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Top Artists

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In the Aged 6-12 category, ribbon winners are, from left, Grace Kelley, third; Katherine Gregory, second; and Cyril Gregory, first.



Ribbon winners in the Photography category are, from left, Jennifer Gunderson, third; Gary Washington, second; and Genevieve Gregory, first.



Winners in the 2-D Art category are, from left, Sydney O'Connor, third; Mary Orr, second; and accepting the first-place ribbon for her daughter Kim Enschr is her mother Jean Morris. Enschr could not be present for the event.



Prize winners in the aged 13 to 17 category are, from left, Kylie Ion, third; Violet M. Blue, second; and Audrey Giles, first.



Winners in the 3-D/Up-Cycled category are, from left, Ed Good, third; Sheena Barnes, second; and Steven Paulsen, first.



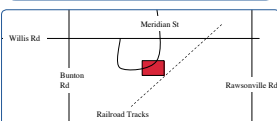
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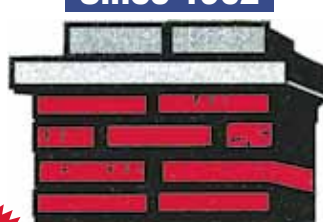
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Keystone school board celebrates high scores in M-STEP assessments

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

The first thing to do at the Oct. 13 regular meeting of the Keystone Academy Board of Directors was to celebrate the school's high scores on the M-STEP tests taken last spring.

M-STEP stands for The Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress.

"This is the first time we're higher than Plymouth-Canton," said Jamie Steeb, Keystone's dean of middle school and specials who was filling in for principal Jorvanna Drain. Principal Drain was absent because of a necessary trip to the Upper Peninsula.

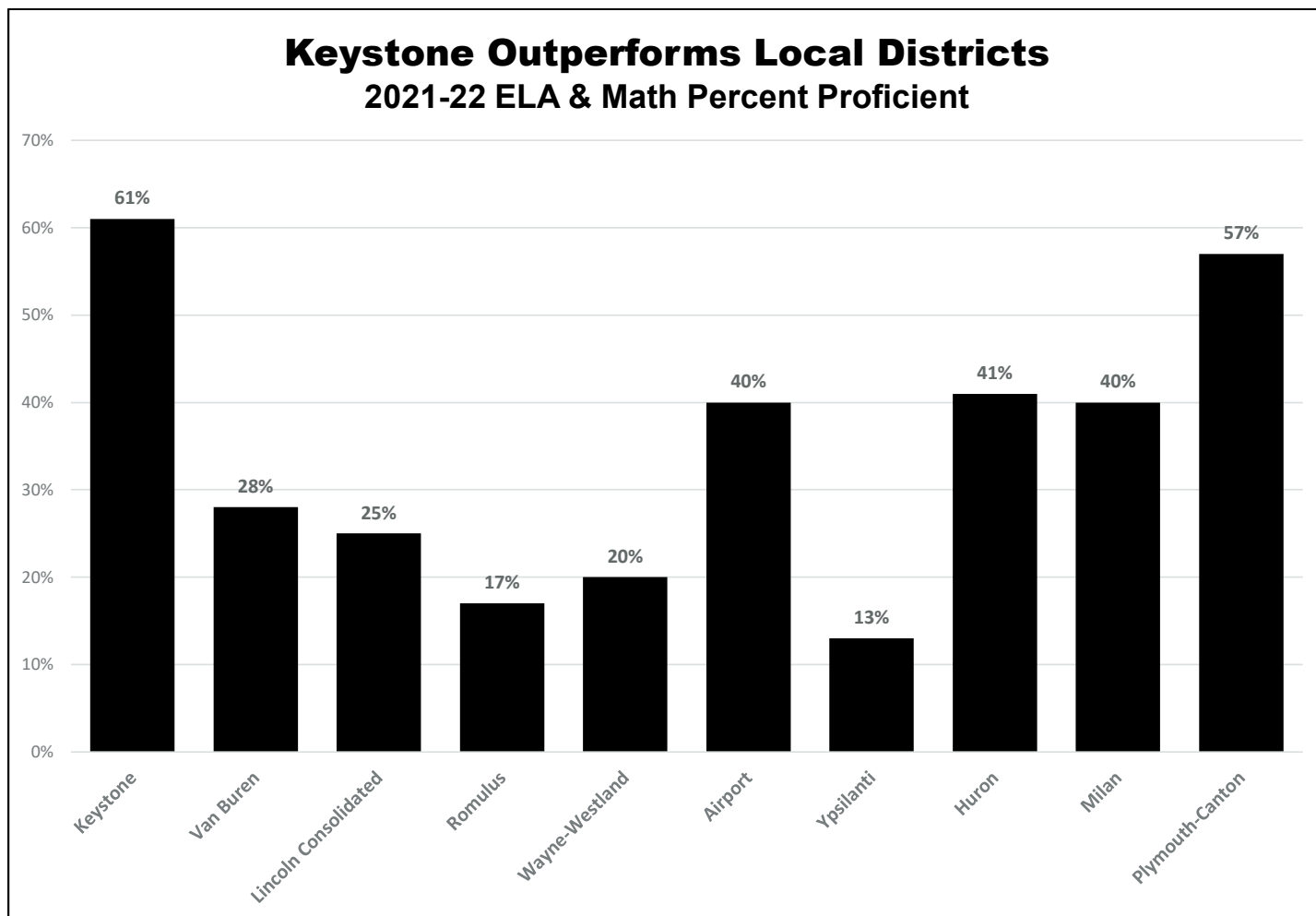
The M-STEP results had been embargoed, but in a message to parents on Sunday, Oct. 9, Drain wrote: "M-STEP scores have been released. We are extremely proud of our 2021-22 results on the Michigan assessment. We increased our overall proficiency in every subject area (math, reading, science, and social studies) in comparison to the 2020-21 school year.

"For over 15 years, we have academically outperformed the eight local districts that are in the bar graph, but now we are outperforming Plymouth-Canton schools too. We know that there is still much work to be done, but let's celebrate that we have made the tremendous gains despite the challenges we faced during the unprecedented years," Drain said.

Dean Steeb explained to the board that 61% of the students in the tested grades are at or above the benchmark of 50% proficiency.

Later in the meeting, board vice president Steven Harsant asked if there was a way to advertise Keystone's high scores. National Heritage Academies representative Andrew Roth said that would be for NHA to do, but they would probably just enjoy the scores.

"The reason we have this school is because the academics in this area weren't strong," said board president Vesta Losen



who had helped create Keystone Academy in 2003 and has served on the board since its beginning.

Losen said Keystone was able to get the charter from Bay Mills Community College because of the poor academic standards in this area.

Losen pointed out that Keystone had also completed the Fall NWEA testing, which she said many think is a better evaluative tool than M-STEP, and the majority of Keystone students are at or above grade level.

Schoolwide NWEA math scores are 63% and reading 68%. Second graders scored

46% in math and 45% in reading, which she said wasn't good, but grades 3-5 were 67% and 72%. And, grades 6-8 were 65% and 72%.

In other business at the one-hour-and-36-minute meeting, the board:

- Heard a lengthy report from Dawn Bandy of the PTO, asking the board to help cover bus transportation for students to go on field trips. The PTO usually helped the school by providing transportation but with rising costs, including higher entry fees, and fewer fund-raisers they needed help. The board voted unanimously to provide up to \$10,000 to support field trips. Roth said he

would talk to NHA about getting funds to reimburse the board for this. Up until about five years ago, parents would drive students on field trips, but now that is not allowed. Such parent driving was suspended after a parent on a field trip took a carload to McDonald's for an hour and got lost; and

- Approved providing \$12,000 to pay athletic coaches and athletic director, \$1,500 to purchase items for the school store where students use the Keystone Cash they've earned by exemplifying Moral Focus virtues and positive behaviors, and \$3,200 to reward staff that go above and beyond their normal duties;

Belleville Area Council for the Arts has record number of participants

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts held its 13th-annual Community Art Show Oct. 14-16 at the Belleville Yacht Club. BACA was pleased with the record number of artists participating this year.

A special thank you goes to the judges of the artwork for the show: Diane Eissinger, local stained-glass artist; Teena Flannery Ericson, director of the Scarab Club in Detroit; and Raelynn Nidiffer, Christian woman artist.

BACA congratulates the winners as follows:

2-Dimension: 1st – Kim Ensich, 2nd – Mary Orr, 3rd – Sydney O'Connor.

3D/Upcycled: 1st – Stephen Paulsen, 2nd –

Sheena Barnes, 3rd – Ed Good.

Photography: 1st – Genevieve Gregory, 2nd – Gary Washington, 3rd – Jennifer Gunderson.

Teens (Ages 13-18): 1st – Audrey Giles, 2nd – Violet Blue, 3rd – Kylie Ion.

Children (Ages 6-12): 1st – Cyril Gregory, 2nd – Katherine Gregory, 3rd – Grace Kelley.

People's Choice: Three-way tie: Steve Pausen, "The Angler"; Sydney O'Connor, "Self Portrait"; and Cynthia Price, "Get Down."

Winners in all 6 categories were awarded ribbons and cash prizes. More photos of the winning artwork can be seen on Facebook at Belleville Area Council for the Arts –

BACA.

Guest judges gave ribbons to the following artists: Kerreen Conley awarding Sydney O'Connor, Eric Luke choosing Renae Turner, Kevin McNamara picking Mariam Caldwell, Barbara Miller choosing Allen Brooks, Reggie Miller awarding Neil Griffin (in memoriam), and Mary Jo Suchy selecting Jason LaPrise.

BACA thanks the Art Show Sponsors: Waste Management for Upcycled/3D Category, The Art Factory, BB's Boutique, Belleville Area District Library, Jean and Kerry Morris, The Pumpkin Factory (Linda LeBlanc), Sumpter Collision (James Chudzinski), Keith and Ginger

Bruder, Cynthia & Thom Price, Wagner's Homestead Farm (Cheryl Wagner), Marilyn and John Wood and Michele Montour.

BACA appreciates and thanks the Belleville Yacht Club, Garden Fantasy on Main, The Pumpkin Factory and Waste Management for their contributions to the show. Programs were printed with the cooperation of the Belleville Area District Library and Montour Designs.

The organizing committee members were Rhonda Dutton, Ed Good, Elaine Gutierrez, Kathleen Klein, Michele Montour, Jean Morris, Cynthia Price, Cheryl Wagner and Kathryn Wood. – Elaine Gutierrez

O P I N I O N S

Editorial

Letters to the editor are way to share your ideas on vote

Our readers are taking advantage of the free letters to the editor column to share their views on items on the Nov. 8 ballot. There's a lot there and most are hot items.

We've got just two more issues before the Nov. 8 election, so be sure to get your letters into us by noon on the Tuesday before that Thursday's paper or we won't be able to publish them.

There are candidates wishing to tell their stories and local residents hoping to get voters to look closely at ballot proposals.

The problem is the proposals on the ballot have to be within so many words to fit on the ballot, so the whole proposal isn't there to read. We've been asked to print some of the proposals in full, but that's a lot of space that we don't usually have.

The City of Belleville did publish its whole ballot proposal to amend its charter in our Oct. 6 edition and we have copies of that paper if you missed it. It shows how a short section will be added to change the marijuana rules and a huge amount of the charter language deleted.

All this marijuana business was put on the ballot originally by those from out of town who got local voters to approve it. Now, they want to change it to include medical marijuana and take out what they put in originally. The city would like all that other stuff gone. A yes vote.

Google the other full proposals to see what they really say, too. Then, vote.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

I got a call on Sunday from someone suggesting the VBT supervisor or someone from the county call the Army Corps of Engineers to shore up the Denton Road Bridge for the winter so people could use it to get home and to the cemetery. That way, it could be used all winter during the time they wouldn't be able to repair the supports and in the spring, the repairs could be done.

My caller told me they did that in Korea and Vietnam and it worked great.

Another caller wondered about boat traffic under the bridge while the bridge was closed. She asked: Will the wake from the boats worsen the wooden supports?

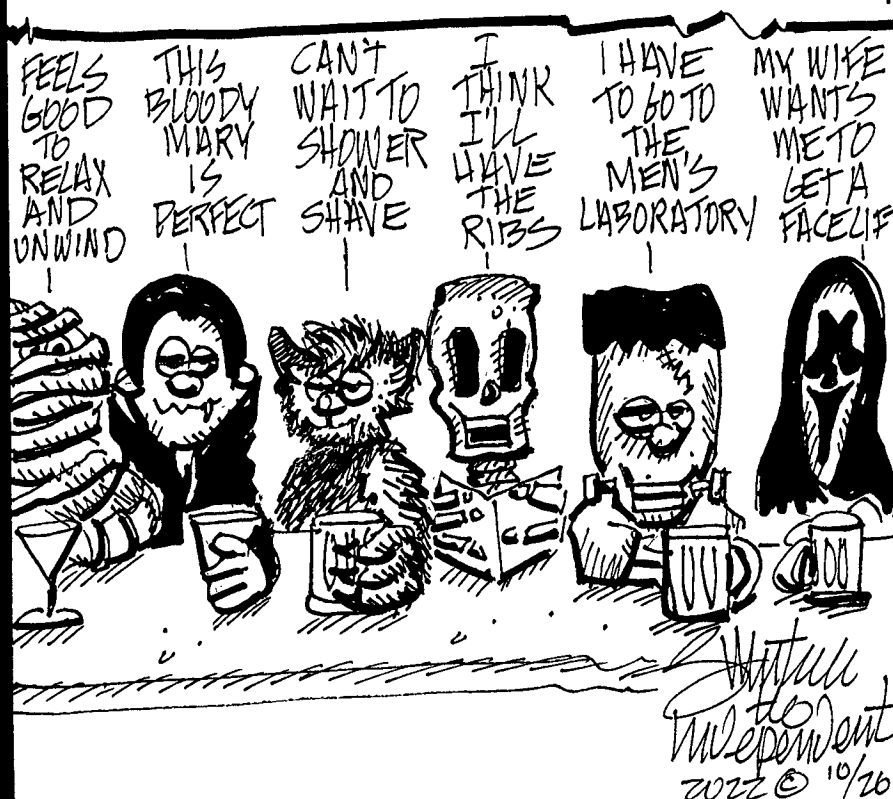
D.A. Williams of Dearborn Heights said he was sorry to hear of the passing of Clarence Russell. He said he has a copy of the May 1991 swimsuit edition of the Belleville's *The View Publication* and many of the pictures were taken by Clarence Russell. Mr. Williams said it was supposed to be *The View's* first-annual swimsuit edition, but he never saw another one.

He suggested we might want to trace down the models and find out what they're doing today. We are swamped with other projects right now, but we can ask our readers what they know.

He brought his treasured copy of the swimsuit edition of *The View* to briefly share with us. The models were identified as: Veronica Morris, 19; Leah Murray, 22; Tricia Ashley, 17; Jody Bijarro, 19; and Amy Middlebrook, 16.

OK, readers. Do you know anything about these ladies and what they are doing 31 years later?

WITH A COUPLE WEEKS OFF UNTIL HALLOWEEN,
THE MONSTERS OF BOOVILLE MADE IT TO HAPPY HOUR



That *View* also contained a story about the dedication of the renovated Victory Station in 1991. We photocopied the story and gave it to Belleville City Manager / Police Chief Dave Robinson for his files. After he saw the story with all the information on the park and what once was a county Comfort Station, he said the city should put the information into a plaque to put on the wall of the renovated Victory Station after he gets the grant to do the work.

Sumpter Township fire fighters took it in stride when they got a run in the middle of their open house on Saturday. They were called to a medical run at Rawsonville Woods and a crew got into a small unit and took off on the run. There were still lots of fire fighters on hand to host the visitors to their fire hall to mark National Fire Prevention Week.

I remember when Chesley Odom designed that fire hall and at the time he was criticized for making it too beautiful for a rural fire department. I disagreed, as did Supervisor Marvin Banotai who wanted something special. It is gorgeous and still brings admiring remarks from passers-by. They've had to do some maintenance in recent years, but that's part of life.

Crain's Detroit Business had a front-page story in its Oct. 10 edition about the \$952 million in state incentives recently

announced for two EV battery factories: one near Big Rapids and one in Van Buren Township. They are expected to bring 4,462 jobs between the two of them, which amounts to \$213,357 in taxpayers' money per job. Ouch.

Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley talked about last weekend's marathon in Detroit after Monday's city council meeting. She said it was great to see the parts of Detroit that had been upgraded and beautified.

The course of the Detroit Free Press run was changed to include these areas. She didn't go into Canada and back like some did but she did some legs of the run.

Brad Traskos told me he failed to ask Van Buren Township Police for help with traffic for his Oct. 8 tractor parade in and out of Belleville, and he should have. He ran into bad traffic on East Huron River Drive. He told the Belleville City Council on Monday that drivers going 80 miles an hour were trying to pass the string of tractors and when they saw another vehicle coming, turned into the tractor lane. It was hair-raising, he said. He will ask VBT for help next year. He also wants to change the route to put the route home to Sumpter via Elwell.



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Letters

Desire to continue service to community

To the editor:

I am writing in response to a letter published by Sheena Barnes, my opponent in the upcoming November Election that was filled with mudslinging, misleading and derogatory statements.

I DO NOT participate in mudslinging, negative attack ads or publish negative information about candidates or contribute to that type of activity but I will defend myself from these types of attacks which is the reason for this letter.

Ms. Barnes published these types of letters targeting her opponents in her last two failed campaigns for Clerk and Trustee and appears to be using the same tactic in hopes of generating more votes for the November Election.

In 2018 and 2020 our township was the laughingstock of the Tri-Community for mudslinging articles that were published by candidates like Ms. Barnes. This got me thinking about how I could best serve my community and help bring some stability and better our community.

I was not "Talked into Running," I started my service to the community in 2020 by accepting an appointment to the Sumpter Township Planning Commission. In the Spring of 2022 after hearing that Ms. Barnes was running for office again, this time for Treasurer, I had several discussions with my family and was approached by members of the community, including board members, and I decided to enter the election for Treasurer on the Republican ticket so that all residents had more than one choice on the ballot, and with strong bipartisan support we are doing just that.

My sincere desire is to continue my service to the community. My background as an Entrepreneur, Contractor and Investor provide me with relevant experience to be a highly qualified candidate for Treasurer.

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Sumpter Township

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Prop. 2: State would no longer require photo ID

To the editor:

I agree with the "letter" that appeared in the Oct. 6, 2022 edition about Proposition 2. The most important point is that Michigan will no longer require a voter to have a photo ID.

The proposition states that you can just have a "signed statement." What could possibly be the reason behind this?

As a citizen and long-time resident of Van Buren Township, this alarms me. Doesn't this make it easier to cheat, not harder?

Why is it a constitutional amendment instead of a proposed law? Shouldn't our representatives and senators have hearings and debates on this drastic change?

What's the real reason behind this non-voted ID law? This amendment does the exact opposite of what you may think!

Name withheld by request
Van Buren Township

In Sumpter Township: Failed opportunities

To the editor:

Residents of Sumpter Township, thank you for your support and vote in the Aug. 2, 2022, primary election. I have had the pleasure of meeting so many families, seniors, students, and local business owners during my tenure as Sumpter Township Treasurer. I would like to start this letter with an apology for the behavior of four very unhappy, unfruitful residents in our township.

These few residents have managed to spew false narratives and one-sided reports regarding how the Sumpter Township municipality is managed to neighboring communities that has ultimately cast a dark shadow of us as a community. I will in all fairness disclose that "there are no perfect people on earth."

"The false furious four" presents the residents as uninformed, uneducated, impoverished victims due to their false, one-sided narratives of the leadership that you VOTED into office.

During my tenure as treasurer, I have yet to see any of Ms. Barnes' community

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Obituaries

DOROTHY MARIE AGUAYO

(July 29, 1945 – October 12, 2022)
Age 76, a long-time Belleville resident. Survived by daughter Michelle Briggs of Grand Blanc and six siblings. Service was Oct. 17 at David C. Brown Funeral Home with Pastor Ron Schubert officiating.

PAMELA K. NOE

(October 26, 1959 – October 14, 2022)
Age 62 of Ypsilanti. Survived by husband Jerry, children Christopher and Julie, grandchildren Angel and Christopher, siblings Patricia, Peter, and John. Cremation rites accorded. David C. Brown Funeral Home.
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CLARENCE C. RUSSELL

(April 22, 1947 - October 2, 2022)
A memorial gathering for Clarence C. Russell will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's or the ASPCA. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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Obituaries



Victoria Lynn Tosill

VICTORIA LYNN TOSILL

(November 23, 1963 – October 9, 2022)

Victoria Lynn Tosill, age 58, of Van Buren Township, MI, passed into eternal life on October 9, 2022, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor after a 30-year battle with MS. Vicki was born in Detroit, MI to Lawrence Eugene and Viola Ada (Green) Van Leuven. Following high school graduation Vicki worked at Meijer in South Lyon, MI, where a close-knit group of employees formed a little Meijer family. Two of those Meijer family members became lifelong friends and continued to visit, call, and care when Vicki's illness forced her to retire. At 15, Vicki had the opportunity to visit her sister Mary in Alaska, where she hiked, camped, fished, picked wild blueberries, and summited a mountain. When Vicki's illness forced her to give up her home 14 years ago, Vicki's relationship with Mary helped sustain her with weekly telephone calls. Vicki moved to Van Buren Township in 2008 to live with and be cared for by her sister Jan and niece Amanda. Her niece Annette was also a caretaker for a period of time.

Jan's family John, Amanda, Rodney, A.J, Krisi, Joe, and Maggie helped so much for 14 years with their tolerance, building skills, mechanical skills, visits, kindness care and antics, they helped Vicki and buoyed the caretaker. Vicki never became bitter or resentful. She became a talking book addict and continued to delight in God's gifts of nature that she could only see from her window. She always appreciated what was done for her, occasional visits, calls, cards and gifts from her sister Connie, brother Don, and others. Mary's calls sometimes with brother-in-law Russ remained the highlight of her week.

Victoria had one daughter, Katrina Tosill, whom she loved greatly. She is survived by her siblings Connie Ginsté of Oxford, MI, Donald (Hilaria) Van Leuven of Hudson, FL, Jan (John) Orskey of Van Buren Township, MI, Mary (Russ) Carson of Juneau, AL, and brother-in-law Mark Sundman. Nieces and nephews Wayne (Colleen), Jackie, Debra (David), Annette (Dan), Amanda (Rodney), A.J (Krisi), Joe (Maggie), Alek, and Nick. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Theresa Sundman.

Please join the family in thanking God for Vicki's life and his grace to help her in her difficult walk. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Stephens' Catholic Church in New Boston, MI.

Visitation for Victoria was Sunday, October 16, 2022, at the David C. Brown Funeral home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111. The funeral service was Monday, October 17, 2022, at 11 a.m. with visitation one hour prior at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 18858 Huron River Dr., New Boston, MI 48164. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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Vivian Falatine

VIVIAN FALATINE

(June 28, 1941 – October 11, 2022)

Vivian Falatine, age 81, of Belleville, MI, passed away under hospice care at home on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, with her family by her side. She was born June 28, 1941, in Moultrie, Georgia, to William and Kizzie English (Rentz). Vivian earned her bachelor's degree and became a Registered Nurse and retired from Cedar Sinai Grace Hospital in Detroit, MI. Vivian was a long-time member of T.O.P.S of Michigan. Vivian was very witty, and everyone remembers her for her sense of humor. Vivian was a loving and wonderful mother and most of all she loved spending time with her family.

Vivian is survived by her children: Michael Falatine of Belleville, MI, Georgia (Michael) Yost of Belleville, MI, April (Larry) Dalrymple of Belleville, MI; sister Frances Davis of Gravatown, Georgia; brother Dennis (Nancy) English of Augusta, Georgia; her grandchildren, Alex Falatine, Cherokee Taylor, Alexia Yost, Cheyenne Farley, Gage Dalrymple, and Addison Michels; her great-grandchildren, Peyton, Adam and Sebastian; and her extended friend, Patricia Snyr and the family. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sister, Peggy Kitchens.

A visitation was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 11 a.m. with a 2 p.m. service at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI 48111, with Pastor Gordon Moore officiating. She was interred at Michigan Memorial Park following the funeral service. www.davidcbrownfh.com

RODNEY MONROE LAWRENCE

(January 20, 1958 – October 6, 2022)

Age 64 of Belleville. Degree in cosmetology; worked at various salons. Survived by wife Brenda, 3 children, 3 siblings, 3 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren. Service at 2 p.m. Oct. 20 at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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Police arrest high school student with loaded gun at school

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 12, the Belleville High School administration was notified that a current juvenile student posted a video of himself brandishing a firearm on social media.

It was undetermined at the time when the video was taken, however, it was clear the video was not taken at school, said a Friday press release from Belleville Police Chief David Robinson.

The Belleville Police Department was notified. Out of an abundance of caution, the Belleville police worked with school administrators and security staff and the juvenile in question was located as he arrived at school on Thursday, Oct. 13, at about 7 a.m. The student was detained and upon searching a loaded firearm was recovered on his person. The student was immediately taken into custody without incident, the press release said.

The results of the initial investigation

concluded that the student did not have any intent to do harm to any student or faculty at the school, Chief Robinson said.

The student was taken to the Wayne County Juvenile Detention Center on Thursday because he was a juvenile at age 17 years, 4 months. He was released on Friday.

Chief Robinson said he would like to thank the quick response by school administrators and his officers for the appropriate response to safely mitigate this situation.

WWJ Radio reported, "According to school administrators, the student told officers he was carrying the weapon to protect himself due to an ongoing neighborhood conflict."

WWJ said according to school administrators the student told officers he was carrying the weapon to protect himself due to an ongoing neighborhood conflict. Police sought out and removed the other students thought to have been involved in the conflict.

A parent meeting was scheduled at 6 p.m.

Thursday at the BHS Commons for parents and school officials to discuss the incident.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak said various news crews present for the meeting were kept outside and told they could talk to the parents entering and leaving the meeting, but not be in the meeting.

Supt. Kudlak said all three gun incidents at BHS stemmed from the same violent incident in April in West Willow neighborhood in Washtenaw County, which is within the school district boundaries.

He said Washtenaw County Sheriff's Deputies were at the parent meeting and explained how they have been working to solve the problem, even putting people in jail.

"The kids don't know how to handle it," Kudlak said. He said the violent issue was not between kids but spilled over to them. He said it wasn't a drug issue.

He said police from Washtenaw County will be present at an upcoming school board meeting to discuss the West Willow problem.

On March 7, a 15-year-old student was arrested at BHS after a loaded gun fell out of his clothes while changing in a restroom. A parent meeting brought 100.

On April 21, five students were detained after a loaded firearm was found in another juvenile's book bag. The gun was found

outside the school, but that student had been in school for five of the six hours of school that day. About 50 came to that aren't meeting.

At the time, Kudlak said the students found with guns on March 7 and April 21 both live in Ypsilanti Township within the school district. The other four in the April 21 incident live elsewhere in the district.

At the April 25 school board meeting, board president Amy Pearce said the two students in the March and April gun incidents come from Ypsilanti Township and they are scared to get off the bus and walk home safely.

Another violent incident happened in West Willow on Sunday and, according to police, the student involved in last week's gun possession was suspected to be involved.

More Letters

Motown Masquerade to benefit Guiding Harbor

To the editor:

Guiding Harbor was originally known as Girlstown and has been proudly part of the Belleville community for more than 60 years. Our services support kids in foster care. Check out some of the great things your neighbors have done to help:

- 11-year-old Kiera is our newest and most-dedicated volunteer. She's collected supplies, helped with crafts at our back-to school event and she even has sold her creations at the Farmer's Market with a portion of the proceeds benefiting Guiding Harbor.
- Bridget bought a Guiding Harbor t-shirt and tote and sports them around town.
- Crafted, Holiday Inn, and the Belleville Library helped us collect backpacks and school supplies for foster kids.
- The Rotary Club collected food and stocked the Girlstown pantry.

• Breana and her husband volunteered by helping with fall clean-up of the landscaping at our administrative building on Huron River Drive.

• You could become a foster parent.

• Ally Financial is collecting Halloween costumes to donate to foster kids.

• Last year, members of the Belleville Kiwanis attended the Guiding Harbor auction. Here's your chance to have a great night out AND make a difference in the lives of Michigan's foster children.

Guiding Harbor is hosting our annual auction, A Motown Masquerade on Nov. 12 at the Marriott in Livonia. Early Bird tickets are \$85, but prices go up after Oct. 24.

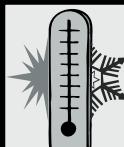
Tickets include open bar, dinner and dessert as well as live entertainment by KGB Motown Tribute Band. Dress to impress, but please don't stress. Add a masquerade mask and have a blast from the past. For more information please visit: <https://guidingharbor.cbo.io> or our website <http://guidingharbor.org>.

Jennifer Trotter
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accomplishments that have been boldly written in the *Belleville Independent* as current achievements. What I have seen is "failed opportunities from the false furious four" to demonize a community under the pretense of advocating, but the motive of this election is really pursuit of a paycheck. Fact of the matter is Ms. Barnes is not a leader, advocate or a good neighbor and has no intention or ability to lead as the treasurer in Sumpter Township. "Talk is Cheap."

Moving forward, I have had the opportunity to Macro-Manage a professional, customer-service-oriented staff as treasurer. As treasurer my office has made great strides to bring balance to an office that has not run smoothly since the great Treasurer John Morgan who is and will continue to share years of wisdom and success as a public official that "served the people of Sumpter Township."

The treasurer's report is available every month at the second board meeting of the month. This document has been simplified for clarity of the current balances in all Township accounts.

Current Accomplishments:

- Training and cross-training staff to support excellent customer service.
- Soft Skills training in the treasurer's office.
- Interoffice municipality collaboration to support healthy work environment for the staff.
- Streamlined township assets to ensure annual revenue to the general fund.
- Collaborated with the senior center regarding feeding Sumpter Township residents, and neighboring communities.
- Instrumental in introducing LIHWAP state program to Township residents that was/is experiencing financial instability due to COVID and barriers to paying their water

bills.

- Instrumental in establishing June-teenth as a holiday for the employees.
- Reducing the negative water liability.
- Michigan Municipal Treasurers' Association conference workshop, training, and collaboration.

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I have observed and participated in decisions to improve our way of living in the township. Tough decisions are not always popular, but necessary for the overall good of the community. I have also observed the two-sided narratives without a clear view of the truth. I have observed blatant false narratives presented to the public via social media, newspaper, or racial-motivated opinions that presented elected officials as racist and a "House Nigga" based solely on local rabble rousing, ineffective individuals that claim to be the voice of the people. I have also observed aspiring leaders vocalize to neighboring leaders on how "dysfunctional the current Sumpter Township board members are and how they lead our community."

I have concluded from my observation that this type of person is plagued with "failed opportunities in life," the braggadocios, belittling behaviors is a front to hide the dark places of unresolved personal issues in their lives. The Sumpter Township residents are loyal, patriotic, educated, family oriented and diligent people that deserve more. I compel you to get involved, call your elected officials, visit the Township Hall, develop your own opinion about your leaders instead of reading, listening to one-sided situational narratives.

"It is my firm belief that the Sumpter Township Treasurer's office cannot be subject to a leader that will besmirch 'ruin' the triumphs that this office has accomplished."

I ask that every Democrat and Independent cast a bi-partisan vote for Bart Patterson as Sumpter Township Treasurer in this local election on Nov. 8, 2022. I have complete confidence that the treasurer's office will continue to move forward with excellence, humility, honesty, and professionalism that the current treasurer's office has re-instituted.

Vincent Warren
Sumpter Township Treasurer

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The event is open to the public with a cash bar and limited menu available. For more information contact Ginger Bruder at the above numbers.

the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., Van Buren Township, on Thursday, Oct. 27.

Doors open at 6 p.m. Entry fee is \$10 for two bidding paddles. Fun gaming and auctions start at 7 p.m. Participants must be 18 years old or older.

There is a costume contest too, so dress up and enjoy a night with friends, win great prizes, and help your local chorus raise funds needed to continue to bring its performances to the tri-community.

Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Oct. 24 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons.
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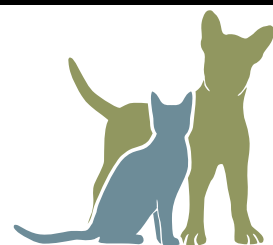
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3rd Place - Cal, Cavachon – Amanda Perkins, Belleville

Scariest:

1st Place - Percy, Doberman - Nicole Hieber, Ypsilanti

2nd Place - Avalanche, Husky/GSO, Samoyed Mix - Allison Cinnamon-Robertson, Belleville

3rd Place - Sheldon, Lab Mix - Sharon Fewless, Westland

Best Mutt:

1st Place - Red, brown dog - FMAR, Belleville

2nd Place - Charlie, German shepherd

3rd Place - Ezio, Corgi - Brian Simmons, Belleville

Family

1st Place - Te amo, Pug/Chihuahua mix - Renee Osaer, Belleville

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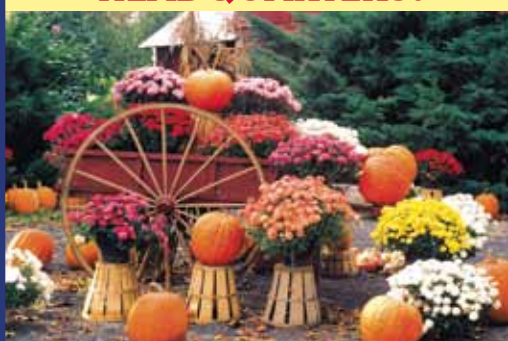


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More Letters

Abortion amendment and ectopic pregnancies

To the editor:

Proposal 3, an Abortion Constitutional Amendment, will be on the ballot this November. For the following reasons, Michigan voters should reject this measure.

Those who support Proposal 3 falsely claim that without this amendment, women will not be able to seek medical care for ectopic pregnancies and miscarriages. But this is entirely fallacious.

Ectopic pregnancies, or tubal pregnancies, occur when a woman's ovum is fertilized and implants in her fallopian tube, which occurs in about 2% of pregnancies. Under these circumstances, the baby cannot survive and there is no known procedure for rescuing the child. If allowed to develop, this condition will also be fatal to the mother. In order to save the life of the mother a surgeon must remove the embryo. However, this procedure is not, and never has been, considered a medical abortion by any state in the country. The intent is to

save the life of the mother. If a procedure was known to also save the life of the child, the medical professionals would do so. Saving the life of the mother is very different from elective abortion.

Restrictions on elective abortion would have no effect on the availability of medical care for women with ectopic pregnancies.

Supporters of Proposal 3 also claim that restrictions on abortion would limit a woman's access to medical care should she miscarry during her pregnancy. This is also false. A miscarriage is when a woman's baby dies from natural causes while she is carrying the child. If the body of the child is not medically removed from the mother's womb she will likely suffer serious medical complications. For these reasons, the baby's body is usually removed. However, this is very different from requesting that an abortionist intentionally kill a living human fetus.

Restrictions on elective abortion would have no effect on the availability of medical care for women who have miscarried.

However, passage of Proposal 3 would give us the following:

Repeal of parental consent and informed consent laws for abortion.

Repeal of ban on taxpayer-funded abortion.

Repeal of health and safety regulations on abortion clinics.

Repeal of law requiring that only doctors can perform abortions.

Repeal of partial birth abortion ban.

Repeal of ban on school employees helping children to have an abortion.

Repeal of law requiring screening to detect coercion.

Repeal of conscience protections for doctors and nurses who object to abortions.

Abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

Repeal of age of consent laws for children having sex.

No parental consent required for children to begin gender reassignment treatments.

For these reasons and more, I urge the voters of Michigan to vote NO on Proposal 3.

Wayde Hoppe
Van Buren Township

Good Samaritans need to be recognized

To the editor:

Good morning, my name is Glenn Gatt. I reside here in Belleville and my story is an honest gentleman and his wife who also reside in Belleville found my pouch with a considerable amount of cash plus my wallet and all of my credit cards.

The man hunted me down and returned my belongings to me and wanted nothing in return. I forced him and his wife to take a \$100 tip from me. I think this man and his wife need to be recognized as Good Samaritans and honest people.

I think this needs to be published. What do you think?

Glenn Gatt
Belleville

Van Buren Township Fire Department puts out house fire Oct. 8

Just before 2 p.m. on Oct. 8, a neighbor called 911 to report a house fire at 650 Sumpter Rd. in Van Buren Township.

Gene Carrier, the homeowner, was not home at the time, but the Van Buren Township Fire Department arrived at once, since the fire hall is just down the street.

Deputy Chief Andy Lenaghan said the fire started in some wires in the crawl space below the laundry room and worked its way up the wall. He said fire fighters were able to tear out the floor to get to the fire which they extinguished.

Deputy Chief Lenaghan said the official cause of the fire was undetermined.

Positive COVID tests total 10,981 for residents in 48111 zip code

The Wayne County Health Department announced that as of Sunday, Oct. 16, positive COVID test results have totaled 10,981 for the population in the 48111 zip code. That number had been 10,942 on Monday, Oct. 10.

The number of deaths from COVID in the 48111 area grew to 145, up one since Oct. 10.

On Sunday, Oct. 16, the separate case totals released by the Health Department for the tri-community were: Van Buren Township, 7,604 positive cases and 95 deaths; City of Belleville, 1,186 positive cases and 17 deaths; and Sumpter Township 2,191 positive cases and 33 deaths.

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Vote NO on hike of Van Buren school taxes

To the editor:

This is not the time for Van Buren Public Schools to increase millage/taxes from .5 to 1.75 mills.

This Sinking Fund millage ballot proposal this November 2022 has no reasonable basis with recession on our doorsteps.

Voting for this increase would allow the Van Buren Schools to buy real estate sites and any "other?" purposes authorized by law. These uses of taxpayers' money are unnecessary and are not an urgent need in the education of our school children.

Even renters (who do not pay taxes and also vote) could have landlords raising their rent for the increased school millage the property owner would be taxed.

Taxpayers are facing other grave current issues.

1. Inflation: 40-year high, increasing gas prices, costly food prices, and shortages
2. Energy Crisis: Elevated gas and oil prices
3. Stock Market: Losses
4. Escalating Interest Rates: Mortgages, credit, loans, and cards
5. Real Estate: Economic decline
6. Continuous Health Concerns: COVID, virus, flu

Very bad timing for the increased taxes V.B. Schools are asking for this November that would be better spent to help the citizens of our tri-communities. The current hardships many are experiencing will only increase.

Please vote NO! If this school tax passes we will be paying this unfair tax for six years during a possible recession!

VOTE NO.

Angela Netro

Van Buren Township

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St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Boston will be holding its annual Sauerkraut Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 3, beginning at 4:30 p.m. until sold out. Dinners are \$12 and includes pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, squash, roll, and a slice of apple pie. The event is carry-

out only. Call (734) 753-9048.

The Belleville Area District Library will be offering a free culinary event featuring Chef Miguel Larcher on Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the library's Cozzad Room. Chef Miguel is from Southern France and trained in classic French, Caribbean, and international cuisine.

The Belleville Tigers football team improved to 8-0 this season with a 42-14 victory over unbeaten Livonia Franklin on Oct. 14. This week the Tigers travel to face unbeaten Brighton (8-0) this Saturday, Oct. 22, beginning at 12:08 p.m. The game will be televised on Bally Sports Detroit as its high school game of the week. The winner captures the Kensington Lakes Athletic Association Conference Championship. Go Tigers!

The Sumpter Senior Center will host a craft and vendor show Oct. 28-29, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Tables are available for \$10 each. Admission is free. Call Maryann Watson at (734) 461-9373. All proceeds will fund the annual seniors' Christmas Party.

Faith Community Church on East Huron River Drive will be holding its Fall Festival this Friday, Oct. 21, from 6 to 8 p.m. on church grounds with activities including hayrides, food trucks, funnel cakes, elephant ears, candy, prizes, tailgating games, craft station, and a bounce house. The public is invited to the free event. Congratulations to Pastors Doug and Connie Valentine as they celebrate their 16th year at the church, which was founded in 1967 by Clarence Hayes (Belleville Faith Assembly).

Court Watching:

Shandon R. Groom

Shandon R. Groom, 28, of Toledo was due for a jury trial on Oct. 3 on murder charges in the 2017 death of Egypt Covington. The trial before Circuit Court Judge Wanda A. Evans was adjourned at the request of the court to April 10, 2023.

Shane Lamar Evans, 32, of Sumpter Township, also charged in the murder, was undergoing another competency hearing and the court adjourned the hearing results until Nov. 7.

Timothy Eugene Moore, 35, of Toledo, is suspected of pulling the trigger in the murder. His jury trial on seven charges is set for Dec. 12.

All three have been in the Wayne County Jail since their arrests by the Michigan State Police in late 2020.

Timothy Ryan Frye

Timothy Ryan Frye, 38, of Belleville was charged with ten counts concerning drugs in his Wexford Street home in Belleville on April 14, 2021. He currently is waiting for his final conference in circuit court on Nov. 1. He is free on \$5,000 personal bond.

Kenneth Ray Barrett

Kenneth Ray Barrett, 61, of Willis was present for his probable cause conference on Sept. 21 on charges of driving while license suspended causing death and failure to stop at an accident when at fault resulting in death on July 27 in Van Buren Township.

His attorney Seymour Schwartz said he still needs the autopsy information and so the probable cause conference was adjourned until Nov. 2.

He is free after posting surety bond of \$12,500. He must wear an alcohol tether.

City of Belleville Public Notice

CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, October 3, 2022 - 7:30 pm
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held via a hybrid of in-person and virtual access through ZOOM.

The regular meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt at 7:30 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Henry	Absent
Council Member Jones	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Present
Mayor Conley	Absent

3. APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

A. Presentations

1) Swearing In – Officer Tirrell Robinson

(a) City Manager Robinson informed those present that Officer Robinson will be sworn in at a later date, as he could not attend the meeting due to a family emergency.

B. Council Follow Up List

1) Council Member Bates inquired as to when the locks will be installed on the bathroom doors in the parks.

C. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

1) None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Jones, supported by Bates to approve the agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Jones	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye

Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 19, 2022, Regular Meeting of the City Council

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Jones to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on Monday, September 19, 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Jones	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye

Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. None.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

A. None.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A) Discussion – Road Paving in Hillside Cemetery

1. City Manager Robinson stated that he is working with individuals who are interested in donating towards repair of the roads inside Hillside Cemetery. He reminded those present that funding we receive for repair and maintenance of City roads cannot be used inside the Cemetery. He informed Council that he is open to any suggestions that they may provide.

B) Discussion – Lighting of Trees Downtown

1. City Manager Robinson stated that he would like to have the trees along the Main St. streetscape to be illuminated, and that he would like to hire a company for placement of the lights.

9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

MOTION: Motion by Jones, supported by Bates to approve **Resolution #22-062** authorizing Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Jones	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye

Motion Carried.

10. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

-- Stated that the Belleville Police Department's new full-time Officer, Tirrell Robinson, will be sworn in by the City Clerk at a later City Council Meeting.

11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

• Council Member Bates

-- Asked Director of Public Services Rutherford to remind everyone of the last date for yard refuse pickup, which is December 1st.

-- Reminded everyone of the following events in the City:

+ Harvest Fest will be taking place on Saturday, October 8th.

+ The Monster Mutt Walk will be taking place on Saturday, October 15th.

+ Halloween Downtown will be taking place on Monday, October 31st.

• Council Member Jones

-- Complimented the scarecrows that have been turned in for display along Main St., and hopes that they will be going up soon.

-- Noted that the Booville sign has been put up in honor of the month-long celebration in the City.

12. MAYOR'S PRO-TEM'S COMMENTS

• Stated that he is looking forward to Harvest Fest.

• Thanked everyone in attendance.

13. CITIZENS COMMENTS

• Rosemary Otzman

• Stated that Sumpter Township is no longer checking the bags of trick-or-treaters for metal, and they will also not be holding their annual party at the fire station on Halloween.

• Tom Fielder

• Stated that a tractor parade will be held during Harvest Fest this weekend.

• Noted that next Friday, October 14th, is the Homecoming football game at Belleville High School, and both teams playing are currently undefeated. He added that there may need to be an increased Police presence due to large crowds and added traffic.

14. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

• None

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Jones to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Briana Hootman / City Clerk

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Seats on the bus still available for BACA’s trip to Van Gogh exhibit

Seats are still available on the bus to visit the special Van Gogh exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts on Saturday, Nov. 19.

Barbara Miller, chairwoman of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts’ Van Gogh Excursion, said the wheelchair-accessible bus will leave Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Rd., at 11 a.m. and the DIA tour starts at noon.

An audio guide for the exhibit will be available and lunch can be purchased at the DIA cafeteria. The bus leaves at 4 p.m. to return to Van Buren Township Hall.

Cost for the excursion is \$25 per person. Payment in advance is a guarantee of your reservation. This cost includes the bus ride to and from the DIA and entry into the DIA and the special exhibit. The bus tour is limited to 50 participants.

Miller said the Wayne County millage of .20 mill to support the DIA allows the DIA to offer residents of Wayne County these services at no cost.

To prepare for the exhibit, the movie of the story of the life and work of Van Gogh, “Lust for Life,” will be shown at the Belleville Area District Library at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17. There is no charge to see the film, which is being shown courtesy of the library.

Anyone with questions is invited to call Miller at (734) 516-0025. Reservations may be made by sending a check made payable to BACA to: BACA, P.O. Box 1654, Belleville, MI 48112.

According to the DIA website, “*Van Gogh in America*” celebrates the DIA’s status as the first public museum in the United States to purchase a painting by Vincent van Gogh, his *Self-Portrait* (1887). On the 100th anniversary of its acquisition, visitors may experience 74 authentic Van Gogh works from around the world and discover the fascinating story of America’s introduction to this iconic artist, in an exhibition only at the DIA.

A full-length, illustrated catalogue with essays by the exhibition curator and Van Gogh scholars will accompany the exhibition. The Detroit Institute of Arts is the exclusive venue for this exhibition.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

On October 26th, 2022, the Van Buren Township Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at **J&T Towing** and Storage, 287 Industrial Dr. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2014	CHEVROLET	4D	1G1PC5SB4E7448167	22-9597
2013	CHEVROLET	4D	1G11B5SA9DF135734	22-9601
2010	ACURA	SD	JH4CU2F67AC035318	22-9215
2008	FORD	4D	1FAHP35N08W204123	22-9378
2001	OLDSMOBILE	4D	1G3NF52E21C228026	22-8172
2008	GMC	SW	1GKEV23718J141973	22-8047
2002	HONDA	4D	1HGCG56672A112665	22-9332
2009	PONTIAC	SW	5Y2SN67019Z419261	22-8560
2011	BUICK	4D	1G4HC5EM6BU150690	22-7521

At 11:30am, the auction will move to **Great Lakes Towing** and storage, 42350 Van Born Rd. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles, are offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2008	FORD	4D	1FAHP25W88G173796	22-9392E
2004	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WH55K849277039	22-9862
2015	CHEVROLET	4D	1G11F5SL8FF264394	22-9592
1997	FORD	SW	1FMDA31X6VZB96455	22-8029
2008	FORD	PU	1FTRF12248KE92994	22-8364
2019	CHEVROLET	SW	3GNCJKSB4KL345162	22-8883
1997	LINCOLN	4D	1LNLM81W7VY744105	22-6822
2004	GMC	SW	1GKDT13S742313850	22-7492
2014	HYUNDAI	SW	KMHDH4AE2EU034450	22-7447A

All vehicles are sold in “as is condition.” Bidding on all impounded vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,
Published: October 20th, 2022

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **November 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.** The meeting will be held in person at Van Buren Township Hall, located at **46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111**, in the Board Room. **Members of the public may additionally participate in the meeting electronically** per guidance provided by the Wayne County Local Public Health Department for meetings of governmental bodies held under public act 228 of 2020, effective January 1, 2022. Instructions for attending the meeting electronically are provided in this notice. The Planning Commission will consider the following request:

Case 21-032: A request by Chris Garner on behalf of owner SB – Invest L.P. to construct an independent multi-family residential senior housing development with 132 dwelling units with a combined gross floor area of approximately 154,110 square feet. The project is proposed to be located on the north side of Tyler Road, between Morton Taylor and Haggerty Roads on a 44.4-acre site. The site has tax parcel ID # 83 043 99 0015 000 and is zoned RM – Multiple Dwelling Residential District. Senior housing developments are a Special Land Use in the RM (Multiple Dwelling Residential) District, and the proposed Special Land Use requires a public hearing. This hearing is being held in accordance with Article 12, Chapter 3 (Special Land Use Review) of the Zoning Ordinance.

Members of the public may access the agenda materials via the Township website – www.vanburen-mi.org by **November 7, 2022**. On the meeting website, members of the public will also gain access to **means of participating in the electronic meeting. On the agenda for the meeting**, a unique Zoom weblink and dial-in phone number with a meeting ID for meeting videoconference or teleconference access will be provided. The meeting will be available to view live on the Van Buren Township YouTube Channel which can be reached from the live meeting link located on the Van Buren Township website home page (www.vanburen-mi.org). Closed captioning will be available after YouTube fully renders meeting video.

A complete **procedure for public comment by electronic means** is provided on a guide which is accessible on the Van Buren Township website (www.vanburen-mi.org).

Participants may also choose to submit written comments that will be read into record during public comment by the Chairperson. Submit any written comments or questions about the meeting via e-mail to dpower@vanburen-mi.org.

To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any citizen requesting accommodation to attend a meeting, and/or to obtain this notice in alternate formats, please contact the Clerk’s Office at 734.699.8900 extension 9205.

Posted: October 17, 2022
Published: October 20, 2022



Bart Patterson runs for Sumpter Township Treasurer term

Bart Patterson, Republican candidate for Sumpter Township Treasurer in the Nov. 8 general election, said he filled out the candidate's form for an *Independent* story and emailed it to the *Independent* five days before the deadline.

The *Independent* did not receive it until it was resent on Oct. 13. In the Oct. 13 issue the newspaper reported that he did not complete the candidate's form. We are happy to print it and are sorry we didn't get it the first time it was sent.

Bart Patterson, 23745 Sumpter Rd., said he has been happily married for 32 years and their children are aged 30 and 28, with two grandchildren, 7 and 5. He has been living in Sumpter Township for 26 years.

He has been the owner/operator of a construction remodeling company for 30 years. He said his education is high school and trade college.



Patterson unsuccessfully ran for township trustee and clerk in the early 2000s. He was appointed to the Planning Commission and has served for two years.

Patterson has been a member of the same church for more than 26 years. He is actively involved in the Children's Ministry, Scuba Diving Instructor, Hunting, and CPR / First Aid / AED Instructor for the Red Cross.

When asked why he is running for office, he said: "Being a resident of Sumpter for over 26 years I am vested in our community and would like to contribute to its future growth. I believe the skills I have gained over 35 years as a small business entrepreneur will allow me to excel as the Treasurer of our community helping to ensure the township's future financial health."

As far as his goals, Patterson said: "As Treasurer I want to ensure that the township continues to be fiscally responsible while providing excellent services, recreational opportunities, and improved standard of living that is sustainable for the next generation. I will spearhead plans to develop and implement best practices to invest the township's assets to ensure the financial health and growth of our community. As Treasurer, I will also ensure that our Police, Fire, and township services are properly funded to meet our community's current and future needs. I firmly believe that proper planning can improve our standard of living through smart development that balances our country charm and community growth."

Patterson is running against Democrat Sheena Barnes for the partial term of Sumpter Treasurer ending Nov. 20, 2024.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN NOTICE OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION-TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

In accordance with Michigan Election Law, Act 116 of 1954 Section 168.653 (a), notice is hereby given to the registered voters of the Charter Township of Van Buren that the General Election will be held TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Polls are open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST. Polling place locations for Van Buren Township:

Precinct #1	Van Buren Township Hall	46425 Tyler Rd.
Precinct #2	Van Buren Township Hall	46425 Tyler Rd.
Precinct #3	Tyler Elementary School	42200 Tyler Road
Precinct #4	Wayne County Community College	9555 Haggerty Rd.
Precinct #5	Wayne County Community College	9555 Haggerty Rd.
Precinct #6	McBride Middle School	47097 McBride
Precinct #7	Belleville High School	501 W. Columbia
Precinct #8	Belleville High School	501 W. Columbia
Precinct #9	Savage Elementary School	42975 Savage Rd
Precinct #10	Edgemont Elementary School	125 S. Edgemont St.

All polling place are handicap accessible. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office prior to Election Day.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the residents in the Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County Michigan will be voting on the following as presented and listed below:

STATE: GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL

CONGRESSIONAL: REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 6TH DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE: STATE SENATOR 4TH DISTRICT

STATE BOARDS: MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, TRUSTEE OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY AND GOVERNOR OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

COUNTY: COUNTY EXECUTIVE, SHERIFF- PARTIAL TERM ENDING 12/31/2024 AND COUNTY COMMISSIONER 11TH DISTRICT

JUDICIAL: JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT, JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS 1ST DISTRICT INCUMBENT POSITION, JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS 1ST DISTRICT INCUMBENT POSITION PARTIAL TERM ENDING 01/01/2027, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3RD CIRCUIT INCUMBENT POSITION, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3RD CIRCUIT COURT INCUMBENT POSITION PARTIAL TERM ENDING 01/01/2027, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3RD CIRCUIT NON-INCUMBENT POSITION, JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3RD CIRCUIT NEW JUDGESHIP 6 YEAR TERM, JUDGE OF PROBATE COURT INCUMBENT POSITION, JUDGE OF PROBATE COURT NON-INCUMBENT POSITION AND JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT 34TH DISTRICT INCUMBENT POSITION

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT: BOARD MEMBERS

LIBRARY BOARD: BOARD MEMBER BELLEVILLE AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

PROPOSALS: PROPOSAL 22-1: A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE ANNUAL PUBLIC FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REPORTS BY LEGISLATORS AND OTHER STATE OFFICERS AND CHANGE STATE LEGISLATOR TERM LIMIT TO 12 TOTAL YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.

PROPOSAL 22-2: A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE SATE CONSTITUTION TO ADD PROVISIONS REGARDING ELECTIONS.

PROPOSAL 22-3: A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH NEW INDIVIDUAL RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM, INCLUDING RIGHT TO MAKE ALL DECISIONS ABOUT PREGNANCY AND ABORTION; ALLOW STATE TO REGULATE ABORTION IN SOME CASES; AND FORBID PROSECUTION OF INDIVIDUALS EXERSICING ESTABLISHED RIGHT.

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT: VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS SINKING FUND MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the Van Buren Township Clerk's office located at 46425 Tyler Rd, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111, by contacting the Clerk's office at 734-699-8909, by visiting the Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org or www.mi.go/vote where a sample of the ballot may be viewed.

To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available in audio format and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats' can be made by contacting the Township Clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

Leon Wright, MMC
Van Buren Township Clerk

Posted: 10/13/22
Published: 10/20/22

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 276 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Oct. 9:

0011 – K-9 call out, Cross/Wallace
0106 – disorderly, N. Woodbury Dr.
0132 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
0220 – assist other dept., N. Liberty/Main St.
0318 – K-9 call out, Valencia/Stone School Cir.
0829 – civil matter, W. Huron River Dr.
1031 – parking complaint, Denton Rd.
1050 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1059 – malicious destruction of property, Sylvia
1200 – suspicious person/vehicle, Old Rawsonville
1233 – welfare check, Landmark
1246 – civil matter, Hayes St.
1416 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.
1422 – assist citizen, Martinsville Rd.
1435 – unattended death, McBride Ave.
1528 – suicidal person, Denton Rd.
1536 – threat, Hayes St.
1625 – suspicious person/vehicle, Mida Dr./Ecorse
Service B Dr.
1656 – fight, Michigan Ave.
1704 – assist citizen, Michigan Ave.
1738 – noise complaint, Montague Ave.
1842 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1846 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd.
1906 – assist other dept., Rogers Ave.
1916 – fraud, Westlake Cir.
2021 – vehicle lock out, Rawsonville Rd.
2118 – overdose, Bemis Rd.
2142 – civil matter, Outer Dr.
2255 – suspicious person/vehicle, Richard Run Dr.

Monday, Oct. 10:

0015 – family trouble, Sheldon Rd.
0020 – domestic, Outer Dr.
0153 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
0212 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd. /
Morton Taylor Rd.
0407 – intrusion alarm, Farm Rd.
0643 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.
0702 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd. /
Walden Blvd.
0708 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
0724 – larceny from auto, Denton Rd.
0751 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Denton
0823 – assist fire dept., Parkwood Dr.
0856 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
0942 – vehicle lock out, Belleville Rd.
0943 – private property/property damage accident,
Belleville Rd.
1020 – vehicle lockout, Denton Rd.
1043 – animal complaint, McBride Ave.
1055 – animal complaint, Dellor St.
1116 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service
1223 – misc. complaint, Pond Bluff Dr.
1308 – fraud, Milton Dr.
1526 – domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1538 – threat, Zachary St.
1606 – domestic, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.
1626 – vehicle lock out, Belleville Rd.
1716 – private property/property damage accident,
Sumpter Rd.

1747 – suspicious person/vehicle, Michigan Ave.
1824 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1855 – civil matter, Hayes St.
1922 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.
1935 – noise complaint, McBride Ave.
1932 – suicidal person, Parkwood Dr.
1942 – neighbor trouble, Renton Rd.
2109 – harassment call, Van Buren St.
2248 – disorderly, N. Ponderosa Trl.
2253 – shooting, Lake Crest Dr.
2311 – welfare check, Tyler/Morton Taylor Rd.
2315 – breaking & entering, Ryznar Dr.

Tuesday, Oct. 11:

0041 – family trouble, Parkside Dr.
0500 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0816 – property damage accident, EB Michigan
Ave. / bypass
0838 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Oak Ln.
1123 – juvenile complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1124 – civil matter, Montague Ave.
1148 – civil matter, Hayes St.
1200 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1245 – harassment call, Richard Run Dr.
1303 – harassment call, Birch Dr.
1400 – intrusion alarm, Linda Vista Ct.

1436 – property damage accident, Lincoln/Jackson
1437 – threat, E. Adams
1454 – larceny from auto, Haggerty Rd.
1454 – 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1504 – larceny from auto, E. Archwood Dr.
1525 – family trouble, Parkside Dr.
1552 – juvenile complaint, Richard Run Dr.
1608 – private property/property damage accident,
Belleville Rd.
1624 – suspicious person/vehicle, Elwell/Bentley
1627 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
1708 – juvenile complaint, Ecorse Rd.
1727 – domestic, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1853 – assist other dept., Jewell Ave.
1857 – property check, Belleville Rd.
1943 – family trouble, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2102 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
2214 – welfare check, Denton Rd./Michigan Ave.

Wednesday, Oct. 12:

0255 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
0408 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
0449 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
0651 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0807 – civil matter, Congress St.
0834 – vehicle lock out, Sawgrass Ct.
0835 – motorist assist, Ecorse/I-275
0901 – abandoned auto, Rebecca Ct.
1024 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1116 – trespassing, Hull Rd.
1210 – welfare check, Lake Point Pass
1412 – road hazard, Ecorse/I-275
1416 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1444 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1709 – assist fire dept., Denton Rd.
1731 – sexual assault, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1832 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1925 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
2006 – civil matter, Lindsey Dr.
2023 – noise complaint, Outer Dr.
2103 – private property impound, Van Born
2340 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sawgrass Ct.
2348 – welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl.

Thursday, Oct. 13:

0016 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd.
0350 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
0629 – leaving the scene of a property damage
accident, Morton Taylor/Robson
0825 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0929 – assist fire dept., Morton Taylor Rd.
0931 – property damage accident, N. Haggerty
0958 – leaving the scene of a property damage
accident, Hull Rd.
1213 – animal complaint, Martz Rd.
1216 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.
1316 – larceny, Denton Rd.
1347 – assist other dept., Country Walk Blvd.
1401 – larceny from auto, Linda Vista Ct.
1511 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. /
Denton Rd.
1518 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
/ Martz Rd.
1520 – domestic, Lake Point Blvd.
1525 – ordinance violation, Savage Rd.
1601 – misc. complaints, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1641 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.
1735 – assist fire dept., N. I-94 Service Dr.
1800 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1843 – domestic, Walden Blvd.
2040 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
Dr. / Belleville Rd.
2054 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2122 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2257 – 911 welfare check, Westlake Cir.

Friday, Oct. 14:

0011 – property damage accident, E. I-94/Haggerty
0114 – suspicious person/vehicle, Purple Sage Ct.
0335 – disorderly, Haggerty Rd.
0747 – larceny from auto, Rawsonville Rd.
0802 – breaking & entering, Belleville Rd.
0827 – malicious destruction of property, Denton
0856 – private property/property damage accident,
Ecorse Rd.
0857 – domestic, Linda Vista Ct.
0949 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oak Ln.
0954 – welfare check, Denton Rd.
1032 – parking complaint, Fairfield Dr.
1211 – property damage accident, Wildbrook Dr. /
Savage Rd.
1216 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1241 – hospice death, Daisy Blvd.
1338 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse/Denton
1342 – misc. complaint, Bemis Rd.
1345 – harassment call, Van Buren St.

1408 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1453 – found property/child, Belleville Rd.
1507 – property damage accident, McBride/Beck
1519 – intrusion alarm, Oak Ln.
1601 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sawgrass Ct.
1714 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
1751 – property damage accident, N. I-275/Ecorse
1757 – harassment call, Fret Rd.
1838 – property damage accident, Bayshore Dr.
1858 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
2030 – Meijer property check, Belleville Rd.
2032 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.
2045 – family trouble, Peachtree Ln.
2117 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2129 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse
2138 – traffic offense, Tyler Rd./Beck Rd.
2359 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Saturday, Oct. 15:

0033 – intrusion alarm, Cedarhurst Dr.
0043 – missing person, Stonebrook Ct.
0550 – intrusion alarm, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0834 – property damage accident, Lohr Rd.
0906 – vehicle lock out, Belleville Rd.
0936 – mental subject, Denton Rd.
1039 – follow up by officer, Stonebrook Ct.
1056 – intrusion alarm, Jackson st.
1111 – larceny from auto, Denton rd.
1227 – civil matter, Anna Dr.
1347 -- malicious destruction of property, Belleville
Rd.

1513 – lost property/child, Belleville Rd.
1617 – larceny from auto, Linda Vista Ct.
1741 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1806 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1836 – larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1913 – shooting, Country Walk
1959 – shooting, Beck Rd.
2004 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2004 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / S.
I-94 Service Dr.
2014 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bayshore Dr.
2210 – animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2242 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
2247 – harassment call, Rose
2323 – suspicious person/vehicle, Outer Dr.
2331 – welfare check, Michigan Ave.

Also on this week's log are 55 traffic stops including
one on the I-94 freeway.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 9:

0001 – traffic stop, Main St./E. Columbia Ave.
0043 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church
0211 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Main St.
1231 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./E. Columbia
1232 – traffic stop, Savage/RR tracks
1242 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./Madelon
1259 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./E. Columbia
1308 – traffic stop, Main St.
1317 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.
1511 – traffic stop, High St.
1526 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.
1537 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1710 – property check, Sumpter Rd.
1828 – traffic stop, Main St.
2347 – disorderly, N. Aberdeen Ct.

Monday, Oct. 10:

0036 – suspicious person/vehicle, Savage Rd. /
Victorian Ln.
0145 – abandoned auto, Belle Villa/Estrada Dr.
0220 – traffic stop, Main St.
1230 – fraud, Astor
1233 – civil matter, Main St.
1515 – private property impound, Belle Villa Blvd.
1706 – vehicle lockout, San Carlos St.
2047 – traffic stop, Main St.
2052 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.
2206 – traffic stop, Loza Ln./E. Huron River Dr.
2258 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.

Tuesday, Oct. 11:

0004 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./South St.
0024 – traffic stop, Water Works
0037 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd.
0609 – breaking & entering, Main St.
0922 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Liberty/Main
1007 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1751 – family trouble, Belle Villa Blvd.
2302 – welfare check, High St.

Wednesday, Oct. 12:

1742 – fraud, Henry St.
1853 – juvenile complaint, Sumpter Rd.
2331 – intrusion alarm, Main St.

Thursday, Oct. 13:

0745 – traffic stop, Angola St./Robbe St.
0821 – traffic stop, Angola St./E. Huron River Dr.
0848 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1442 – missing person, High St.
1620 – fraud, Victorian Ln.
1943 – private property/property damage accident,
Main St.

Friday, Oct. 14:

0041 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
0915 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
0936 – 911 welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.
1310 – property damage accident, Carmell St.
1457 – private property impound, Henry
1624 – fight, Fourth St.
2140 – malicious destruction of property, W.
Columbia Ave.

Saturday, Oct. 15:

0258 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.
1201 – fraud, Clarence St.
1745 – threat, South St.
2017 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.
2121 – welfare check, Carmell St.
2140 – property check, Main St.
2237 – traffic stop, Belle Villa Blvd./Estrada Dr.
There were 25 traffic stops on this week's log.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 9:

0129 – larceny, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
0358 – 911 hang up, Magnolia Dr.
0441 – suspicious circumstance, Magnolia Dr.
0748 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Alaska
0833 – assault, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1138 – 911 hang up, Sumpter Rd./Willis Rd.
1239 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1321 – traffic complaint/hazard, 44000 bl. Harris
1325 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1540 – follow-up investigation, Stonecrest Dr.
1916 – assist other agency, 27000 bl. Haggerty

Monday, Oct. 10:

0030 – assist other agency, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
0202 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.
1049 – suspicious circumstance, 8100 bl.
Rawsonville Rd.

1146 – suspicious person, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
1404 – suspicious person, 20000 bl. Haggerty rd.
1542 – welfare check, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1619 – suspicious person, Arizona St.
1625 – 911 hang up, Knollwood Dr.
1652 – ORV complaint, Willow Rd./Elwell Rd.
1701 – suspicious person, 11000 bl. Rawsonville
1746 – animal complaint, Willow Rd./Rawsonville
1921 – neighbor dispute, Rustic Ln.
1933 – juvenile complaint, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2317 – 911 hang up, Idaho St.

Tuesday, Oct. 11:

0847 – welfare check, Mulberry Dr.
0945 – citizen assist, Sumpter Rd./Willow Rd.
1103 – follow-up investigation, 19000 bl. Crandell
Ct.

1310 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane DR.
1428 – follow-up investigation, 10000 bl.
Rawsonville Rd.
1556 – fire dept. assist, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1619 – citizen assist, Mulberry Dr.
1659 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Judd Rd./
Elwell Rd.

1708 – suspicious circumstance, 8100 bl.
Rawsonville Rd.
2032 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
2139 – suspicious circumstance, Mulberry Dr.
2305 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.

Wednesday, Oct. 12:

0021 – suspicious person, Delaware/Ohio
0631 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Willis
1008 – citizen assist, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1844 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1855 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Martinsville

Thursday, Oct. 13:

0644 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.
0850 – malicious destruction of property, Knollwood
Dr.

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**2022
CANDY LOOP**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22
4-6 p.m. at Quirk Park

RAIN DATE IS OCTOBER 29



TRICK OR TREAT!

Join us for a fun-filled family event on Saturday, October 22! Wear your costumes and make your way to each Halloween themed station providing candy from local area businesses and non-profits. This event is free and open to the public.



VAN BUREN
PARKS & RECREATION

Registration is not required, but helps us communicate to participants about any changes that may happen due to weather. To register, please visit our website at vanburen-mi.org/community/recreation

Any organization or business interested in having a station can email us at jaenglein@vanburen-mi.org

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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0902 – suspicious circumstance, Creekside Dr.
1052 – follow-up investigation, Knollwood Dr.
1106 – civil matter, Edgewood Dr.
1555 – civil matter, Nevada St.
1800 – civil matter, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.

Friday, Oct. 14:
0010 – citizen assist, Bemis Rd./Martinsville Rd.
0025 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico St.
0426 – alarm, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
0510 – fire dept. assist, Washington St.
0906 – harassment complaint, Mulberry Dr.
0930 – harassment complaint, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
1115 – civil matter, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1703 – suspicious circumstance, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1717 – follow-up investigation, 46000 bl. Thatcham Ln.
1743 – 911 hang up, 47i000 bl. Judd Rd.
1911 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.
1913 – fire dept. assist, Delaware St.
2045 – assist other agency, Texas
2114 – follow-up investigation, Texas

Saturday, Oct. 15:
0833 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
1151 – fire dept. assist, 47i000 bl. Willow Rd.
1237 -- fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1421 – traffic complaint/hazard, Willow Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
1451 – mental health call, Wayside Dr.
1526 – shots fired, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1600 – family trouble, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1653 – family trouble, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2013 – fire dept. assist, Magnolia Dr.
2237 – welfare check, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.

Also on this week's log are 163 patrol checks, 55 traffic stops, and 17 misc. details.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Saturday, Oct. 22** – “Get to Know Tarot with Gabby” at 4 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library. Learn the history of tarot, the meaning of the cards, and how you can use the practice in your own life. Free mini reading at end of workshop. Gabrielle Burgess-Smith will lead. Space is limited; registration required. Call the library (734) 699-3291 or visit belleville.evanced.info/ events .

• **Monday, Oct. 24** – Belleville Farmer's Market, 4-7:30 p.m., Fourth Street Place.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 26** – Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty Rd., invites the public to its free Halloween Safety Night, 5-7 p.m. There will be goodie bags, photos with character, candy and special treats, children's entertainment, Halloween safety tips and fun. Information: www.wcccd.edu or (734) 699-7008.

• **Thursday, Oct. 27** – Quartermania fundraiser is set at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., Van Buren Township, to benefit the Belleville Community Chorus. Doors open at 6 p.m. and fun starts at 7 p.m. Participants must be 18 years old or older. Entry fee is \$10 for two bidding paddles.

• **Friday and Saturday, Oct. 28 and 29** – Sumpter Vendor Market, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In the Senior Center gymnasium at 23501 Sumpter Rd., Sumpter Township. Information: (734) 461-9373 or email: maryannwatson@sumptertwp.org . (Original date was Sept. 10.)

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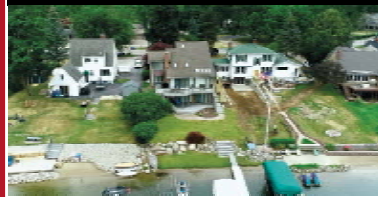
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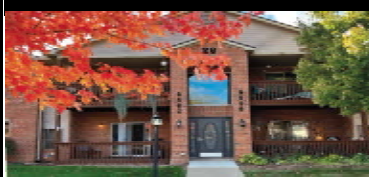
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