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# <u>Court Watching:</u> In tense courtroom Judge Green binds over Lewis for murder

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

Arndola Charles Lewis, 44, a black male of Van Buren Township, was bound over to circuit court for a March 1 arraignment on the information on charges of homicide,



possession of a weapon by a felon, and felony firearm (using a weapon to commit a felony).

He is accused of shooting Ypsilanti resident Samer Taha Abukaff, 37, in the back of the head as he was leaving Lewis' Harbour

Club apartment after an altercation on Jan. 29.

After the preliminary exam, 34<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green found there was probable cause that Lewis committed the crimes and sent him on to the higher court for a March 1 arraignment on the information. Lewis had a \$500,000 cash bond that had been set at his arraignment and Judge Green changed that to have him held without bond.

That preliminary exam was to be held on Feb. 22, but before it could begin Judge Green's courtroom was filled with friends and family of the defendant and a group of angry young men who were friends and family of the victim.

Judge Green asked the nine men standing against the wall to please take their seats so the exam could begin. One said, "I'm not sitting and I'm not leaving."

They continued standing and moving forward toward the front of the courtroom where Lewis was sitting.

Judge Green stood and addressed the men: "Please, please, let me do my job."

Two mature Arab men were seated in the front row of the courtroom and one stood and went to the back of the courtroom to

PRESORTED STANDARD US Postage Paid Belleville, MI 48111 Permit No. 26 talk to the young men and some took their seats.

"I don't want to remove you," she said, noting she could clear the courtroom. One of the men responded that he wasn't going anywhere.

As the tensions escalated, police officers from many different jurisdictions filled the courtroom, with several guarding Lewis, several around Judge Green's bench and in the jury box, and many more standing shoulder to shoulder along the wall near the young Arabs. Police took their places all around the courtroom. At least 15 were in place as the exam began, with more entering the courtroom as the case went on.

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# <u>Court Watching:</u> Judge Green finds pretend mute competent to stand trail in death

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

Joshua Lee Morris, 24, will face a charge of reckless death for driving the car that crashed and killed his friend Marcus McIntosh, 21, in 2014.

34<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge Tina Brooks held a hearing Feb. 22 to determine if Morris was competent to stand trial since he has been acting mute in the Walter Reuther Psychiatric Hospital in Wayne.

After listening to three witnesses and the mother of the man killed in the accident, Judge Green found him competent and set his probable cause conference for March 8.

Morris' attorney Murray Duncan said his client has not been able to talk with him and *(continued on page 10)*  of Belleville, Sumpter and Van Buren F H E E

Last week, Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, right, presented a proclamation he signed honoring Tim Katona of Sumpter Township for winning the National Reining Horse Association's Lifetime Achievement Award. Katona, at left, also received a Wayne County Commission Resolution signed by Commissioner Al Haidous. Katona presently is training Evans two horses.



Photos courtesy Wayne County

Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, left, and Tim Katona pose on horses after Katona was honored with two county awards. Katona has been training horses and riders in Sumpter Township for more than 30 years.

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# School Board approves \$90,000 for paving of McBride with grant

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education took advantage of an offer from Van Buren Township officials to participate in the paving of McBride Avenue at a cost of \$90,000 – instead of the \$180,000 approved last year for the project.

It turned out the \$180,000 that was supposed to come from the Sinking Fund at that time couldn't be used for a road and so that fell through.

On Monday, the board voted to use general fund money of \$90,000 for the project. Trustee Sherry Frazier, who also sits on the Van Buren Township board, abstained from the vote.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak said the whole project, with a \$750,000 grant from Wayne County, is estimated at \$900,000, with a shared cost of \$180,000 to the township.

"They decided to ask homeowners along the road to pay," Supt. Kudlak said. "Instead of the \$180,000 for all, the district will pay \$90,000 out of its general fund. This is more than our share based on frontage, but less than our share based on road usage."

He referred to the use of the gravel road by school buses and parents to get to McBride Middle School.

"They were hoping for a vote tonight," Kudlak said of VBT officials. "We would have to be in a special assessment district."

Trustee Susan Featheringill said this would save money on bus repairs and made the motion to approve, seconded by Secretary Kevin English.

VBT recently put out a call to township residents to apply for using the funds from the county for their subdivision streets that qualified and other roadwork, but the work on McBride would take up all the funds.

VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara said Tuesday morning that a resident is gathering signatures for the special assessment district on McBride and so far has only signed up 16 of the 30 property owners. Three are bank-owned properties and won't sign, he said. More than 50% of the property owners are needed to sign to set up a special assessment district and the McBride project is not a "done deal," he said, noting one or more of the signers could change their minds.

Supervisor McNamara said if the McBride SAD doesn't work out and no others apply for the funds, "I will be sitting here with a million dollars and no project."

He encouraged those in subdivisions, homeowners associations, and other groups that could use the grant money for road work, and can share the cost, to apply to be considered. Deadline is March 3. The township board will make the final decision on the project.

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

• Received a donation of \$7,400 from the Van Buren Civic Fund for Belleville High School video production equipment;

• Was treated to a presentation by Principal Aleisa Pitt on Tyler Elementary School, with special presentations by students Morgan Ligget and Logan Castellani. The public is invited to a daylong Leadership Day on March 30;

· Heard Supt. Kudlak ask for board input on a proposal to demolish the ECDC building north of Edgemont Elementary School and install a parking lot with islands and curbs. Edgemont is lacking parking space, he said, and the ECDC building is an "eyesore at a beautiful building." Building and Grounds Director James Williams said the demolition is estimated at \$40,000 and the parking lot from \$75,000 to \$275,000 and it could be done in three phases. The annual cost for upkeep of the vacant ECDC building is \$8,000, Williams said. Board president Keith Johnston asked them to get a price on the engineering, which had been estimated at \$6,000. Sinking Funds could be used for the project. Trustee Frazier added, "talking about eyesores," the former vocational education building on Sumpter Road is an eyesore;

• Approved employer termination of two employees Jammie Smith, 17 years in transportation, as of Feb. 17, and Denise Armatis, paraprofessional for 15 years, as of Feb. 13;

• Approved use of buses by the Van Buren Township Recreation Department for its summer camp program, June 19-Aug. 11 (no camp July 4). Trustee Frazier abstained from the vote because she also serves as a trustee for the township;

• Approved eight students attending the BHS club's first robotics competition March 9-11 at St. Joseph High School through a Michigan Department of Education grant. Teachers Aaron Lang and Aaron Watkins will drive. Students are in grades 9-12 and are: Corbin and Everett Fields, Kaiden Spencer, Davis Mears, James Clearwood, Anjali and Anisha Sharma, and Kylie Morton. Robot, tools, and supplies are being transported with the Ypsilanti Robotics;

• Approved the E-rate Universal Service Fund grant for the elementary school cabling bid of \$42,592 by AmComm Telecommunications. The project cost is \$53,240 and the district's share is \$10,648;



These are the Belleville High School state qualifiers in wrestling: Sam Lymon, at left, and Zach Buhro. Both placed fourth in their weight class at Regionals. They will compete at the State Championships this weekend.



Hunter Morse, from Belleville and a senior at New Boston Huron High School, has signed a letter of intent and received a scholarship to play soccer at Michigan State University beginning this fall, 2017. Hunter, a 6'3" goalkeeper, has played for the Michigan Wolves out of Livonia for six years, the last three for the U.S. Soccer Academy Program, Crew Academy Wolves, affiliated with the MLS Columbus Crew from Columbus, Ohio. Hunter is looking forward to playing D1 college soccer for the MSU Soccer program. Pictured seated, from left, are mother Jenifer Dapsi-Morse, Hunter, and father Doug Morse. In back, from left, are sisters Kenedee and Haylee Morse.

• Reviewed Supt. Kudlak's timeline for his evaluation process and took note of some of the goals they would like him to have, including higher student scores. The informal update is March 27, formal discussion and check-in on progress toward goals is April 24, superintendent's presentation is June 12, and formal evaluation is June 26. A similar schedule is set July-December so two evaluations can be completed this year, as required by state law: • Heard Kudlak present a suggestion for how to attract teachers and keep them even though fewer teachers are being trained. He suggested giving an \$8,000 scholarship per year to two BHS graduates and do that for four years, expecting them to come back to VBPS after graduation. Kudlak said he will research this more and bring back details. Ginny Gearns suggested bonuses for current staff recognizing all who graduated from the Van Buren schools, including

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...By Rosemary K. Otzman

#### <u>Editorial</u>

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# Judge Green, police officers stand firm for orderly court

Channel 2 Fox News in Detroit must have been tipped off that something was going to happen at 34<sup>th</sup> District Court on Feb. 22 because its cameraman was there in the jury box waiting with a camera.

It was after 12 noon when he turned on his camera after waiting three hours for the certain case. That's when a black suspect from Van Buren Township started his preliminary exam on charges he shot an Arab male in the back of the head at Harbour Club apartments.

What happened in the courtroom is that friends and family of both the defendant and the victim were facing off, with the Arab young men the most aggressive.

Judge Green asked them to sit down and some did after a mature Arab male talked some sense to them. Some wouldn't and defied the judge's order.

She proceeded and police officers of every description started appearing in the courtroom. There were 15 or more when we stopped counting. The overwhelming presence of police defused the apparent attempt to attack the defendant.

We thank all those cops who showed up to keep the courtroom in order. Judge Green was able to do her job without undue interference, and the rest of us were safe.

Thanks to all you police officers who stood fast. You were in uniforms from many different departments and in plain clothes, but the way you stood with authority it was easy to recognize you.

# **EXTRA THINGS I KNOW**

Cpl. Nick Johns and Officer Jim Piper are the two Belleville Police Reserve Officers who helped Officer Tim Trombley catch the people who bailed out of a stolen vehicle apprehended in Belleville on Henry Street. Cpl. Johns and Officer Piper chased the two juveniles to the area of Belleville High School and caught them. Officer Trombley jumped over a fence and caught the 17-year-old driver.

Once I got the details on the charges against the driver, I updated the story and in the change the officers' names were inadvertently deleted. I did put their names in the story on our website and now I'm putting the names in print. They did a great job and deserve some ink.

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Last Thursday, a reader came in to tell me about the dead deer that was stuck under Belleville's kayak launch at Horizon Park. She said it has been there at least a week and three brothers, of middle school and elementary age, were investigating and commented that it has antlers.

She said you have to walk out on the floating dock to see it. She marked it with chalk so people would know where it is.

She said she didn't have a phone, so she went to the library and they made some calls to try to get the deer removed. She said they called Belleville police and the DNR, but neither one could do it.

She decided to talk to me about it. I called Carol Thompson, coordinator of the Belleville DDA, because the DDA worked with the city to get grants and put the kayak launch in place.

"I'm putting the dead deer in your hands," I said to Carol and she said she would talk





with DPW Director Rick Rutherford to see what could be done. Monday night she said the deer has floated

and now is under the dock.

A Sumpter resident dropped by the office to tell me about a scam. He was using his iPad and an announcement came up on it and he couldn't get rid of it. It told him to call a number, so he did. The man who answered told him he could clear his screen for \$59 and to just give him his credit card information. The man said he told the guy on the phone that he didn't have a credit card and the man hung up. Our reader said he took it to the Verizon store and they said it was a scam and cleared it for him. He wanted our readers to know about this.

The same thing happened to me. I called my son instead of the number on the screen. After quite a bit of work, my son cleared for me. It was a Ransomware scam, he said.

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The Van Buren Township DDA is working with Menard to set up a ground-breaking ceremony for the home improvement store. They'll let us know when it is scheduled. I've had people ask about when it is going to be because they want to be there. The attorney from Menard told me they expect to start work at the site in mid March and to really get going in June. The store opening is scheduled for February 2018.

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Also, the Metro Park party store at the corner of Haggerty and E. Huron River Drive, is planning to put in four fuel pumps this fall. It will be Marathon fuel and will include diesel. I asked George about it and he said that is the plan and he's talked

to McNamara and everyone about it. He said when he tried for pumps a few years back, he was told he could just have two. Now the law has changed and he can have four, he said.



On Friday a VBT resident told me she was reading the high police salaries in the Jan. 26 issue and commenting, "Oh dear, oh my," when she couldn't feel her hand and couldn't talk. She suffered a stroke and she spent three days in St. Joseph Hospital. She's OK now: walking, talking, and driving. But she feels those salaries gave her the stroke.

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A former Belleville resident called me from his Florida home on Saturday to tell me the published list of salaries for the VB Public Schools gave him a jolt. He asked how many students there were and then said if you divide the salaries by the number of students it would show how much is spent on the students – and these salaries are not everything spent.



# "Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson



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## Think you saw a cougar? You might have

To the Editor:

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When I was young I grew up on a farm just east of Martinsville on Bemis Road. My dad and the neighbor would go down Bemis about half mile east of Martinsville Road and coon hunt in the large woods that was there. We had several coon dogs then.

Occasionally a couple of us kids would go. This was at night and the woods were VERY scary with sounds, and sometimes it was completely quiet.

But the grown ups were familiar with these things and explained them to us.

The coon dogs would chase down a coon, get it in a tree, and sit at the base and howl.

One night we went and things were different. The woods were very quiet and the dogs didn't go far from us. Then we all heard a weird sound. As kids, we didn't know what it was. But the grown-ups again were familiar with the sounds and the woods, so they knew things were not right.

The men left the dogs with us and stepped farther into the woods. There they saw a cougar. They came back and said we had to go NOW.

That was a lot of years ago and things have changed. The area has been built up and the woods are mostly gone. I wonder if the animals have moved toward Metro Park where it is safe?

Just thought I would let you know. If you think you saw a cougar, you might have.

None of us went back to the woods after that. The men said it was too much of a risk.

Not sure what you want to do with this bit of information, but just thought I would let you know my story. This was several years ago.

S. Hochadel Former Belleville Resident

# David Wilson was an outstanding resident

To the Editor:

David James Wilson

(June 25, 1930 - January 12, 2017) Dave died peacefully in his bed the morning of Jan. 12, after a three-year bout with melanoma.

He was born in Ames, Iowa, son of James Wilson and Alice Olmsted Wilson. As a teenager he became an Eagle Scout. He graduated from Fort Collins High School in Colorado and went off to Stanford University to major in chemistry (had



known from 7th grade that he wanted to be a chemist).

In his junior year at Stanford he took engineering physics and there met Marty. a biology student taking the same class. They married on Sept. 6, 1952, the summer after graduation.

He earned his Ph.D. in chemistry from Caltech in 1957, then spent most of his working life teaching: 12 years at the University of Rochester (NY) and 26 years at Vanderbilt University (Nashville, TN). He (and Marty) had an interesting sabbatical year abroad from each of the universities. 1964-65 at the University of Life at Ibadan, Nigeria, and 1993-94 at the University of Málaga in southern Spain.

By the time he had retired, he had written two books and about 300 journal articles; he had 75 graduate students earn their Ph.D. while working for him.

In Nashville, in addition to teaching chemistry, he worked with young people as a Scoutmaster and later, as an Explorer Post Advisor; and he mentored many students in science fair projects.

After he retired from Vanderbilt in 1995. he consulted at Brown and Caldwell, an environmental engineering firm for a few more years

In 2003 he and Marty moved to Belleville, to be close to son Bill, his wife Gloria, and three grandchildren.

Dave's environmental interest started way back. In Rochester in the 1960s he was involved in getting lead paint out of old housing (to reduce lead poisoning of young children) and was also involved in cleaning up the beaches on Lake Ontario (contaminated by an outdated sewage treatment plant). In Tennessee he was deeply involved in identifying a large hazardous waste site in west Tennessee.

In Michigan, fully retired, he contacted the Huron River Watershed Council and learned how to assess the water quality of streams through the prevalence of different insects at the bottoms of streams.

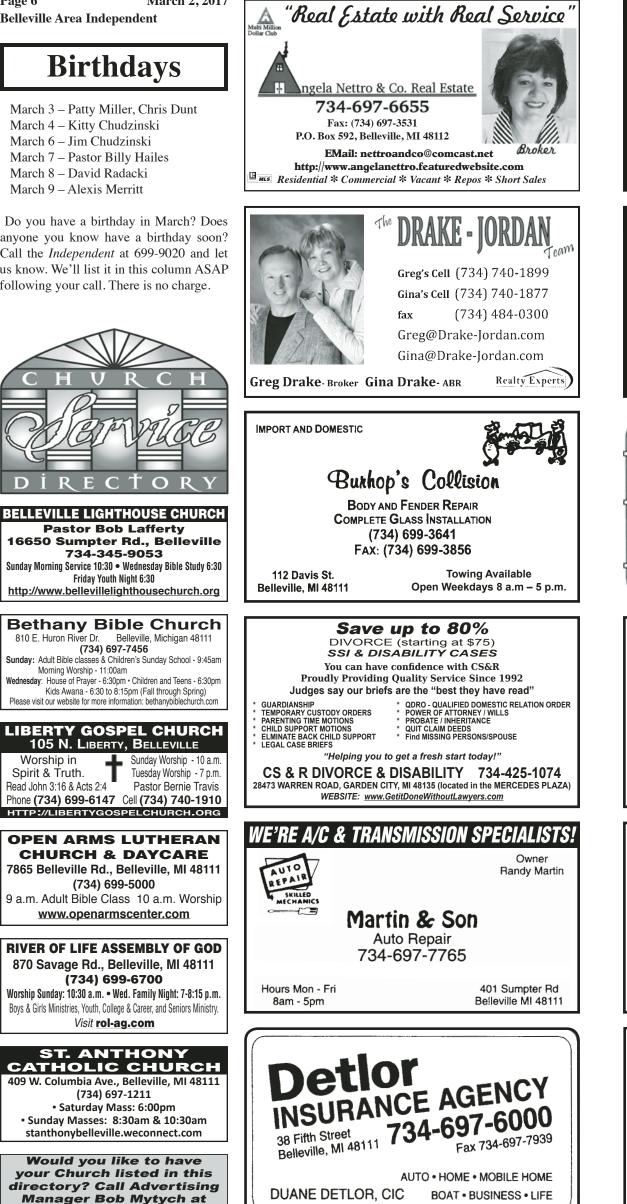
He set up a watershed ecology program providing local schools both with inclass talks and with streamside hands-on events. He was so pleased that these school programs are being actively continued under the leadership of Jason Frenzl and Janet Kahan.

He regarded it a privilege to work with the Van Buren Township Environmental Commission. His final environmental fight, in conjunction with both the HR Watershed Council and the Environmental Commission, resulted in the banning of coal tar driveway sealants in Van Buren Township.

I met David while working on the Woods Creek Watershed project in the SE portion of VBT. Along with other interested members, we checked areas with bank erosion, used water-level gauges after rainfalls to gauge the rise in steam levels, checked water clarity, and performed several events to look for creatures in the stream.

In the winter time, working with the Woods Creek Group, Dave and I broke the (continued on page 9)

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Richard Logan Keith

#### **RICHARD 'DICK' LOGAN KEITH** (June 11, 1937 - February 21, 2017)

Age 79, of Sumpter Township, died peacefully at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI, Tuesday morning, February 21, 2017. Richard Logan Keith was born in Marstallar, Pennsylvania, to loving parents, Milzie Logan and Lola (Edwards) Keith on June 11, 1937.

Dick is the beloved husband of the late Elizabeth "Kathy" (Loar) Keith; loving father of Penny Godfrey of Harrison, MI, Kathy (Bill) Johnson of Blissfield, MI, Lisa (Harry) Ensign of Belleville, MI, Lolita (Daniel Goble) Sykes of Belleville, Brian (Sarah) Sykes of Grand Blanc, MI, Scott (Kelly) Sykes of Saginaw, MI and Anthony (Gail) Sykes of Pinkney, MI. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 4 greatgrandchildren, and by many extended family and friends. Dick was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Kathy, also his brothers David Brown and Bobby Edwards.

Dick was a long-time resident of the Belleville area. He retired from General Motors after 30+ years of loyal service at the Willow Run Assembly plant. He was a lifetime member of the U.A.W. #1776. Dick was also a member of the Dundee Sportsman's Club. He loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing and spending time at Sherwood Pond. He also enjoyed Sudoku puzzles, but most of all, he loved spending time with his family. Dick was a social man who will be missed by many.

Visiting hours were Thursday, February 23, from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the main chapel of David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734) 697-4500. A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Friday, February 24, in the main chapel of David C. Brown Funeral Home. Dick's family greeted guests one hour prior to the service. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Huron Valley Conservation Association (H.V.C.A.) and would be appreciated by the family.



Harriet Jane (Robbe) Moore

### HARRIET JANE MOORE

(November 29, 1925 – February 24, 2017) Mrs. Harriet Jane (Robbe) Moore, age 91, of Beverly Hills, MI, passed away Friday, February 24, 2017 at Nannies Inn, West Bloomfield, MI. She was born November 29, 1925 in Wayne County, MI, daughter of Samuel Henry & Eleanor Harriet (Rose) Robbe. Harriet was a 1943 graduate of Belleville High School and was class Valedictorian. She still loved her class motto into her 90s: "If we rest, we rust." Harriet was a member of the Thomas Wolfe Society in Chapel Hill, North Carolina and D.A.R. Daughter's of the American Revolution. She attended the University of Michigan and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She was honored to receive the Hopwood award for poetry her freshman year. Harriet received her undergraduate degree in English, and completed her Master's in English Literature at the U of M as well. She was a member of the English Speaking Union and was a tutor for English as a second language. She even translated a book from French to English. Harriet loved to read and enjoyed baking. She made the best pies ever. She also enjoyed collecting antique glass and was a member of the Glass Club.

Mrs. Moore is survived by two daughters Catherine (William) Wegert of Beverly Hills. MI, and Emily (Jeffrey Lapides) Moore of Naperville, IL, three grandsons Alexander & Benjamin Lapides and Andrew Wegert. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Jasper Lewis Moore on April 27, 2012, also son Robbe Jasper Moore on May 26, 2008.

Visitation was Sunday 2-7 p.m. and Monday 10-11 a.m. at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. Funeral Services were Monday, February 27, 2017 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Suzanne B. Walls officiating. Interment was in Tyler Street Cemetery, Van Buren Township, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to Belleville Historical Society or Thomas Wolfe Society-Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and would be appreciated by the family. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com

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# **Obituaries**

Junior Nelson Parmelee



#### JUNIOR N. PARMELEE

(June 4, 1934 - February 25, 2017)

Junior Nelson Parmelee, age 82, long-time resident of Sumpter Township, MI, passed away Saturday, February 25, 2017 at University Hospitals, Ann Arbor, MI. He was born June 4, 1934 in Middle Branch Township, MI, son of the late Harry Edwin & Lillian Irene (Grandy) Parmelee.

Junior retired from the Ford Motor Company after 38 years of loyal service at the plant that is now Wayne Assembly. He was affectionately called "Robot" by his co-workers. He was a member of the U.A.W. Local #900. He enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, feeding the birds, loved animals, and fixing just about anything. Most of all, he loved time spent with his family, especially his grandchildren. Mr. Parmelee is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Betty Lou (Simcox) Parmelee, two sons, Dave (Pam) Parmelee of Taylor, MI and Mike (Ruth) Parmelee of Pinellas Park, Florida, daughter Karen (Lee) Akridge of Whittaker, MI, daughter-in-law Jennifer Parmelee, 19 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, two brothers, Roy Parmelee and Clifford (Marj) Parmelee, all of Ypsilanti MI, brother-inlaw Charles (Joann) Simcox, and sister-in-law Carrie Simcox, also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Donald Ray Parmelee in 2001, and Lynn Roy Parmelee in 2014, brother, Fred (Louise) Parmelee, sister, Evelyn Lowrey, sister-in-law Verna Parmelee, sister-in-law, Patricia Phillips, and also a brother-in-law, Walter Simcox. Visitation was 12-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, and will be 12-1 p.m. Thursday, March 2, 2017 with a 1 p.m. funeral at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. Deacon Peter Cornell will officiate. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery, Ypsilanti, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association and would be appreciated by the family. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a story for his family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com .

#### MARJORIE BELLE HESS

(June 14, 1950 – February 19, 2017) Age 66 of Ypsilanti Twp. Survivors include her sons Randy of Ypsilanti and Timothy (April) of Belleville; grandchildren Aaron Fromm, Cameron Hess, Chloe Hess. Private services. Arrangements by Janowiak Funeral Home.

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Warren F. Anderson

# WARREN F. ANDERSON

(October 25, 1937 -- February 23, 2017) Warren F. Anderson, age 79, of Detroit, and formerly of Willis, died Thursday, February 23, 2017 at Harper Hospice, Detroit. He was son of the late Frank and Dorothy Anderson. He served in the United States Army and retired from Ford Motor Co. He had a passion for gardening -loved his gladiolus and tomatoes the most. He also was involved in his woodworking clubs.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Gerald (Pops) Anderson, sister Naomi Colsell, and brother Paul Anderson.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 4, at Evangelical Friends Church at 7890 Tuttle Hill Rd., Ypsilanti, MI. Luncheon immediately following at the church.



JOSEPH CZAJKOWSKI

(December 20, 1925 – February 26, 2017) Joseph Czajkowski, age 91, of Belleville, MI, formerly of Detroit, MI, passed away Sunday, February 26, 2017 at Four Chaplains Nursing Care Centre, Westland, MI. He was born December 20, 1925 in Detroit, son of the late Adam & Catherine (Mroz) Czajkowski.

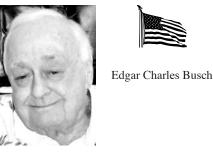
Joe was a member of Belleville Presbyterian Church. He was a truck driver for many years and loved CB radio. He also enjoyed traveling, bluegrassmusic,oldWesternmoviesandbowling. Mr. Czajkowski is survived by many loving nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary (McCauley) Czajkowski on January 15, 2012, also a son Robert Czajkowski in 1980.

Visitation was Wednesday 1-8 p.m. with a 7 p.m. Time for Sharing service, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, March 2, 2017 at Belleville Presbyterian Church, 11900 Belleville Road, Belleville, with Rev. Heidi Church officiating. The family will greet guests at church 10-11 a.m. Interment will be in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family and would be appreciated. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a story for his family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com

# **KATHLEEN MARIE MORGRET**

(February 13, 1959 - February 27, 2017) Age 58, of Belleville. Survived by partner Willie Griggs, five children, eight grandchildren, mother Janet Renwick, and four siblings. Celebration of Life service is 10 a.m. Saturday, March 4, at Brown Funeral Home.



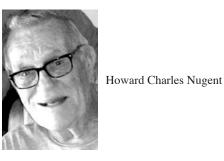
#### EDGAR CHARLES BUSCH (July 23, 1922 – February 18, 2017)

Edgar Charles Busch, long-time resident of Belleville, passed away in his residence in Cape

Coral, Florida, on February 18, 2017. Edgar was born on July 23, 1922 in Houghton Michigan. His family moved to Dearborn when he was a child and he attended Henry Ford Trade School and graduated in 1939. He enlisted in the Marine Corps and fought in the battle of Okinawa during WWII. After the war, Edgar started his own tool and die business, met the love of his life Evelyn, and settled down in Belleville to raise a family. A true Michigan sports fan, he loved watching his favorite college and professional teams in the Detroit area. He was an avid hunter, enjoyed gardening, and could complete the New York Times crossword puzzles in ink. He was a lifetime member of the VFW and Free Masons.

He is survived by his son Michael (Sandra) Busch of Roseville, MI and daughter Susan (William) Reese of Cape Coral, FL. He is also survived by his six grandchildren Steven (Isabella) Reese, David (Casey) Reese, Aaron (Sarah) Lang, Michael Lang, Patrick (Courtnie) Busch, and Natalie (Timothy) Erickson and 11 great-grandchildren Brayden, Avery, Noah, Hudson, Eli, Lacey, William, Jaxon, Colton, Audrey, and Anderson.

He was preceded in death by his wife Evelyn, daughter Nancy, and grandson Jason. A memorial service will be held in Belleville later this summer.



#### HOWARD CHARLES NUGENT

(May 12, 1929 -- February 24, 2017) Howard Charles Nugent 87 of Belleville died suddenly Friday, February 24, 2017 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

He was born May 12, 1929 in Detroit, Michigan, and married for 63 years to Jacquelynn Crossett Nugent. Howard was a 1947 graduate of Belleville High School and lived in Belleville the remainder of his days. He was a devoted husband and father to Jackie, Dale, Kathy, and Cindy. He retired as a licensed Master Plumber. His community involvement included coaching Little League baseball and involvement in the Masonic Order.

Survivors include his widow Jacquelynn, son Dale Nugent of Napoleon, Kathy (Wally) Steuck of Raleigh, North Carolina, Cindy (Gregg) Brozo of Charlotte, North Carolina; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents Jonathan Thomas Nugent, Helen Dubinsky Wagner, and brother Dr. Thomas Nugent.

A celebration of life service will be held on Thursday, March 2, 11 a.m. at Bethany Bible Church in Belleville with the Reverend John Losen, Sr. officiating.

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# **Correction:** Swinson wasn't in Po's yard

In a front-page story last week, the Independent said Donald Hazel Swinson, 76, was in Nelson Po's yard in Sumpter Township when Swinson pulled a handgun on Po. Po has informed the Independent that is incorrect. He said he and Swinson were each in their own yards and they were separated by a chain link fence between them. Po said they were standing very close to one another.

We regret the error.

#### School salary list

Linda Cobb, a long-time secretary for the Van Buren Public Schools who now works at Hamtramck High School, said the \$20,000 salary listed for her on the 2016 salary list is incorrect because it was settlement of arbitration for her, not salary, and she got no benefits.

Van Buren Public Schools Financial Director Shareen Barker explained: "Ms. Cobb's salary listed is based on 'missed wages.' Therefore, the \$20,000 was paid as wages. The benefit amount listed on the spreadsheet is not for 'health benefits,' but is for FICA and retirement paid by the district on Ms. Cobb's behalf. ORS [Office of Retirement Services] has determined that Ms. Cobb's wages received are not retirement-eligible. As a result, her new benefit amount is \$1,530 [\$5,000 less than stated on the list]. Ms. Cobb's situation was an isolated case and in no means affects the integrity of the other salary/benefit information provided."

#### Internet coverage of school board

Angela Mears said she records school board meetings for her own Facebook page and does not put it on the SavageStrong site. She said just once SavageStrong shared her posting because the regular person who does it was having a birthday. We regret the error in last week's Extra Things I Know column.

Rosemary K. Otzman, editor

"I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots." - Albert Einstein

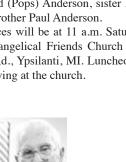


**CAROL S. GUENTHER** (July 29, 1935 - March 10, 2013)

## Gone from our sight, Forever in our hearts.

-- Kenny, Vonda, Steve, Clyde, & her sister Margaret





Joseph Czajkowski

# School board

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secretaries, teachers and custodians;

• Discussed a lady who is interested in renting part of the CT building, the office and space for a vehicle and training. This is a non-profit group and she said they will spend \$30,000 on the inside and expect the district to pay \$30,000 on upgrades outside. She considered it a wash, but Kudlak said he will talk to her about turning the \$30,000 into rent. He said he's not sure they want to pay rent;

· Discussed possible demolition of Haggerty School and moving of the programs there to other buildings where there is room. Kudlak said it costs \$100,000 annually to keep Haggerty open and it needs boilers and roof work. He said they have to consider that Plante Moran has estimated the number of students for K-5 will go up in the next few years. He said if they didn't move Haggerty programs to the other schools, there would be room for extra classrooms. Frazier said she is not in favor of demolishing Haggerty and everything there "looks fine and dandy." Kudlak said he has concerns about investing money in an old building; and

• Went into closed door session to consult with attorneys regarding pending litigation Case No. 16-cv-11805 and an attorneyclient privileged item.

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ice to search for Stone Flies, a specimen found in clean water streams, and we were very successful in our outings.

When becoming VBT Supervisor in 2008, a discussion with David to become a member of our Environmental Commission was successful. Dave became a "go-to guy" with his environmental and chemistry background.

David was very pleasant and gracious to work with, and shared his knowledge with all. His background in chemistry and environmental projects was very beneficial to our residents with his work on our commission. He was an outstanding appointment for us, and he loved working and volunteering for our VBT residents. He told me this was a two-way street, as he enjoyed being on the Environmental Commission.

David was an outstanding resident, working on environmental issues, bank erosion on the lake, and his last achievement was helping on the coal tar driveway application concerning health issues because of chemicals in the tar.

David will be greatly missed by friends and commission members. We were very grateful to have an individual of his character and quality to be involved in environmental issues in our community.

May he rest in peace. We miss you, David Wilson.

Paul White, the Environmental Commission members, and the residents of Van Buren Township

# We didn't get letter to attend Moose meeting

#### To the Editor:

Please know that myself and Director Laurain never received any invite or letter to attend the Feb. 15 Belleville Moose Lodge meeting to participate in their generous donation of Tommy the Moose.

Had we known about it we would have attended or at least provided the courtesy of letting them know we could not attend.



From left are Judge Mark Slavens, SWDC President Terree O'Neil Darling, Vice President Dave Haener, Recording Secretary Candace Myshock, Corresponding Secretary Debbie Chamberlain, Sgt.-at-Arms Chris Turek, and Trustees Ronald Barrington Robinson, Sharon Peters, Sandy Somers, Nathan Miller, and Sharon Curson.

# SW Wayne Democrats elect new officers

#### To the Editor:

The Southwestern Wayne [County] Democratic Club elected its 2017 executive board at February's membership meeting and Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Mark Slavens was on hand to swear the new board in.

We welcome and congratulate our reelected and newly elected board members, and say a special thank you to those that served but chose not to seek re-election. We wish all the very best with your endeavors. at our March Membership meeting dubbed "Motionless March," Thursday, March 23, 7 p.m. at the Wayne County Fairgrounds dining hall on Quirk Road in Van Buren Township. We will be making signs (poster paper & markers provided) for a march, taking pictures ("Motionless March") and posting them for a little friendly competition with other Democratic clubs in the 12<sup>th</sup> District. Come on out, have some fun, and express yourself!

Debbie Chamberlain Corresponding Secretary Southwestern Wayne (County) Democratic Club

All are welcome. Join us for some fun

I am not sure where or to whom the invite was sent to. I will check with my staff.

I am familiar with this program, because I received "Tommy the Moose" donations in the City of Wayne at Wayne PD from the Wayne Moose.

### Jason J. Wright

Deputy Director of Public Safety - Police Van Buren Township Department of Public Safety

**Editor's Note:** This is in response to the picture on page three in last week's paper showing Tommy the Moose stuffed dolls being presented to local police departments.



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# Thanks to Kim at Leo's for November event

#### To the Editor:

On behalf of all of the members of the newly chartered Belleville Area Lions Club, we would like to thank Kim at Leo's Coney Island. Not only for hosting our dineto-donate in November, but also providing such a wonderful staff that brought such a warm and friendly atmosphere to our event. We had the chance to make a great deal of new friends and also connect with old ones, as well. We greatly appreciated the inviting hospitality. Keith McDonald, president

Belleville Area Lions Club



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would be unable to help with his defense. At an earlier hearing, Judge Green asked for another hearing and this time she wanted to see someone from the hospital who sees Morris daily, she wanted to talk to his mother, and she wanted him in the courtroom.

On Feb. 22, Von Eric Gentry, II, said he interacts with the patient and plays Madden football video games with him and sometimes Morris beats him. Gentry testified that Morris speaks out loud with him and holds full conversations.

"You've spoken to him?" Judge Green asked. "It's not true he can't talk?"

Gentry said the previous day he asked Morris if he packed up yet and he said, "No, not yet." Morris is at the end of the 15 months allowed for him to be in that hospital.

Gentry said Morris talks to him several times a day. Gentry said he talks about football, saying, "I'm going to beat you," and his family, his wife, day to day activities, mostly robots and cartoons.

The second witness was Tiffany Tibbs, a nurse at the hospital, who sees him five days a week, basic nursing care. He takes his meds, eats, showers, and does everything on his own.

"I read his lips or he writes me a note," Tibbs said of their conversations.

The third witness was Morris' mother, Brenda Sevelli, who said he was in the hospital for four days after the accident and he was burned and battered and traumatized. She said she is his legal guardian and gets social security for that. He has brain trauma and PTSD and is bipolar, she said.

"I've never heard him talk," Sevelli said. "He used to talk to me. I don't believe he knows where he is right now."

Morris was brought into the courtroom at the beginning of the hearing and was seated next to his attorney hunched over with his head and face covered with a black and white striped hood.

The mother said the accident was July 6, 2014 and he checked out on July 8. She told of all he places he lived over the next few years, including at her home in Kirkridge, a trailer on Mott Road, and a room rented from a girl who knew him from school. He was in a brain trauma center and then St Joseph Mercy Hospital.

"After he had been charged here, he shut down completely," she said.

Attorney Duncan said he asked his client if he recognized him, if he knew where he was, and if his mother was here and Morris shook his head three times.

The Prosecutor said Morris has selective mutism and exaggerates symptoms to avoid criminal charges. He said the defendant is competent to stand trial. A Feb. 8 medical report said Morris is competent.

Duncan said he went over all the reports and one said he would always have cognitive problems. "Just because he can communicate doesn't mean he understands," Duncan said. "Ever play Madden football?" Judge Green asked Duncan and he said he hadn't. "I have," she said. It's not repetitive. It's difficult and I didn't do very well."

She said the problem with this case is that it's a tragic accident and they were close friends.

The mother of the victim called out they were not close friends and Judge Green let her speak from the courtroom audience. The mother said in middle school she said Morris could no longer come to their home because of bad choices he had made. She said she hadn't seen him in three years until he came to their home in June 2014. Her son said he would be a good influence on Morris.

"My son brought him back into his life and a month later he was dead," she said. Judge Green said she believes Gentry that Morris played games and talked with him and takes care of his own needs.

"I think he's competent," Judge Green said. "I deem him competent."

Morris is out on personal recognizance bond and it is expected his mother will take him in. Officer Mark Buxton is the officer in charge of the case.

#### Chad Ryan Vanover Larissa Lydia Gagnon

The probable cause conference for Chad Ryan Vanover was postponed until March 15 at 10 a.m. since he is in custody on a different charge. Larissa Lydia Gagnon, Vanover's co-defendant, was present with her retained attorney Jeffrey Weberman. Her probable cause conference will be at the same time as Vanover.

The two are parents of a 19-month-old male child who was hit and killed by a vehicle in the 40000 block of Harris Road on Aug. 31, 2015. They both are charged with homicide/manslaughter and second-degree child abuse.

He was out on \$5,000 personal recognizance bond and she was free on \$20,000 personal recognizance bond.

#### Nelson S Po

A jury trial has been set for 9 a.m., April 28, for Nelson S. Po, 67, of Sumpter Township who is facing a misdemeanor charge of molesting or disturbing workers on Oct. 29, 2015 at Atchinson Ford in Van Buren Township.

His attorney Ron Ruark said he will have no more than five witnesses and the state prosecutor is expected to have two or three. Judge Green asked about a plea deal and Ruark said there has been no offer so far.

Po is accused of confronting Sumpter Township Trustee Don Swinson at his place of business after Po's marijuana growing business was raided by Sumpter Police. Swinson's father lives next door to Po and has complained about the smell of the marijuana.

#### Wisam Louis Mansour

Wisam Louis Mansour, 47, is lodged in the Wayne County Jail on \$75,000 cash bond, facing charges of criminal sexual conduct-1<sup>st</sup> degree, home invasion-1<sup>st</sup> degree, criminal sexual conduct second degree, criminal sexual conduct-assault, and stalking.

The probable cause conference was

adjourned for a week because an interpreter is needed because the defendant is deaf. Mansour has no prior record and suffers from severe obesity and arthritis in his knees. His attorney asked for a reduction in bond and Judge Green lowered it to \$50,000/10%.

There will be one interpreter needed for the March 1 probable cause conference and two for the preliminary exam, since the victim also is deaf. Officer in charge of the case is VBT Det. Ken Toney.

#### Kial Johnglen Smith

The preliminary exam for Kial Johnglen Smith, 19, of Wayne is set for 10 a.m. March 29 on charges of assault with intent to cause murder, assault with intent to cause harm less than murder in VBT's Haggerty Subdivision on Jan. 21, when he is accused of stabbing his uncle in the chest. VBT officer in charge of the case is Mike Long.

Smith's bond was set at \$500,000/10% and has been posted. His attorney is Ronald L. Marsh.

#### Ann Burroughs-Cummings

A charge against Ann Burroughs-Cummings of making a false report in the City of Belleville was dismissed when the witnesses necessary for prosecution did not show up for the preliminary exam. The Prosecutor said they were not ready to proceed. Belleville Officer Jeff Wickham was the officer in charge.

# VBT Environmental Commission to review proposed ordinances

#### By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

Van Buren Township is proposing 12 new ordinances that premier communities enforce in order to make VBT a premier community.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara sent the ordinances that have to do with the environment over to the Environmental Commission to review and at its Feb. 15 meeting the commission discussed new rules for dead or dangerous trees, plants, and shrubs; animal waste; removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, walks, and ramps; and trash receptacles.

Commission Chairman David Brownlee directed commissioners to read the ordinances and mark them up with questions so they will be prepared for an in-depth discussion at the March 15 meeting. Then they can send back recommendations and suggestions to the township.

Police Lt. Charles Bazzy is set to be at the next meeting to discuss the ordinances. Lt. Bazzy directs the township's ordinance department and he and a township attorney created the ordinances based on ordinances in other communities.

In other business at the two-hour-and-22minute meeting on Feb. 15, the commission:

• Discussed promotion of Household Hazardous Waste Day at US Ecology on the North I-94 Service Drive set for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14. Ron Akers, director of planning and economic development, listed all the ways the event will be promoted, including social media, and said with more promotion last year they saw an increase in the use of Hazardous Waste Day;

• Heard Brownlee announce that a Wayne County Hazardous Waste Day will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 22 at the Romulus Civic Center. He said they will be accepting electronics, TVs, computers, cell phones, and other items. Akers said a tire recycling day is also being set up by the county and they are working on details;

• Received an update on the Shoreline Zoning Ordinance Amendment and General Ordinance, which has been passed by the planning commission and will be voted on by the township board; and

• Learned the township is considering the fifth amendment to the Host Community Agreement with Waste Management. Akers had some confidential papers with him on the subject that he couldn't use for comment. Trustee Paul White, who sits on the Environmental Commission as board liaison, said he was told the commission could only comment on environmental concerns on the proposed agreement, not anything else, although there were lots of questions. Brownlee told the commissioners to keep looking at the documents and to keep comments to environmental issues. Akers said the township doesn't expect a recommendation from the Environmental Commission soon.



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# **Five** generations

Five generations recently paused for a picture. Seated, from left, are Joan Oddy, great-grandmother and Edith Wisenor, great-great-grandmother, holding grandbaby Toby. Standing, from left, are Trevor Oddy, father of Toby, and Mark Oddy, grandfather.

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# Court watching

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A Fox News cameraman was in the jury box waiting for Lewis' exam to begin and began recording the activities throughout the courtroom as the case was called.

After Judge Green announced the bindover following the exam, a woman was accused of threatening the victim's family member and she was taken into custody. She called out that she wasn't threatening, but just talking to her "significant other." Judge Green said charges would be filed and she doesn't want any of those kinds of things going on in her courtroom.

After the exam, five police officers surrounded Lewis and hustled him back to the lockup, while the victim's family members and friends stood around in the courtroom.

The officer in charge of the case, VBT Detective Ken Toney, announced to them that he would alert the circuit court judge about what had happened in this courtroom and he will ask the judge to keep the young men out of the courtroom downtown.

The courtroom emptied and there was no further problem.

At the beginning of the exam, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor John Cayce called the first witness, Tamika Smith, 43, who lived with the defendant in the Harbor Club apartment at 48500 Denton Road.

She testified that it was between 5 and 6 p.m. on Jan. 29 when she got home. She said Lewis was in the apartment. They

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had gone to school together and were in a dating relationship.

Smith said the entry door to the apartments should be kept locked, but she saw it was open and her front door was unlocked.

Then she saw a man lying on the ground in the hallway straight ahead, with his head closest to her and she saw blood by the head. "I just screamed. I called 911 and went outside," she testified.

Smith said Lewis was in the hallway and he said, "Baby, call 911." She said the police came and told her to move to the side and she talked to the detective later.

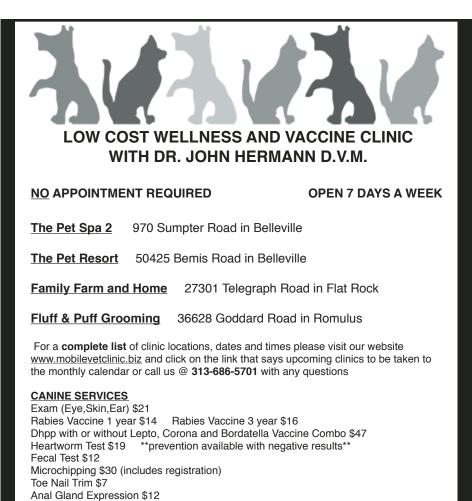
She said she knew the deceased, who she called "Sam," for two years and he changed her oil for her. She said Sam and Lewis had no dispute.

When court-appointed defense attorney David Lankford cross-examined her, she said her mother Glenda had been with her that day, but her mother left as she went into the building. She called her mother later, she said.

Smith said she had known Sam since June 2016 and he had come over and they were all there together. She said even at the oil change place in Ypsilanti they all got along.

Lankford pointed out while they assume Lewis made the fatal shot, he didn't leave the scene and he asked Smith to call 911. Smith cried softly on the stand.

Second witness was VBT Officer Christopher Hayes, who said he was alone in his marked car when he was dispatched to the scene of a female finding a dead person. He said he was the first to arrive.



Officer Hayes testified he saw Smith on the phone and knocked for her to open the door. He said another person was on the phone as well and he saw him coming out of the apartment into the hall. It was Lewis who had a cellphone in hand and both hands up. He said Officer Ryan Bidwell had arrived.

"I asked what happened and Lewis said, 'I was attacked," Officer Hayes testified. He said they went into the apartment and the body was face down in the middle of the hallway with a black, semi-automatic handgun on the floor near the feet of the body. There were no signs of life, he said. Hayes said they secured the scene and talked with neighbors and no one saw anything.

Under cross-examination by Lankford, Hayes said Lewis was very cooperative and never denied shooting the person. Prosecutor Cayce asked Hayes about what he saw and there was no damage to the front door and nothing flipped over inside.

Third witness was VBT Detective Donovan McCarthy who said he was called into work on Sunday, Jan. 29, to interview Lewis. It was audio recorded, he said, and he read him his Miranda Rights.

After about an hour interview, he said Lewis wrote out his statement on what happened.

Det. McCarthy read the statement from the stand. It said Lewis was watching TV when the doorbell rang and there was a knock. He looked out the peephole and saw Sam. He said Sam kicked his flip-flops off and came into the apartment. He said he told him Tamika was not home. He said Sam talked to him like he was a bitch and said, "N-----, you just need to chill." He said the two started to tussle and Lewis told Sam he had to get the f--- out of his house. He said he pointed the gun and they started fighting again and the gun went off. Lewis said he attempted to put pressure on the hole, but there was too much blood.

McCarthy said Lewis said he was pointing the gun and Sam reached for the gun and it went off. He said he asked Lewis how the bullet struck the back of Sam's head and there was no reply.

Lankford said the video he got that morning is of the interview and McCarthy said it should be from the moment Lewis walked into the interview room to the moment he walked out.

Prosecutor Cayce pointed out the statement was Lewis' version of what happened.

Defense attorney Lankford asked for Lewis' size and McCarthy said it was 5'5" and 100 pounds. The medical examiner



said the deceased Arab male was 5'8" and weighed 203 pounds.

The medical examiner said the gunshot wound to the head was through and through, back to front, left to right, and upward. The method of death was homicide.

According to Michigan Department of Corrections records, Lewis' criminal record includes an attempted robbery while armed conviction from November 1999. He also was convicted with an assault with intent to do great bodily harm charge in 2011, followed by two drug possession convictions in 2015 in Washtenaw County. He is on probation until Feb. 12, 2018 on the drug charges.

# Nine Belleville students named to dean's list at Western Michigan Univ.

The following students from Belleville have been named to the dean's list at Western Michigan University for the Fall 2016 semester:

• Corey Kalitta, studying Aviation Management and Operations in the College of Aviation;

• Zachary Lazar, studying Aviation Flight Science in the College of Aviation;

• Samantha Mall, studying Child and Family Development in the College of Education and Human Development;

• Brandon Buntine with an undecided major in Pre-Business in the Haworth College of Business;

• Dustan Muir, studying Advertising and Promotion in the Haworth College of Business;

• Theodore Rouster, studying Integrated Supply Management in the Haworth College of Business;

• Lena Bobo, studying Pre-Nursing in the College of Health and Human Services;

• Anna Carlson, studying Nursing in the College of Health and Human Services; and

• Amanda Kuszak, studying Pre-Social Work in the College of Health and Human Services.

To be eligible for the dean's list, students must have earned at least a 3.5 grade point average (on a scale of 4.0 being all A's) in at least 12 hours of graded class work.

## Ariel Banks named to Schoolcraft Dean's List

Ariel Banks, daughter of Elizabeth and Don Banks of Sumpter Township, has been named to the Schoolcraft College Dean's List for the Fall 2016 Semester.

To receive this honor, a part-time student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average after each 12 credit-hour increment. A fulltime student must attain a 3.5 grade point average for 12 or more credits.

Richard Weinkauf, Schoolcraft vice president and chief academic officer, wrote, "Ariel, you are an exemplary student and should be proud of your accomplishment."

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Wayne County Fairgrounds will be holding their annual Irish Corned Beef Dinner on Saturday, March 11, 6 p.m., at the Fairgrounds. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$8 for kids 8 and under. Proceeds go to the upkeep of the fairgrounds, a non-profit organization. Call (734) 697-7002.

March is Quilt Show time at the Belleville Area Museum featuring over 100 quilts on display, sewing demonstrations, bed-turning events, quilting experts to answer questions, and special sewing classes. Museum hours are Tuesdays, from 3 to 7 p.m., and Wednesdays through Saturdays, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2. Be sure to choose your favorite for the Viewer's Choice Award. The show runs through March 31. Call (734) 697-1944.

Trinity Episcopal Church on Belleville Road will be holding its third-annual Wild Game Dinner this Saturday, March 4, from 4 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$15 for children 6-12 years old and free for kids 5 and under. The menu will feature various venison dishes, pasties, salmon, and small game. A raffle is scheduled and door prizes will be given away. Local vendors will be on hand. Proceeds will go to Trinity's J2A (Journey to Adulthood) upcoming youth program mission trip. Call (734) 777-2845.

Tickets are still available for the Belleville Area Council for the Arts Beer & Wine Taste Fest, also this Saturday, March 4, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the BYC. Advance tickets are \$35 and available at the BYC and at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, \$40 at the door. 21 and over only, please. Call (734) 776-7596. Volunteers are still needed.

The March Mayhem Sales Event is going on now at the all-new Atchinson Ford in Belleville. Get zero % financing on many 2017 Ford cars and trucks and 1.9 % financing on certified pre-owned vehicles.

TAK

Ask them about auto detailing this spring. See their ad on our back page and visit www.atchinson.net . Call (734) 697-9161. \*\*\*

Animal Care Hospital of Belleville on Sumpter Road is celebrating its one-year anniversary with specials and coupon deals on everything from dog and cat shot packages to spay and neutering surgery. See its half-page ad in today's paper for the details and visit www.animalcareonline.com . They also serve southeast Michigan with six other locations. Call (734) 325-7551.

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Spring must be getting close because the Belleville A&W is now open for another year, featuring its famous root beer drinks, burgers, coney hotdogs and fish and shrimp Pub Basket combos. Like them on Facebook and call (734) 699-1800. Frosty Boy ice cream can't be too far behind as spring sports at BHS get under way on the 13th.

Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020 with your suggestion. There is no charge to be in this column.

# Things to do in the **Belleville area...**

• Saturday, March 4 – The youth of Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, invite you to their Wild Game Dinner. Doors open at 4 p.m., with dinner served at 5 p.m. Ticket cost is \$30. Purchase by phone at (734) 699-3361 or on-line at www.trinitybell.org . Featured speaker is adventure author Mike Tison.

• Saturday, March 4 – Spaghetti fund raiser for Jason Basham from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, corner of Sumpter and Harris roads. Music by STEP ASIDE band from 8 to midnight. U.S. Navy Seabee, BHS class of 1996, is facing his third brain surgery to remove a tumor.

• Saturday, March 4 - Spaghetti dinner with music by the Belleville High School Jazz Band is 5-8 p.m. at BHS Commons (cafeteria).

• Saturday, March 4 - Beer and Wine Fest fund raiser from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Belleville Yacht Club. Sponsored by Belleville Area Council for the Arts to earn

funds for this summer's Music Lakeside concerts.

• Sunday, March 5 - 18 Strings musical performance from 2 to 5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Free. Information: Mike Hoben (734) 260-1170 or Lynette Jordan (734) 699-8918.

 Sunday, March 5 – Join Bugles Across America at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville for a brief ceremony to honor past and present members of the military. Stand to pledge the flag and hear "Taps" played.

• Wednesday, March 8 - Chicken Supper at Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Rd., New Boston, 5 p.m. until sold out. Carry outs start at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person; children 12 and under \$5 each. (734) 654-9020. Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuits & gravy, cole slaw, dessert, coffee, hot team and milk.

• Saturday, March 11 - You are invited to visit the Western Wayne County Quilt Guild on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Otisville Room at Van Buren Township Hall. All levels of sewers are welcome and there are lots of different projects.

• Saturday, March 11 - Roast Beef Dinner at the Community United Methodist Church, 11160 Olive St., Romulus, 5-7 p.m. Donations: \$10 per adult, \$4 for children 6-12, and free for children 5 and under. For carry outs, call (734) 941-0736 after 5 p.m. www.romcomumc.org

• Sunday, March 12 – Southern Echo musical performance from 2 to 5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Free. Information: Mike Hoben (734) 260-1170 or Lynette Jordan (734) 699-8918.

## **Upcoming Meetings**

• Monday, March 6 - Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 7 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 8 - Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Thursday, March 9 - Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission possible meeting at 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

# **Belleville council OKs Bayou's car show, Music** Lakeside events for 2017

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

At its regular meeting on Feb. 21, the Belleville City Council approved the Bayou Grill's request for car show street closings this summer.

Main Street from Third to Fifth streets and the side streets to the alleyways will be closed from 5 to 9 p.m. for every Monday from June through September.

City Manager Diana Kollmeyer said Police Chief Hal Berriman, Fire Chief Brian Loranger, and DPW Director Rick Rutherford are all OK with this.

The Bayou is not asking for use of the Fourth Street Square this year, saying other entities can use it to raise money for their projects.

In another approval for summer events. the council approved outdoor concerts at Horizon Park for every Thursday from the Thursday after Strawberry Festival, June 22 through Aug. 24, with the exception of Aug. 17 which is the Taste of Belleville event at the park.

High Street from the war memorial to Church Street will be closed from 5:30 to 9 p.m. to provide time to set up and take down for the 7 p.m. event.

In other business at the Feb. 21 meeting, the council:

· Approved the updated special events ordinance, which will take effect Jan. 1. 2018. A schedule of fees will be presented to the council for approval after the city budget is in place in June. "It's important for those who plan events to know about this," said Mayor Kerreen Conley;

· Approved the appointment of Randy Priest to fill an unexpired term until Dec. 31, 2017 on the Board of Review. Jim Graham had asked to be replaced because of his wife's health issues. Priest had previous served on the board; and

· Approved the second quarter budget amendments for the 2016-17 general fund and capital purchase budgets. The largest amendment was \$37,425 more needed for the clerk's pension and \$19,445 more needed for the treasurer pension. The clerk/ treasurer is one person and the only person in this General Supervisor position and the MERS rate went from 44.91% to 175.91%. Another amendment was \$15,400 more needed for phones lines. Also, \$2,000 more was needed for Elections since the former city clerk assisted in elections.



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Photo courtesy of Scott Gohl Jr.

On Monday morning a pickup truck exploded in Belle Villa. It caught on fire in the driveway and had half a tank of gas and fuel in a container in the back. Belleville Fire Department put out the blaze.



### Township of Sumpter 2017 March Board of Review

The following are the dates and times for the 2017 March Board of Review:

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 4:30 PM Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 13, 2017 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM Appointments

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Appointments

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Appointments

Letters of Appeal have to be received by Sumpter Township's Assessing Office by Wednesday March 15 at 12:00  ${\rm PM}$ 

Publish: March 2, 2017; March 9, 2017

# **Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice**

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

### NOTICE OF POSTING

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN:

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 359 of 1947, (the Charter Township Act), notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees will be considering the following ordinance at 7:00 p.m. on March 7, 2017 at their regular meeting:

1. Ordinance 02-21-17(1): BELLEVILLE LAKE EXCLUSIVE USE ORDINANCE. An ordinance to grant the exclusive right of use of the Township owned property around Belleville Lake to the abutting property owner. In return for this exclusive right of use, the Township is requiring that the abutting property owner shall maintain the Township Lake Property in compliance with all existing applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

The complete text of the proposed ordinance is available at the Township Clerk's Office located at 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Date of Publication: March 2, 2017

# Generation City of Belleville Public Notice

#### City of Belleville Regular City Council Meeting Minutes February 6, 2017

A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street by Mayor Conley. 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALLCouncil Member FielderPresentCouncil Member MarcotteAbsentCouncil Member SmithPresentMayor Pro Tem LoriaPresentMayor ConleyAbsent3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

4. AGENDA APPROVAL Motion by Smith, second by Loria to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Motion by Loria, second by Fielder to approve the regular city council meeting minutes of January 17, 2017 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS None
- 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES None 8. GENERAL BUSINESS
- A. Mayor's Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Motion by Fielder, second by Smith to approve Resolution No. 17-005 for appointments / reappointments to boards and commissions as

presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. B. Music Lakeside 2017 Dates/Request to Use Horizon Park

Tabled for discussion at a future meeting. C. 2017 Strawberry Festival Policies

# Council Member Fielder recommended that the policies be referred to Administration for review and then brought back to Council for approval at a future meeting.

D. Designation of Street Administrator City Manager Kollmeyer stated that Act 51 state funding requires the City to designate a street administrator.

Motion by Loria, second by Smith to approve Resolution No. 17-006 designating Rick Rutherford as the MDOT Street Administrator for the City of Belleville.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY E. Special Events Ordinance

Mayor Conley stated that Council Members had reviewed other special events ordinances and found Belleville's to be consistent with other local communities. There was consensus for adding a section that provides an appeal process. Final draft to be presented at next scheduled Council meeting. F. City Staffing

Council Member Fielder suggested there is a need to address staff turnover and upcoming retirements. Mayor Conley stated she feels it more appropriate to address staffing levels with the City Manager during the budget process. 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL

EXPENDITURES Motion by Loria, second by Fielder to approve

Resolution No. 17-007 for accounts payable and payables over \$500.00 totaling \$196,632.14. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 10. ADJOURNMENT Motion by Loria, Second by Smith to adjourn

meeting at 8:20 p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Respectfully submitted, Sherri Scharf, City Clerk

Approved: February 21, 2017 Published: March 2, 2017

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## City of Belleville PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING



The City of Belleville Board of Review will be held on the following dates:

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017 TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017

Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. A second meeting will be on Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **MEETINGS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** 

Please call (734) 697-9323 ext. 7014 to set up an appointment.

The meetings will be held in the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville. The purpose will be to review the assessment roll and hear any objections. Resident and non-resident taxpayers are permitted to file protests in writing without personal appearance; letters must be received by March 13, 2017.

Sherri Scharf, City Clerk/Treasurer Publish: February 23, 2017 March 2, 2017

# **Charter Township of** Van Buren Public Notice

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN **BOARD MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 21, 2017**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Absent/Excused: Clerk Wright. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Executive Assistant Selman, Economic Development Director Akers and Deputy Director Best, Consultant Sloan, Senior Director Jordan and an audience of five (5).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Frazier moved, Miller seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Budd moved, Martin seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. [Work Study Session minutes of February 6, 2017, Closed Session Minutes of February 6, 2017, Board Meeting minutes of February 7, 2017, Prepaid List of February 9, 2017, Prepaid List of February 16, 2017 and the Voucher List of February 21, 20171. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Frazier moved, White seconded to open the final Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m. to receive public comment on the use of program year 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Motion Carried.

As part of the required citizen participation process for Wayne County CDBG funding the Township must hold two public hearings regarding the proposed activities and proposed funding levels for activities for program year 2017. Objectives of the program are to provide benefits to persons of low- to moderate-income and/or areas where 51% of the residents are low to moderate income, reduce negative environmental impacts, maintain a high level of performance in management of CDBG funds programs, improve the quality of life for low to moderate income persons and create affordable housing for low to moderate income households. Proposed funding: \$76, 581 Public Facilities, \$30,000 Demolition, \$21,315 Senior Services, \$7,105 Planning and \$7,105 Administration. Trustee Frazier requested clarification on the funds allocated to Senior Services and expressed a desire to have those funds allocated to tangible items and services as opposed to offsetting the Director's salary. No Public Comment was received.

Budd moved, White seconded to close the Public Hearing at 7:29 p.m. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Representative David Wilson from The Senior Alliance provided an overview of programs and service to Van Buren Township citizens over the past year. More information about the Senior Alliance is available at aaa1c.org.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT: None. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None. NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Martin, seconded by Budd to approve the 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$142,106.00 and the proposed project statement. Motion Carried.

Motion by Frazier, seconded by Miller to approve the appointment of Patricia Sobecki to the September Days Senior Citizens Endowment Committee with a term to expire January 15, 2018. Motion Carried. Ms. Sobecki has been a long time member and volunteer at the Senior Center. She fills the balance of the term held by the late Betty Neill.

Motion by Miller, seconded by White to

approve the appointment of Kess Emekpe to the Environmental Commission with a term to expire October 1, 2017. Motion Carried. Mr. Emekpe is a seven-year resident of the Township, is a member of the Huron River Watershed Council, holds a degree in Earth and Environmental Science and is working towards his master's degree. He fills the balance of the term held by the late David Wilson.

Motion by Frazier, seconded by Budd to approve the 2016 Planning Commission Annual Report. Motion Carried. This report is compiled in accordance with P.A. 33 of 2008, as amended, MCL 125.3801 Et seq, Michigan Planning Enabling Act. It is a list of activities performed by the Planning Commission in 2016.

Motion by Budd, seconded by Miller to approve of the evaluation process for the Oualifications Based Selection Committee in the selection of a General Engineering Services firm. Motion Carried. The evaluation process includes a Statement of Qualifications Evaluation, Reference Check, Interview Questions and a Score Sheet. The highest scoring applicant(s) will be brought forth to the Board for approval. Motion by Budd, seconded by Miller to approve the evaluation process for the Qualifications Based Selection Committee in the selection of a General Planning Services firm. Motion Carried. The evaluation process includes a Statement of Qualifications Evaluation, Reference Check, Interview Questions and a Score Sheet. The highest scoring applicant(s) will be brought forth to the Board for approval.

Motion by Martin, seconded by White to approve the first reading of Ordinance 02-21-17 (1) an Ordinance to grant the exclusive use and enjoyment of Township owned property around Belleville Lake to the abutting property owners. Motion Carried. This Ordinance will grant the exclusive use and enjoyment of Township owned property around Belleville Lake to the abutting property owners. The Ordinance grants the abutting property owner the exclusive right of use of the Township owned property around Belleville Lake. The area is delimited by the Zoning Ordinance 02-21-17 (2) which addresses where the specific exclusive use boundaries are. The property owner shall maintain the lake property in compliance with all existing applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

Motion by White, seconded by Frazier to approve the first reading of Ordinance 02-21-17 (2) an Ordinance to amend the Van Buren Township Zoning Ordinance 6-2-92 to add a new article regarding the Belleville Lake Shoreline Districts. Motion Carried. This Ordinance adds language to the Township's Zoning Ordinance with regards to the regulation of physical improvements made to the Township owned property around Belleville Lake. It also offers protections to the abutting property owners by grandfathering existing structures and establishes separate regulations for property abutting single family home (BLA zoning district) and multi-family/ commercial properties (BLB zoning district).

Motion by Miller, seconded by White to approve the first reading of Ordinance 02-21-17 (3) an Ordinance to amend the Van Buren Township Zoning Ordinance 6-2-92 to rezone those portions of Township owned Belleville Lake parcels that are located below the 655-foot contour line (1929 NGVD) or "Brow of the hill" to Belleville Lake Shoreline Districts. Motion Carried. This Ordinance amends the Township's Zoning Map to incorporate the BLA (shoreline abutting single family homes) and BLB (shoreline abutting multi-family/commercial properties). **REPORTS:** None.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Announcements included: Outdoor Emergency Siren testing occurs the first Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m.; the League of Women Voters will hold their next meeting on Thursday February 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church and assist anyone interested in registering to vote: and the Belleville Rotary Club will hold an Italian "Fat Tuesday" dinner on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Van Buren Eagles. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and younger. Carry out is available. NON-AGENDA: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Miller moved, Frazier seconded to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk Kevin McNamara, Supervisor Publish: March 2, 2017

# **Public Notice**

#### COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

On October 28, 2016, the State Board of Nursing assessed a \$1,000 civil penalty and indefinitely suspended for at least 6 months, the license of Melissa Mandy Smith, license no. RN566188, of Belleville, Michigan, based on disciplinary action by a proper licensing authority of another state and failure to report same to the Board.

Publish: March 2, 2017

# **Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice**

## VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP 2017 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

### NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS **OF VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

The **BOARD OF REVIEW** of the Charter Township of Van Buren will meet at the

Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, on the following dates:

March 7th, Tuesday 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Organizational Meeting) No Appeals Heard at this Meeting

March 13<sup>th</sup>, Monday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

March 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

> March 16<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **REVIEW IN PERSON IS BY APPOINTMENT**

Taxpayers/Property Owners may appeal by making an appointment to appear before the Board of Review OR by letter appeal (personal appearance is not required).

Letters of appeal must be received on or before MARCH 15, 2017.

Appointments to appeal in person may be scheduled by calling the Assessing Office at 734-699-8946 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by MARCH 14, 2017.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers are as follows:

Ratio	Multiplier
50%	1.0000
50%	1.0000
50%	1.0000
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Leon Wright Van Buren Charter Township

Publish: Thursday, February 16, 2017 Thursday, February 23, 2017 Thursday, March 2, 2017

# **Belleville Moose sets fund raiser** for Jason Basham, BHS 1996

The Belleville Moose Lodge, 45476 Harris Road, Sumpter Township, will host

a spaghetti dinner fund raiser on Saturday, March 4, to help Jason Basham, Belleville High School class of 1996.

The event, which will feature STEP ASIDE Band from 8 p.m. until midnight, will start with the dinner from 5 to 8

p.m. Basham has been fighting his battle with brain cancer since June 2015 and will be undergoing his third brain surgery in March. He is on active duty as a Seabee in the U.S. Navy.

Basham is married and has four children ages 10 months to 16 years. Two years ago while helping coach his daughters' softball team, Basham, was accidentally hit in the head with a ball, and a CT scan discovered a large brain tumor that had been undetected before.

Basham had a brain surgery in June of 2015, but they were unable to remove the entire tumor. He also had complications and bleeding into the brain which required a second emergency surgery the next morning.

After the surgery, he suffered from loss of vision and memory problems. A month ago, during a follow up MRI, it was determined that the remaining section of the tumor had begun to grow.

He has a new neurosurgeon and will have to have a third brain surgery in March to remove the rest of the tumor. It is still pressing on his optic nerve and is quite large.

His medical expenses are all covered by his military insurance, however, the new surgeon is in a different state and there will be hotel costs and gas for his wife to travel with him during the surgery and to visit him while he is still in the hospital for recovery.

The family said anyone who is able to donate even something small to the GoFundMe account that has been set up would be a great help.



# **City of Belleville** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **Community Development Block Grants**



A public hearing is scheduled before the City Council on Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, for the purpose of:

### **RECEIVING COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM**

The City of Belleville expects to receive approximately \$57,000 in year 2017 CDBG funds. Projects must meet HUD regulations and Wayne County's program guidelines. Additional information is available by contacting the City Clerk's office, 6 Main Street, Belleville MI 48111 - phone (734) 697-9323.

Pursuant to the program guidelines, the City of Belleville is announcing its program objectives and proposed uses of the estimated CDBG funds as follows:

#### **PROPOSED GOALS AND PROJECTS:** COAL · Suitable

GOAL: Suitable Living Environment				
Location: City-wide				
Activity: Senior/Disabled Services	\$ 9,830			
Activity: ADA Public Facilities Projects	\$ 40,470			
Activity: Senior Chore Services	\$ 1,000			
Program Administration				
Strategic Planning	\$ <u>5,700</u>			
TOTAL	\$ 57,000			

Citizens are invited to comment on the proposed projects and to suggest other projects which meet the County's guidelines.

Sherri Scharf City Clerk/Treasurer

# **Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice**



## **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN JOB VACANCY**

Starting Hourly Wage: \$16.12

## **General Duty Statement:**

Van Buren Charter Township is now accepting resumes for a Water Worker I.

Detailed information can be found on the Van Buren Township website.

www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted

Only Qualified Applicants Need Apply

## SELECTION PROCESS

Must successfully complete the written assessment testing as well as an oral interview and background survey.

The Charter Township of Van Buren is an equal opportunity employer.

Publish: March 2, 2017; March 9, 2017; March 16, 2017; March 23, 2017

# City of Belleville Public Notice

### **CITY OF BELLEVILLE** Notice of Adoption Ordinance No. 17-002

**TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 88-255 AND REPLACE WITH ORDINANCE NO. 17-002** 

The City of Belleville, Wayne County, Michigan, hereby ordains that:

Chapter 6, Article VI of the City of Belleville Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:

DIVISION 1:	GENERALLY Section 6-211: Definitions Section 6-212: Penalty Section 6-213: Purpose of Article Sections 6-214 to 6.230: Reserved
DIVISION 2:	LICENSE Section 6-231: Required; Exceptions Section 6-232: Application Generally Section 6-233: Special Requirements, Insurance Section 6-234: Standards for issuance Section 6-235: Approval of Requests for Street Closure Section 6-236: Contents Section 6-237: Transfer Section 6-238: Revocation Sections 6-239 to 6-252: Reserved
DIVISION 3:	Section 6-253:Rights and Duties of LicenseeSection 6-254:Possession of LicenseSection 6-255:Vendors, Peddlers and Transient MerchantsSection 6-256:Saving ClauseSection 6-257:SeverabilitySection 6-258:Conflicting OrdinancesSection 6-259:Publication and Effective Date

Ordinance No. 17-002 was adopted by the Belleville City Council on February 21, 2017 and will become effective on March 6, 2017. A complete and true copy of Ordinance No. 17-002 is available for inspection and may be obtained at the City Clerk's Office, 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI 48111.

Sherri Scharf City Clerk/Treasurer



# Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

#### Sunday, Feb. 19:

- 0053 noise complaint, Second St.
- 0113 disorderly person, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 1040 civil dispute, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1306 assist other agency, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1342 dumping complaint, Wear/Elwell
- 1345 larceny, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1433 disorderly person, 25000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1435 civil dispute, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1559 warrant arrest pick up, out of township
- 1609 fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Timberpark Ct.
- 1657 ordinance violation, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1846 ordinance violation, Colorado
- 1906 traffic hazard, Sumpter/Wear 1930 – fire dept, assist, Stonecrest

#### Monday, Feb. 20:

0236 – civil dispute, Edgewood

- 0824 fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 0921 reckless driver, Sherwood/Willis 1056 – suspicious incident, 22000 bl. Carleton West
- Rd.
- 1117 subpoena service, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1332 subpoena service, 45000 bl. Harris Rd. 1419 – animal complaint, Judd/Sherwood
- 1728 suspicious incident, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1933 fire dept. assist, 12000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 2030 suspicious vehicle, 27000 bl. Martinsville
- 2037 mental health commitment, 48000 bl. Wear
- 2344 assist other agency, out of township

#### Tuesday, Feb. 21:

- 0112 alarm, 18000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
- 0404 family trouble, 46000 bl. Dunn Rd.
- 1121 disorderly person, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.
- 1124 well-being check, 12000 bl. Rawsonville
- 1219 mental health commitment, 21000 bl. Clark
- 1408 larceny, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1552 mental health commitment, 44000 bl. Paris
- 1746 fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 2029 well-being check, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 2114 warrant arrest pick up, out of township
- Wednesday, Feb. 22:
- 0924 citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0953 civil dispute, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1130 well-being check, 26000 bl. Sherwood
- 1139 alarm, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 1140 suspicious incident, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
- 1147 unauthorized driving away of auto, 28000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 1411 harassment complaint, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 1518 warrant arrest, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1522 fire dept. assist, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 1545 animal complaint, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 1553 found property, 44000 bl. Arkona Rd. 2305 – fire dept. assist, Nevada

### Thursday, Feb. 23:

- 0009 disorderly person, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 0059 fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Karr Rd.
- 0751 -fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1049 ORV complaint, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
- 1128 animal complaint, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1508 fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 1535 juvenile complaint, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1613 suspicious incident, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1652 ORV complaint, 8200 bl. Oakville Waltz
- 1733 warrant arrest pick up, Sumpter/Bemis
- 1802 reckless driver, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 2101 suspicious incident, 48000 bl. Harris Rd. Friday, Feb. 24:
- 0249 suspicious incident, Texas
- 0826 suspicious vehicle, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 0845 ordinance violation, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 0942 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 1107 suspicious incident, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1158 alarm, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
- 1237 property damage accident, Willow/Sumpter
- 1514 down wires, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1535 warrant arrest, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd. 1644 – threats complaint, Rustic Ln.
- 1800 property damage accident, 8800 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 1801 unauthorized driving away of auto, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 2251 disorderly person, 51000 bl. Willis Rd. Saturday, Feb. 25:
- 0302 runaway juvenile, 45000 bl. Harris Rd. 0546 – suspicious incident, 45000 bl. Harris Rd. 0614 – juvenile complaint, 20000 bl. Martinsville

1148 – civil dispute, 24000 bl. Martinsville Rd. 1541 – harassment complaint, 26000 bl. Sherwood 1550 – juvenile complaint, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd. 2114 – family trouble, 9200 bl. Rawsonville Rd. 2233 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd. 2259 – assist other agency, out of township Also on this week's log are seven follow-up investigations, 50 miscellaneous details, 154 patrol checks, and 34 traffic stops.

Van Buren Township and Belleville Police logs are on page 18

# Belleville man arrested in Macomb County sting for seeking child sex

Ross Earl Kouba, 41, of Belleville was arraigned via video at 41B District Court on Feb. 21 on multiple felony charges after he traveled to Macomb County planning to have sex with an underage girl he met on the internet.

He is charged with three counts of child sexually abusive activity, a 20-yearfelony; two counts of using a computer to communicate with another to commit a crime; and one count of contributing to delinquency of a child.

He is being held in the Macomb County Jail on a \$150,000 cash or surety bond, awaiting his next court appearance, set for March 6.

The Macomb County Sheriff's Office said it received a tip on Feb. 16 that a user on a popular social media site was trying to solicit sex with an underage person.

A detective from Macomb Area Computer Enforcement logged on and posed as an underage girl and engaged with the suspect, later identified as Kouba.

Kouba sent "detailed and graphic" text messages about sexual activity that he wished to engage in with the child, a detective said. He was arrested two days later when he arrived for a meeting with the girl.

## Spring Storytimes set at Belleville Library

The Belleville Area District Library announces its Storytime schedule has been set for spring:

• Family Storytimes for preschoolelementary, ages 4-10, at 6:30 p.m. Mondays, March 13-April 24.

• Tuesday Toddler Storytimes for children ages 2-4 at 11 a.m., Tuesdays, March 14-April 25.

• Thursday Toddler Storytimes for children ages 2-4 at 11 a.m., Thursdays, March 16-April 27.

Tara K. McCann Youth/Teen Services Librarian Belleville Area District Library 167 Fourth Street, Belleville

# Belleville DDA selects Gonczy to cut grass in city park areas

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor Page 21

• Learned the Belleville SOUP Project

for 2017 is set for Wednesday, March 29.

The annual event (since 2014) is planned

in partnership with Belleville High School

NewTech. The public pays for a soup

dinner and listens to student presentations

on proposed downtown projects. The

public votes and the winner gets a stipend

for seed money to put on the project. Last

year's winning project - Water Drive on

the Waterfront - has yet to be scheduled,

but is expected to be put on this summer.

One year, all the student presenters were

given money along with the winner, but

Thompson said NewTech only wants to do

one project a year. It is a volunteer activity

for the teachers and the NewTech staff is

**Belleville Area Women's** 

**Club seeking candidates** 

for woman's scholarship

seeking candidates for its Georgia Badgett

woman who is re-entering education to

change or enhance her career. It is a \$1,000

scholarship that can be used towards

expenses incurred in pursuit of these

Belleville, Romulus, Sumpter, or Van

Buren Township. The application must

be submitted no later than April 1, 2017.

The recipient will be asked to attend one

meeting at which time the award will be

Contact Pamela O'Neill at poneill156@

gmail.com or Sophia Zoller at sofiazol@

comcast.net for more information or to

**Boogie Woogie Kid Trio** 

WCCC Western campus

Community College's Western Campus

at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 30, for a free

concert in the "All about the Arts" series.

The campus is located at 9555 Haggerty

Road north of I-94 in Van Buren

Performing will be the Boogie Woogie Kid

Trio, made up of Emma-Lee Aboukasm,

Matthew Ball, and Gary Stevens. Admission

is free and refreshments will be available.

For more information call (734) 374-3232.

Award-winning vocalist Aboukasm teams

with 3.7 million-views, YouTube piano

sensation Matthew Ball, aka "The Boogie

Woogie Kid," for an evening of ballads,

blues, boogie-woogie and jazz from the

Swing Era. Gary Stevens will join them on

www.boogiewoogiekid.com .

See a preview of the performance on

The public is invited to Wayne County

set for free concert at

The candidate must be a resident of

Memorial Scholarship.

educational goals.

presented.

Township.

drums.

receive an application.

The Belleville Area Women's Club is

This scholarship is specifically for a

rotated.

The Belleville Downtown Development Authority studied seven proposals for cutting grass in the city parks this growing season and chose the low bidder, Gonczy's Property Maintenance of Sumpter Township.

Gonczy will cut Horizon Park, Doane's Landing, Victory Park and Village Park at a cost of \$330 a week. The price is good for 2018, too, but the DDA will evaluate the work for the first year before going on with a second year.

Gonczy will take over from Pioneer Landscaping of Van Buren Township who was hired late last season to cut the parks. Their proposal was \$600 a week. Both companies have good ratings from references.

Pioneer was hired last summer to replace the City of Belleville DPW, which the DDA was paying \$800 per week for the work. The agreement between the DDA and the city had lapsed and so they were negotiating a new agreement.

Other quotes for grass cutting were: Salisbury, \$875; Weise, \$1,230; Matt Lee, \$1,375. TLC Landscaping of Maybee bid \$205, but later said it didn't understand the size of Village Park and couldn't cut it for the \$60 per week it bid for that work.

In other business at the Feb. 15 meeting, the DDA:

TerraFirma, Inc., give a presentation on

managing the retention ponds at Village

Park. He said the ponds are very shallow

and were planned that way. Councilman

Tom Fielder said the ponds were put in to

allow a very wet area to be built on. He

said there is less water now than when

they were built. "They are not designed as

cosmetic fishing ponds. They are designed

as retention ponds," Patterson said, adding

12' ponds wouldn't have been approved by

the county when they were built in 1996. It

is very expensive to dredge them to make

to serve for another year: Rosemary

Loria, chairwoman; Denise Baker, vice-

chairwoman; Jim Higgerson, secretary; and

• Voted to keep on meeting at the same time

for 2017: 6 p.m. on the third Wednesday of

an update on the proposed City Events

Ordinance that will be voted on by the city

council and is expected to go into effect

Jan. 1, 2018. She said the city wanted to

improve the application process and to

make sure the cost of the city for providing

services at events was recouped and not a

drain on the city budget. Carol Thompson,

DDA Coordinator, said they are thinking of

convening events' presenters with a good

speaker and then roll this new process out

· Heard Mayor Kereen Conley give

Sabrina Richardson Williams, treasurer;

· Voted to re-elect the present officers

them deeper now, he said;

each month:

to them; and

· Heard Eric Patterson, owner of

# Van Buren Township **Police Dispatch Log**

Out of the 863 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police over the past two weeks, the following are selected for this column.

### Sunday, Feb. 12:

0143 - operating while intoxicated, Beckley Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.

- 0519 malicious destruction of property, Union 1214 - unauthorized driving away of auto,
- Westlake 1227 - larceny from auto, Westlake
- 1401 larceny, Maple Dr.
- 1414 shots fired, Hull Rd./Elwell Rd.
- 1522 property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
- 1629 disturbance, Ormond Dr.
- 1807 assault & battery, Lighthouse Dr.
- Monday, Feb. 13:
- 0920 larceny, Elwell Rd. 1000 - malicious destruction of property, Michigan
- Ave.
- 1151 agency assist, Denton/Main
- 1203 larceny, Lauren Ct.
- 1447 mental, Ecorse Rd.
- 1520 fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1615 larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1832 retail fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1928 fraud, Kent Dr.
- 2019 assault & battery, Bayshore Dr.
- 2034 fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
- 2205 larceny, E. Huron River Dr.
- Tuesday, Feb. 14:
- 0821 property damage accident, Haggerty / Tyler 0855 - property damage accident, Michigan Ave. /
- W. Schooner Dr. 0901 - property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
- Bog Rd.
- 1139 vehicle impound, Quirk Rd.
- 1232 breaking & entering, Barkley St.
- 1336 larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1532 property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
- 1550 property damage accident, Belleville Rd. /
- N. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1716 property damage accident, Bemis/tracks 1748 - domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1817 suspicious person/veh/circu, E. Sadie Ln. 1913 - property damage accident, Hannan/Huron
- River Dr.
- 2202 domestic, Ash Dr.
- Wednesday, Feb. 15:
- 0053 shooting, Maple Dr./Pine Dr.
- 0428 road hazard, Rawsonville/Martz
- 0814 disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
- 0941 fraud, Dalton Rd.
- 0945 family trouble, Sylvia Dr.
- 1108 civil matter, Farm Rd.
- 1222 civil matter, Oak Ln.
- 1434 property damage, N. I-94 Service/Jackson
- 1445 assault & battery, Belleville Rd.
- 1602 retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
- 1644 property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr./Morton Taylor Rd.
- 1716 property damage accident, Kirkridge Park
- 1724 personal injury accident, Ecorse
- 1732 narcotics crime, Belleville Rd.
- Thursday, Feb. 23: 1857 - dumping complaint, Morton Taylor/Ecorse 0812 - property damage accident, Union St.
- 2131 domestic, Haggerty
- 2241 operating while intoxicated, Tyler Rd. /
- Belleville Rd.
- 2300 noise complaint, Sawgrass Ct.
- 2353 neighbor trouble, Sawgrass Ct.
- 2351 noise complaint, Cherry Ln.

#### Thursday, Feb. 16:

- 0032 noise complaint, Cherry Ln.
- 0115 domestic, Laguna Dr.
- 0250 suicidal person, Denton Rd.
- 1031 domestic, Van Buren St.
- 1209 malicious destruction of property, Denton
- 1314 property damage accident, Haggerty / Riccardo
- 1327 disorderly, Belleville Rd.
- 1434 domestic, McBride
- 1645 missing person, Tyler Rd.
- 1723 domestic, Arthur St.
- 1746 retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
- 1807 harassment call, Maple Dr.
- 2300 noise complaint, Hardwood Dr.
- 2335 noise complaint, Oak Ln.

- Friday, Feb. 17:
- 0733 property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

/ Ouirk Rd.

Service Dr.

Sunday, Feb. 12:

Monday, Feb. 13:

Tuesday, Feb. 14:

Wednesday, Feb. 15:

Dr.

Dr.

S. I-94 Service Dr.

Saturday, Feb. 25:

1606 - assault & battery, Elwell Rd.

1859 - mental subject, Ecorse Rd.

1355 - family trouble, Belleville Rd.

1428 - family trouble, Crowley Ave.

1403 - threat, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1653 - disorderly, Ecorse Rd.

1932 - shooting, Fairbanks St.

2300 - robbery, Belleville Rd.

0833 - assist fire dept., Loza Ln.

1951 - parking complaint, Carmell

2138 - suspicious vehicle, N. Liberty St.

0353 - suspicious situation, Menlo Park Dr.

1153 - agency assist, S. Industrial Park Dr.

2112 - noise complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1056 - assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.

1458 - prisoner transport, 34th District Court

0116 - parking complaint, Belle Villa

0531 - assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.

0926 - assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.

1508 - welfare check, Wabash Ave.

1134 - 911 welfare check, Third St.

1336 - assist citizen, N. Liberty St.

1910 - sexual assault, Harbour Pointe

0816 - trespassing, W. Columbia Ave.

0913 - intrusion alarm, Fourth Street

1251 - welfare check, N. Liberty St.

1831 - vehicle lockout, Third/Main

2129 - welfare check, Belleville/Quirk

0021 - assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.

0554 - vehicle lockout, Carmell St.

1325 - welfare check, N. Liberty St.

1413 - assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.

2251 - domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.

1007 - assist fire dept., Carmell St.

1012 - civil matter, Potter Dr.

1444 - fraud, Main St.

Saturday, Feb. 18:

Sunday, Feb. 19:

0812 - fight, Main St.

1642 - fraud, Sumpter Rd.

0111 - property check, W. Columbia Ave.

0112 - suspicious person/veh/circu, Breakwater Ct.

1947 - noise complaint, Owen Middle School

2320 - property damage accident, Main/High

0403 - suspicious person/veh/circu, N. Liberty St.

1140 - sexual assault, Savage Rd./Victorian Ln.

2053 - suspicious person/veh/circu, Henry St.

0522 - assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.

0919 - noise complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.

0622 - welfare check, N. Liberty St.

1147 - parking complaint, Carmell St.

0437 - assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.

1613 - misc. complaints, Tyler

1418 - fraud, Main St.

Thursday, Feb. 16:

Friday, Feb. 17:

1042 - misc. complaints, W. Columbia Ave.

1345 - all misc. complaints, W. Columbia Ave.

1107 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1528 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

2047 - misc. complaints, Harbour Pointe Dr.

2105 - suspicious person, Harbour Pointe Dr.

1947 - parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

2219 - juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

0207 - suspicious person/veh/circu, E. Huron River

0247 - suspicious person/veh/circu, E. Huron River

1433 - assist fire dept., Main St.

0040 - domestic, Lancaster Dr.

1611 - property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

0709 - abandoned auto, Country Walk Blvd.

0942 - malicious destruction of property, Denton

1633 - property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

1717 - property damage accident, Sheldon/Beverly

2107 - unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94

Also on this two-week log are 426 traffic stops, 95 of

**Belleville Police** 

**Dispatch Log** 

which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

1852 - property damage accident, Belleville Rd. /

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1101 - malicious destruction of property, Biggs

1507 - animal complaint, Second St./Church St.

1031 - misc. complaints, Church St.

1301 - intrusion alarm, Carmell St.

1528 - disorderly, Victory Park

1612 - intrusion alarm, Main St.

2000 - assist fire dept., Tyler

Ct.

Monday, Feb. 20:

Thornhill Ct.

Tuesday, Feb. 21:

Wednesday, Feb. 22:

0457 - Pbt, Main St.

Thursday, Feb. 23:

Friday, Feb. 24:

Saturday, Feb. 25:

River Dr.

stops.

1719 - misc. complaints, Loraine

1802 - misc. complaints, Denton Rd.

1935 - misc. complaints, Rawsonville

2236 - civil matter, Belle Villa Blvd.

0331 - intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.

1725 - intrusion alarm, E. Columbia Ave.

1016 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1207 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1131 - assault & battery, E. Huron River Dr.

2151 - suspicious person/veh/circu, Victorian

0415 - suspicious person/veh/circu, Sumpter Rd.

1127 - welfare check, S. Aberdeen Ct.

1156 - vehicle lockout, Church St.

1231 - misc. complaints, Main St.

1438 - civil matter, N. Liberty St.

1713 - civil matter, Second St.

1854 - assist fire dept., Henry St.

0919 - vehicle lockout, Henry St.

1621 - intrusion alarm, Carmell St.

1706 - harassment call, N. Biggs Ave.

1814 - traffic offense, E. Waterbury Ct.

2328 - assist fire dept., Capistrano Ct.

0559 - assist citizen, Second St.

1321 - warrant arrest, Canton PD

1328 - assist fire dept., Henry St.

1807 - trespassing, Victorian Ln.

1201 - assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.

1941 - assist fire dept., Carmell St.

0137 - intrusion alarm, Fourth St.

0140 - intrusion alarm, Main St.

0708 - welfare check, Bedell St.

1545 - warrant arrest, Main St.

1754 - assist fire dept., Main St.

2240 - disorderly, Main St.

2040 - assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.

1930 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

0951 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1041 - parking complaint, W. Wabash Ave.

1315 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1538 - road hazard, Main St./E. Huron River Dr.

1617 - property damage accident, Lunch Box

1714 - assist fired dept., W. Columbia Ave.

2211 - intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.

0133 - assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.

0243 - all 4100 micr codes/liquor, Lakeview

0906 - suspicious person/veh/circu, Main St.

0936 - parking complaint, N. Liberty St.

1420 - trespassing, W. Columbia Ave.

1451 - assist fire dept., Capistrano Ct.

1905 - assist fire dept., Capistrano Ct.

1538 - property damage accident, Main St.

2118 - property damage accident, Roys St./Church

Also on these logs, covering two weeks, are 70 traffic

**Sumpter Township** 

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1144 - warrant arrest, Main St.

1450 - vehicle lockout, Egan's

0322 - animal complaint, Clarence St./E. Huron

2228 - assist fire dept., Carmell St.

1956 - juvenile complaint, E. Waterbury Ct.

2127 - suspicious person/veh/circu, S. Abderdeen

1453 - welfare check, E. Columbia Ave./Main St.

1628 - suspicious person/veh/circu, N. Biggs Ave.

2024 - malicious destruction of property, E

1051 - assist fire dept., Tyler

- 0927 property damage accident, Belleville Rd. 1122 - larceny, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1356 larceny, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1950 assist other dept., WB I-94/Belleville Rd.
- 2007 disorderly, Quirk Rd.
- 2112 assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.
- 2125 harassment call, Rogers Ave.
- 2212 malicious destruction of property, Maple 2346 - disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
- Saturday, Feb. 18:

Martz

Dr.

Monday, Feb. 20:

Tuesday, Feb. 21:

I-94 Service Dr.

Wednesday, Feb. 22:

exit

- 0038 shooting, Denton Rd.
- 0929 larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.
- 0936 operating while intoxicated, W. Huron River Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.
- 0944 found property/child, Quirk/Ayres
- 1314 retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
- 1325 overdose, Kirkridge Park Dr.
- 1341 larceny, N. Cumberland Dr.
- 1417 lost property/child, Bog Rd.
- 1656 assist other dept., Bog Rd.
- 1840 breaking & entering, Parkwood Dr.
- 2039 road hazard, Sumpter Rd./Bemis Rd. Sunday, Feb. 19:
- 0025 disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.

0054 - fraud, S. Ponderosa Trl.

1004 - ordinance violation, Maple Dr.

1337 - abandoned auto, N. Ponderosa Trl.

1537 - found property/child, Hamilton St.

1541 - property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.

1656 - property damage accident, Hannan Rd. / S.

1701 - property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275 S.

1329 - juvenile complaint, Bog Rd.

1654 - harassment call, Oak Ln.

2324 - disorderly, Comfort Inn

1643 - domestic, Belleville Rd.

1648 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1729 - disorderly. S. Woodbury Dr.

1947 - narcotics crime, Denton Rd.

2101 - suicidal person, Comfort Inn

1210 - larceny, Rawsonville Rd.

1522 - domestic, Peachtree Ln.

1647 - juvenile complaint, Lohr Rd.

1703 - assault & battery, Revere Dr.

1958 - assist other dept., Hull Rd.

2317 - harassment call, Hull Rd.

0909 - larceny, Rawsonville Rd.

1600 - threat, Belleville Rd.

Friday, Feb. 24:

2230 - domestic, Rose Blvd.

accident, N. I-94 Service Dr./Independence Ln.

1247 - breaking & entering, Park Estates Dr.

1319 - assault & battery, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1746 - property damage accident, Tyler Rd.

0550 - assault & battery, N. Ponderosa Trl.

0609 - road hazard, Rawsonville/S. I-94 Service

0935 - road hazard, Rawsonville/ I-94 Service Dr.

0940 - assault & battery, Belleville Rd./Robson

1028 - robbery, S. I-94 Service Dr./Denton Rd.

1519 - property damage accident, Water's Edge

1523 - breaking & entering, Morton Taylor Rd.

1601 - operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd.

0950 - found property/child, Parkwood Dr.

1229 - abandoned auto, Brookside Dr.

1350 - hold-up alarm, Tyler Rd.

2329 - noise complaint, Sawgrass Ct.

0652 - family trouble, Meadows Ct.

1632 - property damage accident, Belle Pointe Dr.

1805 - private property impound, Lake Point Blvd.

1743 - property damage accident, Belle Square

1303 - ordinance violation, Savage Rd.

1443 - shooting, Bemis Rd.

0035 - mental subject, N. I-94 Service Dr.

0851 - unattended death, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1839 - leaving the scene of a property damage

1832 - abandoned auto, Industrial Dr.

1828 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1410 - domestic, Lilac Ln.

1458 - fraud, Harbor Ln.

1314 - harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1546 - road hazard, train tracks between Hull and

1902 - operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd.

1812 - road hazard, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service

2018 - malicious destruction of property, Parkwood

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