project: RCOOC closed this section for a resurfacing project. During the closure, the detour route for through traffic will be Lakeville Road to Lake George Road to Leonard Road and back to Rochester Road and vice versa.

Completion date: This is the first phase of a two-phase project. The first phase is expected to be completed in mid-September. The second phase involves resurfacing Rochester Road from south of Lakeville Road to Mack Road.

The second phase will begin as soon as the first phase is completed and is expected to be open to traffic by Nov. 11.

Royal Oak

Road: 12 Mile Road, Stephenson Highway to Dequindre Road

Project: RCOOC will resurface this section of 12 Mile

Bingham Farms

Road: 13 Mile Road between Telegraph and Lahser roads

Project: RCOOC has started to replace the 13 Mile Road bridge over the Rouge River. This section of 13 Mile will be closed to through traffic during the project. The detour route during the closure will be Lahser Road to 12 Mile Road to Telegraph Road and back to 13 Mile and vice versa.

Completion date: Open to traffic by Oct. 18.

Pontiac

Road: County Center Drive East and Court Tower Boulevard North on the construction of a roundabout at the 14 Mile/Orchard Lake intersection and the realignment of the 14 Mile/Northwestern Highway intersection.

Completion date: Aug. 16

Farmington Hills

Road: Northwestern Highway at 14 Mile Road

Project: DTE Energy will be working adjacent to Northwestern Highway immediately south of 14 Mile Road, which may cause the closure of the outside northbound lane of Northwestern Highway. The work is in preparation for the 2014 construction of a roundabout at the 14 Mile/Orchard Lake intersection and the realignment of the 14 Mile/Northwestern Highway intersection.

Completion date: Aug. 16

Success



The Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #128 had plenty to cheer about Aug. 3 as they take a moment to pose for their first FOP family and friend volunteers group photograph commemorating their successful first annual car show. CURTIS DROGEMILLER

Eight Mile headaches begin

A worker with Cougar Construction out of Wyom begins slicing up large sections of Eight Mile Road west of Center for removal on July 25. Work began on a much-needed pavement replacement project along Eight Mile from Center to Meadowbrook. Traffic will be slowed quite a bit though as the area's been reduced to one lane in each direction until the project is complete. JOHN HEDER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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An unspoken language

Leon gives pawful of love to hospice patients

By Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

He's young and sensitive, affable and has a spring in his step. Those qualities will serve Leon well in his new job as he provides companionship, compassion and good hugs for patients of Arbor Hospice.

Leon starts his work day by being dropped off at the Plymouth Arbor Hospice office on Ann Arbor Road by Cindy Palmer of Farmington Hills.

"My kids have very much wanted a dog," said Palmer, Arbor Hospice bereavement counselor who works in Ann Arbor. "I thought, 'Wow! This is an opportunity for us, especially with my 10-year-old son.'"

When news spread that Arbor Hospice was getting Leon, Palmer said she told hospice supervisors she and her family would be happy to take the 18-month-old dog. "We were interviewed and we got Leon."

Definitely a loving pet, Leon is nonetheless a working dog so Palmer's family, including her son and 17-year-old daughter were also trained. "We have to keep it in mind. We have to be consistent with him. But we love him like a pet."

Sociable and trained

It seems everyone at Arbor Hospice have melting hearts for Leon, who was donated by Leader Dogs for the Blind, where he was initially trained. But Leon had anxiety when approaching steps and was offered to Arbor Hospice as a therapy dog.

"When the dogs have issues, other alternatives are sought," said Arbor Hospice staff member Sue Norton, Leon's lead



New volunteers observe Leon as he is greeted by Arbor Hospice instructor Sue Norton. Volunteers include Gerry Gold, Christian Little and twin brother, Jacob, 18, of Garden City, Art Burd and daughter, Alysha, 16, of Livonia.

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trainer.

By the end of last week, Leon — who is playful and full of slurps and licks — was to have started work visiting hospice patients. There is something not only heart-warming, but calming for patients when a dog visits, Norton said.

"You have to remember that people in facilities probably had to leave behind their own pets. Leon gives them an opportunity to reminisce," Norton said.

Leon will actually be sort of like a traveling working dog. Arbor Hospice serves patients in a seven county area that includes Wayne and Oakland.

Arbor has an inpatient facility in Ann Arbor, but also cares for patients in their own homes.

"We will take Leon wherever the patient is," Norton said.

Leon joins the organization's first dog, Alpine, who has such a busy schedule that taking Leon just made sense to accommodate all the needs.

How long Leon and Alpine stay with patients and what they do with them depends on the patient. A patient with Alzheimer's disease was delighted when the therapy dog visited recently. "She was as happy as a clam," Norton said. "She felt the dog was taking

her for a walk."

Unspoken connection

The truth is, dogs and humans share a universal language. "It's beyond language. It's an unspoken thing," said Livonia resident Art Burd, who has volunteered to take Leon to see patients.

Burd's daughter, Alysha has also joined as a volunteer. And with her and a number of other volunteers, including Jacob and Christian Little of Garden City.

In the past week, the volunteers have also trained with Leon. "I wanted to do it to make people's passing and their families more comfort-

able," said Alysha Burd, who wants to study psychology in college.

The Little brothers have volunteered because health care is the field both have chosen to enter. "It's a good field," Christian said. Jacob, who wants to work in health care administration said that volunteering is good job experience for his future.

As long as there are patients to see, Leon will go to work every day — as does Alpine.

Arbor Hospice is seeking volunteers. If interested, contact the organization at 888-992-2273.

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Leon sits patiently as Arbor Hospice's Sue Norton instructs new volunteers with a list of commands.

Local man's work at Smithsonian takes flight

By Matt Jachman
Staff Writer

One might expect to find an archivist in a dark basement surrounded by cabinets full of dusty files, but a Plymouth Township man's historical work is taking place in decidedly loftier surroundings.

James Bauer is spending his summer at the National Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center, just outside Washington, D.C., on a paid, post-graduate internship. Amid the larger items in the NASM's collection, such as the Space Shuttle Discovery, the Enola Gay (the B-29 that dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima), the Gemini VII space capsule and an Air France Concorde, Bauer is organizing profiles for the museum's Wall of Honor.

Bauer, who has a master's degree in library science with a certificate in archival administration, expects the work to last into November. "It's been great hands-on experience to actually do the work," Bauer said Thursday by phone. "It's nice to live in this area and be able to go to just to see the sights."

It is Bauer's first time in the D.C. area.

Historical perspective

Bauer has a history and political science major at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, but didn't have a particular interest in the history of flight or space travel before his current assignment.

"I wasn't that much into it beforehand, but just being here, it's a great way to learn about it. Just part of the experience," he said. Bauer said his historical interest



James Bauer of Plymouth Township in his office at the Udvar-Hazy Center of the National Air and Space Museum, part of the Smithsonian Institution.

over and over again," but added he finds many of the profiles interesting. "There're some interesting stories you get to read, especially from World War II veterans," he said.

Bauer earned his bachelor's degree in 2006 and worked for a few years, at a local supermarket and at a hotel in Ann Arbor, before returning to school at Wayne State University for his master's.

"I just kind of figured that you're going to have to have a master's if you want to move up," he said. He worked 32 hours a week as the hotel's night auditor while studying at WSU. Bauer has also been a volunteer archivist at the Plymouth Historical Museum, where he helped organize the museum's collection of Plymouth Crier newspapers, and at the Henry Ford Estate.

Post-internship, Bauer said, he hopes to land a records management job at a museum or private company. He's on the hunt for such a job even as his internship continues.

With his responsibilities, Bauer hasn't gotten to the center of Washington too much, but has seen the White House, the Capitol and the Federal Triangle, home to many federal departments.

"You can get around pretty easily," Bauer made a pitch for museum fans to put their money where their interests are and donate to museums, be it the Plymouth Historical Museum or the NASM.

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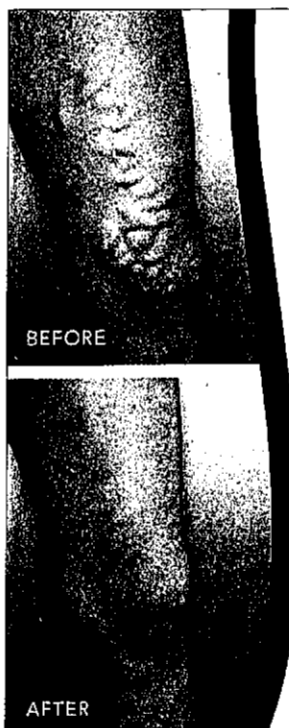
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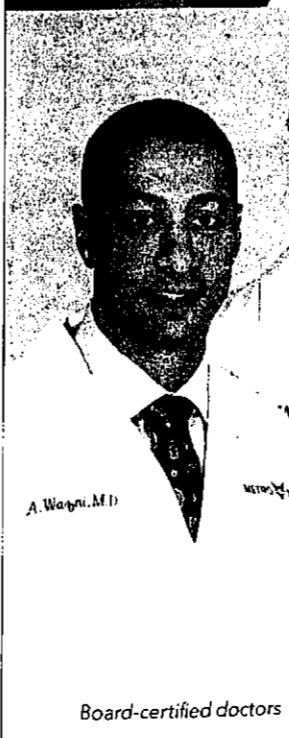
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'The last goodbye'

Docent meets Prince Charles at 75th anniversary of life-saving program for Jewish children

By Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

In 1939, Edith Maniker's parents made a life-changing decision that saved her and her older sister from certain death in the Nazi concentration camps.

Through a lifetime of history and events, that long-ago decision led this year to Maniker meeting Prince Charles as he commemorated the 75th anniversary of the Kindertransport rescue program that saved her life and gave her a future in England and the United States.

"I am extremely blessed. My parents were brave enough to let me go. I have had a good life," said the Southfield resident and 20-year docent at the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills.

Maniker, 82, and her sister, as well as four cousins, all German natives, were among the 10,000 children and infants whose lives were saved when their parents sent them to other countries as part of the Kindertransport rescue program.

In mid-1939 — before World War II started — Maniker, then 8, her sister and cousins were sent to England, where the oldest daughter of one of her mother's cousins lived. But the cousins did not travel together.

"It was the only time I saw my father cry," Maniker said as she described her sister saying goodbye and boarding a train a few weeks before she left. "My parents made it very easy for me. They told me, 'You are going on a wonderful vacation. We will see you in a couple of weeks.'"

Maniker and her sister never again saw their parents and are unsure how, when or where they died. "I know they got as far as Hungary," she said. "The end of 1940 was the last time we heard from them."

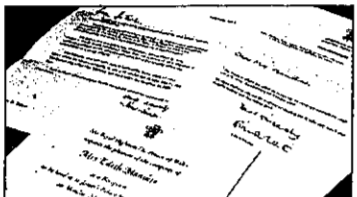
Kristallnacht

The events that led to Maniker leaving her hometown of Leipzig, Germany, which is south of Berlin, began with the Kristallnacht ("Night of Broken Glass") Nov. 9, 1938. Nazi stormtroopers and German civilians orchestrated and implemented a series of attacks on Jewish synagogues, businesses and institutions and ransacked the homes of Jewish residents.

Maniker and her family, including her grandmother, lived across the street from their synagogue, which was not burned because it was next to homes owned by non-Jewish residents. But Ma-



Edith Maniker, a docent at the Holocaust Memorial Center, stands in front of a quilt at the museum.



Edith Maniker's treasured papers include a letter from the Queen of England's Lady in Waiting and an invitation from Prince Charles. PHOTOS BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI

niker watched as items were removed from the synagogue, piled up and burned in a bonfire.

"We watched it as it burned," she said. "I was so scared. I saw people laughing and dancing around it and singing. You know who it was aimed at?"

Maniker's family home was not ransacked because the building landlord told stormtroopers that there were no Jewish tenants in his apartments. "My father turned out the lights so no one could see our silhouettes," she said.

After that incident, Maniker's uncle got the six grandchildren into the Kindertransport program to save their lives. But it was also the start of some six years during which Maniker was moved around England, staying with a number of different families and, eventually, as she got

older, sharing an apartment with her sister.

Maniker arrived by boat in the United States in July 1947. She and her sister made their way to Detroit, where they had family. "Why did we come to America? You look for family," she said.

Maniker journeyed back to England earlier this year for the 75th anniversary of the Kindertransport that brought Jewish children to cities and villages throughout Britain.

A reunion was planned and she was among 400 who attended, followed by a reception hosted by Prince Charles at St. James's Palace. "We were in a semi-circle and Prince Charles shook everyone's hand," she said. "He spoke to each person. He made everyone feel like they were important."

"Everyone at the reunion was thrilled the prince was there. He was so gracious."

A letter

The reception and meeting with Prince Charles wasn't just a stop on the itinerary planned by a reunion committee. Maniker received an official invitation from the heir to the British throne to attend the reception.

Maniker's correspondence with the Royal Family actually began with a letter one of her daughters wrote to the Queen of England. In that letter, her daughter thanked the queen for saving her mother's life decades ago. Unexpectedly, her daughter received a letter in return from Buckingham Palace and the queen.

Written by the Queen's Lady in Waiting, the letter said in part: "The Queen was touched to hear of the tragic fate suffered by your mother's family during the Second World War, and to know of Mrs. Maniker's enduring gratitude for the welcome offered to her in this country when she arrived here as a young refugee."

That letter, Prince Charles' invitation and another letter from an official of the British government are items she never plans to toss. Maniker has them well-cared for in a large envelope and gently removes each from their envelopes to show others.

Despite being moved from one family or refugee center and hostel to another during her years in England, Maniker fondly remembers the people who helped her during the war. "I found that most people I met were very kind," she said. "I was never hungry."

New exhibit: 'Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow' opens at Holocaust center

The Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus (www.holocaustcenter.org) will host the exhibit, "Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow: Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges," through Dec. 15.

The exhibit tells the story of Jewish professors who fled Nazism and came to America in the 1930s and 1940s, finding teaching positions at historically black colleges and universities. The exhibition explores the encounter between these scholars and their students, and their impact on each other, the civil rights movement and American society.

"Intolerance is not something that affects just the Jewish community or the African American community," said Holocaust Memorial Center Executive Director Stephen M. Goldman. "It affects people of all religions and ethnic backgrounds. By bringing exhibits like this to the museum, we can show visitors how the power of mutual respect between two groups can help one day to bring us closer to reaching universal hope, tolerance and understanding of one another."

"Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow" tells the story of Jewish academics from Germany and Austria, who were dismissed from their teaching positions in the 1930s. After fleeing to America, some refugee scholars found positions at historically black colleges and universities in the Jim Crow South. Jim Crow laws mandated segregation in all public facilities, creating a "separate, but equal" status for African Americans. Together with the use of intimidation and terror by whites, these laws isolated blacks physically and culturally.

The exhibition explores what it meant to the students to have these new staff members as part of their community, how they were affected by the presence of these teachers, and what life was like for white, European Jews teaching at black colleges and universities.

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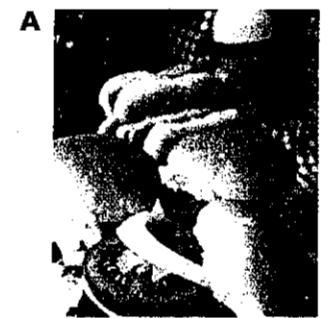
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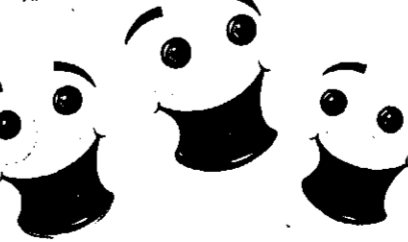
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 Correspondent

Aaron Babicz took a trip to the University of Notre Dame over the summer and returned back to his position as the athletic director of Detroit Catholic Central with a new mission — implement the Play Like a Champion program immediately.

The program, which he learned about during a three-day course at Notre Dame, focuses on developing traits of

leadership and character with a coaching staff and student athletes while giving them a chance to take ownership in the program.

"It is a way to keep your kids in the zone, 24/7, and reminds us all that sports should be about fun and accountability," said Babicz.

Catholic Central actually implemented two programs. The Play Like a Champion Today program is focused on players and coaches and another program, Parent Like a

Champion Today, which was held for more than 200 Shamrock families.

"The coaches and parents loved this program," Babicz said. "We were already doing many of the things that the program brought to CC, but it also gave both a fresh perspective on how the school, coaches and parents all work together for the great good of our young men."

The program's goal is meant to help keep everyone — parents, players and coaches — on the same page and even closer as an athletic community than the Shamrocks already are.

"It gives us a faith-based template to make sure we are supporting each other and our guys," Babicz said. "We want everyone to enjoy the experience that is CC athletics, and this was a new way for us to express that we care enough to get better together and improve."

Babicz said the program fits well within the CC faith and athletic focus, and he said having the University of Notre Dame involved just makes it "even more special."

Having the new program in place helped bring some change into the athletics family

prior to the start of fall sports, Babicz said.

"It just seemed to recharge everyone's batteries a little and show both the coaches and the parents why we pride ourselves on being a family before anything else," he said. "State championships and victories are great, but this was a win for everyone involved. As a leader, you try to empower those around you, and this program definitely helped achieve that goal."

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Rain doesn't deter local Road Runners

By Sam Eggleston
 Correspondent

The rain held off just long enough for the 2013 Road Runner Classic 8K to sound the starting gun, and then it came down with little regard to the runners participating in the race.

You couldn't tell by the times turned in by Andrew Porinsky and Sarah Kettel, who won the overall men's and women's races, respectively.

Porinsky, who hails from Dexter and is 28 years old, ran a time of 27:56 over the eight-kilometer course at Maybury State Park. Kettel, who is 15 and from Brighton, ran a 33:11 (6.41 mile) to win the women's race.

Winners in other age brackets include: Shawn Wehrly of Royal Oak (44 years old, 32:56) and Erin Larusso of Ypsilanti (43, 33:35) in the master's division, while Carter Reeds of South Lyon (14, 37:50) and Charissa Johnson of Plymouth (12, 50:59) won the 14-and-under division. Winning the 15-to-19 division were Edward Clifton of Northville (18, 28:40) and Elizabeth Matovski of South Lyon (18, 37:56) while Bennett Pruchomme of South Lyon (23, 28:21) and Emily Davis of Lapeer (22, 38:56) won the 20-to-24 division.

In the 24-to-29 division, Alex Williams of Caro (29, 32:04) and Cassie Williams of Caro (27, 37:19) took first place, as did Kevin Pine of Plymouth (33, 29:40) and Kristin Keppel of Plymouth (31, 37:40) in the 30-to-34 division. South Lyon's Joshua Schoels (38, 31:29) and Maggie Gelwix of Ypsilanti (37, 39:51) won the 35-to-39 division while Leonardo Brito of Ann Arbor (43, 34:02) and Karen Kovtun of Northville (40, 39:20) won the 40-to-44 race.

Northville's Thomas Lee (48, 37:53) and Troy's Nina Burnett (48, 39:15) won



See RUNNERS, Page B3 Edward Clifton (left) and Jason Lerner just after the race. LINDA LEEDY

State law compliments MHSAA concussion policies

Athletes suspected of having concussion must be removed from competition

By Sam Eggleston
 Correspondent

A new law in Michigan that went into effect June 30 will better protect student and youth athletes from concussions and will require education for coaches, volunteers and parents involved in sports.

For the local school districts, this won't change much in the way athletics and concussions are approached. The Michigan High School Athletics Association has had the same policies in place since 2010.

However, the law does protect youth athletes outside of MHSAA-sponsored sports and activities. The new laws require all levels of schools and youth sports organizations to educate, train and collect forms for non-MHSAA activities including physical education classes, intramural and out-of-season camps or clinics.

The MHSAA policies will still remain in effect.

Coch Matt Ladach, of the Northville High School football program, said the rules regarding concussions are essential.

"I wouldn't be able to sleep at night knowing that my own lack of judgment contributed to a player being injured even further," he said. "Wins and losses aren't worth the risk

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Martial arts school scores hat trick at international tournaments

Students earn 98 awards at Detroit Metropolitan

The Family Self Defense Center recently had great success at three of Isshinryu Karate's biggest tournaments, earning wins in kata, weapons, and sparring categories competing against students from the U.S., Canada, Europe, Asia, and Australia.

At the KIAI Grand National held on June 15 in Beverly Hills, Mich., 30 students from the FSDC received 61 awards including 24 first place national championships, six grand championship berths and one grand championship win.

At the Isshinryu World Karate Association Tournament held July 12-13 in Akron, Ohio, 32 students from the FSDC received 29 awards with 13 first place world champions,

and one black belt grand championship berth. The dojo (school) was also selected as one of the "Top Three Most Supportive" dojos in the world. Grand Master Kichiro Shimabuku, current head of World Isshinryu Karate and son of Isshinryu founder Tatsuo Shimabuku, came from Okinawa, Japan to oversee the competition which hosted more than 500 competitors.

Fifteen students from the FSDC received 20 awards with three first place national championships, and two grand championship berths at the Isshinryu Hall of Fame Nationals held July 26-27 in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The school, Sensei, and students received 14 national top five award nominations and two national awards were achieved. This is the eighth year the FSDC has been nominated as one of the

top five Isshinryu schools in the country.

In addition to the international tournaments, the FSDC competed in the annual Detroit Metropolitan Open in May. Forty-seven students earned 98 awards which included 32 first place tournament winners, 11 grand championship berths, and one tournament grand champion.

The FSDC has been offering classes through the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services for six years. During the past three years, students and instructors have earned more than 1,000 trophies. Classes in Isshinryu Karate and Samurai Sport Sword are offered throughout the year.

For more information, call the Novi Parks Office at 248-347-0400 or visit cityofnovi.org or karatebyfisd.com.



Members of the Novi's FSDC include (l to r, front) Amelia Chung, Teddy Donahue, Janchin Chung; (second row) Rohun Savanur, Dhruva Vishwanath, Anthony DeFeo, Anish Gogineni, Ben Matas, Justin Frick, Josh O'Meara, Joshua Huang, Shaelyn Carroll, Ram Kiru, Ankush Bakuli and Ahmad Raaiyan; (third row) Sonali Joshi, Anwesha Sarangi, Aditya Savanur, Yogesh Mohanraj, Shashank Swaminathan, Mitchell Huang, Abby O'Meara, Sydney Giamarese, Hannah Watson, Arun Kammanadiminti, Anjali Joshi, Andrew Swanson, Soorya Ramappan, James Takeshita, Lily Kosaka, Ryan Swanson; (back row) Mark Swanson, Ian Kosaka, Abhay Vora, Noah D'Arcy, Lizzy Arnold, Kridhika Swaminathan, Neha Gogineni, Savanna Frick, Belle Spencer, Andrew Pospeshil, Tom Pospeshil, Trina Frick, Kathy O'Meara, Shankar Kiru and Jim Bertin.

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Unemployed? Here's how to nab an interview

Alan Carniol, founder of Interview Success Formula

If you're out of work, looking for a new job can be challenging, especially if you've been unemployed for an extended period of time. Here are some expert tips for staying on track and nabbing an interview:

Convey confidence

"Remember to be enthusiastic and interested throughout the interview, regardless of how frustrated you may be with your search," says Lynne Sarikas, director of Northeastern University's MBA Career Center.

Yes, being unemployed isn't fun. Getting turned down from previous interviews can make the feeling even worse. Still, if you bring those feelings into your next interview, you might jeopardize your chances.

The antidote for this negativity? Focus on how you can still produce results on the job. "You are competing with current workers, so you have to show that you are still capable, knowledgeable and that you add value to the company in this position," Sarikas says.

Show you aren't rusty

Employers want workers who are up to date on their knowledge and skills. If you want to impress employers, review all the tools you used in past jobs, and make sure you're familiar with all the relevant industry

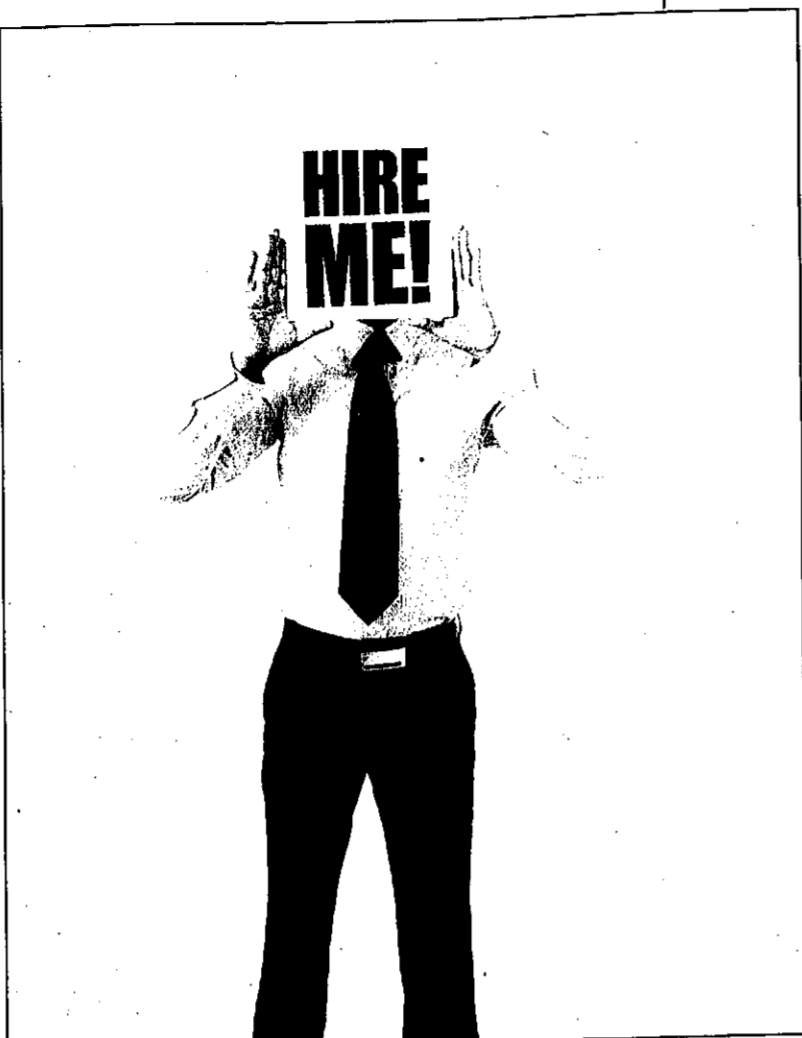
language.
"Know the software you used in each role you've worked," says Sarah Connors, staffing manager in the human resources contracts division at Winter-Wyman. "Software is becoming a bigger item to help get you in the door, and those names should roll off your tongue like you used them yesterday. [Saying] 'Um' ... because you can't remember a name makes it seem like you don't remember the software, and if you don't remember the software, then it's not a value-add you're bringing to the next company."

Another way to prove value? "Use your network: Connect with former co-workers and managers on LinkedIn to get a great referral that shows what a capable, valuable employee you can be," Connors says.

Prove your fit

"Fit is the most critical determination in hiring for both the hiring manager and the candidate," Sarikas says. "For the hiring manager, there are typically multiple candidates with the skills to do the job. The challenge is finding the best person for the job based on how they fit with the team and the culture of the organization."

So how do you communicate fit? Be yourself, says Kevin Ricklefs, senior vice president of talent management at CHG Healthcare. "Don't just answer the question; add some per-



sonality and passion into each response," Ricklefs says. "Your personality comes through when you convey enthusiasm for certain topics, you tell stories that explain your 'why's, and you ask questions of the interviewer in areas that interest you."

Explain any long-term unemployment

If you have not worked for a

while, you may be asked about it in your interviews. Invest the time in creating a strong answer to this question.

"Being honest is always the best option," Connors says. "If there's something you feel is too personal to share, you'll want to talk to a recruiter, mentor or trusted friend about how to discuss it. Highlight any volunteer work, contract positions or classes you have taken that

show you've been active and keeping your skills fresh. It's too competitive a market to not give yourself every advantage."

Alan Carniol is the founder of Interview Success Formula, a job program that helps job seekers to deliver powerful answers that prove why they are the right person for the job. Follow Alan and Interview Success Formula on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

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