

Pregnancy classes

County offers prevention program as rates rise

The Wayne County Health Department is holding a Teen Rally in the Wayne-Westland area on Friday, March 30 to announce a Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPP) — an effort aimed at helping youngsters from becoming parents too soon.

"While teen pregnancy in the United States has declined in recent years, there are communities within Wayne County where teens are becoming pregnant at an alarming rate," said Patricia Soares, Wayne County Public Health director. "We are directing our teen pregnancy reduction efforts towards Wayne-Westland because teens giving birth in this district exceed state and county levels."

According to reports tabulated by county officials, live birth percentages range from 2.8 to 9.0 percent of teen mothers living in Wayne-Westland School District, State and Out-Wayne County teen-mother percentages are 3.1 to 2.5 respectively.

TPP health education/youth development program will focus on male and female teens ages 13-19 years old who are at risk of experiencing a first or repeat

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birth. TPP has established a teen hotline for youngsters to pre-register for classes listed below or call (866) 266-TEEN.

The teen rally will run from noon to 6 p.m. at the Wayne Recreation Center (4635 Howe Road) in Wayne. WDTJ 105.9 FM's two radio personalities "Spud" and "Sunny" will be on hand to greet participants.

There will be two sessions from 3 p.m. and from 4-6 p.m. and teens can attend either session. There will be games, prizes, giveaways, refreshments and an assortment of fun-filled activities.

Identification is required for entry.

■ **Classes for the "Reducing the Risk" TPP program will be held at the Dorsey Center (32715 Dorsey) in Wayne from 9:30-6 p.m. Wednesdays from April 11-June 6 (except April 18) and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 12 - June 7 (except April 19).**

■ **Wayne County Administration Building (33030 Van Born) in Wayne, Wednesdays, April 11 - May 9 from 3:30-6 p.m. and Thursdays, April 12 - May 10 from 3:30-6 p.m.**

■ **Simmons Center (29160 Carlyle) in Inkster, Thursdays April 12 - June 7 from 3:30-6 p.m.**

■ **Inkster Recreation Center (2025 Middlebelt) in Inkster, Wednesdays from April 11 - June 6 from 3-5:30 p.m.**

■ **Salvation Army (2300 Vaneoy) in Westland every Wednesday from April 11 - June 6 from 3:30-6 p.m. and Thursdays April 12 - June 7 from 3:30-6 p.m.**

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THUR, APRIL 19

CANCER & SEXUALITY
A special Cancer AnswerNight with Sallie Foley, a certified sex therapist and sex educator from the U-M Health System, will provide straight answers and practical information on how to put sex and intimacy back into your life. Sex doesn't have to end with a cancer diagnosis. You can have a healthy, satisfying sexual relationship again. To learn more attend "Life After Cancer Treatment: Answers to the Most Frequently Asked Questions About Sex and Intimacy," a free community program sponsored by the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center from 7-8:30 p.m. at the U-M Kellogg Eye Center Auditorium (1000 Wall Street, Ann Arbor). Call (800) 742-2300 enter 7870.

SAT, APRIL 28

WOMEN'S HEALTH DAY
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will sponsor "2001 Women's Health Day" 8 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn-Livonia West. Events include keynote speaker Sandra Beckwith, breakfast buffet, exhibits, workshops and raffle drawings. Program cost is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. For information, call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1817 for out-of-area callers. Registration is requested by April 16. Sandra Beckwith, keynote speaker will talk from 9-9:45 a.m. about "Finding the Courage to Change."

APRIL - JUNE

CHILD BIRTH EDUCATION
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer "Childbirth Education" a series of six classes or a one-day workshop designed to teach expectant mothers and their partners the Lamaze method for labor and delivery, including relaxation and breathing techniques. 7-9 p.m. Mondays, April 30 through June 11. Cost is \$55. Call 655-1100.

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THUR, MAY 10

ARTHRITIS
St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the Arthritis Foundation of Michigan will co-sponsor an interactive forum, "Taking Control of Pain," 7-9 p.m. in the hospital's Auditorium. Dr. Timothy Wright, anesthesiologist and

medical director of the hospital's Pain Management Center, will speak on "Dynamics of Arthritis Pain." Dr. Joseph Weiss, rheumatologist, will present "Managing Arthritis Pain." Free. Seating is limited; pre-register by May 4. Call Community Outreach at (734) 655-8940 or 1 (800) 494-1850 (out-of-area callers only). St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 34675 Five Mile Road, at Loran Road, in Livonia. Please use the Five Mile Road entrance.

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BUSINESS CALENDAR

FRI, MARCH 30

JOB FAIR
Graduating seniors can meet one-on-one with more than 180 prospective employers at the 27th Michigan Collegiate Job Fair 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Burton Manor (27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.) Co-sponsored by Wayne State University and Eastern Michigan University. Call WSU at (313) 677-3890 or EMU at (734) 487-1195.

TUES, APRIL 10

QUALITY PLANNING SEMINAR
The Anglier Quality Institute presents "Symposium 2001: Project Management as it Relates to Advanced Quality Planning," an all-day seminar beginning 8 a.m. at Madonna University, Univer-

sity Center, Livonia. Murray Sittasamer of The Luminous Group will be the presenter, and John McElroy will be the luncheon speaker. Cost is \$95 for the entire day, including Continental breakfast and lunch, or \$25 for lunch with John McElroy. Call (734) 432-5354 or fax (248) 432-5354.

SAT, APRIL 21

RETIREMENT
"Retirement Plan Distributions" is the subject of a seminar given by financial advisors Kathleen Fitzgerald and Yvonne Carver 10 a.m. at the Livonia/Laurel Park Morgan Stanley Dean Witter office. Admission is free. For reservations, call Kristi McCombs at (734) 779-8001.

THUR, APRIL 26

ISO 9000 REVISIONS WORKSHOP
Arch Associates will present a half-day study of the new ISO 9001:2000 quality system requirements at Laurel Park Holiday Inn at 8:30 a.m. Doors open at 8 a.m. \$220 cost includes copy of the new standard course manual and refreshments. The SE Mich. Quality Study Group will meet afterwards at 1 p.m. to discuss quality system contributions to overall business plans and successes. (Prior attendance of Arch Associates ISO 9000 Workshop is required.) \$120 cost includes reference materials and refreshments. Advance registration required for both the workshop and the study group. Call (248) 449-5433.

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