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*Independent photo by James Otzman*

On Sunday, after a week of cutting down a forest of trees, the machinery rested at the site of the new Menards on Belleville Road. The pile of woodchips was 10-15 feet tall. Menards plans to open its new home improvement store in February. It is just north of Walmart.

## Saline man arrested, charged in stabbing at VBT bar

Christian David Luckett, 24, of Saline was arrested and charged with three felonies after a stabbing during the early morning hours Saturday at The Creek Bar in Van Buren Township.



Luckett

1:20 a.m. on April 8, officers of the VBT

VBT Director of Public Safety Gregory Laurain said at about

police and fire departments responded to 50521 W. Huron River Drive on a report of a stabbing.

Upon arrival, officers made contact with a 28-year-old man who was suffering from a stab wound to his abdomen.

Patrons at the bar were holding down a man on the floor until police arrived who they identified as the suspect.

Victim Shane Michael Jones of Ypsilanti advised police that that while helping the DJ, he told the suspect to leave the bar

because he was too intoxicated. The victim stated the suspect became upset and later stabbed him over it.

Luckett was taken into custody at the scene by police and he was held at the VBT police lock-up facility pending issuance of criminal charges by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and arraignment.

Luckett was subsequently charged with one count of assault with intent to murder, one count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, and one

count of assault with a dangerous weapon. All charges are felonies with sentences ranging from four years to life or any number of years if found guilty.

Luckett was arraigned by a judge at 34<sup>th</sup> District Court and cash bond of \$75,000 was set. He has been remanded to the Wayne County Jail awaiting his probable cause conference on April 19 and the preliminary exam, which is set for April 26.

## School Board flips: Now Haggerty School is closing this fall

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
*Independent Editor*

At Monday's meeting, after a long discussion, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education voted 5-2 to close Haggerty School for the next school year.

Trustees Sherry Frazier and Susan Featheringill voted no. And, at the end of the meeting, Frazier asked for the issue to be put back on the agenda at the next meeting, April 24.

At its March 27 meeting the board had voted 6-1 to keep the school open for the

next school year and set up a committee to look into the preschool program in the district.

Board president Keith Johnston was the lone no vote at the previous meeting and he said he put it on the agenda for another vote on April 10.

He said he talked to a friend who mentioned the water quality at the school is higher in copper and iron than it should be, an ongoing problem.

"It's more than the water," Johnston said. He said the California design of the

building is inefficient and people have to walk through one classroom to get to another classroom, which is disruptive.

"We could mothball it for a year or two," he said. "I don't want to put \$10,000 or \$30,000 on a boiler ... and \$3,000 to \$7,000 on annual water testing."

He said they will have a preschool program at Rawsonville Elementary.

"People don't like change, but they're resilient," he said, noting he doesn't like seeing bottled water, jug water.

Trustee Frazier said she is disappointed in the way School Supt. Pete Kudlak presented this to the board. She said she told him that and he agreed he could have done it better.

She said she didn't see anything new in the report that the board already voted on. She wanted a committee to study the

preschool program.

"We have to start kids on a regime when they get to Kindergarten." In previous meetings she had said that the preschool is the gateway to bringing students into the district. She often used Bethany Daycare as an example of how students go on to Keystone Academy.

Frazier also said she did not see any plans in the packet about where the preschool classes would go.

Supt. Kudlak said they plan to put preschool in all four elementary schools. He said that once he got board approval on closing the school, they would make plans of where to put the classes.

Frazier pointed out the playgrounds for these preschool students have to be fenced in and the play equipment certified.

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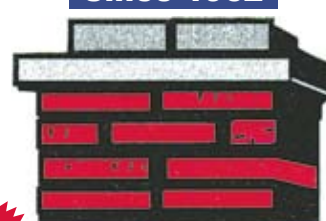
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## We honor Marcus McIntosh whose life was lost in VBT crash

By Camille Woods  
Van Buren Township

My son Marcus McIntosh: He was a well-loved young man with many friends. His visitation and funeral brought well over 600 people out to say goodbye to him.



He was an amazing son and best friend to *anyone* that needed one. His favorite phrase was "I Got You." He used that whenever he felt he could help. For example, if he came into the living room and noticed my water glass was empty, he would grab it without hesitation with a, "I got you, ma."

He has helped grown men stop drinking. He helped single moms care for their babies (two girls he knew from high school whose boyfriends had abandoned them).

He worked as a house manager for adults with disabilities. He was a Mormon -- had converted and was baptized at 18. Marcus was his own person.

He helped a man in our neighborhood who struggled with mental health (schizophrenic and agoraphobic). They became very good friends -- Marcus sitting with him on his front lawn because the man couldn't leave. Sadly, that man was a casualty of my son's death in that he killed himself 10 days after Marcus died due to his grief.

Marcus left a legacy that most 70 year olds don't leave, let alone a 20 year old.

Even the man that would take Marcus' life was given a second chance by Marcus.

He had been put out of his life several years before, but when he showed up at our doorstep after being released from prison Marcus felt he could be a good influence on him. The night he died Marcus allowed the man to drive his new car (though Marcus avoided driving with others) and took him to meet some of his friends. Marcus' friends had never met that man until that night.

His repayment for his kindness was to be driven 90 mph down a mile-long road and into a tree.

The tragedy of it is overwhelming.

I am a school social worker and previously had worked for Ypsilanti schools during my son's entire school career. I recently made the difficult decision to change districts and currently work for Ann Arbor schools in Carpenter Elementary.

My administrator has given me the go-ahead to begin a Pay It Forward initiative with our students.

Project: \*I Got You\* asks the students to do acts of kindness for anyone they can. When they complete these acts of kindness they will earn a wristband that says \*I Got You - Big Mack\* (my son's nickname) and also a colored push pin that will be placed into a wreath that will be housed in the foyer of the school's lobby.

Our anticipation is to have the students complete 1,000 acts of kindness.

The kickoff will be April 22. This is to go along with Earth Day. What better way to help the earth than to be kind to one another!

This, of course, is all in honor of Marcus (Big Mack) and all the kind acts he did in his short life.

He was a profound young man: A



Mother Camille Woods and sister Mayceeclair, a Belleville High School student, hold a picture of Marcus McIntosh.

beautiful spirit -- an amazing brother to his sister Mayceeclair -- a best friend to me, his mom - a friend to all - even those most would forget.

He is missed beyond words.

Thank you for this opportunity to share.

**Editor's Note:** Marcus McIntosh, 20, was killed in a one-car crash on Morton Taylor Road on July 6, 2014. The driver of the car, his friend Joshua Morris, was bound over to circuit court on March 29 to face a felony charge of reckless driving causing death.

## VBT Board approves first batch of new, amended ordinances

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

By changing its ordinances, Van Buren Township will save money and tighten up the rules that keep the township from being a premier community, Police Lt. Charles

### Bob Balderston's one-man art show cancelled due to health

Belleville artist Bob Balderston has canceled his one-man art show previously scheduled for Saturday, April 15, at the Holiday Inn Express in Van Buren Township.

He said he may be back in the hospital again. He said he has been in and out with a lung infection or worse. He said he can't breathe and has no strength.

Bazzy told the township board at its regular meeting April 4.

The board unanimously approved the first readings of five changes in the ordinances he proposed. The second reading, and adoption, of the changes is scheduled for its April 18 meeting.

By amending the wording, the ordinances change from describing 93-day misdemeanor violations that continue in circuit court downtown with criminal penalties if not finalized at district court, to 90-day civil infractions that are settled with tickets.

The tickets can be paid within 14 days at the township hall and then they go to district court for a pretrial to be set up on the violations.

Lt. Bazzy said Township Prosecutor Angela Mannerino is at the 34<sup>th</sup> District Court each Tuesday, so she can handle

the civil infractions there. Otherwise, they have to send her to downtown Detroit, at township expense, to pursue the ordinance violations.

"We are decriminalizing these," said Supervisor Kevin McNamara. "I didn't know it was criminal to not cut your lawn." He said when the proposed changes were brought to him, he supported them.

Mannerino said the tickets can be paid at Treasurer Budd's office and the township gets 100%. If they take it to court, the township gets one-third.

"The goal is not to generate revenue but to encourage compliance," Supervisor McNamara said.

The first change is in the definitions in the dog-at-large ordinance to add cats, mammals, birds, and livestock. Lt. Bazzy said, for example, this would give the township the power to help a sheep in the

south end of the township that is not being taken care of.

Lt. Bazzy said by decriminalizing the offenses, such as dog at large or high grass, there is no criminal penalty hanging over their heads.

During discussion of the new animals named in the ordinance at the April 3 work/study meeting, Treasurer Sharry Budd said she chased a pig who escaped into the night and it went on somebody's property, "But I got it."

She said she also has some chickens that wander, too.

When questioned, Lt. Bazzy said "at large" meant animals running freely on property of another. He said there are exemptions, such as Leader Dogs.

Trustee Reggie Miller asked if the officers can issue a warning and Lt. Bazzy replied,

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# O P I N I O N S

## Editorial

### Library Board ratifies bond sale, OKs O'Neal

The sale of \$14 million worth of bonds and the phased agreement with O'Neal Construction was approved at Tuesday's meeting of the Belleville Area District Library Board.

"This is the first lap," said library attorney John Day, as board members expressed relief at this milestone in their journey toward a new building.

Six firms bid on the bonds Monday and the low bidder was Bank of America Merrill Lynch, New York, NY with a bid of 3.279% interest. Library Director Mary Jo Suchy said the sale upped the library's bond rating from A+ to AA-.

The agreement with O'Neal Construction of Ann Arbor will be in two phases, to make sure when they dig into the earth there are no expensive surprises.

The first phase covers the underground site work. The library also needs to work out an agreement with the City of Belleville on site acquisition.

Architect Dan Whisler also got approval to send out a request for proposals for soil borings and also said he would help Suchy, but couldn't be a part of, environmental work that might be needed for the old library building, the house next door, or the city parking lot.

He said library board member John Juriga's contact with Congresswoman Dingell's office got the library an email from DTE to discuss the cost of putting electrical lines underground. Surprise.

Step by step the library is coming.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

Amy Brow will be sworn in as Van Buren Township Fire Chief at township hall at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 20. It's open to the public.

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A gentleman who lives on Beck Road said he would like to see something done with the Beck/Ecorse roads crossing. He said there is a big dip in the roadway and he has to swerve into the wrong lane to turn south on Beck from Ecorse. Very dangerous. He said it's been that way for a long time.

That crossing is often on the police dispatch log as the site of an accident.

He thought if we mentioned it in the paper someone might take a look at it and fix it. It's a public safety issue, he said.

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A reader came in with questions about a mailing she got from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial with a tote bag enclosed. The letter asked for money, but things didn't seem right since the address of the Memorial group was on E Street in Washington, D.C. and the money they asked for is to be sent to another address, at a Post Office box in Washington, D.C. She didn't feel this was a legitimate request, so she's not sending them any more money. She thought our readers would be interested.

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Elaine Stabnau said she made a list of all the local Greatest Generation World War II Veterans that died in 2016: Chester Thurston, Charles Dorin, Robert Ensign, Walter Skszek, and her husband Harvey Stabnau.

She said there probably are more, but these are the ones she knew.

I've known Elaine since the early days



of our paper when she was sending me obituaries from her desk at David C. Brown Funeral Home. Elaine lives across the street from where my aunt and uncle, Albert and Ann Riggs, used to live on Biggs Street, so I've actually known her much longer. My sister and I used to walk to Aunt Ann's house sometimes if we stayed after school for something and didn't have a ride right away out to our home on Haggerty Road.

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Last Wednesday a court case out of the city of Romulus had an interesting twist. At 34<sup>th</sup> District Court, Judge Green was getting ready to let a defendant out of jail on a low bond so he could attend his grandmother's funeral on Saturday, before he was due at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice the following Wednesday. After doing some checking, a court officer informed the judge that he had called the defendant's mother and she said her mother died in early March and the funeral was March 15.

"Lying to me does not bode well," an irritated Judge Green told the defendant. She referred him to pretrial services at the jail, but the reduced bond she had offered was gone. His bond was still at \$20,000/10%.

In his preliminary exam, witnesses described how he was driving a stolen car with the ignition punched out. The Romulus police car video showed him reaching across the front seat of the car he was driving to pitch something black out the window. A police officer testified he

found an unregistered handgun in the grass there.

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On Saturday afternoon I heard on the police/fire scanner that Jimmy Chapman had called in a report to Van Buren Township dispatch that he had been assaulted on E. Huron River Dr. Then, he hung up. Another person called in to say Chapman had assaulted him.

I asked police if Chapman refused to give a DNA sample, and Lt. Charles Bazy said he was not required to give a sample because it was a misdemeanor and he was not charged with a crime because the victim refused to cooperate. Chapman is already facing two charges for refusal to give DNA samples to police after arrests.

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Rachel Barton, 34, a member of the Air National Guard from Belleville, was featured in the March 29 issue of *The Detroit News* for being named the winner of the 2017 Selfridge Nose Art Competition. She won a \$1,000 scholarship for designing an American eagle spreading its wings in front of a silhouette of the state of Michigan framed with the words: "Selfridge Celebrating 1917-2017."

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## Letters

### McNamara asks landfill to reject TNORM waste

April 6, 2017  
 U.S. Ecology  
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 Van Buren Township, MI

U.S. Ecology Representatives,  
 Van Buren Township officials have made efforts to build a relationship with U.S. Ecology over the past several years in order to stay up to date on the activities of your landfill and the precautions that you are taking to ensure that township resident remain safe. Over this time you have demonstrated that the U.S. Ecology landfill is operating within the guidelines of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and that whenever past issues have arisen they have been handled with the integrity and urgency that our community expects of a hazardous waste landfill. With this in mind I wanted to offer you the opportunity to address concerns residents of the Township have regarding the proposed TENORM waste stream from the Luckey, Ohio project which is proposed to be deposited in the Van Buren Township landfill.

We have been made aware that U.S. Ecology has submitted a bid to accept the contaminated soil and other various materials from the Luckey, Ohio remediation work being performed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Van Buren Township has concern with any radioactive waste being deposited in our community. We understand that the Township does not have any jurisdiction with regards to the waste your facility receives. We also understand that the Army Corps of Engineers and the State of Michigan have reviewed the capability of the Van Buren Township landfill to handle TENORM waste and based on those reviews they have granted their respective approvals. Despite this we are requesting that U.S. Ecology decline from bidding on taking this controversial waste.

Van Buren Township is committed to maintaining a good relationship with U.S. Ecology as we want to ensure that we are as informed as possible about the landfill activities and the safety procedures U.S. Ecology is employing to keep the residents of our community safe. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or further discussion regarding this letter.

Sincerely,  
 Kevin McNamara  
 Township Supervisor  
 Charter Township of Van Buren

CC: Governor Rick Snyder, MDEQ Director Heidi Grether, Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous

### It's only taxpayers' money, why worry?

To the Editor:

I see I have another reason to worry about the future of mankind, along with the great idea of sending my hard-earned dollar to schools in Detroit in which I have less say than I do here in beautiful Van Buren Township.

Now I'm told that a \$46,000 bright idea, along with the sending money to Detroit, is all hot air. Not being the brightest star in the sky, even I know that a wind tunnel is not something 99.999999% people have a need or use for.

But it's only my money so why not spend it on something stupid? I know I'm old and cranky, but goodness couldn't we spend \$46,000 on something useful ... like a passport for someone?  
 Worrying about mankind and womankind,  
 Vic Franzoi  
 Van Buren Township

### FMAR took in 136 dogs, 218 cats, 152 kittens

To the Editor:

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue sent me their tax form for review and to make additions. I was impressed with our numbers again so thought I'd share them with you.

2016  
 Dog intakes: 136; Cat intakes: 218  
 Dog adoptions: 122; Cat adoptions: 198  
 755 feral cats fixed and released. 152 kittens taken in and now living at FMAR or in their new homes.

Linda Luke  
 Van Buren Township

### Sumpter Civic League sets fund-raising trip

To the Editor:

The Sumpter Progressive Civic League is sponsoring a fund-raising trip to Firekeepers Casino in Battle Creek, April 29, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Any one interested in going should contact Martha Bradford at (734) 642-8133. The trip is \$40, which includes \$20 casino credit and a \$5 food voucher.

Karitheia Murry Hanible, president  
 Sumpter Progressive Civic League

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# Obituaries

Kenneth Bruce Hughes

**KENNETH BRUCE HUGHES**  
(August 1, 1947 – April 3, 2017)  
Kenneth Bruce Hughes, age 69, of Jonesville MI, passed away Monday, April 3, 2017. Kenneth is the beloved husband of Susan Hughes for forty-four memorable years; loving father of Bruce Hughes of Monroe, Sam Hughes of Hillsdale, and Robbie Hughes of Jonesville. He is also the grandfather of Lainey Hughes, and Joanna Hughes. Sadly, he is preceded in death by his parents Bruce and Wanzella (Felcker) Hughes, and his sister Jennifer Hughes. He proudly served his country in the United States Army in the 1960s. He was a long time Belleville-area resident and retired from General Motors after several years as a pipefitter, then relocated to Jonesville, MI. He was also an active member of the Freemasons. Kenneth was fond of horses; he enjoyed trail riding, and participating at the county fair horse pulling competition. He also took pleasure in fixing and repairing things in his garage. Kenneth will be deeply missed by all. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to VAMedical Center, Ann Arbor. <https://www.volunteer.va.gov/apps/VolunteerNow/> Visitation was held on Friday, April 7, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. The funeral service was held on Saturday, April 8, at 12:30 p.m. in the main chapel at the David C. Brown Funeral Home. Interment was at Hillside Cemetery in Belleville.  
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George Samuel Stilwell

**GEORGE SAMUEL STILWELL**  
(September 3, 1933 – April 3, 2017)  
George Samuel Stilwell, age 83, and long-time resident of Van Buren Township, passed away Monday, April 3, 2017. George Samuel Stilwell was born in Wayne, MI on September 3, 1933, son of the late Benjamin Franklin and Rosanna Elizabeth (Scott) Stilwell. He loved the great outdoors and was a true nature and animal lover. He also enjoyed woodworking, construction projects and helping neighbors in any way that he could. A proud veteran of the Korean War, he was patriotic, a man of his word and a loyal friend to many. He is preceded in death by his late wife, Marilyn Irene Stilwell and one step-son. He is survived by two step-children, seven step-grandchildren, and many loving extended family and friends. George will be dearly missed. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to Meals on Wheels, Wayne County. <http://www.waynecounty.com/svs/5116.htm>  
Visitation was Friday, April 7, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the main chapel at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. A funeral service followed beginning at 1 p.m. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.  
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Louis Renaud Charles

**LOUIS RENAUD CHARLES**  
(February 13, 1950 – April 6, 2017)  
Louis Renaud Charles, age 67, died peacefully with his family by his side on April 6, 2017. Louis is the beloved father of Anthony (Toni) Charles of Woodhaven and Angelena (Mike) Harnisch of Belleville; loving grandfather of Anabella, Michael, and Amberlyn. Louis is also survived by his sister Laurice (Phil) Springstead of West Branch and niece Laurice (Toni) Zinis of Warren. Sadly, he is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Khalil and Lena Renaud; son Alex Charles and his children's mother Cassie Charles. Born on February 13, 1950 in Detroit, Louis proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. A proud member of the VFW, Louis loved being with his family, especially his grandchildren. Also throughout the years, he gave guidance to many of the neighborhood children that might not have a positive role model. He will be truly missed. A memorial service celebrating Charles's life was held at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 9, in the main chapel of the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111. (734) 697-4500. The Charles family greeted guests one hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to the wishes of the family.  
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# Obituaries



Patricia Ann Longerbeam

## PATRICIA ANN LONGERBEAM

(July 6, 1944 - April 8, 2017)

Patricia Ann Longerbeam, age 72, passed away Saturday, April 8, 2017 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born July 6, 1944, daughter of Wallace Edgar & Velva Jewel (Mardis) Allen. She lived in Canton, MI before moving to Belleville nearly 20 years ago. She was a member of the Belleville Church of God, Mountain Assembly. Patricia was an avid reader who enjoyed feeding the birds and watching television, especially the Golden Girls. Most of all, she cherished time playing with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Patricia is survived by daughter Carrie (Robert) Baum of Belleville, MI; son Bill Longerbeam of Jacksonville, FL; four grandchildren Danielle Baum, Bobby Baum, Ashlyn Gatlin and Keegan Longerbeam; and two great-grandchildren Brynlee Baum and Ira Baum. She was preceded in death by her parents, also her sister, Lois Vickers.

According to her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to her family, and would be appreciated. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

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Darlene Ann Wagner

## DARLENE ANN WAGNER

(June 28, 1946 - April 4, 2017)

Darlene Ann (Smith) Wagner, age 70, a lifelong resident of Belleville and a member of Liberty Gospel Church, Belleville, left this world April 4, 2017 at 12:15 a.m. after a long battle with diabetes and kidney disease. She was a resident of Wellbridge Hospice in Pinckney.

She was born June 28, 1946 in Washtenaw County, one of the seven children of Edna Smith. She graduated from Lincoln High School in 1963.

Mrs. Wagner was preceded in death by her husband Harry Wagner.

After retiring from the University of Michigan as a bookkeeper, she worked at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, including many donated hours.

No funeral is planned at this time. Watch the *Belleville-Area Independent* for information of a future memorial service.

Send all correspondence to her sister Karen Garlough, 7846 Ramblewood, Ypsilanti, MI 48197.



Donald R. Gray

## DONALD ROY GRAY

Donald R. Gray, age 57, of Belleville, died April 9, 2017. Beloved husband of Renee Gray. Loving father of Angela Gray, Don Gray, Shelly Gray, Kimberly Gray and Austin Gray. Dear grandfather of Jacob, Cheyanne and Luke. He is also survived by his sister Margie (Richard) Chudzinski and brother David Gray.

Don had a passion for tinkering on anything with an engine and spending time with his family. He was never without a smile when spending time with his grandchildren. He had such a big heart when it came to caring for others that he would be there for anyone a part of his life no matter day or night. Don was very active in his church community at Willis Baptist Church with Pastor Jim McKinnies officiating.

He is preceded in death by his parents Sam and Kathleen Gray, sister Susan Gray and granddaughter Adilynn.

Service is Saturday, 11 a.m. at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 782-2646. Visitation is Thursday, 5-8 p.m. and Friday, 12-8 p.m. Interment in Michigan Memorial Park.

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## ELANOR HUDSON

(May 27, 1950 - March 29, 2017)

Age 66 of Sumpter Township. Survived by husband Tommy C. Hudson; daughters Greta, Rita; 5 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 4 siblings. Rite of cremation accorded. Janowiak Funeral Home, Sumpter Chapel.

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# More Letters

## Fund raiser to help breast cancer patient

To the Editor:

One of our Belleville residents, Sheila Visingardi needs your help. Earlier this year she received the news no one ever wants to hear.

She has breast cancer. After many doctor appointments and lots of soul searching, a plan was put in place. She would have a double mastectomy and reconstructive surgery. The surgery was a success and she is currently recovering at home.

Sheila is the person always there to help families both in Belleville and the surrounding communities when a tragedy happens. This is our chance to pay it forward and help her so she can focus her energy on healing.

Thankfully, she does have medical insurance but there are still lots of out-of-pocket expenses that will be her responsibility.

Her daughter is hosting a bowling and painting class fundraiser to help with the out-of-pocket expenses. The dual fundraisers will both take place on Monday, April 17, at Wayne Bowl, located at 36900 Michigan Ave in Wayne from 5:30 to 10 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person for the bowling fundraiser. Tickets for the painting party will be \$40 which includes an instructed painting lesson (similar to painting with a twist but better) and all of the supplies needed to create your own painting on canvas!

Tickets for both fundraisers need to be purchased in advance. In addition there will be a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and a bake sale. Please contact Jessica Ansley at (734) 363-3175 to purchase tickets or if you have any questions.

If you are unable to attend the fundraisers

but would like to make a donation, you can send a check or money order payable to Sheila Visingari, c/o Vizzy's Pizza Palace, 35925 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185.

Page McLaughlin  
Belleville

## Upcoming Meetings

• Thursday, April 13 - Keystone Academy Board of Education, 6 p.m., Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission at 7 p.m., quarterly meeting. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, April 17 - Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, April 18 - Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, April 19 - Van Buren Township Planning Staff Review, 1-4 p.m. Also, Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

• Monday, April 24 - Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education regular meeting, 7 p.m., Belleville High School Commons

• Tuesday, April 25 - Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting at 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Water and Sewer Commission, 6:30 p.m.

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# VBT Board

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"We don't have to, but it's at the officer's discretion."

"I like it," said Clerk Leon Wright. "To be a premiere community, you need rules."

Another change is the way the township contacts people about blight ordinance violations. Lt. Bazy said they will post the property first and then send them the violation by first-class mail instead of certified mail, the way it currently must be done.

He said certified mail can be refused, which causes delays in the process.

Also the addition to the general ordinance on embezzlement makes it possible for small amounts, such as \$100 to \$200, usually from a local business, can be handled at district court, with larger amounts staying in the criminal system.

Lt. Bazy said Ron Akers, director of

planning and economic development, worked with him on some of the proposed changes.

Lt. Bazy brought another batch of ordinance changes to the Environmental Commission in March and the commission recommended changes to the board on diseased or dangerous trees, plants and shrubs; animal waste; removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, walks and ramps; and trash receptacles.

Those ordinances are expected to be brought to the board for consideration soon.

In other business at the 58-minute April 4 meeting, the board:

- Approved a personal service agreement between Amy Brow and the township for the position of fire chief. Salary is \$78,000;

- Approve a three-year professional services agreement with Hydro Corp., Inc., at an annual cost of \$14,280, to provide inspection and other related services for enforcement of the Safe Drinking Water Act-mandated Cross Connection Control Program. Hydro Corp has providing the service here since 2008 and serves 140 communities in Michigan. Hydro Corp included recommendations from Canton, Romulus, Dearborn Heights, Livonia, and Taylor;

- Heard Supervisor McNamara read a letter from Romulus Mayor Leroy Burcoff thanking the VBT Fire Department for aiding in equipment and manpower on March 8 during the wind storm when

Romulus had a large fire at its recycling facility. He also read parts of a letter from DTE expressing its gratitude for VBT's part in setting up a warming center in Belleville. DTE said there were 80 centers across 11 counties and over 1,000 used the centers. McNamara said the Belleville center had 100 users;

- Heard Clerk Leon Wright announce the township administrative offices will be closed for Good Friday. He said on May 9 his office will again put on the student council election at Belleville High School, using regular voting machines;

- Heard Clerk Wright announce the new voting machines will be used in the next election in 2018, unless something comes up before then. These new machines will count votes at high speed which will be helpful for absentee ballots, he said. He said precinct counts will go directly to the county so a precinct chairman doesn't have to bring back the information to the township hall; and

- Heard Trustee Paul White ask where the board is in creating a travel policy because it has an impact on the budget. He also wants to look at the purchase policy. "A lot of times I see things on the prepaid list that befuddle me. It's our residents' tax money and any item on there is out of taxpayers' pocketbooks," he said. When Trustee Miller asked him to be specific, he mentioned a few items, including a Cusinart coffee maker for \$266. Supervisor McNamara said the cost of that item was split between the Downtown Development Authority, the Water Department, and Buildings and Grounds so they would have coffee for the new office. White said when he was supervisor he paid for the coffee pot and coffee in his office himself and Supervisor McNamara said that's what he does, too. McNamara said they need water, as well as coffee, for people doing business with the building and planning office and so he's going to start buying water for them.

## Closed-door session

On April 3, the township board went into closed session to discuss the trial and/or settlement strategy in the pending litigation of Van Buren Township vs. Amanda Jackson, Wayne County Circuit Case # 15-015063.

# More Letters

## 21<sup>st</sup>-annual Quilt Show bought 400 visitors

To the Editor:

The Belleville Area Museum would like to thank the over 400 visitors and volunteers who came to the museum this March for our 21<sup>st</sup>-annual Quilt Show. Start getting your quilts together for next year!

During the show we had guests vote for their favorite quilts, and the winner is: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Barb Green, for her "Salvage Edge" and runner-up Suzanne Zellers' "Memories of My Grandparents."

In addition, the Western Wayne Quilt Guild furnished a sewer's gift basket prize and the winner was: Helen Torok of Allen Park. Congratulations to our winners and quilters! A huge, "Thank You," goes out to the volunteer docents for guiding us through the month, especially long arm enthusiast, Bob Green.

Stay tuned for more exciting events and activities at The BAM: Belleville Area Museum, including our Belleville Area Historical Society's bi-annual membership meeting on April 20 at 5:30 p.m., featuring "Bring Our Boys Home," a tri-community military-genealogy group.

Our newest exhibit will be on display in May, entitled, "Belleville Floatplanes" and Van Buren Township Hall History.

Spring/Summer Hours - Tuesday: 3 p.m. - 7p.m.; and Monday, Wednesday through Friday: Noon-4 p.m.

Katie Dallos, director  
Belleville Area Museum

## Thanks to St. Jude

To the Editor:

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## \$250 Reward

A \$250 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest of whoever stole the only arm of the one-arm artwork "The Veteran" on the Fourth Street Square. The damage was reported at 10:51 p.m. Friday. Now the statue is armless. The statue, created by Mike Sohikian, is valued at \$9,500. Belleville Downtown Development Authority coordinator Carol Thompson said both the City of Belleville and the Midwestern Culture Initiative have insurance on the artwork. She said she doesn't know if it will be repaired before or after it is picked up when the artworks are changed this spring. MCI is offering the reward. Belleville Police Chief Hal Berriman said the offense is a felony. People with information may call the police department at 699-2710.

## Samantha Anteau named to Alma College Dean's List for fall term

Alma College has named Samantha Anteau of Belleville to the Dean's List for outstanding academic performance during the 2016 Fall Term.

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During the Quilt Show, held throughout March at the Belleville Area Museum, guests voted for their favorite quilts. Winner was Barb Green, for her "Salvage Edge."



Runner up was Suzanne Zellers for "Memories of My Grandparents."





## Welcome, Tinley Rose Weidemann

Danylle and Carlen Weidemann of Belleville announce the birth of their daughter Tinley Rose Weidemann at 3:40 p.m., Dec. 18, 2016 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20.5 inches long. Grandparents are Patrick and Dawn Malloy and Carol Weidemann, all of Romulus. Great-grandparents are Phyllis and Steve Malgay, Edward Bartnicki, and Shirley Lindermann, all of Romulus. Aunts and uncles are Adam and Tracy Malloy of Belleville and Vanessa Malloy and Christy Harris, both of Romulus.

## Rep. Kristy Pagan, Congresswoman Dingell to host town hall at BHS

State Rep. Kristy Pagan, D-Canton, will host a town hall meeting with U.S. Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, MI-12, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 13, at Belleville High School, 501 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville.

Rep. Pagan and Congresswoman Dingell will be discussing the federal health care proposal, in addition to several federal budget proposals and how they would impact Michigan. There will also be an opportunity for audience members to ask questions. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP to [kristypagan@house.mi.gov](mailto:kristypagan@house.mi.gov).

## VBT Board of Trustees to meet in museum in downtown Belleville

The Van Buren Board of Trustees will return to its roots to hold its June 6 board meeting at the historic Van Buren Township Hall, currently home to the Belleville-Area Museum. The 405 Main Street location in downtown Belleville, is listed on the State of Michigan Register of Historic Places. Constructed in 1875, it served as the grand meeting hall for 90 years. The historic site will host the Van Buren board for the first time in half a century at 7 p.m. June 6.



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## Tebria Vaughn, 12, wins Regional Dance Masters Junior Miss Dance title

Tebria Taylor Vaughn, 12, won the 2018 Great Lakes Regional Dance Masters Junior Miss Dance title on March 3 in

Dearborn.

Tebria studies dance at P&P Dance Centre in Belleville, where Michelle Sypula is the director and owner.

At the contest, Tebria had to compete in four audition classes -- ballet, tap, jazz, and acrobatics. There was also a three-minute interview and a dance solo.

For her solo, Tebria performed an open jazz dance routine entitled "Swagger," choreographed by Tiffani Stewart. Tebria had top scores in the audition classes as well as the dance solo.

She has been dancing since she was four years old. Her first dance experience began with the Ypsilanti Township Recreation Department. She later, at the age of eight, pursued a more advanced dance training at P&P Dance Centre.

"I love all genres of dance, but my absolute favorite style is jazz because I get to show my sassy side and it's really fun," Tebria said.

"It's always great to see the audience drawn into your performance and grooving to the music while I am dancing."

She is currently a sixth-grade honor roll student at Lincoln Middle School in Ypsilanti Township. She is the daughter of Brian and Teiryn Vaughn and the older sister to Tiana Vaughn, a first grader at Childs Elementary School in Ypsilanti Township.

Tebria will represent Michigan's Great Lakes Regional Chapter 46 at the Dance Masters of America National Competition this July in New Orleans.

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## School Board

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"It's not the building that's driving me,  
it's the program. I need a committee,"  
Frazier said.

Supt. Kudlak said no matter what the  
decision there will be support for the  
preschool program.

Frazier then asked about the 40 Head Start  
students at Haggerty and where it would  
go next year. Kudlak said Head Start had  
been advised Haggerty might close and it  
has been looking for a place to go. Head  
Start pays \$29,400 a year for the space at  
Haggerty.

"I think we need that Head Start program  
for our preschoolers," Frazier said. "It's a  
great program as far as I'm concerned."

Kudlak said Head Start's first choice is to  
stay at Haggerty.

Frazier said the Head Start used to be  
at St. Anthony's, but they no longer could  
accommodate it.

Frazier said the board had already heard  
about the drinking water, but when it voted  
at the last meeting it was a 6-1 vote, not  
even close.

"In two weeks time, something has  
changed," she said. "Mr. Kudlak is a strong  
preschool supporter."

She said Kudlak said they could build a  
wing on a school for the preschool. She said  
she asked if they could use sinking funds  
for a new building. She said the board has  
been told before it could use sinking funds  
and then found they couldn't.

"I would like a written opinion," Frazier  
said.

"Mr. Kudlak assures me he has a vision,"  
Frazier said. Turning to James Williams,  
director of buildings and grounds, she  
said, "I don't agree with your figures, Mr.  
Williams. I know we need a custodian." She  
referred to Williams' projected figures.

Johnston said he questions the need for  
a custodian during mothballing the school.  
He said there is no reason to run anything

at the school and the water could be cut off  
at the road.

"If we're not going to pay the money to  
bring it up to standards, we should close  
it," Johnston said, referring to the \$2.4  
million estimated to bring the building up  
to standards over five years.

"So, you didn't get your way and you  
brought it back," Frazier said to Johnston.

"It's not about me getting my way," he  
said.

Kudlak said the teachers at Haggerty  
would like to stay together and the school  
is very nice for them. He said the teachers  
asked if they could go back to the ECDC  
building at Edgemont Elementary that is  
now scheduled for demolition.

Secretary Kevin English remembers how  
difficult it was to close Elwell Elementary  
and how incredibly important it is to have  
early childhood education.

English said to get \$2.4 million over the  
next five years the district would have to  
attract 500 new students to pay for it. It  
would deplete the entire sinking fund to  
make repairs.

Trustee Simone Pinter asked if there is a  
plan for moving the 108 preschool students  
and 40 Head Start students.

Kudlak said the preschool would be  
broken up into programs, with Great Start  
to go to two other schools and one to  
Rawsonville.

Parent Angela Mears suggested moving  
all the programs into one school, such  
as Edgemont, and moving some of the  
Edgemont students around to other  
schools.

Kudlak said they need to move one  
preschool playground and buy another  
one. He said they have to remember that  
Plante Moran said they expect 200 more  
elementary students in the district over the  
next five years.

He said all the staff currently in the  
preschools there would still be employed.

"We should have sold Elwell to Sumpter  
Township and we didn't," Frazier said,  
referring to the demolition of Elwell and  
the former superintendent announcing that  
it needed to be demolished so it couldn't be  
used as a charter school.

"We should put Haggerty up for sale  
immediately," she said.

Kudlak said Williams currently is making  
a list of properties owned by the district  
that it could sell.

English said Van Buren Township has a  
voting precinct at Haggerty now and that  
would have to be moved.

"I don't think we can run the district  
based on voting precincts," Johnson said.

"It was my inclination to bring it back ...  
It's all on me," Johnston said of bringing  
the issue of Haggerty back for another  
vote.

"That's good to know because I can beat  
you up in the parking lot," Frazier said.

One of the Great Start teachers in the  
audience explained they are a licensed  
program and have to be certified. She said  
they gave a list of concerns to Kudlak.

She said the classrooms have to be all  
set up for preschool before the inspectors

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# School Board

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come in. Currently they have use of a gym and play outside weather permitting. She said the play equipment was purchased jointly by Great Start and ECDC and they switch out the toys.

When asked how much of Haggerty School they use, she said they use 9-10 classrooms, which is half the building. That means each program uses a quarter of the building, she said.

“It’s a pretty massive program to fit in one classroom,” Frazier said.

“I don’t understand how you take one-fourth of the school and fit it into one room,” Pinter said.

“Some buildings will have two rooms,” Kudlak said.

“Did the staff have the opportunity to go to existing buildings to see how it would work?” Frazier asked. “Principals say they can handle it, but can they? ... That’s what’s bothering me, the planning. I think it needs a lot of thought and preparation.”

Featheringill pointed out it is hard to move and the board is crunching it into a short period of time.

Board member Kelly Owen, who arrived at 8:40 p.m. for the meeting that started at 7 p.m., asked when the deadline is for this decision and Kudlak said for Head Start it’s as soon as possible. He said he doesn’t know how long it would take for inspection and licensing.

“We have to know if there’s enough room and if it will get licensed,” Pinter said.

“I don’t foresee any big issues,” Williams said.

“There’s a lot of logistics that need to be looked at,” Frazier said. “What if we can’t get licensed?”

Kudlak said the district has normal elementary schools and there are preschool programs in elementary schools throughout the state.

“I would make the motion but I don’t think we’ve done enough,” Frazier said. “I feel conflicted about it and I don’t know.”

Johnston said the superintendent said the motion to approve the closing is recommended and, “I don’t want to micromanage.”

English made the motion to rescind last month’s decision and approve the closing

of Haggerty School. Allison Bennett seconded the motion and it passed 5-2.

“I knew you had your plants in here,” Frazier said to Johnston.

At the end of the meeting, Frazier said, “I’d like Haggerty on the agenda of the next meeting.” And, when Johnston said she had to call him and he wouldn’t answer the phone, she said: “I’m not kidding.”

In other business at the April 10 meeting that was almost three-hours long, the board:

- Unanimously approved the Early Middle College Alliance with Wayne County Community College that would give high school students a chance to enroll in a five-year program that could earn them an associate’s degree without charge;

- Unanimously approved the second amendments for the 2016-17 budgets for general fund, food service fund, special education millage and sinking fund;

- Unanimously approved purchase of seven 2015 used 77-passenger buses from Hoekstra Transportation for a total cost of \$463,953. The buses came from Jackson;

- Approved the first reading of more board policy updates and new policies;

- Approved the elementary school wireless points and wireless controller from Presidio. If the district gets the Erate USF grant it would pay just 20% of the project, \$21,318. At the time of the grant award the district will decide whether to move forward with the \$106,590 project;

- Heard a report on the autism program at Edgemont Elementary School from Principal Fred Abel;

- Approved hiring Harley Severin as the afternoon custodian floater for Buildings and Grounds starting March 27;

- Went into closed-door session to consider the potential reinstatement of Student A for the 2016-17 school year. The student was expelled for the 2015-16 school year. The board reinstated the student; and

- Went into closed-door session to get updates from the attorney on the pending litigation by Savage teachers, case #16-cv-11805.

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The “This is Your House” listening tour events kicked off with a town hall event hosted by state Rep. Henry Yanez, D-Sterling Heights, March 28, and eight more events will take place through April 17.

“Members of the Michigan House Democrats are going to every region of the state, from the tip of the Upper Peninsula to

Downriver, and from Muskegon to Flint, in order to make sure that everyone has their say,” said House Democratic Leader Rep. Sam Singh, D-East Lansing.

“Too often, working people feel like they’ve been shut out of the political discussion. We want to make sure they have an opportunity to stand up, speak out and be heard. We look forward to hearing from as many people as possible in the coming weeks.”

Local town halls are:

- Wednesday, April 12, State Rep. Erika Geiss, 7-8:30 p.m., Wayne County Community College, 21000 Northline Road, Taylor; and

- Thursday, April 13, State Rep. Kristy Pagan with special guest U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, 7 p.m. at Belleville High School, 501 W. Columbia Avenue, Belleville.

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- **Thursday, April 13** – “Community Supported Agriculture” is the subject of the 7 p.m. Homegrown Knowledge presentation at the Belleville Area District Library. Alex Ball of Old City Acres in Romulus will talk about community supported agriculture. Free.
- **Friday, April 14** – Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Van Buren Park on the South I-94 Service Drive. Egg hunting outdoors in the dark. Tons of treats to be found and the lucky golden egg. Pizza and

pop following the hunt. Cost is \$2 each. Pre-registration required by April 7. Information at (734) 699-8921.

- **Saturday, April 15** – Flop E. Bunny Candy Hunt at Victory Park in Belleville, noon. Free pictures with the Bunny. Presented by the Belleville Central Business Community.
- **Saturday, April 15** – Hoppin’ Hullabaloo from 3-5 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Hall to greet Baloo the Easter Bunny. Appropriate for children ages 1 to 10. Walk along the “Egg Avenue” down the township hallway to find Baloo. Parents should bring their cameras. Free event. No pre-registration.
- **Thursday, April 20** – Annual Membership Meeting and Third-Thursday Lecture and Pizza Party at the Belleville Area Museum from 6 to 8 p.m. Lecture: “Tri-Community Civil War Heroes” presented by Bring Our Boys Home. Free to members, \$5 to non-

members. Info: (734) 697-1944

- **Thursday, April 20** – Amy Brow will be sworn in as the new Van Buren Township Fire Chief at 6 p.m. at the township hall. Open to the public.
- **Friday, April 21** – Dine to Donate to benefit Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Potbelly Sandwich Shop, 42477 Ford Rd. (corner of Canton Ford and Lilly), Canton 48187, (734) 844-0842. FMAR will get 25% of your tab.
- **Saturday, April 22** – Household Hazardous Waste Collection for all Wayne County residents, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Romulus Civic Center parking lot, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus. Information (734) 326-3936.
- **Saturday, April 22** – Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Rd., New Boston, invites you to its seventh-annual “Free-Style 2017” free distribution

of gently used clothing from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is to benefit anyone in the communities struggling to afford these items. Just show up, take what is needed, and pass it on – no questions asked. Free snack bar. Questions? Call (734) 654-9020 or email: [farmerwilson@gmail.com](mailto:farmerwilson@gmail.com).

- **Sunday, April 23** – To Be Announced 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.
- **Wednesday, April 26** – Free Community Dinner from 6 to 7 p.m. at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles Street. Get to know your neighbors. Everyone welcomed. Info: (734) 697-9288.
- **Thursday, April 27** – Free Community Dinner from 6 to 6:30 p.m. at Willow United Methodist Church and God Works Family Soup Kitchen, 36925 E. Willow Rd., New Boston, (734) 654-9020. [www.willowchurch.org](http://www.willowchurch.org)

- **Thursday, April 27; Friday, April 28; and Saturday, April 29** – Annual Indoor Flea Market at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 19109 Craig St., corner of Ellis, one block south of Sibley in New Boston. Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday is Bag Day, at \$4 per bag. (734) 753-0948.

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP HALL  
46425 TYLER ROAD  
BELLEVILLE, MI 48111

The Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing in conjunction with the Regular Board meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 to consider the request for an Amendment to Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate 2017-012 pursuant to Act 198, Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended for Mayser Polymer USA, Inc. Following is the described parcel:

### Parcel # 83-017-99-0014-712

SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN, COUNTY OF WAYNE AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 32, TOWN 2 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, CANTON TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE S87°37'34"W (S88°23'26"W RECORD) 61.08 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 32, ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 5, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE THE ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF SCHOONER DRIVE (60 FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY) THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES: (1) SOUTHERLY 27.29 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 370.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04°13'31" AND HAVING A CHORD BEARING S07°20'55"E (S06°37'03"E RECORD) 27.28 FEET AND (2) S05°14'10"E (S04°28'18"E RECORD) 750.68 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SCHOONER DRIVE THE FOLLOWING FIVE COURSES: (1) S05°14'10"E (S04°28'18"E RECORD) 290.35 FEET, (2) SOUTHWESTERLY 595.15 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 370.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 92°09'38" AND HAVING A CHORD BEARING S40°50'39"W (S41°36'31"W RECORD) 533.03 FEET, (3) S86°55'28"W (S87°41'20"W RECORD) 588.23 FEET, (4) NORTHWESTERLY 69.31 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 45.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 88°15'14" AND HAVING A CHORD BEARING N48°56'55"W (N48°11'03"W RECORD) 62.66 FEET AND (5) N04°49'18"W (N04°03'26"W RECORD) 600.00 FEET; THENCE N85°10'54"E 1010.75 FEET (N85°56'45"E 1010.65 FEET RECORD) TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. BEING A PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF SECTION 5, TOWN 3 SOUTH, RANGE 8 EAST, VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. CONTAINING 14.58 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH ALL EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS AFFECTING TITLE TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PREMISES.

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### Sumpter Brd. medical reimbursements high

To the Editor:

Sumpter Township Supervisor John Morgan, you stated on record during the League of Women Voters' interview during the 2016 primary race that you didn't agree with Opt-Out insurance payments, especially when other insurances are available, such as social security, Medicaid, Medicare, employer-sponsored insurance, or spousal insurance coverage.

You lied. All of you board members have other insurances as indicated above. You continue to receive over \$1,000 a month as do all other township board members and trustees. Some trustees make over \$1,100 monthly extra from this Opt-Out insurance. Who gets full-time insurance for part-time work four hours per month?

That's because the Morgan team has refused to take Sumpter Township insurance. Therefore, you and all the board members are receiving Opt-Out insurance reimbursements at a cost to the taxpayers of Sumpter Township of \$88,756.20 a year which amounts to over \$355,027.20 over four years. Conscious GREED at taxpayers' expense.

The GREED must stop now. The figures below are in addition to their regular pay as township officials.

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- Clarence Hoffman, Jr., clerk -- \$1,009.28 per month = \$12,111.36 yearly
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- Don Laporte, trustee -- \$1,142.01 per month = \$13,704.12 yearly
- Matt Oddy, trustee -- \$1,142.01 per month = \$13,704.12 yearly
- Don Swinson, trustee -- \$1,142.01 per month = \$13,704.12 yearly
- Esther Hurst, trustee -- \$809.80 per month = \$9,717.60 yearly

This is an \$88,756.80 total yearly and \$355,027.20 total for four years.

Seniors and families don't receive that kind of free Sumpter Township, Michigan, tax dollars. Neither should these Sumpter Township Board members. Our voices must be heard loud and clear. This kind of irresponsible behavior and fiscal irresponsibility must end NOW. Remember to vote in 2018.

Van Buren Township, Michigan, by comparison with comparable population: Supervisor, Clerk, and Treasurer get only \$500 each per month if they OPT-OUT of township insurance that's available.

These figures show the Greed, Greed, Greed of township officials. These are our tax dollars. VBT Trustees get only \$250 each per month if they Opt-Out of township insurance. This Opt-Out insurance scam is detrimental to the taxpayers both in Sumpter Township and Van Buren when other and much cheaper township insurance is available.

Sumpter board meetings are the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Citizen, come voice your displeasure.

The Morgan team is allegedly stealing millions of our tax dollars in Sumpter Township, Michigan. They must be replaced. Supervisor John Morgan and his current team of trustees care nothing about the residents and taxpayers of Sumpter Township, Michigan. They only care about continuously lining their pockets with OPT-OUT insurance with taxpayer dollars at over \$1,100 each per month in addition to their regular township pay checks.

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## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF INTENT

Apex Downriver Behavioral Health at 35 Main Street, Belleville, Mi. 48111 has applied for a substance abuse license through the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Substance Abuse Program. The license will allow us to provide outpatient and prevention substance abuse services. Comments should be directed to Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority, 640 Temple, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Detroit, Mi. 48201

Published: April 13, 2017

## Public Notice

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:** The decedent, Alfreida Burbridge, died 11/22/2016. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Anthony Burbridge, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 2 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of the publication of this notice.

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Anthony Burbridge  
Personal Representative  
9663 Lauder  
Detroit, MI 48227  
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Published: April 13, 2017

## I'm looking for long-lost friend Jamal Eason

To the Editor:

I am looking for long-lost friend Jamal Eason. Would like to reconnect. My email address is [bluebean4143@aol.com](mailto:bluebean4143@aol.com). Please

leave phone number.

Donna R.  
Van Buren Township

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD MEETING MINUTES APRIL 4, 2017

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Executive Assistant Selman, Public Safety Director Laurain, Public Safety Deputy Director (Police) Wright, Fire Marshall McInally, Lt. Buzzy, DDA Director Ireland, Attorney Mannarino and an audience of eight (8).

Treasurer Budd requested a moment of silence in observance of the passing of former Clerk Delphine Dudick Gutowski.

**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 March 20, 2017, Board Meeting minutes of March 21, 2017, Prepaid List of March 24, 2017, Prepaid List of March 30, 2017 and the Voucher List of April 4, 2017.] Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Supervisor McNamara read a letter from LeRoy Burcroff, Mayor of the City of Romulus, thanking the Van Buren Township Fire Department for their mutual aid assistance during the recent high winds and power outage and read highlights of a letter from DTE Energy thanking Van Buren Township for providing a warming center for individuals affected by the power outage.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Frazier, seconded by Budd to approve the Public Safety Deputy Director-Fire job Description and the Personal Service Agreement between Amy Brow and the Township. Motion Carried. The hiring panel consisted of the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, Director of Public Safety and Deputy Directors (Fire and Police). Ms. Brow was the top candidate selected from the six finalists who were interviewed. She has an extensive background in management of fire services combined with a multitude of educational and professional achievements.

Motion by White, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance 04-04-17 (1) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 (Animals), Article I Sec. 14-1 (Definitions) and Article II section 14-29 (Animal at Large) and addition to Article I adding Sec. 14-2 (Adoption Contracts) and 14-3 (Violation). Motion Carried. This amendment clarifies the definitions of the animal at large ordinance and allows for civil infraction penalties for violation.

Motion by White, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance 04-04-17 (2) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 1 (General Provisions) Sec. 1-13-General Penalty for Violation of

Codes; Continuing Violations. Motion Carried. This amendment establishes a municipal civil infraction ordinance, changes some 90-day misdemeanors to 93 day misdemeanors so that offenders may be changed under local ordinance, and de-criminalizes some violations.

Motion by White, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance 04-04-17 (3) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 1 (General Provisions) addition of Article II (Municipal Civil Infractions). Motion Carried. This addition provides enforcement power/remedies to the Township to take action against violations and provides enforcement in the District Court.

Motion by White, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance 04-04-17 (4) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 42, Article II, Division 3 Section 42-79. Motion Carried. This amendment replaces the requirement that notices are sent via certified mail with the requirement that notices can be sent via first-class mail and posted on the property removing the possibility for an individual to avoid service via certified mail.

Motion by White, seconded by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance 04-04-17 (5) an addition to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 58, Article IV, Division 4, Sec. 58-161 (Embezzlement). Motion Carried. This adds an embezzlement section to the Ordinance.

**REPORTS:** None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Announcements included: Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt, April 14, 2017, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at Van Buren Park, pre-registration required by April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017, \$2.00 per person; Hoppin' Hullabaloo on "egg Avenue" April 15, 2017 at Township Hall, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., free for ages 1-10; April is National Safe Digging Month, call MISS DIG at 811 at least 3 business days before digging on your property, it's free, it's the law; the Township Administrative office will be closed on Friday April 14, 2017 in observance of Good Friday; the Clerk's Office will host the Belleville High School Student Council Election on May 9, 2017; Wayne County Clerk Cathy Garrett has selected Dominion Voting equipment to replace the ES&S voting equipment with the new equipment arriving this summer; Shred Day, hosted by Iron Mountain Corporation, will be Saturday August 5, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Township Hall, a flyer is available on the website at [vanburen-mi.org](http://vanburen-mi.org); and invited the public to attend the Western Wayne Chapter of the NAACP meeting April 10, 2017 at Christian Faith Ministries, 27500 Marquette St., Garden City at 7:00 p.m.

**NON-AGENDA:** Board member comments included: Desire to revise the travel and purchasing policies, request for clarification of several voucher items, a desire to itemize all expenditures during the budget process and to start the budget process earlier than last year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Budd moved, Miller seconded to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk  
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor  
Published: April 13, 2017



# Minding Your Business

with Bob Mytych



GMS Sealcoating and owner Grant Memering have been serving the tri-community for ages with their sealcoating, parking lot striping, hot asphalt paving, and cement work. Grant assures us that all of their products are environmentally safe and meet the guidelines of standards within the industry. Memering is licensed and insured and offers free estimates. GMS can handle the big projects like the parking lots at the Detroit Zoo, Walmart, and mega churches. To learn more, see their ad in today's paper and call (734) 775-8341.

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Easter is this Sunday and Kellers Farm Bakery on Haggerty Road in Sumpter Township is getting their bunny cakes ready along with fruit pies, strudel, coffee

cakes, dinner rolls, breads and much more. They're open Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (734) 753-4360.

The Bake Shoppe on Savage at Bemis Roads is also gearing up for Easter weekend with their traditional favorites, like pies, breads, cakes, cheesecakes, angel wings, and much more. Call (734) 699-2236 to place an order.

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Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue located in Sumpter Township will be holding their monthly pet adoption clinic this Saturday, April 15, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Petco Pet Store on Warren Avenue across from Westland Mall. Call (734) 461-9458. The shelter will also be holding a dine-to-donate event on April 21, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Potbelly Sandwich Shop on Ford Road in Canton. A portion of the proceeds will go to the shelter.

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With the Strawberry Festival quickly approaching, an application for Strawberry

Queen can be found in today's paper. The winner gets a \$1,000 scholarship, trophy, and other gifts. Runners up get a \$500 scholarships and gifts. See the application for the rules and details.

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The Belleville Central Business Community presents the Flop E Bunny Candy Hunt this Saturday, April 15, beginning at 12:15 p.m. with candy hunts for toddlers to 3 years old, 12:30 p.m. for 4-5-year-olds, 12:45 p.m. for 6-7-year-olds, and 1 p.m. for kids 8-10-years-old. Get a free framed picture with Flop E Bunny.

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Parkway Services, Inc. provides portable toilets, septic cleaning, luxury restroom trailers for outdoor activities, such as parties, picnics, construction sites, etc. Call Kathy Mular at (734) 482-7633 and visit [www.parkwayservices.net](http://www.parkwayservices.net).

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JR's Small Engine Repair in nearby Wilis offers spring tune-ups starting at \$40 when you mention their ad in today's paper. Owner JR Chapman services lawn mowers, tractors, tillers, chainsaws, and more. Call (734) 587-6162.

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Belleville attorney Amy Eversole will be holding another free estate planning seminar on Wednesday, April 26, from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Community Center on Tyler Road. Participants receive a \$100 discount on a basic estate planning package. To register, call (734) 718-8574.

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Van Buren Township is launching a Summer Youth Job Initiative where students ages 15-19 can earn \$9 per hour over a six-week period this summer. See their full-page ad in today's paper for the details and how to enroll, leading up to a parent/student meeting on Thursday, April 27, at VBT Hall.

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The Belleville Guiding Harbor / Girl-

stown is participating in the on-line Art Van Charity Challenge fundraiser from now until April 25. The challenge will donate \$180,000 in grants to charities that focus on women, children, and human services. Guiding Harbor will keep all contributions, but the top five charities, in monetary support, are eligible for up to \$100,000 from Art Van. To make a donation, google Art Van Charity Challenge 2017 and choose Girlstown Foundation. All money donated will be used for the residential programs, foster care, and supervised living clients. More info can be found by visiting [www.guidingharbor.org](http://www.guidingharbor.org).

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Which Wich Superior Sandwiches is now open on Belleville Road, a few doors down from Starbucks Coffee. Frank Irani is the owner and Ronald Buckner is the director of operations and will manage 25 employees. The restaurant chain is based out of Texas with 404 locations in 36 states, with 8 locations in Michigan. Welcome!

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

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice



### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN JOB VACANCY

**Position Title:** Account Clerk

**Department:** Planning and Economic Development

**Classification:** Regular, Full-time

**FLSA Status:** Non-exempt      **Union Affiliation:** AFSCME

**Opening Date:** March 23, 2017      **Closing Date:** April 23, 2017

**Starting Hourly Wage:** \$16.12  
**91 Day Hourly Wage:** \$17.14  
**18 Month Hourly Wage:** \$18.15

**General Duty Statement:**  
Van Buren Charter Township is now accepting resumes for an Account Clerk in Planning and Development.

**Position Summary**  
Under the general supervision of the Planning and Economic Development Director or their designee, the employee will be responsible for performing a broad range of clerical duties including typing, filing, data entry, analysis, researching, record keeping and customer service.

Detailed information can be found on the Van Buren Township website.  
[www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted](http://www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted)

Please submit a cover letter, resume and application to:  
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Publish: March 30, 2017; April 6, 2017; April 13, 2017; April 20, 2017


### Birthdays

April 10 – Judy Fruit  
April 14 – Dorothy Skszek  
April 15 – Gabe Dabney  
April 16 – Tanny Rice-Hester  
April 17 – Joyce Adams, Fred Malloy  
April 18 – Kollin Sobocinski, Vickie Lenhardt, Anthony S. Kuchta, Sr.  
April 19 – Jennifer Valentine-Leonard, David Sauers, Sr., April McGuire, Mary Lee Shaffer Kuchta


Do you have a birthday in April? Does anyone you know have a birthday soon? Call the *Independent* at 699-9020 and let us know. We'll list it in this column ASAP following your call. There is no charge.



## City of Belleville Public Notice



### City of Belleville ATTENTION: Harbour Pointe Subdivision Residents



Belleville City Council will hold informational meetings:  
**Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. and  
Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.**

at the Belleville High School Commons for the sole purpose of discussing the proposed Special Assessment District for road repairs in the Harbour Pointe Subdivision.

Engineering, finance and bond professionals will present identical information at both meetings.

Sherri Scharf  
City Clerk

Publish April 13 and  
April 20, 2017



# Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*Out of the 535 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for the past week, the following are selected for this column.*

**Sunday, April 2:**  
0117 – abandoned auto, Haggerty Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0128 – fight, W. Huron River Dr.  
0241 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1036 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.  
1101 – animal complaint, Wayne County Fairgrounds  
1306 – shooting, Lauren Ct.  
1305 – property damage accident, Parkwood Dr.  
1359 – road hazard, S. I-94 Service Dr./Denton Rd.  
1735 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Haggerty Rd.  
1750 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Denton Rd.  
1822 – trespassing, Parkwood Dr.  
1852 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd.  
2309 – noise complaint, Pine Dr.  
2322 – suicidal person, Quirk Rd.

**Monday, April 3:**  
0532 – assist other dept., Chase  
0758 – road hazard, Haggerty Rd./Bemis Rd.  
1141 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Woodbury Dr.  
1333 – mental subject, W. Schooner Dr.  
1437 – private property/property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.  
1614 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Sawgrass Ct.  
1713 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.  
1716 – breaking & entering, Parkwood Dr.  
1726 – civil Matter, Daisy Blvd.  
1727 – breaking & entering, Riggs Rd.  
1908 – hospice death, Borgman Ave.  
1931 – family trouble, America  
2128 – traffic offense, Denton Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
2305 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2328 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.  
2352 – domestic, Winchester St.  
**Tuesday, April 4:**  
0220 – property damage accident, Wayne County Fairgrounds  
0233 – family trouble, Brandi Dr.  
1124 – abandoned auto, Haggerty Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1510 – private property impound, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1544 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Belleville Rd.  
1552 – domestic, Park Estates Dr.  
1612 – juvenile complaint, Solitude Ln.  
1713 – road hazard, Rawsonville Rd.  
1730 – assist citizen, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1733 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1737 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1800 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1835 – missing person, Lake Villa Dr.  
1947 – noise complaint, Cranberry Rd.  
1958 – malicious destruction of property, Beck Rd.  
N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2003 – domestic, Robson Rd.  
2043 – fraud, Meadows Cir.  
2054 – larceny from auto, N. Cumberland Dr.  
2201 – disorderly, Martz Rd./Hoeft Rd.  
2211 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.

**Wednesday, April 5:**  
0753 – larceny, Westlake Cir.  
0813 – civil matter, Sumpter Rd.  
0917 – animal complaint, Lenmoore  
1055 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1201 – private property impound, Van Born Rd.  
1303 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.  
1346 – private property impound, Van Born Rd.  
1347 – ordinance violation, Bog Rd.  
1348 – ordinance violation, Brookside Dr.  
1431 – larceny, Bak Rd.  
1435 – operating while intoxicated, Rawsonville  
1546 – fraud, Revere Dr.  
1645 – fraud, Rolan Meadows Dr.  
1658 – fraud, Lake Pointe Pass  
1807 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.  
1826 – suicidal person, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1854 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Grove Rd.  
2139 – domestic, Rose Blvd.  
**Thursday, April 6:**  
0044 – malicious destruction of property, N. Ponderosa Trl.  
0243 – domestic, Brandi Dr.  
0329 – larceny, Lighthouse Dr.  
0732 – road hazard, EB Michigan Ave./bypass  
0932 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.  
1140 – fraud, Celestine Dr.  
1329 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.  
1333 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1409 – abandoned auto, Belle Pointe Dr.  
1416 – ordinance violation, Wildbrook Dr.  
1417 – ordinance violation, Pebblebrook Dr.  
1438 – road hazard, Savage Rd./Martinsville Rd.  
1531 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1538 – disorderly, Village Center Dr.  
1705 – road hazard, Village Rd./Sheldon Rd.  
1923 – road hazard, Belle Pointe Dr./Lindsey Dr.  
2042 – road hazard, Belleville Rd.  
2231 – malicious destruction of property, Ecorse  
2332 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

**Friday, April 7:**  
0645 – motorist assist, Ecorse/I-275  
0918 – road hazard, Rawsonville Rd./I-94 Service  
1031 – breaking & entering, Hull Rd.  
1046 – unattended death, Lake Crest Dr.  
1113 – fraud, Ruthan Dr.  
1519 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1654 – family trouble, Ormond Dr.  
1758 – property damage accident, EB I-94 / Haggerty Rd.  
1801 – threat, Ecorse Rd.  
2026 – larceny, Richard Run Dr.  
2035 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.  
2036 – disorderly, Ormond Dr.  
2108 – juvenile complaint, Quirk Rd.  
2208 – fraud, Belleville Rd.

**Saturday, April 8:**  
0120 – felony assault, W. Huron River Dr.  
0203 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler  
0648 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Arthur  
0742 – larceny from auto, Lighthouse Apt.  
0755 – larceny from auto, Southport  
0811 – family trouble, E. Archwood Dr.  
0935 – malicious destruction of property, Maple  
1049 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Robson Rd.  
1218 – assault & battery, Village Green  
1418 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Independence Ln.  
1425 – breaking & entering, Borgman Ave.  
1508 – assault & battery, E. Huron River Dr.  
1654 – assist other dept., Oak Ln.  
2242 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.

Also on this week’s log are 203 traffic stops, 35 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

# Belleville Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, April 2:**  
0112 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.  
0244 – threat, Carmell  
1410 – traffic offense, Carmell St.  
1748 – ordinance violation, N. Biggs Ave.  
1924 – parking complaint, Sumpter Rd.  
2054 – misc. complaints, Main St.  
2108 – civil matter, Loza Ln.  
2305 – assist citizen, Main St.  
**Monday, April 3:**  
0022 – intrusion alarm, South St.  
0041 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.  
0050 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.  
0104 – parking complaint San Carlos St.  
1519 – animal complaint, Belle Villa  
1717 – suspicious person/vehicle, San Carlos St.  
1806 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.  
1842 – traffic offense, W. Davis St./South St.  
1933 – suspicious person/vehicle, Madelon St.  
**Tuesday, April 4:**  
4000 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.  
0615 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.  
1259 – hospice death, Light Tower Dr.  
2241 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. Liberty/E. Huron River Dr.  
2254 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sumpter Rd.

**Wednesday, April 5:**  
1001 – found property/child, Main St.  
1144 – suspicious person/vehicle, Biggs Ave.  
1427 – court detail, Wayne Rd.  
1451 – assist fire dept., Breakwater Ct.  
1739 – welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.  
2249 – assist fire dept., Main St.  
2338 – warrant arrest, Super 8  
**Thursday, April 6:**  
0126 – assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.  
1129 – welfare check, E. Huron River Dr.  
1253 – sexual assault, Potter Dr.  
1343 – follow up by officer, Wexford Ave.  
1900 – assist fire dept., Main St.  
2114 – assist other dept., Bemis/Hull  
2219 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main/High  
**Friday, April 7:**  
0152 – assist fire dept., Victorian Ct.  
0416 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
1217 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr.  
1304 – fraud, Main St.  
1557 – follow up by officer, Wexford Ave.  
1656 – Pbt, Main St.  
1807 – welfare check, Henry St.  
2012 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.  
2023 – warrant arrest, main St.  
2122 – suspicious person/vehicle, Santa Clara St.  
2127 – vehicle lockout, Carmell St.  
2251 – malicious destruction of property, 4<sup>th</sup> Street Square  
**Saturday, April 8:**  
1516 – traffic offense, S. Biggs/Greylock  
1558 – civil matter, Henry St.  
1710 – intrusion alarm, Menlo Park Dr.  
1915 – assist fire dept., Main St.  
2028 – assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.  
Also on this week’s log are 49 traffic stops.

# Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, April 2:**  
0023 – animal complaint, 8500 bl. Meadow Springs  
0026 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Judd  
0754 – alarm, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1616 – harassment complaint, 46000 bl. Claxton  
1825 – shots fired, Rawsonville/Willis  
1856 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Clark Rd.  
1933 – neighbor dispute, 20000 bl. Martinsville  
1957 – neighbor dispute, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
2038 – suspicious person, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.  
2128 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
2220 – fire dept. assist, Redwood Ct.  
**Monday, April 3:**  
0906 – civil dispute, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1102 – alarm, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1628 – fraud complaint, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1843 – noise complaint, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.  
2238 – suspicious incident, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.  
**Tuesday, April 4:**  
0259 – fire dept. assist, Texas  
0720 – fire dept. assist, Nevada  
1049 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1116 – larceny, 43000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1203 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1239 – suspicious incident, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1600 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Willow  
2031 – citizen assist, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2217 – animal complaint, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.  
**Wednesday, April 5:**  
0025 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0756 – attempt warrant pick up, Carriage Ln.  
0821 – attempt warrant pick up, Mulberry  
0838 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville  
0839 – attempt warrant pick up, Brookview  
0947 – attempt warrant pick up, 46000 bl. Willis  
1004 – attempt warrant pick up, Second St.  
1016 – attempt warrant pick up, Creekside  
1216 – fraud complaint, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1622 – property damage accident, Karr/Willow  
1657 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1808 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.  
2152 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2206 – suspicious person, Willis/Rawsonville  
2317 – death investigation, 19000 bl. Karr Rd.  
**Thursday, April 6:**  
0331 – fight, 8200 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
0335 – fight, 8200 bl. Sherwood Rd.

0447 – threats complaint, Colorado  
0518 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0848 – harassment complaint, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.  
1122 – suspicious incident, 20000 bl. Martinsville  
1815 – fire dept. assist, California  
2050 – assist other agency, Bemis/Martinsville  
**Friday, April 7:**  
0056 – assist other agency, out of township  
0518 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Willow  
0619 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Bemis Rd.  
1005 – malicious destruction of property, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1034 – assault, Hampshire  
1321 – civil dispute, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1403 – threats complaint, 23000 bl. Carleton West  
1607 – malicious destruction of property, Hampshire  
1808 – civil dispute, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.  
1819 – reckless driver, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
2152 – property damage accident, 46000 bl. Willis  
2236 – juvenile complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
**Saturday, April 8:**  
0039 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0640 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0840 – suspicious incident, 6900 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.  
1020 – assist other agency, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1029 – assist other agency, 13000 bl. Rawsonville  
1125 – alarm, 11000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1222 – hang up, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1804 – runaway juvenile, 24000 bl. Carleton West  
1822 – subpoena service, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1833 – subpoena service, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1850 – subpoena service, Carriage Ln.  
2015 – disorderly person, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
Also on this week’s log are 31 follow-up investigations, 32 miscellaneous details, 112 patrol checks, and 21 traffic stops.

## Court Watching: Kial Smith bound over to circuit court for allegedly stabbing uncle

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
*Independent Editor*  
Kial John-Glen Smith, 20, of Wayne, waived his preliminary exam on April 5 before 34<sup>th</sup> District Court Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green.  
He was scheduled to appear on April 19 for his arraignment on the information at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice, but his retained attorney Ronald L. Marsh indicated he had a conflict that day and would change the date by contacting circuit court.  
Smith posted his \$500,000/10% bond. He is charged with one count of assault with intent to commit murder, which could bring life in prison, and one count of assault with intent to do bodily harm less than murder, which could bring ten years in prison, if convicted.  
Judge Green continued his bond and ordered him to have no contact with the victim, who is his uncle.  
Van Buren Township Officer Mike Long is the officer in charge of the case.  
VBT Public Safety Director Greg Laurain said it all started on Saturday, Jan. 21, at about 11:40 p.m., when police and fire officers were called to a home in the 9900 block of Hamilton Street in Haggerty Subdivision on the report of a stabbing.  
Officers found a 36-year-old male who was suffering from stab wounds to his chest and arm. The victim told police his nephew stabbed him after a verbal altercation earlier that evening at a home on Zachary Street.  
Director Laurain said officers went to a home in the 42000 block of Zachary and observed blood on the outer front door and door handle of the residence. They located Smith, the victim’s nephew, within.  
The victim was transported to the hospital.



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- Bordetella
- Rabies 1 Yr.

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