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At left, in photo from Jeff Jahr, two crewmembers eject from the MiG jet before Sunday's crash during the Thunder Over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run Airport. Above, part of the jet ended up on the ground next to The Waverly apartment complex in Van Buren Township.

No serious injuries in Sunday's aircrash at Thunder Over Mich.

By Rosemary K. Oztman
 Independent Editor

A MiG Russian fighter jet crashed in the rough of the golf course next to a Waverly apartment complex building in Van Buren Township near the end of Sunday's Thunder Over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run Airport.

The pilot and other crew member in the seat behind him ejected shortly after

4 p.m., with one reportedly landing in Belleville Lake and the other in a bush or tree onshore, according to a witness in the apartment building.

Both were taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital to be checked out but they appeared to not be significantly injured, according to witnesses. No one on the ground was reported injured.

Part of the MiG-23 was reported to have

landed in a parking lot damaging some vehicles. First responders reportedly used shovels to smother some of the burning debris thrown around that area.

The South I-94 Service Drive was immediately shut down by Van Buren Police to isolate the crash scene. Police told residents who were displaced to go to the clubhouse. The Red Cross was on the scene.

The Air Show immediately closed down, although it had been scheduled to run until 5 p.m., and traffic was advised to be patient as the large crowd at Willow Run Airport tried to leave the show area.

Investigators from the National

Transportation Safety Board were reportedly on their way from their Chicago office to investigate the cause of the crash.

Van Buren Township planning commissioner Jeff Jahr and his wife Rika Regnentin said they were right under the fighter jet on their boat when the pilots ditched.

"A piece of the canopy crashed down into the water not three boat lengths from us," he said. "Thanks to our VBT police boat's rapid response, the pilots were rescued and brought to shore, and to my knowledge no one was seriously injured."

Van Buren Township Deputy Police

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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Matthew Tiggs arraigned on murder, assault charges in VBT

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Matthew Torrey Tiggs, Jr., 22, of Eastpointe who had been living in Van Buren Estates mobile home park with relatives for the previous two weeks, was arraigned at 34th District Court on Aug. 9 by Magistrate Alan Hindman on nine counts, including second-degree murder and assault with intent to commit murder. He was remanded to the Wayne County Jail without bond.



Tiggs

He is due back in court for a probable cause conference before Judge Tina Brooks Green at 8:30 a.m., Aug. 23.

He is accused of the Aug. 4 shooting death of 26-year-old Jean Thomas Butchart in a park at Van Buren Estates mobile home park in the 16800 block of Lohr Road. Butchart did maintenance for Van Buren Estates.

Butchart identified as a transgender male and did not identify himself using his legal name "Catherine," according to

a news release from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

Van Buren Township Police found Butchart dead with a bullet wound to the head. Tiggs allegedly had approached the victim and produced and fired a handgun multiple times before fleeing the scene.

For this, he is charged with one count of second-degree murder, one count of felon in possession of a firearm, and one count of felony firearm.

Tiggs also is accused of pulling a firearm after an argument with a 45-year-old man around 11:31 a.m. on the previous Friday, July 28, in the 30 block of Birch Drive in the mobile home park. He allegedly pointed the weapon at the man before fleeing the scene. This assault wasn't discovered until after the shooting on Aug. 6, said Van Buren Township Deputy Police Chief Joshua Monte.

For this he is charged with one count of felonious assault, one count of felon in possession of a firearm and one count of felony firearm.

Van Buren police were at the mobile home park on Sunday, Aug. 6, investigating the Aug. 4 murder at 11:44 a.m., when they were dispatched to a residence in

the 40 block of Birch Drive for multiple gunshots. Officers found a 47-year-old victim suffering from gunshot wounds to the right upper arm and lower back. He was transported to a hospital.

It is alleged that Tiggs approached the victim while he was in his vehicle and produced and fired a handgun multiple times, wounding the victim. The defendant then allegedly barricaded himself inside the next-door residence.

Since they were on the scene, police arrived in seconds and were able to surround the mobile home to which the shooter ran. After a two-hour standoff with the Western Wayne SWAT team negotiating, Tiggs was taken into custody.

For this he is charged with one count of assault with intent to murder, one count of felon in possession of a firearm and one count of felony firearm.

He is considered an habitual offender with a second-offense notice. He pled guilty to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon on Jan. 27, 2019 in Macomb County and served two years in state prison. He was released July 29, 2021.

"It is an understatement to say that these cases are extremely unsettling," Wayne

County Prosecutor Kym Worthy said in a statement on Aug. 9. "The defendant allegedly terrorized members of this community in a series of very violent events. We will continue to work hard to bring the victims and their families justice."

On Wednesday evening, Aug. 9, Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara, Police Chief Jason Wright, and Deputy Chief Monte hosted a community debriefing at the Van Buren Estates clubhouse, with the residents of Van Buren Estates.

Deputy Chief Monte said they brought in the police department's embedded clinician, along with additional clinicians from Hegira Health to provide any support the residents of the mobile home community may need.

The debrief was well-attended and we answered some questions and concerns from the mobile home community," Deputy Chief Monte said.

"We did learn that in the short time Mr. Butchart was working for Van Buren Estates, he was liked and well-respected in the community."

See obituary on page 6.

School Board approves new phone system at cost of \$400,780

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Sean Garland, IT Network Administrator for the Van Buren Public Schools, told the Board of Education at Monday's regular meeting that the district's phone system is back working for now, but if anything else goes wrong, "We have no phones."

"When the kids come back, we want to be ready for them," said School Supt. Pete Kudlak.

The board unanimously approved the \$400,780 purchase. Absent were president Amy Pierce and secretary Darlene Gerick.

Garland said when the schools recently lost electrical power, the phone system was knocked out. He said the phone system is 15 years old and the lifespan is usually seven to ten years.

He presented a plan to replace the system with a modernized version of the original two-node cluster with Failover and High Availability. He said some additional features have been designed into the system.

He said Sentinel quoted a total cost of \$400,780 for the project which includes procuring hardware, configuring all features, and installing the system, programming the phones and placing them on the desks in all the schools.

The purchase will be financed through Cisco Capital at 0% interest over five years.

The district will make annual payments of \$80,156 each October. This quote was priced from a pre-bid contract on a State of Michigan agreement.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the board:

- Heard Rob Kokoczki of Plante Moran Cresa give a quarterly update on the 2019 Design Development on the Series 3 projects, complete renovations of Tyler and Savage elementaries and McBride Middle School. Prices have shot up since plans started in 2018 and so they are working out options for the funds and what to cut out of the original proposals. He said plans are to have all the work done by the end of August 2024;

- Heard James Williams, director of plant operations, give information on the new furniture proposed for McBride, Savage, and Tyler Schools. Total cost is just under \$1 million. It will be on the Aug. 28 meeting agenda for a vote. Plans call for the furniture to be installed during winter break;

- Heard Supt. Kudlak explain a solar field project that will benefit school districts. It will be on the Aug. 28 meeting agenda for a vote. MISEC, which has worked since 1997 to secure a lower electricity rate for school districts using a consortium, is moving into renewal energy, with districts able to lock in a rate for solar-powered electricity

for 15 years. Some or all of the district's electricity needs can be provided through this agreement and what Van Buren will do will be decided with the Aug. 28 vote. He said Northstar Clean Energy Company is planning to construct a solar farm on 380 acres in Genesee County starting this fall. It is expected to be in operation by June 2025;

- Approved the retirement of Laurie Kunz, a teacher at Tyler, after 13 years as of Oct. 7; and the resignations of teachers Misty Foster (as of July 31) and Kyle Short (as of Aug. 31), both of Belleville High School and after two years of service each;

- Approved the employment of Kristin Strawsin as art teacher at McBride, Nicole Krings as a fourth-grade teacher at Rawsonville Elementary, and Brandon Underwood as a teacher at Tyler Elementary, all as of Aug. 23;

- Approved the retirements of Jody Ihlenfeldt from Building and Grounds after 28 years of service as of Aug. 1; Tammie Harris, a secretary at BHS, after 19 years of service as of Aug. 2; and David Whitesman, social worker at Edgemont/ECC, after 28 years of service, as of Aug. 8;

- Approved the resignations of non-instructional staff: Markesha Beverly from Transportation after less than a year as of July 19; James Anthony from Transportation after less than a year, as of

Aug. 2; Phyllis Manier from Transportation after less than a year, as of Aug. 1; Kimberly Myers from Tyler after 1.5 years as of Aug. 8; and Cora Olivari from Food Service after less than a year as of Aug. 9;

- Approved employment of non-instructional employees: Dion Satchel, custodian, as of Aug. 7; Anthony Meads, custodian, as of Aug. 14; Susan Gohl, Transportation driver trainee, as of Aug. 3; Courtney Morrison, Edgemont social worker, as of Aug. 23; Glen Reid, BHS psychologist, as of Aug. 23; Sydney Tappin, ECC/McBride psychologist, as of Aug. 23; and secretaries Esther Walker at BHS and Ashleigh Testorelli at Tyler, both as of Aug. 14; and

- Went into closed-door session at the end of the meeting to consider a reinstatement request for a disciplined student. After the closed meeting, the board voted in open session to reinstate Student 22-23-011, with conditions.

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O P I N I O N S

Editorial

VBt truly blessed for no injuries in Sunday air crash

It was a bright, sunny day in Van Buren Township, with lots of boats on Belleville Lake full of people with eyes lifted to the skies in expectation. It was the last part of the two-day Thunder Over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run Airport and a Russian MiG was swooping through the air manned by two crewmembers.

When the two small explosions sounded and the crowd saw the two headed toward earth with parachutes, some said they thought it was part of the show. When the MiG crashed, they knew it wasn't and fear erupted. The jet crashed at The Waverly apartments and mass casualties were expected.

But, the only injuries were to the two who ejected from the jet and they appeared to be slight. They were taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for evaluation.

Then, the cleanup work began. First, emergency crews put out the fires from the crash, which was next to, not into, the apartments. The pieces of the plane that were thrown over a wide area when it crashed were to be gathered up and taken to Willow Run Airport for a lengthy inspection by the NTSB and the jet fuel scooped up with soil removal. The firefighting foam used to extinguish the blazes, containing PFAS, was to be removed as well.

In all, our community was very blessed that we weren't dealing with mass casualties. But, we'll never forget.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

Belleville Pro Hardware in downtown Belleville is closing Sept. 30. I mistakenly printed the date of Sept. 1. We'll have Mike Windiate a few more weeks than I thought. Sorry for the error, but we're glad he'll still be here a while longer.

He said he will put out a big sign and there will be a liquidation sale.

A reader came in to say that with the hardware store empty next to the empty CVS pharmacy on Main Street, that would be a great place for a big grocery store. Residents have been asking for a grocery store ever since A&P left Third Street and the market left Main Street near the bridge so long ago.

Residents also would like to have a laundromat again. Some have noted it would have to be in Van Buren Township, since water costs too much in Belleville.

A Sumpter resident called to tell me he was shocked that the township shut off his water after he missed just one payment. He said he was paid up until May. He said his wife was in the hospital after getting hit by a drunk driver and so he was back and forth and everything was confusing.

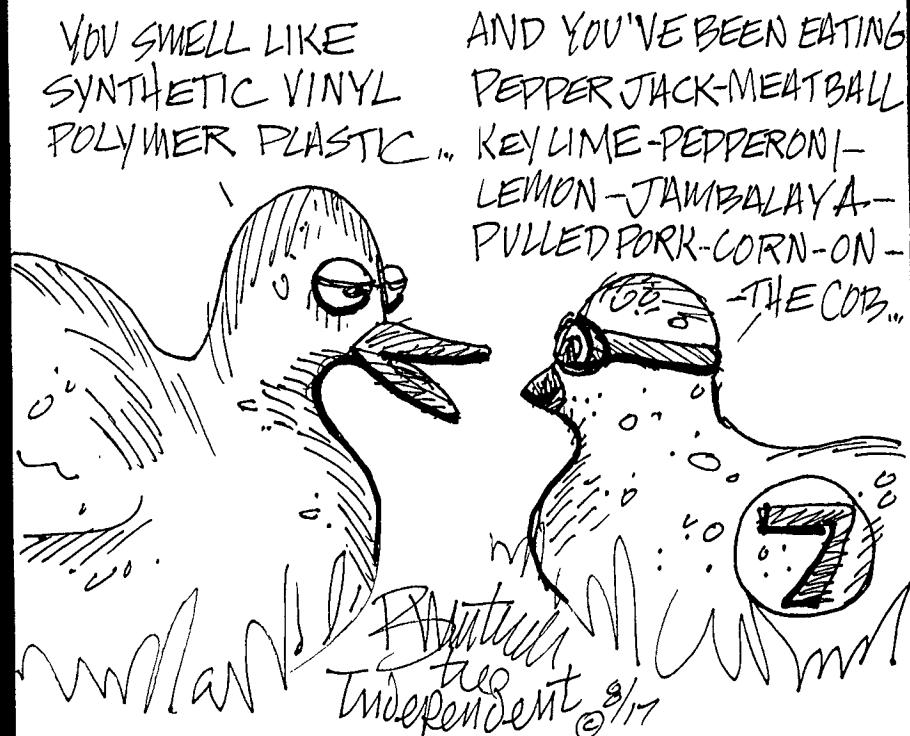
He said years ago, the township cut off his water but they posted a notice on the door. There was nothing on his door this time, he said. Apparently, they did send a notice of water shutoff, he said.

When he paid the bill he said they told him they could turn on his water the next day, so he went to Walmart to get some water and they were completely out of it.

He said he wondered if that was because others had their water turned off, too. Of course, it may have been the hot weather.

He wanted to know if Sumpter changed its policy and now turned off your water after

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missing one bill.

A reader sent me an email to tell me her son graduated in 1968 from BHS with Alan Maki, who is now becoming famous in the film world with his son Shaun. She referred to the story in last week's paper about Alan and his son and the Sept. 9 showing of their most recent film in Tecumseh. She asked if a bus couldn't be arranged to take viewers to the film from Belleville, since many people know Alan and would like to support his efforts and see him again.

Keith Bruder said he called Belleville City Hall before its last regular meeting and said he wanted to come to present the check for \$18,500 from the Rotary Club's Cozadd Foundation to the Belleville Fire Department for its new communications system. He said he was told he couldn't do that because he wasn't on the agenda. So, he tried to make arrangements for another meeting and it didn't go well. Finally, Keith presented the check to the fire department on Aug. 14 at the fire hall.

"All I wanted to do is give them the money," he said.

As the Van Buren schools get ready for the opening of school on Aug. 28, School Supt. Pete Kudlak said that the administrators were going to have a retreat on Aug. 15, set up by his assistant Debbie McWilliams. They will be off-site at Wayne County Community College during the day and go Curling at night.

Supt. Kudlak also announced at Monday's regular school board meeting that he had

zero complaints about the midnight football practice on Aug. 13-14. He said everyone was very respectful.

The football coaches had decided to start practice the very minute it was allowed by the state and so it began just after midnight. There was some concern that the activity and lights might disturb the neighbors, but he got no complaints.

School board member Dionne Falconer said the midnight football was wonderful and there were eight parents, including her, who hung out all night to watch them practice.

Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley, who was on vacation, was present by zoom for the special city council meeting on Aug. 8 to interview a candidate for city manager. After the session, council members told the mayor that it was only 6:30 p.m. and Mayor Conley said it was after midnight where she was. Someone asked her: "Where are you, anyway?" There was a brief pause and then she replied, "Spain." End of discussion. One council member told her she should go to bed.

Councilmember Tom Fielder also was absent from the meeting. He said he would be fishing in Canada and there was no internet. The council has announced it will meet in special session on Aug. 28 to select a new city manager from the four candidates left in the running.



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Letters

We need a way to get out of here in an emergency

To the editor:

This is an open letter submitted Monday for Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara concerning the closed Denton Road Bridge.

Good afternoon, Mr. McNamara,

In retrospect of the plane crash yesterday, and thank heaven no one on the ground was injured, I am writing to express my concern about being landlocked here on Denton Road, North Shore Dr., etc.

Naturally, dealing with the crash scene is the number-one priority, but those of us down here cannot get "out" in an emergency with the bridge closed. As you know, many of the Denton Road residents and NSD residents could not get home. This includes my 85-year-old, fragile neighbors. Also, my other neighbors were hosting a lake party. What if they (or any of us) had an emergency? We are stuck down here.

I am urging you to come up with an exit plan for us. Something temporary, so that we are not so isolated. I don't know what that would be but surely something could be accomplished.

Please advise me as to when the next open meeting for VBT residents takes place to talk about these concerns. Thank you.

Cheryl Sherman
North Shore Drive resident
Van Buren Township

Thank You to family, people with their dogs

To the editor:

I want to say "Thank You" to my family for the wonderful 85th birthday they gave me. Also want to thank all the friends and community members who brought their wonderful dogs out on a rainy Sunday. Thanks to Shannon, from Photography by Shannon, and thanks to the people of Belleville who make this a great place to live.

Mickey Widener
Van Buren Township

Cruising Main St. not the same without Mike

To the editor:

I was saddened to read in the *Independent* that Belleville's Pro Hardware store is closing soon. This has for decades been one of my favorite local businesses. I consider Mike Windiate and all of his associates dear friends. Mike has always gone far beyond the norm helping me find what I need to complete large and small home projects. I wish him the very best in his well-deserved retirement. Cruising Main Street won't be the same without this community pillar.

Don Sherman, Van Buren Township

Our tri-community needs a dog park

To the editor:

The pups of Van Buren Township, Sumpter, and Belleville need a dog park!

I'm tired of hauling my dog to Canton or Romulus for socializing and exercise. We have no off-leash area in the Metro parks or the township parks and are left to use private services like Sniffspot.

So, I thought I'd write a letter to the local paper and see if there are enough like-minded dog owners to inspire action.

Rika Regentin
Van Buren Township

Free Backpack Giveaway on Aug. 26

To the editor:

I'm writing to let you know our church is having a FREE BACKPACK GIVEAWAY on Saturday, Aug. 26. Starting time is 10 a.m. and runs until supplies last. For kids grades K-12. This event is co-sponsored by Varsity Lincoln of Novi. Each backpack includes basic school supplies such as a spiral notebook, a folder, pens, pencils, a pencil sharpener, an eraser, a glue stick, scissors, etc. There will be light refreshments.

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Taxpayers need to wake up, become Watchdogs

To the editor:

Although I live in Belleville, I feel our entire Tri-Community needs to thank Mr. Wisner. His wisdom and courage while pointing out the dangerous "trend" of corrupt abuse of power is indeed noteworthy. Taxpayers need to wake-up and form a WATCHDOG COMMITTEE.

We must not permit our local and Wayne County politicians to tax us more.

(Mrs.) Ruth Bleeker
Belleville

Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Aug. 21 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 22 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 3 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 23 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 28 – Belleville City Council special meeting at 6 p.m. to make final selection of city manager. Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building.

Obituaries



David C. Hensley

DAVID C. HENSLEY

(March 18, 1941–August 11, 2023)

David C. Hensley, age 82, longtime Belleville, MI, resident passed away Friday, August 11, 2023, at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, MI, surrounded by his loving family.

David was born on March 18, 1941, in Pineville, Kentucky. He worked for General Motors for 30 years. David was a simple "family man," someone who enjoyed watching Westerns and spending time with his family, especially his grandkids.

David was preceded in death by his wife Betty Hensley in 1990. David is survived by his daughter Mindi (Cam) Porzondek, granddaughter Casey L. Porzondek, his son David C. (Anne) Hensley, and grandsons David Joaquin and Alex Joseph. David is also survived by his loving companion of 16 years Rosemary Fitzsimmons, "Bonus children" Joseph (Rebecca) Fitzsimmons, Thomas (Rachel) Fitzsimmons, Andrea Fitzsimmons, Anthony (Jacole) Fitzsimmons and grandchildren Jeffrey (Lauren) Shelby Fitzsimmons, Karlee Fitzsimmons, Anthony Fitzsimmons, Ava Fitzsimmons, Lilah jo, and Emery Gabriel.

A visitation took place on Tuesday, August 15, 2023. A funeral service was held with Pastor Gordon Moore officiating on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 11 am with visitation an hour prior at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI. Burial followed at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery in Flat Rock, MI.

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Jean Thomas Butchart

JEAN THOMAS BUTCHART

(September 6, 1996 – August 4, 2023)

Jean Butchart was born on September 6, 1996 to Joe and Amy Butchart of Ypsilanti. He was the treasured youngest child in a family that includes his two sisters, Rose and Maureen. From an early age his love of the natural world was evident, and he harnessed this in his education, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Studies with an emphasis on hydrology. He was excited to put his education to use in Savannah, Georgia, where he used geographical information systems (GIS) to map water bodies and water drainage, and literally opened the floodgates to perform

water management. His love of the natural world extended to a love of camping, foraging, gardening, and mushroom-hunting, earning him the affectionate nickname "Nature Boy" among his many friends.

Jean's empathy for others showed in innumerable ways, from the beautiful gifts he crafted for his family, the many spontaneous acts of generosity he performed for his friends, to the generous practical support and wisdom he shared with the trans community.

He was in the midst of combining his love of the natural world and his empathy for others, training to become a teacher. He had a special gift and love for educating middle schoolers and high schoolers, where his quick wit and wonderful sense of humor would no doubt have served him well.

He was killed in an unprovoked attack.

Visitation was August 10, 2023 at the Nie Funeral Home, 3767 W Liberty Rd., Ann Arbor. A memorial mass was held on Friday, August 11, 2023 at St. Mary's Student Parish, in Ann Arbor followed by lunch in Newman Hall at St Mary's. Donations can be given to the Jim Toy Community Center of Ann Arbor.

Correction:

John Delaney has not been arraigned on charge from incident

John Delaney of Van Buren Township pointed out that although our story in last week's Court Watching story on page 21 said he was arraigned Aug. 3 by 34th District Court Chief Judge Brian Oakley, he was not arraigned and never even got to see the judge except at a distance.

Delaney said he and a neighbor were present in court on Aug. 3, but they are the victims and wanted to prosecute, so their arraignment was adjourned until Sept. 21 to give everyone a chance to sort out what happened on June 30 on Mida Drive.

We apologize for the error.

Rosemary Otzman, editor

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Stanley Michael Gondek

STANLEY MICHAEL GONDEK

(January 24, 1942 – August 9, 2023)

Stanley Michael Gondek, age 81, resident of Belleville for over 50 years, passed away on August 9, 2023, at Henry Ford Hospital surrounded by family. He was born on January 24, 1942, in Romulus, MI, to Frank John Gondek and Maria Theresa (Maldonado) Gondek. He graduated from Our Lady of Lourdes High School in River Rouge in 1960. He then served our country in the United States Air Force as an aircraft mechanic working on B-52s at Loring AFB in Maine from 1960-1962.

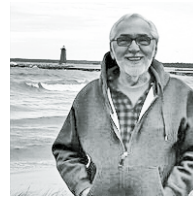
Stanley had a successful career at Ford Motor Credit Company for 30 years before retiring in 2000; he started in the mailroom in 1970 and worked his way up to project manager of computer programming and networking. Stanley was a curious child who took apart his siblings' toys to see how they worked, and that curiosity led him to become a self-taught expert of engines, electronics, and computer programming. He constructed and flew radio-controlled model airplanes and enjoyed expressing his musical talent with the accordion, piano, guitar, and trumpet. For many years he was a licensed ham radio operator -- his call sign was WD8RYB -- and he built the radio himself.

Stanley had a lifelong "need for speed" and a love for fast cars and motorcycles. He built a sand racer (with a nitrous system!), took three solo transcontinental motorcycle trips after retiring, earned a speeding ticket every Spring (including this one), and played the video game "Grand Theft Auto" nightly. He also walked three miles five days a week at the Romulus Athletic Center, joined his friends daily for breakfast at Sam's Place, and thoroughly enjoyed life. He loved his family deeply, especially his grandkids. He will be profoundly missed.

Stanley is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Valerie (Pullen) Gondek of Belleville, MI; his daughter, Samantha (Anthony) Vitti of Saginaw, MI; his two granddaughters -- who called him Gaga -- Olivia and Mia; his sister Carmen Zatyko; his brothers Frank Gondek, Jim Gondek, Tim Gondek, and Tom Gondek; his aunts Mary Ryska and Veronica Leciejewski; his brothers-in-law Gale Wymer and Jack (Marsha) Pullen, and sister-in-law Sandra Marlowe; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his siblings Agnes Wymer and Tony Gondek.

A memorial service will be Saturday, August 26, 2023 at 3:00 PM at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, with a gathering from 1-3 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and would be appreciated.

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Paul Cartwright, Jr.

PAUL CARTWRIGHT, JR.

(April 10, 1947 – August 7, 2023)

Paul Cartwright, Jr., age 76, long-time Belleville, MI, resident, passed away Monday, August 7, 2023, at his home. He passed away under hospice care surrounded by his family. Paul was born April 10, 1947, in Wyandotte, MI, son of Paul Cartwright, Sr. and Velma May (Ferns) Cartwright.

Paul graduated from Taylor Center High School, class of 1965. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps where he was awarded the Purple Heart. Paul retired from Ford Motor Company after 37.5 years as a railroad conductor. While working at Ford Motor Company Paul also served on the Van Buren Police Department for 10 years. Paul liked to keep busy and loved his community, so it was a natural fit that he became a member of our David C. Brown Funeral Home team. Paul retired after 10+ years as our hearse driver and greeter.

Paul enjoyed camping, snowmobiling, bowling, golfing, and shooting at the gun range. He also loved music, dancing, and playing the drums. Some might say he could play "wipe out" better than the Surfari's did! Paul was a very loyal, dedicated, stubborn, loving man and will be fondly remembered by everyone he knew.

Paul is survived by his devoted wife of 42 years, Debra Lee (Herkimer) Cartwright; daughter Amy (Brian) Cartwright of Ortonville, MI; son Kiel (Ashley) Cartwright of Belleville, MI; 7 grandchildren: John Paul, Skyler, Dakota, Easton, Jimmy, Makayla, and Kaiden; one great-grandson Alec; brother Tom (Linda) Cartwright of Buckley, MI; two sisters Candie Cartwright of Brownstown, MI, and Pam Cartwright of Taylor, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, friends, neighbors, and colleagues. Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Paul Sr. and Velma Cartwright; brothers Mike and Larry Cartwright; also, his son, James Brian Cartwright on September 17, 2022.

A backyard celebration of life will be held from 12-5 PM Sunday, August 20, 2023, with Military Honors at 2:00 PM at his home. Please contact Kiel Cartwright at 734-752-2995 for the address. Interment will be in Hillside Cemetery, Belleville, MI, with his son Jim. In lieu of flowers Memorial contributions may be made to the Fisher House and would be greatly appreciated.

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MARGERY ANN NUTT

(August 23, 1952 – August 7, 2023)

Age 70 of Canton. Survived by children Lisa, Loretta, Stephen; siblings James and Steve Dahn; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Services were Aug. 11 at Antioch Baptist Church, Belleville. www.davidcbrownfh.com

BHS at-home games

• **Wednesday, Aug. 23** – Girls Varsity Golf vs. Renaissance High School at Willow Metropark, 3 p.m.; Freshman Football vs. Crestwood High School, 4 p.m.; JV Football vs. River Rouge High School, 6:30 p.m.

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Augusta Township Fire Department was called to a fire at Monarch Automotive, 10339 Willis Rd., across from Bonehead's restaurant just before 3 p.m., Aug. 10. Augusta Township called Sumpter Township for backup, asking it to bring a tanker truck with water to assist in fighting the blaze. Van Buren Township fire department brought its tower truck.

Augusta FD puts out auto yard fire with help of five departments

Augusta Township Fire Chief 3 David Music said there were five other departments that helped to fight the Aug. 10 fire in Willis.

He said Augusta was dispatched at 2:47 p.m. and he arrived six minutes later from his home. He called for mutual aid before arriving at the scene because of the huge fire cloud and fire load at the site.

Augusta's first engine arrived 13 minutes after dispatch to Monarch Automotive, 10339 Willis Rd., across from Bonehead's restaurant.

Chief Music said the building was fully involved on their arrival with a power line down in the parking lot in front of the building. He said a worker from the building on fire had tried to move the energized power line away from the building and, unfortunately, dropped it in the eastbound lane of Willis Road where Van Buren Township's tower truck was going to set up.

The building's natural gas meter had melted and was leaking natural gas on the southeast corner of the site. DTE was requested for emergency gas and power shut off by a command officer. Chief Music had the trains stopped and the VBT tower truck set up at the tracks.

Huron Valley Ambulance was called for a worker that had 1st degree burns on his hands. Augusta FD had two firefighters transported to the hospital for evaluation and they were released later that night.

"I would like to thank all of our brothers and sisters from Van Buren FD, Milan FD, Ypsilanti FD, Sumpter FD, and Saline FD for

the assistance on the fire," Chief Music said.

"A Saline crew also covered Augusta FD's area while they fought the fire responding to two calls. Special thanks to Hart, which responded with drinks and food for the crews."

Origin of the fire was a gas vehicle on a hoist, on which a fuel transfer was being done, Chief Music said.

"It is undetermined how the fuel ignited," he said. "After it was all over, I gave a quick prayer and thank you that everyone went home safe to their loved ones."



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Trombly gets \$3,963 for winning fishing tournament on Saturday

TRENTON -- Boater Mike Trombly of Belleville caught a five-bass limit weighing 22 pounds, 3 ounces on Saturday to win the MLF Phoenix Bass Fishing League presented by T-H Marine on the Detroit River.

The tournament was the third event of the season or the BFL Michigan Division. Trombly earned \$3,963 for his victory.

"We had heavy winds throughout the day, and I made a long run in heavy waves to get where I needed to fish," said Trombly, who notched his 10th career win, including eight BFL victories and two Toyota Series titles.

"I caught a big fish right off the bat on a drop-shot. I fished around in that area in big waves and was able finish off my limit with some 2-pounders."

Trombly said he slowly began making his way toward the weigh-in site, stopping to hit points along the way. Around noon, he

stopped at a spot that held a good number of bigger fish in 30 to 32 feet of water and finished off his final weigh bag.

"The last stop I made that had the big fish on it I told my co-angler, 'I think I'm starting to become relevant in this tournament,'" Trombly said with a laugh. "I could tell just because of quality I was catching. I knew there was a chance."

Trombly said he used a (Berkley PowerBait MaxScent) Flat Worm with the drop-shot rig to catch his smallmouth, rigged on a 1/0 hook with a ½-ounce weight. The setup produced 12 bass for Trombly – all except one were keepers. He said he focused on the north shore, some areas of the river, and open water on Lake Erie.

"It's awesome to win," Trombly said. "It never gets old. It's a blessing to be able to win in this division. We've got some tremendous smallmouth fishermen in this division."

Billy Crider, Jr., of Kettering, Ohio, won the Strike King co-angler division and a total of \$1,981 Saturday after bringing five bass to the scale that totaled 19 pounds, 1 ounce.

After three events, Trombly leads the BFL Michigan Division Boater Angler of the Year race with 744 points, while Hunter Ingle of Fort Wayne, Ind., leads the Strike King Co-Angler Division AOY race with 711 points.

The top 45 boaters and co-anglers in the region based on point standings, along with the five tournament winners of each qualifying event, will qualify for the Oct. 12-14 BFL Regional tournament on Dale Hollow Lake in Byrdstown, Tenn.

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Stacia Ellis of Ypsilanti along with her children Braylyn Sparks, 5, and Zion Ellis, 3, enjoy free pizza at Saturday's Stuff the Truck event in Sumpter Township. Providing the treat is A.J. Dancho of Sumpter's Red Rooster restaurant.

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We hope you can join a few hundred of your friends and neighbors for this year's *Belleville Bridge Walk*. The *Taste of Belleville* will be held in conjunction with the walk.


When: Thursday, August 17, 2023

Where: The celebration will begin at the "Welcome to Belleville" sign (Main & Denton) this year at 5:30 p.m with a short presentation

The walk will proceed across the bridge to the North-end of the bridge, then return back across the bridge back to the "Welcome to Belleville" sign to receive certificate and purchase *Taste of Belleville* tickets

After: Enjoy the *Taste of Belleville* and *Music Lakeside* at Horizon Park

This year we will celebrating "Belleville Excellence". Hope you can join us.



City of Belleville & the Belleville Central Business Community Presents the 27th Annual Bridge Walk & Taste of Belleville

August 17, 2023



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5:30 p.m. Bridge Walk - Meet at Welcome to Belleville Sign. Welcome followed by Bridge Walk & Photo.

6-8 p.m. Taste of Belleville on High Street Including Unlimited D.J.

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4. Bobby McShane's Irish Pub
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Get The Scoop Ice Cream Shop at 644 East Huron River Dr. in Belleville will be showing the same free movie line up from last weekend's rained-out events. This Friday, Aug. 18, the film will be "Super Mario Brothers" and on Saturday it's "Hidden Strike-Jackie Chan." Movies start at 9:30 p.m. each night. See their ad in today's paper.

Faith United Methodist Church on Denton Road in Belleville is giving away free backpacks on Saturday, Aug. 26, starting at 10 a.m. for kids in grades K-through 12. Backpacks will include basic supplies such as notebooks, folders, pens, pencils, sharpener, eraser, glue sticks, scissors, and more. Light refreshments will be served. The event is co-sponsored by Varsity Lincoln of Novi. Call (734) 483-2276.

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The Huron Applefest will take place Oct. 7-8 in downtown New Boston, featuring arts and crafts, petting zoo, bounce house, carnival games and food, fiddler contest, and pie-eating contests. The Applefest Parade also returns for the first time since the pandemic. It gets underway at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7. Visit their Facebook page at Huron Township Applefest for more information on craft and vendor applications.

Perspective Eyecare on Belleville Road has eye testing appointments available for anyone going back to school. See their ad in today's paper and visit www.perspectiveeyecare.com. Call (734) 699-1010.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue on Sumpter Township will have cats and dogs available at the Petco Ann Arbor Adoption Event on Saturday, Aug. 26, from noon until 3 p.m. at the Petco Arborland location on Washtenaw Avenue, just west of US-23. To learn more, visit www.friendsofmichigan.org.

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MiG-23 crash

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Chief Joshua Monte confirmed the rescue. “We had a Van Buren Township Marine Patrol Officer out on the boat as part of our air show detail and lake patrol. He was able to recover both the pilot and co-pilot and take them to a waiting ambulance for transportation to the hospital.”

Van Buren Township Fire Chief Dave McNally said Metro Airport Fire Department and Van Buren Police Department were working at the scene with them and Sumpter Township and Belleville fire departments brought their grass trucks. He said they called Canton and Romulus for help as well and then cancelled the requests for them to come because they weren’t needed.

Chief McNally said the Canton Public Safety Department helped to find housing for those displaced. He said one piece of the damaged plane punctured an apartment roof and a piece of something fell into the apartment, frightening the children. That family had to be moved to a secure location.

Among those also taking part in the emergency activities were Wayne County Emergency Management, an emergency group from Monroe County / Wayne County, Metro Airport and Willow Run fire fighters, Michigan State Police, and Wayne County Sheriff’s Department.

Chief McNally said his department was scheduled help remove the damaged aircraft pieces to Willow Run Airport for the lengthy inspection by the National Transportation Safety Board. He said once the wreckage is moved, Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) will remove the soil contaminated by the jet fuel, along with the PFAS from the foam used to put out the fire.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Aug. 17** – Belleville Bridge Walk at 5:30 p.m., Taste of Belleville at 6-8 p.m., Rubber Ducky Race at 6:30 p.m., followed by Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m. at Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by “Laura Rain & the Caesars.” In case of rain, concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.

• **Monday, Aug. 21**– Congresswoman Debbie Dingell will be at the Belleville

Farmers Market from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Monday, Aug. 21** – Egan’s Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets

• **Thursday, Aug. 24, through Sunday, Aug. 27** – Sumpter Township Community Yard Sales. No permit is required for this weekend only.

• **Friday, Aug. 25** – Taco Margarita Night at the James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus. 5-7 p.m. or until they run out. (734) 941-3030

• **Saturday, Aug. 26** – Free Backpack Giveaway starts at 10 a.m. and runs until supply runs out at Faith United Methodist Church, 6020 Denton Rd., Van Buren Township. For grades K-12. Light refreshments. Co-sponsored by Varsity Lincoln of Novi. Each backpack includes basic school supplies including spiral notebook, folder, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, glue stick, scissors. (734) 483-2276

• **Saturday, Aug. 26** – “Super Mario Bros.” movie will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at Lower Huron Metropark Woods Creek. Parking and kids crafts open at 6 p.m. Arrive early to pick your viewing spot. Bring your blankets or lawn chairs. The movie will be shown on an LED screen and start before dark. The movie is free, but a daily or annual Metropark pass is required to enter the park.

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Keystone Academy earns six NHA awards, student gets scholarship

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Keystone Academy, a charter school in Sumpter Township, has earned six awards from National Heritage Academies, which manages the school, including the top Founder's Award which is only given out to one school.

At the Aug. 10 regular meeting of the Keystone board of directors, Principal Jorvanna Drain displayed the awards in the middle of the meeting table and explained their significances. Then she and board members picked them up and posed for a picture. (see page 11)

The Founder's Award was for Keystone being the top school of the 100 NHA schools in Moral Focus instruction and guidance.

Other Eagle Awards were for parent satisfaction, student attendance, safety, employee engagement, and Taking Flight: Parent Satisfaction.

Every year, NHA conducts an Eagle Awards ceremony where they recognize and celebrate the achievements of their schools. Last year, Keystone earned five awards.

"We won the most Eagle Awards out of all the NHA schools," Principal Drain told the board at its regular meeting, referring to this year's awards.

As far as student attendance goes, Drain said there were 4,500 fewer absences last school year because of efforts made.

Drain said as of that meeting, they have 708 students registered and re-enrolled for the 2023-24 school year, with 30 more students having filled out the paperwork and being in

an acceptance status.

At this time last year, there were 635 students registered. She said they have 49 more applications than last year, year-to-date.

She said for the first time in years, they have a wait list in grades K, 1, 3, 5, and 7.

Drain attributed this to the NHA advertisements on billboards, newspapers, and television, as well as word of mouth.

Board members were told the state aid for students this year would be \$9,600 each.

Drain also announced that graduating eighth grader Benjamin Rodriguez learned during the graduation ceremony in June that he won a \$5,000 NHA college scholarship that will be given to him after high school graduation and before entrance to higher learning. He is one of four NHA students who earned the scholarships out of the 600 who applied.

Drain said his essay was how he overcame a learning disability.

In other business at the Aug. 10 meeting, the board:

- Witnessed the swearing in by NHA representative Andrew Roth of board members Vesta Losen and Steven Harsant for another three years, with terms ending June 30, 2026;
- Learned that they have new employee hires for resource room teacher, first-grade teacher, second-grade teacher, and Teacher in Residence. Vacancies are in the social worker and speech pathologist positions;
- Approved setting aside \$1,000 for attendance of four board members at the 2023 NHA Board Symposium on Oct. 23 and 24 in Grand Rapids;

• Agreed to wait until September's meeting to consider the approval of the Teacher Evaluation and Employee Certification Warranty Resolution, in case there were any more new hires between now and then who should be considered. The resolution, which confirms all personnel working at the Academy are properly licensed, certified, and endorsed for the 2023-24 school year, is required by Sept. 30 to Bay Mills Charter School office, which granted the charter to Keystone ;

• Approved the Cardiac Emergency Response Plan. Drain said all of the school administration was trained in AED (automated external defibrillators) and CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation), techniques some others on the staff are also trained;

• Approved revising the 2023-24 school calendar to reflect that the Friday before Labor Day, which is Sept. 1, is a school holiday as required by state law for schools that open before Labor Day. Keystone will now have the first day of school on Aug. 28, as planned, and then take off Friday, Sept. 1, as required. Drain said she removed Indigenous Peoples' Day, Oct. 9, from the list of days off. The last day of school still is slated to be June 7, 2024. There will be 180 school days as required. Drain said winter and spring breaks are determined by Wayne County;

• Approved the Children Internet Protection Plan for the 2023-24 school year. NHA representative Andrew Roth said when students are at school and on the school's network they are safe on the internet, with new firewalls being installed as needed. If they take the computers home they can figure out how to get around the firewalls, he said;

• Reviewed a detailed list of items being covered by the federal Covid grants, including ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) funds. Roth said an amended budget will go to the state in September. NHA representative Andrew Roth said it will include how the rest of the money will be spent. "There is no intention to give any of the money back," Roth said. ESSER II funds for 2019-20 were \$99,389; ESSER III for 2020-21, \$507,344; and ESSER III, 2021-22, \$1,140,232 (with an end use date of Sept. 30, 2024);

• Heard Drain report that the right side of the renovated soccer field still floods and the company returned to fix it. The left side is fine, she said. The school wanted to get it all ready so they could get on the schedule to host games;

• Learned Keystone had no bullying, expulsions, or crimes to report for the 2023-24 school year. As a requirement of the Revised School Code MCL 380.131a (1) and (2), an annual report will be made to the board on: the number of pupils expelled with a brief description; crimes including physical violence, gang-related activity, illegal possession of a controlled substance or controlled substance analogue, or other intoxicant; trespassing and property crimes including, but not limited to, theft and vandalism; and

• Discussed and made tentative proposals for how to honor Deb McComb, who retired at the end of the school year after 18 years of custodial service to Keystone. While the staff honored her, the school board had yet to do so and wanted to do something.

City of Belleville Public Notice

JOB POSTING

City of Belleville POLICE RECORDS CLERK



The City of Belleville is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Police Records Clerk in the Police Department. Successful candidate will have working knowledge of police processes, secured record maintenance and retention, excellent customer service skills, experience with general office work including proficiency in Microsoft Office and the ability to communicate effectively, verbally and in writing. CLEMIS or other law enforcement record management system experience is a plus.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and have a valid Michigan Driver's License.

Salary and benefits as per Union contract which is available on our website at www.belleville.mi.us.

A background investigation may be required as a condition of employment.

Please apply in person or submit resume with application to the Acting Police Chief at kfaull@belleville.mi.us or 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI 48111. The City of Belleville is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Kristin Faull
Acting Police Chief

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice



VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BID INSTRUCTIONS FOR FRENCH LANDING PARK PHASE II

The Charter Township of Van Buren, will receive sealed bids for the construction project, French Landing Park Dock Renovation at the Office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, MI 48111 until Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., local time. No Bids will be received after that time.

Bid documents will be available on Bid Net Direct (MITN) and at the Office of the Township Clerk. Bids will be accepted only on provided forms. Bids must be sealed in an envelope marked "FRENCH LANDING PARK DOCK RENOVATION" and submitted to the office of the Township Clerk. Bids will be publicly opened on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., local time.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held al on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 10 a.m. at the project site.

The Charter Township of Van Buren reserves the right to waive any discrepancies or irregularities in the bid. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and is not required to accept the low bid. Bidders should direct questions and correspondence to PEA Group 7927 Nemco Way, Suite 120, Brighton, Michigan 48116. Attention: Marc Russell. Mobile Number: 248-231-0895.

Published: 8-17-23

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 262 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Aug. 6:
0135 – 911 welfare check, Berkdale Dr.
0415 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / E. U.S.-12
0703 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Vernon St.
0843 – property damage accident, E. I-94 / Belleville Rd.
1003 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1009 – civil matter, McBride Ave.
1030 – property damage accident, E. I-94/Haggerty
1144 – shooting, Birch Dr.
1343 – animal complaint, Birch Dr.
1343 – civil matter, Van Buren St.
1402 – intrusion alarm, Tavistock Dr.
1402 – threat, Forestdale Dr.
1415 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Maple Dr.
1428 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1432 – domestic, Westlake Cir.
1638 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1641 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
1643 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
1710 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Riggs
1736 – motorist assist, Beck/Tyler
1817 – larceny from auto, Vernon St.
1854 – Meijer property check, Belleville Rd.
1918 – larceny from auto, Vernon St.
1957 – welfare check, McKinley St.
2025 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
2218 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
2221 – family trouble, Savage Rd.
2259 – assist fire dept., Huron River Dr.
2326 – animal complaint, McBride Ave.
2359 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.

Monday, Aug. 7:
0009 – noise complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0104 – property check, Walden Woods
0324 – family trouble, McKinley St.
0336 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.
0651 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0835 – private property impound, Haggerty Rd.
0839 – motorist assist, Haggerty Rd./Ecorse Rd.
0957 – fraud, Van Buren St.
1017 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Edwards Rd.
1017 – harassment call, Parkwood Dr.
1102 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.
1219 – follow-up by officer, Birch Dr.
1221 – intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1239 – fraud, Martinsville Rd.
1244 – malicious destruction of property, Stonebridge Dr.
1248 – civil matter, Maple Dr.
1304 – larceny from auto, Extra Space Storage
1315 – harassment call, Rawsonville Rd.
1345 – animal complaint, Savage Rd.
1355 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.
1400 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, McBride Ave.
1507 – animal complaint, Morton Taylor/Van Born
1602 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1616 – mental subject, Maple Dr.
1632 – welfare check, Belleville/Yost
1808 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Beck
1838 – trespassing, McBride Ave.
1930 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Grove Rd.
2035 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Bak Rd.
2113 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.
2127 – trespassing, Denton Rd.
Tuesday, Aug. 8:
0003 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.
0558 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0705 – domestic, Robbe Rd.
0750 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
0757 – 911 welfare check, Denton Rd.
0804 – motorist assist, Tyler/Morton Taylor Rd.

0906 – assist fire dept., Stonebridge Dr.
1009 – vehicle lockout, Parkwood Dr.
1046 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, East Archwood
1059 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, West Archwood
1117 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, West Archwood
1223 – mental subject, Farm Rd.
1240 – animal complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1338 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1424 – domestic, Pond Bluff Dr.
1555 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.
1556 – welfare check, E. I-94/Belleville Rd.
1640 – fraud, Stoneybrook Ct.
1733 – property damage accident, Monterey Dr.
1731 – 911 welfare check, Winding Pond Dr.
1811 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.
1916 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1954 – disorderly, McKinley St.
2039 – domestic, Rawsonville Rd.
2121 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2157 – welfare check, Brookview Dr.
2259 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 9:
0019 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0119 – assist citizen, Savage Rd./Haggerty Rd.
0331 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
0515 – K-9 call out, Jackson St.
0711 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0752 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tallgrass Ct.
0755 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
0819 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0827 – intrusion alarm, N. Timberview Dr.
0948 – larceny, Van Born Rd.
0956 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd./E. I-94
1127 – missing person, Elwell Rd.
1134 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1137 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1226 – fraud, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1242 – misc. complaint, Milton Dr.
1300 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1257 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1327 – larceny from auto, Old Rawsonville Rd.
1350 – hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1352 – welfare check, Park Estates
1407 – breaking & entering, Locust Dr.
1441 – warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.
1547 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.
1612 – suicidal person, Alden Ave.
1632 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd./Harmony Ln.
1718 – noise complaint, Quirk Rd./Ayres Ave.
1846 – domestic, Ecorse Rd.
1951 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2020 – welfare check, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
2104 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Huron River Dr.
2119 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
2142 – welfare check, Capitol Dr.
2147 – personal injury accident, Martz Rd.
2238 – repossession, N. Dartmoor Cir.

Thursday, Aug. 10:
0010 – repossession, Jackson St.
0634 – domestic, W. Archwood Dr.
0741 – warrant arrest, Sondra Dr.
0836 – fraud, Oak Ln.
1247 – threat, Parkside Dr.
1333 – issue gun permit, Tyler Rd.
1356 – welfare check, Chandler
1405 – vehicle lockout, Edwards Rd.
1408 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
1545 – welfare check, Solitude Ln.
1628 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1747 – civil matter, Meadows Cir.
1803 – found property/child, Capitol Hills
1803 – 911 welfare check, Florence Ln.
1830 – 911 welfare check, Republic Dr.
1905 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Van Born Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.
2011 – welfare check, Elwell Rd.
2013 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.
2016 – animal complaint, Alden Ave.

2015 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
2018 – welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2049 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.
2217 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Belleville Rd.
Friday, Aug. 11:
0120 – assist other dept., Country Walk
0120 – 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
0421 – 911 welfare check, Oak Ln.
0507 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Solitude Ln.
0802 – mental subject, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0958 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
1256 – domestic, Hannan Rd./Huron River Dr.
1318 – fraud, Brookview Dr.
1320 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Harbour Club
1327 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1447 – property damage accident, Martz Rd./Lohr
1455 – larceny from auto, Winchester St.
1456 – threat, E. Huron River Dr.
1501 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1638 – threat, Castell Blvd.
1700 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.
1723 – motorist assist, Rawsonville Rd./Grove Rd.
1818 – assist other dept., Peninsular Dr.
1835 – misc. complaint, Hanover Dr.
1837 – disorderly, Van Buren St.
1945 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
1949 – motorist assist, Savage Rd.
2001 – suicidal person, Michigan Ave.
2023 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2035 – misc. complaint, Village Green Ln.
2133 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Quirk Rd.
2155 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Woodbury Dr.
Saturday, Aug. 12:
0046 – property check, Lohr Rd.
0302 – property check, Lohr Rd.
0544 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Patriot Ln.
0828 – harassment call, Rose Blvd.
0911 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.
0928 – welfare check, Old Michigan Rd.
1021 – welfare check, Bemis Rd.
1100 – vehicle lockout, E. Archwood Dr.
1111 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.
1111 – intrusion alarm, Cobblestone Creek Dr.
1131 – welfare check, Water’s Edge Ln.
1252 – harassment call, Water’s Edge Ln.
1306 – traffic offense, W. Huron River Dr.
1548 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd./W. I-94
1625 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.
1641 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1939 – property check, Lohr Rd.
1957 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2111 – suicidal person, Michigan Ave.
2125 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Morton Taylor Rd.
2150 – property damage accident, EB I-94 / Rawsonville Rd.
2155 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
Also on this week’s log are 65 traffic stops, 12 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 6:
0058 – assault & battery, Main St.
0141 – domestic, Carmell St.
1438 – civil matter, Carmell St.
1531 – domestic, Anaheim
Monday, Aug. 7:
0815 – disorderly, Bedell St.
0903 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Carmell St.
1218 – civil matter, Carmell St.
1233 – private property/property damage accident, W. Columbia Ave.
1404 – larceny, South St.
1442 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
1541 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
1635 – follow-up by officer, Sumpter Rd.
1641 – property damage accident, Five Points
1927 – family trouble, N. Aberdeen St.
1927 – malicious destruction of property, Third St. / Main St.
Tuesday, Aug. 8:
0522 – intrusion alarm, Main St.

0543 – mental subject, Carmell St.
0715 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
0715 – misc. complaint, N. Liberty St.
1119 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
1449 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1501 – traffic stop, Elwell Rd./Reene Dr.
1516 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1538 – vehicle lockout, Main St.
1851 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
2211 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
Wednesday, Aug. 9:
0010 – misc. complaint, Main St./First St.
0046 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
0847 – assist other dept., Walmart
0848 – warrant arrest, Main St.
1358 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
1551 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.
1639 – assist other dept., Alden
2058 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.
2246 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
2318 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
Thursday, Aug. 10:
0257 – background investigation, Main St.
1403 – misc. complaint, S. Biggs Ave.
1513 – domestic, Main St.
1641 – welfare check, Carmell St.
1725 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Carmell St.
1815 – family trouble, Carmell St.
1932 – fraud, Main St.
2046 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
2137 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Belle Villa Blvd.
2143 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Industrial Pk. Dr.
Friday, Aug. 11:
0952 – civil matter, Carmell St.
1045 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
1247 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd.
1301 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.
1458 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.
2044 – disorderly, N. Liberty St.
2105 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
2105 – civil matter, Carmell St.
Saturday, Aug. 12:
1139 – property damage accident, Main St.
1345 – private property/property damage accident, Main St.
1444 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Bedell St.
1510 – mental subject, Carmell St.
1752 – traffic stop, Henry St./South St.
1808 – traffic stop, South St./Main St.
2332 – suicidal person, S. Edgemont Ave.
There were nine traffic stops on this week’s log.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 6:
1249 – suspicious circumstance, 46000 bl. Bemis
1416 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Haggerty
1428 – fire dept. assist, Timberlane Dr.
1450 – follow-up investigation, 18000 bl. Elwell
1701 – family trouble, Mulberry Dr.
1757 – operating while intoxicate arrest, Sumpter Rd. / Judd Rd.
1949 – noise complaint, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
2048 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
2131 – alarm, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
2146 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Willis Rd. / California ST.
Monday, Aug. 7:
0812 – property damage accident, Willis Ct. / Martinsville Rd.
1022 – suspicious circumstance, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1106 – disorderly person, Rustic Ln.
1145 – suspicious circumstance, Willis/Sumpter
1305 – fire dept. assist, Iowa St.
1520 – suspicious circumstance, Walnut St.
1554 – welfare check, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1557 – alarm, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1638 – suspicious circumstance, Mulberry Dr.
1756 – welfare check, 21000 bl. Clemmons Ct.
1908 – civil matter, New Mexico St.
2028 – follow-up investigation, 21000 bl. Clemmons Ct.
2205 – suspicious vehicle, Sumpter Rd./Arkona
Tuesday, Aug. 8:
0105 – alarm, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

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Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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0425 – follow-up investigation, Walnut St.
0542 – follow-up investigation, Walnut St.
0803 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.
0911 – harassment complaint, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1103 – 911 hang up, Birch Dr.
1404 – assist other agency, 8300 bl. Rawsonville
1542 – larceny, Montana St.

1610 – mental health call, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2004 – disorderly person, E. Arizona St.
2100 – neighbor dispute, Delaware St.
2326 – follow-up investigation, Colorado St.
Wednesday, Aug. 9:
0836 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1013 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1235 – animal complaint, Elwell Rd./Wear Rd.
1553 – civil matter, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1714 – civil matter, 45000 bl. Willow Rd.
1835 – follow-up investigation, Mulberry Dr.
1837 – assist other agency, Sherwood/Willow
1915 – property damage accident, 51000 bl. Willis
2008 – suspicious circumstance, 43000 bl. Judd

2016 – neighbor dispute, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
2105 – suspicious person, Oregon St.
2240 – civil matter, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
Thursday, Aug. 10:
1332 – welfare check, Colorado St.
1428 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1633 – civil matter, 40000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1834 – 911 hang up, Maine St.
1851 – larceny, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1950 – follow-up investigation, Carriage Ln.
2007 – follow-up investigation, Carriage Ln.
2129 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
Friday, Aug. 11:
0129 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Karr Rd.

0930 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0954 – assist other agency, Mulberry Dr.
1022 – 911 hang up, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
1052 – fire dept. assist, 25000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1333 – animal complaint, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1434 – 911 hang up, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1530 – 911 hang up, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1540 – suspicious circumstance, 48000 bl. Bemis
1610 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1619 – death investigation, 45000 bl. Kozma Rd.
1627 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Bemis
1725 – follow-up investigation, Washington St.
1731 – follow-up investigation, Washington St.
1755 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1944 – misdemeanor warrant arrest, Rawsonville
Rd. / Judd Rd.
1956 – suspicious circumstance, Carriage Ln.
2012 – noise complaint, Rustic Ln.
2047 – fire dept. assist, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
2049 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
2314 – shots fired, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 12:
0049 – family trouble, California St.
0241 – assist other agency, out of township
0243 – suspicious circumstance, 25000 bl. Elwell
1022 – neighbor dispute, Edgewood Dr.
1029 – 911 hang up, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
1117 – family trouble, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
1204 – follow-up investigation, 48000 bl. Harris
1406 – larceny, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1601 – family trouble, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1743 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Grove
1841 – disorderly person, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1855 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1917 – follow-up investigation, Sumpter/Bemis
1942 – traffic complaint/hazard, 42000 bl. Harris
2001 – found property, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2058 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
Also on this week's log are 122 patrol checks, 33
traffic stops, and 13 misc. details.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CORRECTED NOTICE

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE RZ 07-18-23(2)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ZONING ORDINANCE 05-2-17(2) AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

The Charter Township of Van Buren Ordains:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Zoning Map in connection with the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Ordinance No. RZ 07-18-23(2)

An ordinance to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 05-02-17(2), as amended, to amend the zoning map by rezoning the following parcel from **R1-B – Single Family Residential District** to **AG – Agricultural and Estate District**: 16355 Haggerty Road (Parcel ID Number 83 142 99 0001 000). The subject parcel is east of on the east side of Haggerty Road between Riggs Road and Savage Road.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

In the event any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this ordinance is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect seven (7) days after publication of the notice of adoption in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township. This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within fifteen (15) days of passage. A copy of this Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 during normal business hours.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 1st day of August, 2023.

YEAS: McNamara, Wright, Martin, Boynton, Kelley, and Frazier.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Budd

ABSTAINED: None

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance,

Leon Wright, Clerk

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Adopted: August 1, 2023
Published: August 10, 2023
Corrected Notice Published: August 17, 2023
Effective: August 24, 2023



Aug. 15 – Everly Armatis
Aug. 18 – Jaide Bandy, Elizabeth Losen
Aug. 19 – Peggy Voigt, Sheena Barnes,
Sarah Warring
Aug. 20 – Martha Hanolan, Eric Luke
Aug. 21 – Maria Torres

Do you have a birthday soon? Does someone you know have a birthday? Let us know and we will print the name as soon as possible. For more information, call (734) 699-9020.



**The Belleville Area Museum
has been closed by
Van Buren Township for
1,263 days as of today.
Set for reopening in Dec.**



RE/MAX

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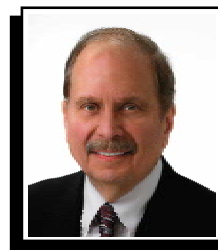
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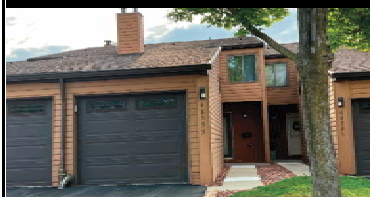
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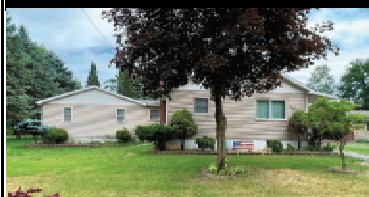
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NEW CONSTRUCTION



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A LOT TO OFFER



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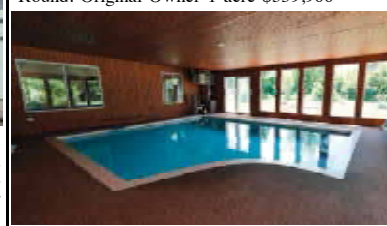


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