

STAT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES LOCAL NEWS

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- CPR and AED training last Tuesday of every month from 9 - 1 p.m.
- Join STAT EMS, Hurley, and Flushing Fire for CPR
- Do you have an old cell phone? Please drop off your phone at STAT.

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“LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE”

Hurley Medical Center is partnering with STAT EMS for the 1st Annual FREE CPR Training event on June 10, 2011, from 11am to 1pm, hosted by Flushing Fire Department, 723 East Main Street, Flushing. Come and learn to save a life. If you are age 12 or older, you are eligible to reserve a spot by calling 810-238-7672 ext. 215, to take part in this 45 minute educational training.

The American Heart Association (AHA) estimates that 250,000 people nationwide die from cardiac arrest outside of hospitals each year, and that only 5% of such victims survive. Not all of those who collapse can be

saved, but the AHA reports if the survival rate improved only to 20% in part due to CPR training, nearly 40,000 more lives would be saved.

The June 10th event will include car seat appointments, Safe Kids Greater Flint, Hurley's Level I Trauma Center presenting Fall Prevention for Seniors, Stroke Signs, literature and self risk assessment, stroke rehabilitation information from Hurley Rehabilitation Services, along with FREE blood sugar and blood pressure screenings, courtesy of Hurley Diabetes Center and the University of Michigan-Flint.

Please join us on Friday, June 10, 2011 for this FREE CPR Training Event. Interviews with Hurley ER and Level I Trauma Center, Hurley Diabetes Center, Hurley Stroke Program, Injury Prevention, STAT EMS and much more will be available. For interviews, call Ilene Cantor, Director, Communications and Public Relations at Hurley at 810-625-0842 or icantor1@hurleymc.com.



STAT EMS PARAMEDIC CLASS GRADUATES

STAT EMS Education Department will graduate their first Paramedic Academy recruit class on Friday June 3rd.

"We are very proud and excited. We are looking forward to seeing these folks become the Paramedic professionals the community expects", says Gary Denman, EMS Educator and Coordinator for STAT's Education pro-

gram.

"We are very pleased to have the majority of these graduates working at STAT full time as Paramedic's", says Joseph Karlichek, Chief of Operations. "We thank our Medical Director Mark Wilkerson, MD, DO, FACEP, and Hurley Medical Center for their leadership and guidance, we could not have done it without them", added Karlichek.

STAT is licensed by the State of Michigan EMS Education Department and by the Department of Energy Labor & Economic Growth.

MORE AMBULANCES ADDED TO FLEET

"Having our own mechanic on site provides a higher level of accountability to our communities, staff and patients"

Matt Rozen

STAT EMS has recently purchased an additional Type 3 (Modular) ambulance.

"STAT continues to add more ambulances to our fleet as part of our planned growth and recent growth initiatives in the community", said Joseph Karlichek, COO.

"Our entire fleet of 38 vehicles is serviced by two full and

part time mechanics 24-7 at our State approved mechanic facility", says Matt Rozen, Fleet & Logistics Manager.

He adds that STAT is the only ambulance service in Genesee County that has its own in-house mechanic facility adding that this provides a higher level efficiency and accountabil-

ity to our community.

Matt also added that they are switching out a vehicle lift to accommodate heavier vehicles which will add a total of three lifts in the mechanic garage area of the facility.

STAT is licensed as a Motor Vehicle Service and Repair facility under (MCL 257.1309) and has 24-7-365 ASE certified mechanic.

NEW AMBULANCE STATION OPENS IN GENESEE TOWNSHIP, MI

STAT added a NEW ambulance station to its existing nine in Genesee County on May 29, 2011.

"Operations began in Genesee Township on Genesee road north of Stanley road Sunday May 29th", says Kieth Rumbold, Operations Manager. This new station will provide Genesee Town-

ship improved response times to their community as well as north and northeastern Genesee County. Kieth added that the company already services Genesee Township to its west and southern area.

Company officials provided the Genesee Township Board a presentation of their company and

answered a few questions several weeks ago. Approval of the EMS station was met by 911, GCMCA, and Genesee Township Board.

STAT provides EMS coverage to all of central, west, and southern Genesee County and is contracted to provide EMS to Fenton and Linden City. Those contracts are non millaged based and the company seeks zero household subsidies. To learn more about services visit www.statems.net

SENIOR EXPO A HUGE SUCCESS

STAT EMS was a proud sponsor of this year's Senior Expo hosted by the Valley Area Agency on Aging or (VAAA). Several hundred seniors arrived to learn the latest on senior services, transportation, and health initiatives.

STAT provided an ambulance crew for standby and senior prevention tips on injuries and falls.

Pictures below are from this year's Senior Expo held in Genesee Township at the Cross Road's Village.

Doug Chilson was on hand providing seniors EMS news and updates. EMT-Basic's Chris Hansen and Michele Wilson provided EMS coverage.



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STAT EMS is Nationally Accredited through the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Service or CAAS. Accreditation signifies that STAT EMS has met the "gold standard" determined by the ambulance industry to be essential in a modern emergency medical services provider. These standards often exceed those established by state or local regulation.

The process included a comprehensive self-assessment and an independent outside review of STAT EMS. This independent process provides verification to the Genesee County Board of Commissioners, city council, medical community and others that quality care is provided to your community.

GENESEE COUNTY WON'T SEND SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO HANDLE MEDICAL EXAMINER INVESTIGATIONS

GENESEE COUNTY, Michigan -- The county will no longer send Sheriff's Office sergeants, lieutenants or captains out to investigate deaths for the county medical examiner after Friday.

The county Board of Commissioners approved an emergency contract with STAT EMS for representatives of that company to take over the job, a move with the potential to save the county more than \$100,000 over the course of a year.

Sheriff Robert Pickell said board Chairman Jamie Curtis told him the county could no longer afford to pay top-ranking officials in his office to respond to the death scenes on an overtime basis.

An investigator is required to file a report any time the medical examiner investigates

a death, Pickell said. The medical examiner is mandated under state law to investigate sudden, unexpected, accidental or violent deaths. "There's just no money to do it," said Pickell, who estimated the service has cost about \$185,000 annually.

Commissioners directed the county purchasing director to issue a request for proposals to perform the job on a long-term basis. The contract with STAT will pay the company a flat \$850 weekly to perform the same investigations -- more than \$100,000 less than the overtime Sheriff's Office investigators typically collect.

STAT EMS already performs body removal services for the county and the company's employees can per-

form the same services as the Sheriff's Office because the investigations are not considered a criminal investigation, which would be done separately if the death is considered suspicious.

"This is medical examiner work. It is not police work," Curtis said.

The Flint Journal could not immediately reach Medical Examiner Dr. Brian Hunter for comment.

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