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Photo courtesy of Belleville High School Athletic Dept.

The Belleville High School Varsity Football team and supporters posed for the cameras Friday after winning the MHSAA District 1 title.

BHS, beats Saline, wins district title for 4th year in a row

On Friday, before a standing-room-only crowd, the Belleville High School Tigers varsity football team beat the Saline Hornets, 42-7, in the 2024 Michigan High School Athletic Association District 1 finals.

The Tigers, now 10-1, will play Detroit Catholic Central (9-0), in the Region 3 final next weekend. The Tigers are hoping to win their third state title in four years, after missing out last year.

The crowd at the BHS field on Friday lined the fence around the entire field and packed both stands after a busload of Michigan State University football fans arrived.

They joined the two schools' fanbases in the stadium and wore specially printed shirts to try to encourage the nation's No.

1 quarterback prospect Bryce Underwood and four-star defensive back Elijah Dotson to back off their commitments to other universities and stay "home" in Michigan after their 2025 graduation from BHS.

Underwood has committed to Louisiana State University and Dotson has committed to Pittsburgh.

Belleville athletic director Joe Brodie confirmed to the *Detroit Free Press* that former Michigan football assistant Connor Stalions is "around" but did not officially hire him as a member of the coaching staff. Stalions was in the Belleville coaching box with a headset on. *The Free Press* reported Stalions was vocal over the headset when Belleville had the ball. *The Free Press* was told earlier that he is not on staff.

Stalions, who resigned from Michigan

after he became the subject of the Wolverines' NCAA investigation for sign-stealing, was the unpaid defensive coordinator for Mumford High School (who finished 1-8) and also served as head coach for one game.

Stalions was not available for an interview postgame, but the *Free Press* reported it was told that he is helping with the offense and "observing Bryce (Underwood)."

On Monday, Channel 4 announced it

had confirmed that Stalions is coaching Underwood and has been hired to call plays during the BHS playoffs.

The MHSAA regional playoff game is 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15, when Belleville High School varsity football will play Detroit Catholic Central High School at the Fr. Richard Elmer Stadium (The Elm) in Novi. Tickets are \$9 and can be purchased at www.gofan.co.

Belleville voters reject proposal to drop Civil Service Commission

In the Nov. 5 General Election Belleville city voters approved three proposals to

change the city council and turned down
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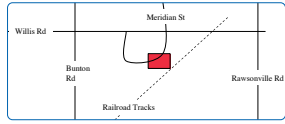
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Belleville Voters

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the fourth proposal, which was to eliminate the Civil Service Commission.

They approved allowing the council to set its meeting times and dates, approved eliminating roll-call votes on every matter acted on by the council, and approved changes to purchase procedures.

Proposal 4, to delete the Chapter on the Civil Service Commission, was turned down in a 815 yes to 962 no vote.

Proposal 1 got 1,381 yes votes and 437 no votes; Proposal 2 got 1,254 yes votes and 546 no votes; and Proposal 3 got 936 yes votes and 859 no votes.

City voters were 57.05% for Harris/Walz for president and 41.40% for Trump/Vance.

They voted 58.19% for U.S. Senate candidate Elissa Slotkin and 38.70% for Mike Rogers.

The vote for Debbie Dingell for Congress was 59.99% and for Heather Smiley it was 37.10%.

State Rep. Reggie Miller got 61.11% of the vote and Dale Biniecki got 38.44%.

State Board of Education, top two, were Theodore Jones, 28.61%, and Adam Frederick Zemke, 27.28%.

Regent of the University of Michigan, top two, were Denise Illitch, 30.04%, and Shauna Ryder Diggs, 29.17%.

Trustee of Michigan State University, top two, Rebecca Bahar-Cook, 29.44%, and Thomas Stallworth III, 27.90%.

Governors of Wayne State University, top two, were Rasha Demashkieh, 28.21%, and Mark T. Gaffney, 28.54%.

Wayne County officials: Prosecuting Attorney Kym L. Worthy, 77.66%; Sheriff Raphael Washington, 61.35%; Clerk Cathy M. Garrett, 78.58%; Treasurer Eric Sabree, 96.54%; Register of Deeds Bernard J. Youngblood, 65.19%.

County Commissioner 11th District candidate Allen R. Wilson got 96.24%.

Justice of Supreme Court, non-incumbent position, Kimberly Ann Thomas got 69.15% of the vote; incumbent position, Kyra Harris Bolden got 67.65%. Judge of Appeals, 1st district, Kirksten Frank Kelly, 59.10% and Michael J. Riordan, 38.48%.

Third Circuit Court Judges, 18 incumbents who were unopposed, all won and the non-incumbent candidate Adrienne G. Scruggs got 60.85%. Circuit Court incumbent with partial term, two positions, Bradley Cobb got 43.57% and Nicole N. Goodson got 53.94%.

Judge of Probate Court, incumbent, David A. Perkins, 97.03%; non-incumbent, top two, Macie Gaines, 34.44%, and Todd E. Briggs, 25.24%.

34th District Court Teresa Patton got 59.60% of the vote.

Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, top four: Dionne Falconer,



The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4434 and the Polish Legion of American Veterans Post #167 led the Veterans Day ceremony at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville's Horizon Park on Monday morning. There were presentations by Grace Baptist Church Pastor Robert White, VFW Commander John Blackstone, and PLAV Commander George Kennedy. Lori Day and Geof Bush led the singing of the "National Anthem" by the crowd and five veterans gave the rifle salute.

Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

22.68%; Victor DeLibera, 19.96%; Wade Fields, 19.88%; David W. Shall, 17.80%

District Library candidates were unopposed: Joy Chichewicz, 34.09%; Maria Jackson-Smith, 33.98%; Alma Hughes-Grubbs, 30.95%.

The Wayne RESA regional enhancement millage got 1,143 yes votes (62.25%) and 693 no votes (37.75%).

There were 2,261 votes cast in the city of Belleville. There were 536 cast in early voting, 877 on election day, and 848 absentee.

69.55% of voters turn out in Van Buren Township for election

In the Nov. 5 General Election in Van Buren Township, 4,329 were early voters, 5,505 turned out on election day and there were 8,010 absentee voters.

17,844 total voters turned out of the 25,658 total registered voters for a 69.55% turnout.

All of the VBT board members listed on the ballot won election. The write-in candidate for township trustee was unsuccessful.

VBT voters were 61.02% for Harris/Walz for president and 36.68% for Trump/Vance.

They voted 61.75% for U.S. Senate candidate Elissa Slotkin and 34.71% for Mike Rogers.

The vote for Debbie Dingell for Congress was 63.86% and for Heather Smiley it was 33.17%

State Rep. Reggie Miller got 65.36% of

the vote and Dale Biniecki got 34.19%.

State Board of Education, top two, were Theodore Jones, 31.03%, and Adam Frederick Zemke, 29.27%.

Regents of the University of Michigan, top two, were Denise Illitch, 32.59%, and Shauna Ryder Diggs, 30.84%.

Trustee of Michigan State University, top two, Rebecca Bahar-Cook, 31.45%, and Thomas Stallworth III, 30.26%.

Governors of Wayne State University, top two, were Rasha Demashkieh, 30.76%, and Mark T. Gaffney, 30.55%.

Wayne County officials: Prosecuting Attorney Kym L. Worthy, 78.55%; Sheriff Raphael Washington, 65.61%; Clerk Cathy M. Garrett, 79.26%; Treasurer Eric Sabree, 95.87%; Register of Deeds Bernard J. Youngblood, 68.93%.

County Commissioner 11th District candidate Allen R. Wilson got 95.64%.

Justice of Supreme Court, non-incumbent position, Kimberly Ann Thomas got 71.43% of the vote; incumbent position, Kyra Harris Bolden got 72.73%; Judge of Appeals, 1st district, top two, Kirksten Frank Kelly, 56.87% and Michael J. Riordan, 40.52%.

Third Circuit Court Judges, 18 incumbents who were unopposed, all won and the non-incumbent candidate Adrienne G. Scruggs got 58.92%. Circuit Court incumbent with partial term, two positions, Bradley Cobb got 43.25% and Nicole N. Goodson got 54.38%.

Judge of Probate Court, incumbent, David A. Perkins, 96.43%; non-incumbent, top two, Macie Gaines, 36.87%, and Ron L. Haywood, 22.83%.

34th District Court Teresa Patton got

66.34% of the vote.

Lincoln Consolidated Schools candidates were unopposed.

Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, top four: Dionne Falconer, 23.24%; Victor DeLibera, 19.00%; Wade Fields, 19.86%; David W. Shall, 18.71%

District Library candidates were unopposed: Joy Chichewicz, 32.62%; Maria Jackson-Smith, 34.65%; Alma Hughes-Grubbs, 31.03%.

The Lincoln Consolidated School District sinking fund millage proposal got 61.67% yes and 38.33% no votes. The Washtenaw Intermediate School District special education millage renewal got 70.35% yes and 29.65% no votes.

The Wayne RESA regional enhancement millage got 9,213 yes votes (65.12%) and 4,934 no votes (34.88%).

Sumpter voters reelect Tim Bowman as township supervisor

In the Nov. 5 General Election Sumpter Township voters reelected Republican Tim Bowman as township supervisor over challenger Nelson Po, who ran as a Democrat.

Bowman earned 3,348 (59%) votes and Po got 2,236 (39.81%).

Other township officials were running unopposed on the Republican ticket.

There were 5,987 votes cast of the 9,326 registered voters in Sumpter, making a turnout of 64.2%.

1,633 votes were cast in early voting,

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O P I N I O N S

Editorial

Crowd honors military veterans at Monday ceremony in Belleville

It was a sunny day with a cold wind off the lake on Monday, when a crowd gathered at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville to honor military veterans retired and in service.

It was disappointing, however, when it came time to watch them lay the wreaths at the memorial. There were only two wreaths, one from the Veterans of Foreign Wars and one from the Polish Legion of American Veterans, with four empty spaces left.

That's what happened last Veterans Day, as well. Before that, in past years, representatives from the city of Belleville and Van Buren and Sumpter townships would each place a wreath. Five places were filled with colorful displays. And then the representatives, usually veterans themselves, would say a few words explaining the importance of the young men and women who serve to keep our country safe.

George Kennedy, commander of the PLAV, told those gathered that the VFW and PLAV had members that were getting old and aging and they needed new members. He asked the younger veterans to step forward and join the groups. The present veterans were able to do the gun salute. The crowd joined in on the "National Anthem" led by Lori Day and Geof Bush. Last year Clerk Leon Wright from Van Buren Township (a veteran) and State Rep. Reggie Miller were in the audience, but didn't speak. This year, not an official in sight.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

A reader who is suffering from Parkinson's disease said that two people from Van Buren Township came to his house to inquire after his signature on his absentee ballot didn't look like the signature they had on file. After they learned that his handwriting had deteriorated because of the Parkinson's, they were satisfied and his ballot was accepted.

Another reader said something similar happened to her family a few years ago when her husband was fighting muscular dystrophy. She took him to the VBT hall with paperwork to show them and they were satisfied his handwriting was different because of the circumstances.

Thanks to Clerk Leon Wright and his team for being so careful with our ballots. We appreciate that a lot.

Martha Hanoian is no longer executive director of the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce. She assures us everything is in place for Winter Fest, which begins in a few weeks.

The Belleville City Council was scheduled to meet on Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 11, but then moved its meeting to Tuesday, Nov. 12. That was the same day as the Belleville Area District Library. Both meetings will have reports for next week's edition.

The courts and the city and townships were closed on Veterans Day, but the school district wasn't. That meeting went on as scheduled and a report is in this week's paper.

We've been told that the reason the



schools close when they are used for a voting precinct is to protect the voters who are sex offenders, who have a right to vote. The law is that those labeled as sex offenders cannot be near children, so if the kids were in school the sex offenders couldn't vote. Who knew?

Van Buren Township is considering ways to relocate its voting precincts to other locations than schools. Good idea.

On Haggerty Road, just north of the Savage Road that runs into Belleville, on Monday there were two dead deer besides the roadway. One was a mature deer, on the east side of the road that had been there for five days. On Monday there was a new dead deer. A very young deer. A driver told me the way it was facing, it looked like it saw its mother lying along the roadway and tried to get to its mother and also got hit by a vehicle. It was heart breaking, he said.

It takes quite a while for dead deer to be removed by the county.

Millie Baker, who with her husband started the all-school reunion at BHS, is recovering from a heart attack. She is 98 years old and celebrated her 80th BHS reunion this year. Get well, soon, Millie.

Van Buren School Supt. Pete Kudlak is having problems with the selection of his coaches, it seems. At Monday's school

board meeting, a group of parents and students waited patiently until the end of the meeting to get up and speak about the problems with the bowling coach. They said they had followed the chain of command and talked to Supt. Kudlak and he didn't do anything about it. So, they came to the school board.

Also on Monday, Channel 4 News led off its 6 o'clock news with interviews about the new football coach hired to help push the BHS Tigers back to the state championship. Because the new coach's reputation is that of a cheater, many school employees have been unhappy with the selection.

At Monday's meeting, Kudlak said having provisional football coaches is not unusual and a former head coach came back to help before. And, Coach Rogers will be able to help out, as well as the other coach.

"If you see something that might help us ... we can't be scared to try," he said.

Kudlak said bringing the provisional coaches onboard has been, "bumpy along the way."

He referred to Conner Stalions who was no longer with the University of Michigan because of accusations of stealing signs from opposing teams.



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Letters

Thank you, Sgt. Abdilla for helping my son

To the editor:
 In today's world, I have noticed there are many that only want to share negative comments and/or posts about their experiences either with stores, schools, other individuals and this includes police.
 I know there are good and bad people out there, but it seems like no one ever takes the time to acknowledge when a person does something good.
 Please let me explain. After my divorce my ex moved to a different state and conned my son into making him his payee for his Social Security disability even though my son did not and does not live with him and only saw him about one weekend (at the most) a month, even maybe every two months.
 You see, when someone is on SSI, that money is supposed to be spent on that individual's living expenses, doctor bills, food, phone, etc., just like everyone else. My ex was using my son's SS money for rent for himself, his girlfriend, and her three children.
 I went twice to the SS building in Inkster on Cherry Hill to explain this to them, showing his state ID for Michigan, his school records and their final words were, "There is nothing we can do since your son is over 18." Basically, they were of no help!

I was lost on what to do. Thinking maybe I could file a police report for theft of my son's SS monthly check, I called the Van Buren police department one night crying and ended up talking to Sergeant Mark Abdilla. He just sat there and listened to me get it all out and then told me what I could do to help my son's situation.

The next day, I followed his instructions and about a couple of months later, my son started receiving his SS again. Not only did he take the time out of his busy day to just sit there and listen to a complete stranger cry, he helped my son.

So, this letter is to the Township Supervisor, Chief of Police, and the many wonderful people of Van Buren Twp./Belleville. I would like the whole community to know what a great guy Sergeant Mark Abdilla is.

Mark, this is a shout out to you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Michelle N.
 Van Buren Township

Supervisor Bowman won't be fair & square

To the editor:
 Congratulations, Tim Bowman. You won't be fair and square. However, I will let you know on this medium what the legitimate powers of government are and the reason they were created and included in the Great Contract between the people and the ones that are governing.

I mean the Constitution. It is no longer taught in schools.

This newspaper will be conveyed to you on a weekly basis because there will be a letter telling you what is wrong with your cloak-and-dagger style of public leadership. If this is not the paper of record, you will still see every issue, every week until I get bored or until it's evident you're a legend in your own mind.

I think the public is beneath you. You have no hours. You wield power like it's a mace and because "I say so" should be a reasonable reason to do what you say.

The first lesson you need to learn is if a law is UNREASONABLE, it isn't a valid law. In PA 300, the motor vehicle regulation, the Mission Statement is the first thing. It gives a reason why the regulations were created. In this case it was to improve my profession. It has failed to do that because mobile mechanics are not subject to getting a facility license. It is a hodgepodge of lunacy that, personally, I have tried to end for the good of the people.

All you had to do was ask me why. And, I am unreasonable. Yeah, right.

All I do is ask questions. Like Mr. Bowman, I am not sure if Mr. Patterson is aware that you have a business in the community and according to the code, personal property tax is levied one day a year, what is on the property for Dec. 13 and Jan. 1.

Has Mr. Patterson issued a personal property tax on all your Bright, Shiny Toys? I know you have been acquiring some and the tax is based on true cash value, not how much you have paid on 'em. So tighten up, budder cup, cuz FOIA season is here.

Of course, Mr. Patterson thought he could double-bill me. I was informed of the universal Commercial Code, which states evidence of paying a bill means that you agree to the bill. I had to respond as to why they shouldn't proceed with collection.

My response was he was double-billing me. I had a township license and had filed the required exemption and he kept billing me in the "old" name. Fraud is an exclusion to the bill-payment requirement. There was nothing ever filed in "Sumpter auto repairs" name. The permits were in my personal name.

I realize we have a rural community. Why didn't you inquire with ... the township clerk? It's not my job to do your job. Your

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Musings
 By Janet Millard
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I would guess that the Saline Hornets should be used to losing to Belleville, but I really thought they would score more. BHS took the District Finals 42-7. Bye-bye, Hornets! This Friday will be an away game as Belleville faces Catholic Central at its field in Novi. Catholic Central is undefeated so it should be a good game. I'm not worried though because we are on our way to Ford Field. Orange & Black all the way!

Winter Fest, scheduled for Dec. 5 through Dec. 9, will have many crafters to get those last-minute Christmas gifts, but November brings you a couple of opportunities, also. Look for the list of Third Thursday Popsups in the paper today. And, on Saturday, Nov. 23, the Craft Show at Belleville High School will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Add these events to our stores downtown, and if you can't find it in Belleville, it just doesn't exist!

Speaking of Christmas, the Belleville Central Business Community is already hard at work preparing the stockings for Santa to give to area children starting in the library after the Christmas Parade and

ending the next two Saturdays when he holds forth in the Belleville Area Museum surrounded by the Festival of Holiday Trees and Wreaths. Watch for the advertisements in this paper starting on Dec. 5.

There is a box outside our office door for Toys for Tots donations and on Monday we received our first donations. We expect the hallway will be overflowing by Thanksgiving. Also, the Goodfellows in all three of our communities are taking reservations for local families to apply for food and toys to fulfill their motto of "No Child Without a Christmas." As always, please give generously and blessings for your help.

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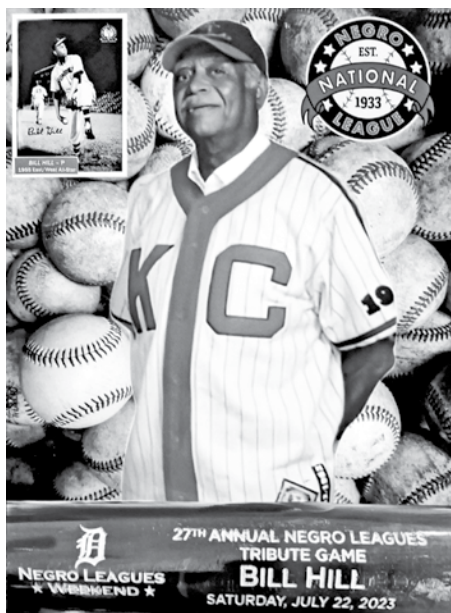
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Obituaries



Pastor William E. Hill

PASTOR WILLIAM ELLERBEE HILL

(December 11, 1933 – October 6, 2024)
Pastor William E. Hill was born on December 11, 1933 to the union of Mr. Tobe E. Hill and his wife Mattie Lucy (Cole) Hill in Lauderdale, Mississippi.

Willie, as he was lovingly known, moved to Detroit, MI, at the age of 11 with his parents. Willie enjoyed playing sports, especially baseball which he excelled in. Willie played on various teams and leagues around the city of Detroit and was scouted by many teams when he was just 14 years of age. The scouts told him he was too young at the time but they would keep an eye on him as he got older. He played baseball, basketball, and ran track and field at Detroit Chadsey High School. He was one of the city's top prospects while at Chadsey. Willie started his professional baseball career playing with the Kansas City Monarchs of the Negro Leagues. He later signed a contract to play with the Philadelphia Phillies professional baseball club, playing with one of their class AA minor league teams in Olean, New York.

On October 1, 1955 Willie was joined in marriage to Martha E. Brown. The couple just celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary earlier this month. To this union they had three children: Jeffrey D., William B., and Brent T. Hill. Willie was saved at the Metropolitan Church of God in Detroit under the pastorate of Dr. James E. Massy. He would later become ordained and licensed through the national Church of God in Anderson, Indiana, and the State of Michigan. Pastor Hill would later

establish a church in Sumpter Township named The Body of Christ Church of God. Pastor Hill was active in all of the communities in which he lived. He coached youth baseball and basketball teams, formed a mentoring group of fathers called "The Dads' Club" and opened up community gyms so that the youth had somewhere to play basketball.

On October 6, 2024, Pastor Hill made his transition. Preceding him in death were his father Tobe Hill, mother Mattie Hill, two sisters Mary Sadler and Jeanette McDaniel, niece Carmen Hill, nephews Travis J. and Keith D. Sadler.

He leaves to mourn a loving wife Martha Hill; three sons Jeffrey (Mary), Bernie (Angela), and Brent (Deanne); 14 grandchildren, Devonne (Janay), Jeffery, She'lon Hill-Tucker (Solomon), Josh (Heather), Will "BJ", Jieron Robinson, Ashley Hill-Campbell (Daryl), Jordan Freelon, Mikayla, Cole Walsh, Joe, Jillian, Anastasia, and Tayia Perault; 12 great-grandchildren; a host of devoted nieces, nephews, close cousins, and friends.

Our prayer is that you can love God as Pastor Hill did, always helping one another with love. God Bless you.

DARREN EDWARDS

Died October 30, 2024 at his home in Belleville. He was born in England and worked at Antiques on Main until it closed. Cremation rites have been accorded and a memorial service held.

Call for GoFund Me donations.

One week ago, my son-in-law lost his battle with mental health, leaving behind his wife, Morgan, and two-year-old daughter, Piper, as well as his parents, grandparents, siblings, and many friends. Darren struggled with holding down a job, and money was often tight, but the one thing he was passionate about was Piper's education.

In memory of Darren and to carry on his legacy, I have opened this GoFundMe account for the sole purpose of ensuring Piper can continue at her current daycare/preschool until she transitions to Kindergarten.

Daycare is extremely expensive, and I am asking you to please donate even the smallest amount in Darren's memory to help Piper continue to grow and learn at a school where she is loved and well cared for and is a constant for her as she and Morgan navigate this "new normal."

Michele Gerardi-Aparicio

ALICE ZATIRKA

(February 25, 1931 – November 4, 2024)
Age 93, of Ann Arbor. Survived by children Sharon Zatirka, Kenneth Zatirka, Alen Zatirka; five grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren. Visitation was Nov. 9 at Brown Funeral Home, with burial at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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- Thursday, Nov. 14 – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- Monday, Nov. 18 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 19 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 20 – Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 6 p.m. Also, City of Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m.

More Letters

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job is to LAWFULLY COLLECT TAXES. Not use them to bully people. I would hate to think you were another one of Timmy's lap dogs.

One last thing you need to know, I will always be part of this community. Parts of me still are.

Blissfully happy,
John Chapman

New live tree at Nov. 25 Remembrance ceremony

To the editor:

The Annual Tree of Remembrance Ceremony at the Brown Family Center, which happens every year on the Monday before Thanksgiving, now has a live tree.

This tree was graciously donated by Deb Cleghorn, whose husband Gary, aka "Fuzz", died in 2023. The tree will continue to grow as the years pass, and our guests can continue to place their loved one's special ornament, honoring their loved one, on it each year.

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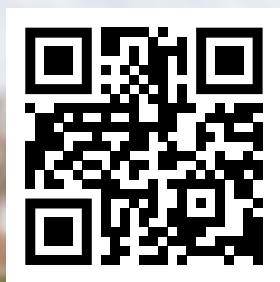
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Sumpter voters

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2,521 on election day and 1,833 absentee.

Township voters were 39.56% for Harris/Walz for president and 58.83% for Trump/Vance.

They voted 40.80% for U.S. Senate candidate Elissa Slotkin and 55.40% for Mike Rogers.

The vote for Debbie Dingell for Congress was 42.82% and for Heather Smiley it was 53.97%

State Rep. Reggie Miller, D, got 43.21% of the vote and Dale Biniecki, R, got 56.11%.

State Board of Education, top two, were Tom McMillin, 27.26%, and Nikki Snyder, 27.56%.

Regent of the University of Michigan, top two, were Carl Meyers, 29.07%, and Sevag Vartanian, 25.10%.

Trustee of Michigan State University, top two, Mike Balow, 28.02%, and Julie Maday, 27.17%.

Governors of Wayne State University, top two, were Michael Busuito, 27.66%, and Sunny Reddy, 27.06%.

Wayne County officials: Prosecuting Attorney Kym L. Worthy, 64.10%; Sheriff T.P. Nykoriak, 55.46%; Clerk Canty M. Garrett, 62.94%; Treasurer Eric Sabree, 90.37%; Register of Deeds Bernard J. Youngblood, 50.56%.

County Commissioner 11th District candidate Allen R. Wilson got 89.91%.

Justice of Supreme Court, non-incumbent position, Kimberly Ann Thomas got 56.96% of the vote; incumbent position, Kyra Harris Bolden got 57.02%. Judge of Appeals, 1st district, Kirksten Frank Kelly, 53.79% and Michael J. Riordan, 42.28%.

Third Circuit Court Judges, 18 incumbents who were unopposed, all won and the non-incumbent candidate John Larkin got 50.89%. Circuit Court incumbent with partial term, two positions, Bradley Cobb got 44.16% and Nicole N. Goodson got 52.06%.

Judge of Probate Court, incumbent, David A. Perkins, 94.73%; non-incumbent, top two, Macie Gaines, 31.09%, and Todd E. Briggs, 26.35%.

34th District Court Teresa Patton got 52.02% of the vote, over Robert Courtts who earned 45.20%.

The two Airport Community Schools board of education candidates were unopposed. The two Huron School District candidates also were unopposed. The two Lincoln Consolidated Schools candidates also were unopposed.

Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, top four: Wade Fields, 19.88%; Dionne Falconer, 19.40%; Victor DeLibera, 19.40%; David W. Shall, 19.31%

District Library candidates were unopposed: Joy Chichewicz, 33.85%; Maria Jackson-Smith, 32.92%; Alma Hughes-Grubbs, 30.18%.

The Airport Community Schools Bond Proposal got 43.95% yes votes and 56.05% no votes.

The Lincoln Consolidated Sinking Fund Millage Proposal got 50.60% yes votes and 49.40% no votes.

The Washtenaw Intermediate School District special education millage got 61.40% yes votes and 38.60% no votes.

The Wayne RESA regional enhancement millage got 1,350 yes votes (44.90%) and 1,657 no votes (55.10%).

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- Nov. 15 – Barb Rider
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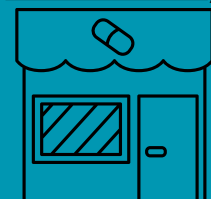
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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 251 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Nov. 3:

0028 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0041 – assist other dept., N. Bellridge Dr.

0046 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0109 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0214 – threat, Park Estates Dr.

0435 – property damage accident, Morton Taylor Rd./Ecorse Rd.

0511 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Van Buren St.

0839 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Hamilton Ct.

0913 – fraud, Jackson Ct.

1110 – larceny from auto, N. Cumberland Dr.

0939 – domestic, Mantauk Ct.

1013 – follow up by officer, Westlake

1047 – property check, Tyler Rd.

1200 – civil matter, Madison Dr.

1213 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Berkdale Dr.

1210 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.

1310 – property check, Tyler Rd.

1314 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.

1326 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1456 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1509 – property check, Tyler Rd.

1547 – unauthorized driving away of auto, W. Walden Dr.

1555 – property check, Tyler Rd.

1609 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Stonebridge Ct.

1641 – family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1706 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd.

1705 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.

xxxx – parking complaint, Pinewood Ln.

1832 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1910 – assist citizen, Bemis Rd.

2013 – civil matter, S. Woodbury Dr.

2015 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Brookside Dr.

Monday, Nov. 4:

0059 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.

0109 – suicidal person, Stonebridge Dr.

0209 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

0252 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville I-94 ramp E./E. I-94

0344 – intrusion alarm, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0501 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.

0450 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.

0632 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

0635 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

0734 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Hamilton St./Hayes St.

0753 – animal complaint, Van Born Rd.

0941 – vehicle lockout, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0944 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

xxxx – repossession, Sugarbush

1018 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1028 – family trouble, Patty Ln.

xxxx – civil matter, Beckley Rd.

1230 – property damage accident, Van Born / Haggerty Rd.

1300 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd.

1333 – mental subject, Hull Rd.

1601 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1624 – traffic offense, Haggerty Rd./Independence

1630 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

1737 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.

1823 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Alden

1846 – motorist assist, Ecorse/Belleville Rd.

2020 – noise complaint, Bog Rd.

2028 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Brandi Dr.

2050 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Woodbury Dr.

2302 – fight, Hull Rd.

2333 – fight, Sumpter Rd./Hull Rd.

Tuesday, Nov. 5:

0008 – property damage accident, W. I-94 / Haggerty Rd.

0315 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.

xxxx – repossession, Denton Rd.

0817 – family trouble, Dewitt Rd.

0828 – welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl.

1002 – welfare check, Willow Way

1037 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.

1047 – traffic offense, Bemis Rd./Rawsonville Rd.

1053 – property check, E. Huron River Dr.

1051 – abandoned auto, Bemis Rd./Rawsonville

1114 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.

1214 – abandoned auto, Belleville Rd.

1255 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Harbor Ln.

1326 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

1417 – intrusion alarm, Water's Edge Ln.

1403 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.

1418 – traffic offense, Haggerty Rd.

1445 – welfare check, Greenbriar Dr.

1532 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Village Green Ln.

1623 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Marina Dr. / Reene Dr.

1546 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Belle Pointe Estates.

1602 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./E. I-94

1617 – traffic offense, Jackson St./Buchanan St.

1640 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

1653 – malicious destruction of property, Village Green Ln.

1708 – family trouble, Sylvia Dr.

1802 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.

1834 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.

2005 – road hazard, Glen

2021 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Brookview Dr.

2050 – animal complaint, Savage Rd.

2040 – traffic offense, Hull Rd.

2103 – harassment call, rest area

2148 – suicidal person, Bemis Rd.

Wednesday, Nov. 6:

0054 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

0317 – domestic, Belleville Rd./E. I-94

0653 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

0719 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

1244 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

1602 – animal complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1700 – domestic, Denton Rd.

1705 – domestic, Elwell Rd.

1850 – civil matter, Holly Ln.

1908 – private property impound, Alden Ave.

2113 – civil matter, N. Bellridge Dr.

2156 – motorist assist, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.

2340 – missing person, Beckley Rd.

Thursday, Nov. 7:

0020 – shooting, Ecorse Rd./Belleville Rd.

0401 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Elwell Rd.

0440 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.

0706 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.

xxxx – repossession, Park Estates Dr.

0848 – assist citizen, Michigan Ave.

0855 – family trouble, Village Green Ln.

1105 – assist fire dept., Lancaster Dr.

1250 – intrusion alarm, Edison Lake Rd.

xxxx – property damage accident, E. Main St.

1250 – intrusion alarm, Edison Lake Rd.

xxxx – property damage accident, E. Main St.

1431 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1402 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.

1455 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Berkdale Dr.

1542 – private property impound, Denton Rd.

1648 – property damage accident, Rose Blvd.

1834 – missing person, Bemis Rd.

1824 – fight, Lancaster Dr.

1926 – breaking & entering, Oak Blvd.

2013 – lost property/child, Belleville Rd.

2036 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Edwards Rd.

2318 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

Friday, Nov. 8:

0132 – property damage accident, E. I-94/Haggerty

0403 – domestic, Dewitt Rd.

0827 – fraud, W. Huron River Dr.

xxxx – private property impound, S. I-94 Service

0827 – fraud, W. Huron River Dr.

xxxx – private property impound, S. I-94 Service

1020 – abandoned auto, Ecorse Rd./Belleville Rd.

1057 – welfare check, Elwell Rd.

1100 – road hazard, N. I-275/Ecorse

1219 – intrusion alarm, W. Walden Dr.

1222 – intrusion alarm, Bemis Rd.

1303 – civil matter, Dewitt Rd.

1349 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.

1406 – intrusion alarm, Laguna Dr.

1637 – misc. complaint, Price Rd.

1630 – welfare check, N. Bellridge Dr.

1702 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1725 – intrusion alarm, Hanover Dr.

1837 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Marlowe Ave. / Ecorse Rd.

1827 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

1854 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1940 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1854 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1900 – family trouble, Pebblebrook Dr.

1927 – shooting, S. I-94 Service Dr.

xxxx – property damage accident, W. Huron River Dr. / High St.

2004 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

2130 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

2322 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.

2244 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 9:

0055 – parking complaint, Lake Villa Dr.

0115 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0358 – intrusion alarm, Wildbrook Dr.

0444 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.

0710 – missing person, Robson Rd.

0730 – unattended death, Maple Dr.

0840 – assist other dept., Rose

1059 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service

1245 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr./Quirk Rd.

1315 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1320 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Chatsworth Dr.

1406 – animal complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1441 – malicious destruction of property, Parkwood Dr.

1709 – animal complaint, Sheldon Rd.

1849 – civil matter, Harmony Ln.

2006 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd./Bog Rd.

2022 – road hazard, S. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville

2046 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.

2048 – assist fire dept., Westlake Cir.

2112 – traffic offense, Van Born Rd./Belleville Rd.

2143 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.

2217 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.

2254 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr./Oak Ln.

Also, on this week's log are 65 traffic stops, 12 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Nov. 3:

0136 – property damage accident, Main St.

0621 – neighbor trouble, Henry St.

0941 – welfare check, Clarence St.

1016 – assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.

1044 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1131 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1147 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1214 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1226 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1228 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1231 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1401 – domestic, Main St.

1701 – intrusion alarm, Owen St.

1824 – misc. complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

2026 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.

Monday, Nov. 4:

0701 – assault & battery, Henry St.

1053 – harassment call, Main St.

1519 – ordinance violation – all MICR codes, E. Waterbury Ct.

2126 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Edgemont St.

Tuesday, Nov. 5:

1139 – found property/child, W. Columbia Ave.

1248 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1316 – vehicle lockout, Fourth St.

1608 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

1608 – disorderly, W. Columbia Ave.

1656 – found property/child, W. Columbia Ave.

1958 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Brain St.

Wednesday, Nov. 6:

0533 – neighbor trouble, N. Liberty St.

0810 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Carmell St.

1030 – repossession, E. Huron River Dr.

1426 – property damage accident, N. Liberty/Main

2348 – neighbor trouble, N. Liberty St.

Thursday, Nov. 7:

1024 – parking complaint, Roland

1251 – disorderly, S. Industrial Park Dr.

1316 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, E. Main St.

1435 – property damage accident, W. Columbia

1813 – traffic offense, Main St./First St.

1833 – malicious destruction of property, Carmell

1855 – assist other dept., Estrada

1939 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.

xxxx – background investigation, Main St.

Friday, Nov. 8:

1319 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd.

1439 – harassment call, Sumpter Rd.

1553 – property damage accident, E. Columbia

1920 – parking complaint, W. Columbia

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Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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- 2134 - traffic complaint/hazard, Martinsville Rd. / Arkona Rd.
 - 2150 - family trouble, Oregon St.
 - 2300 - traffic complaint/hazard, 45000 bl. Harris
 - Wednesday, Nov. 6:**
 - 0002 - alarm, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.
 - 0722 - suspicious person, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
 - 1219 - animal complaint, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
 - 1610 - harassment complaint, 49000 bl. Collyer
 - 1626 - animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
 - 1651 - traffic complaint/hazard, Savage/Harris
 - 1654 - assist citizen, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
 - 1749 - 911 hangup, Wayside Dr.
 - 1859 - suspicious circumstance, Mulberry Dr. / Martinsville Rd.
 - 2040 - 911 hangup, Birch Dr.
 - 2046 - fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
 - Thursday, Nov. 7:**
 - 0021 - family trouble, 26000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
 - 0825 - alarm, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.
 - 0856 - assist other agency, Oregon St.
 - 0902 - suspicious circumstance, Mulberry Dr.
 - 1030 - animal complaint, Judd Rd./Martinsville
 - 1050 - felony warrant arrest, 19000 bl. Sumpter
 - 1202 - civil matter, Magnolia Dr.
 - 1319 - assist other agency, 19000 bl. Sumpter
 - 1341 - fire dept. assist, 6500 bl. Oakville Waltz
 - 1528 - suspicious vehicle, Rawsonville/Rustic Ln.
 - 1541 - shots fired, Judd Rd./Karr Rd.
 - 1619 - fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
 - 1641 - civil matter, California St.
 - 1714 - follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
 - 1853 - follow-up investigation, 26000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
 - 1955 - death investigation, 18000 bl. Martinsville
 - 2015 - assist citizen, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
 - 2136 - suspicious vehicle, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
 - Friday, Nov. 8:**
 - 0142 - fire dept. assist, 9200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
 - 0145 - carrying concealed weapon violation, Mulberry Dr.
 - 0211 - alarm, 40000 bl. Judd Rd.
 - 0436 - fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Wear Rd.
 - 0521 - malicious destruction of property, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
 - 0550 - follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
 - 0911 - animal complaint, Edgewood Dr.
 - 1014 - neighbor dispute, 45000 bl. Paris Dr.
 - 1030 - suspicious circumstance, 51000 bl. Arkona
 - 1056 - follow-up investigation, Edgewood Dr.
 - 1306 - family trouble, Iowa St.
 - 1428 - suspicious person, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
 - 1450 - juvenile matter, Birch Dr.
 - 1638 - assist fire dept., Carriage Ln.
 - 1659 - civil matter, Rustic Ln.
 - 1725 - animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
 - 1929 - noise complaint, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.
 - 2004 - civil matter, Greenmeadow Dr.
 - 2048 - suspicious circumstance, 20000 Sherwood
 - 2121 - 911 hangup, Arizona St.
 - Saturday, Nov. 9:**
 - 0901 - family trouble, Country Club Blvd.
 - 0923 - family trouble, Colorado St.
 - 1014 - warrant arrest, Colorado St.
 - 1156 - suspicious person, 23000 bl. Martinsville
 - 1212 - assist citizen, Greenmeadow Dr.
 - 1312 - juvenile matter, Alaska St.
 - 1315 - noise complaint, Bohn Rd./Wear Rd.
 - 1326 - 911 hangup, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.
 - 1357 - neighbor dispute, Greenmeadow Dr.
 - 1550 - animal complaint, Willow Rd./Sherwood
 - 2109 - property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Wear Rd.
 - 2247 - 911 hangup, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
 - 2308 - fire dept. assist, Huron Twp. PD
- Also on this week's log are 207 patrol checks, 66 traffic stops, and 16 misc. details.

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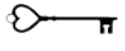
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Unofficial local totals for Nov. 5, 2024 General Election

In the Nov. 5 General Election, some candidates and proposals had voters in different municipalities who cast votes on the same thing. Their totals had to be figured across the communities, including:

- Teresa Patton got 21,086 total votes (63.72%) and Robert Coutts 11,336 total votes (34.26%) for 34th District Court Judge.
- Reggie Miller got 25,734 total votes

(51.9%) and Dale Biniecki got 23,869 total votes (48.1%) for state representative in the 31st District.

• Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education seats had voters in both Wayne and Washtenaw counties participating. Totals are for the top four are: Dionne Falconer, 11,023; Wade Fields, 9,505; Victor DeLibera, 9,015; and David W. Shall, 8,561. Billie Jo Harsch earned 8,028

votes and there were 1,437 write-ins.

- Belleville District Library board candidates were unopposed. Vote totals were: Maria Jackson-Smith, 10,715 (34.26%); Joy Cichewicz, 10,316 (32.98%), and Alma Hughes-Grubbs, 9,653 (30.86%).
- Wayne RESA Regional Enhancement

Millage passed with 482,944 yes votes and 226,133 no votes.

• The Lincoln Community Schools Sinking Fund passed and the Washtenaw Intermediate School District Special Education millage passed. The Airport Community Schools bond issue failed.

Wayne County voters pass RESA millage with 68% of vote

Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA) Superintendent Dr. Daveda Colbert and fellow Wayne County superintendents applaud the voters' approval of the Wayne County Regional Enhancement Millage Renewal.

The millage renewal passed by 68% in Wayne County. 100% of its funds will be distributed equally per student and will help the 33 local Wayne County school districts and more than 90 eligible public school academies expand career-technical programs that help prepare students for in-demand careers, support attracting and hiring the best, highly qualified teachers to reduce class sizes, provide educational opportunities for all Wayne County students, and strengthen school safety.

"Thank you to the voters of Wayne County for their continued support in providing our students

with the skills to compete for in-demand jobs, keeping our students safe and keeping class sizes low by hiring highly qualified teachers and support staff," said Supt. Colbert.

"With the Wayne County Regional Enhancement Millage renewed, our schools can continue to support our students and educators in all aspects, including by expanding career-technical programs that help prepare students for high-wage careers, as well as maintaining lower class sizes, providing educational opportunities for all learners, and enhancing school safety. We are deeply grateful to our Wayne County residents and voters for their continued support in keeping our school communities strong, and thank our superintendents, school administrators, teachers and support staff for the important work they do each and every day."

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Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority will present Light up the Park at 6 p.m., Nov. 20, at Harris Park, 10101 Belleville Rd.

The Belleville Community Chorus will be present to sing, VBT DDA is providing Santa Letter kits for kids to take home and write to Santa. They can drop them off at the special mail box at the Belleville Area District Library.

Rainy' Day Cakes will have sweets and Double B's Freeze & Tea's will provide hot chocolate, coffee and cider.

The DDA will have candles for people to light up as the lights go up shortly after 6 p.m. The Christmas tree has been installed and the park is decorated.

Everything is complimentary from the VBT DDA and was organized by Executive Director Merrie Coburn.

Sumpter Goodfellows applications available for Christmas help

Application for Christmas help from the Sumpter Township Goodfellows are now available at Sumpter Ace Hardware, Sumpter Township Police station and Sumpter Township Hall, as well as all schools and the *Belleville-Area Independent* office.

Deadline to submit the completed applications is Dec. 3. Applicants will be notified by phone and they will be asked to come and pick up their gifts Dec. 10-13. For more information, call Cathy Sykes at (734) 740-6300.



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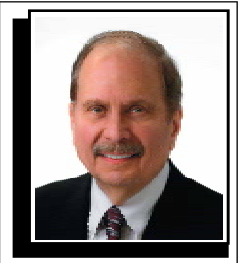
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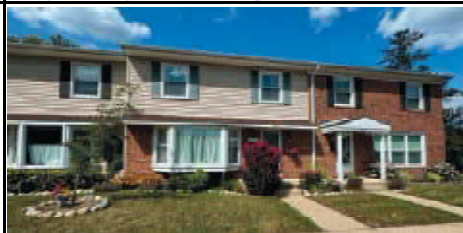
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