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VB-T seeks grant for fishing pier at new Lake House

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

At the Aug. 5 regular meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved a grant application for \$41,667 from Wayne County to support the construction of a fishing pier boardwalk as part of the Lake House development.

This sum is from the county's annual parks millage.

The Lake House is a project for the 3.02-acre site on the former Department of Natural Resources property on the north side of the Belleville Bridge. The township acquired the property in 2019 with the goal of transforming it into a multifunctional space that enhances public access to the lake.

In a written report to the board, Elizabeth Renaud, director of community services, said the Lake House will feature a beautifully designed multipurpose space with panoramic lake views, a community gathering space, and conference amenities for local organizations and corporate events.

The site is also planned to include an expansive outdoor deck, seamlessly blending indoor and outdoor spaces for social gatherings and celebrations.

Pedestrian pathways will connect the Lake House to downtown Belleville, the Iron Belle Trail, and other key locations. A proposed fishing pier and boardwalk will provide lake access for fishing, relaxation, and community enjoyment, she said.

In her report, Renaud said public input is essential and before the finalization of any formal design or construction plans, the township is holding community meetings, online surveys, interactive workshops, and open house events.

The total project is budgeted at \$16 million and is expected to be completed

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Independent photo by James Oztman

On Monday afternoon, South Liberty Street in the city of Belleville was closed to through traffic as a water line was tied into the new restroom in Victory Park. Those who live in the housing on South Liberty were able to take the "Do Not Enter" roadway at E. Columbia Ave. to get to their homes.

News releases:

Plaintiffs win preliminary injunction against landfill

Wayne County Third Circuit Court Judge Kevin Cox on Aug. 6 issued a ruling siding with the plaintiffs, granting a preliminary injunction against Wayne Disposal Inc. from receiving radioactive waste at its site located at 49350 N. I-94 Service Dr.

The lawsuit was filed Sept. 16 by plaintiffs Belleville, Romulus, Van Buren and Canton townships, and Wayne County when the communities received news that radioactive waste from the Niagara Falls storage site in Lewiston, NY, was headed to the hazardous waste landfill in Van Buren Township.

"We are beyond thrilled of the news of the ruling" said Van Buren Township supervisor Kevin McNamara. "We did everything in our power to safeguard our residents in stopping out-of-state radioactive waste from entering our community and we feel vindicated by this

ruling."

The ruling affects all Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program sites (FUSRAP) and Technically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (TENORM) sites nationwide from shipping to the Wayne Disposal facility.

"We stood strong with our community allies speaking collectively with one voice that we do not want this type of waste in our community," McNamara said. "By doing so we sent a statement to our lawmakers that has triggered legislation providing further protection against receiving radioactive waste that is pending in the state legislature."

Sen. Darrin Camilleri, D-Trenton

Sen. Darrin Camilleri offered the following statement in a news release:

"This ruling is a massive victory for Western Wayne County and the countless

residents who have used their voice to fight against the dumping of toxic materials in our community. Not only have we halted the import of Manhattan Project atomic waste into Michigan, but we have put a permanent end to any radioactive materials coming to this facility.

"This outcome couldn't have been achieved without the combined efforts of our Western Wayne municipalities, and I'm incredibly grateful for the leadership and resolve that they've shown throughout this process. This is a decision that should be celebrated, but our work to pass meaningful hazardous waste reform still continues in Lansing."

Earlier this year, Sen. Camilleri introduced Senate Bills 246 and 247 to modernize Michigan's hazardous waste management system and strengthen

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VBT Board

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by the time township supervisor Kevin McNamara's term is up in 2028.

Supervisor McNamara was absent and excused from the Aug. 5 meeting and treasurer Sharry Budd presided in his absence. Trustee Bryon Kelley was absent and excused. Director Renaud also was absent. The resolution to seek a grant from the county was approved as part of the consent agenda and there was no comment on it at the meeting.

In other business at the 28-minute meeting, the board:

- Unanimously passed a resolution to give local approval to a request to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission to issue a new tavern license for on-premise alcohol consumption to Dungeons & Draughts, LCC, for 1000 Sumpter Rd., the former location of Cork & Bottle. Hannah and Braden Jones of Milan were present to explain that their 2,500-square-foot business in the plaza will be a family friendly Lord of the Rings tavern where games are played. The new business is targeting a soft opening in November. In the application, they said the business will be a cozy, fantasy-themed pub designed for the lovers of board games, books, and craft beer. Patrons will be invited to play a library of more than 75 tabletop games while enjoying light food and draught beer. They plan to be open from 10 or 11 a.m. to 9 or 10 p.m. Trustee Will Frazier, who works for the school district, voiced concern that students would skip school to come to play games at this business. Hannah Jones was surprised at this and said the students would be welcome to come after school;

- Heard Ron Akers, director of municipal services, explain the Liquor Control Commission allows 20 on-premise consumption licenses in Van Buren Township and 14 have been issued, leaving six available, including the license the LCC presently is considering for DeBuck's Family Farm;

- Approved the selection of Giffels Webster as the consultant for the township property development of the 181 acres the township acquired from Ford Motor Co. at the northwest corner of Tyler and Belleville roads. Consultant cost is \$188,050 to be split 50-50 between the general fund and Downtown Development Authority for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Deputy supervisor Dan Selman said the DDA's Merrie Coburn should get special recognition since she did so much work in the selection. Clerk Wright said the township bought the property from Ford at "a price we couldn't refuse. I'm just ecstatic this is coming to fruition";

- Approved a letter of understanding with the city of Belleville to provide

interim construction code inspection and plan review services. This follows the resignation of the city's building official and city's need to have this covered while it considers a solution. Director Akers said, "We can handle the additional work and will recoup our cost by providing services";

- Approved the quote from W.J. O'Neil for three HVAC unit replacements at township hall in the amount of \$69,659. Director of public services Larry Luckett said the three units were installed in 1995 and are 30 years old. Repairs for the last three years for these three units have exceeded \$10,000. Also the older units do not meet current standards for freon charging based on their age. Luckett said he will be asking for replacement of another four units over the next several years;

- Approved the 2025 Suburban Mobility

Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) contract to appropriate \$28,433 to the township for senior transportation. The local match of \$60,317 is met by the township's general fund and in-kind services;

- Approved changes to the 2025 planning fee schedule, prompted by the recent approval of new rates for planning consultant McKenna & Associates;

- Approved appointing director of water and sewer Kevin Lawrence to be the Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority Board representative for Van Buren Township;

- Was informed by parks director Jason Locke that starting Friday, Aug. 8, there would be critical road repairs in Van Buren Park and access to the beach is not possible. He said they hope to have it reopened by

Aug. 18;

- Heard clerk Wright remind everyone that there was just one election in the township for this calendar year and the township has the newest voting machines and new high-speed scanners. He said the township has gone from 10 to seven precincts to be more efficient and they are in two locations: township hall and Wayne County Community College; and

- Heard trustee Kevin Martin say he visited Van Buren Park and found it so clean he was impressed. He thanked the park director Locke for doing "a wonderful job."

The regular 6 p.m. meeting followed a 4 p.m. workshop to discuss policy updates to travel, purchasing, credit cards, policies and procedures, and the salaried employee manual.

Landfill

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environmental protections for his district and communities across the state.

**State Representative Reggie Miller
D-Van Buren Township**

The follow statement was released by Rep. Miller:

"This ruling is a major victory for our community. People are concerned about their health, environmental safety and the future implications of storing this waste here. Michigan should not be a bargain bin dumping ground for radioactive waste from out of state, particularly when there are still so many questions that remain about long-term risks, groundwater impacts and a lack of transparency.

"I'm grateful to the judge for recognizing the serious concerns raised by residents, environmental experts and local leaders. This ruling is evidence that when Michiganders unite to organize and speak with one voice that they will not allow their community's health to be endangered, they can move mountains.

"This ruling sends a clear message: Michigan's environment is not for sale. I will continue fighting alongside the people against any potential appeals, future expansions or potentially harmful shipments."

Judge Kevin Cox decision

"The court finds (the plaintiffs) have sufficiently demonstrated the necessity and propriety of preliminary injunctive relief enjoining Wayne Disposal Inc. from

accepting radioactive waste from the Niagara Falls Storage Site in Lewiston, N.Y. and Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program material from other sites," Cox wrote in his Aug. 6 decision. "The public interest would be harmed if this injunctive relief is not granted."

The case still has a special conference set for Aug. 18 and a review hearing set for Aug. 26.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Because the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is trying to get the site cleaned up, it abandoned waiting for Wayne Disposal's court decision and on July 15 started shipping the waste from the Lewiston site to a landfill in Texas.

Help your community go green: Apply for \$100,000 tree grant

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, in partnership with the DTE Foundation and ReLeaf Michigan, is offering \$100,000 in grant funding through the DTE Foundation Tree Planting Grant Program.

This initiative supports community tree planting efforts across Michigan.

The DNR is now accepting applications for the 2025-26 grant cycle. The program provides financial assistance to communities served by DTE Energy's electric and natural gas services.

Grants are available to support projects that plant trees away from utility lines along streets, in parks and near schools – all of which can help to mitigate climate change, enhance local beauty and engage residents in environmental stewardship.

Since 1996, this grant program has been a joint effort between the DTE Foundation and the DNR's Urban and Community Forestry program to improve communities and the environment through tree planting.

ReLeaf Michigan, the only statewide nonprofit dedicated to tree planting and homeowner education, was added to the program to provide technical support to grantees and help ensure successful and sustainable tree planting efforts.

"At the DTE Foundation, we believe that real change takes root when communities come together," said Rodney Cole, the foundation's president. "Tree planting is more than an environmental initiative; it's a way to bring neighbors together, strengthen local pride and create healthier, more vibrant places to live.

"We're proud to support this work alongside dedicated partners like the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and ReLeaf Michigan, whose efforts continue to strengthen our communities and protect the environment for future generations."

Applicants can request up to \$4,000 with a 1-to-1 matching requirement. Additionally:

- Applications must be submitted through DNR MiGrants by Sept. 15.

- Grant awards will be announced in October 2025.

- Projects must be completed by Sept. 1, 2026.

Learn more and apply for a tree planting grant at michigan.gov/UCF.

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O P I N I O N S

Editorial:

EGLE, EPA plan to renew Wayne Disposal license

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has put a legal notice in today's paper on page 17.

It announces that EGLE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency plan to issue a hazardous waste management facility operating license for Wayne Disposal on the I-94 North Service Drive in Van Buren Township unless the public can convince it otherwise at a public session on Sept. 12 at Wayne County Community College or written comments.

They are giving the public plenty of time to speak up, since the public informational meeting and the public hearing runs five hours from 4 to 9 p.m.

You can also attend the hearing part online or by phone only. The details are in the public notice in today's paper.

The public comment period begins today, Aug. 14, and ends on Sept. 29. Among other places, you can see the draft license online or at the Belleville Area District Library.

The license would allow the facility to begin storing hazardous waste in containers, and to continue disposing of hazardous waste, certain radiological materials, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB), waste in its hazardous waste landfill facility. The draft license includes an expansion of disposal volume and the addition of hazardous waste storage.

If you oppose this, now is the time to speak up.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Before a recent city meeting, when I asked the city administration why they still have porta potties at Victory Park when the new stand-alone restroom is done being built, interim city manager Steve Jones said the sewer system still has to be hooked up, so it isn't working yet.

It's been several years since former police chief/city manager David Robinson got the grant from the county to upgrade Victory Park and it's still not done.

Jones said the plan was to lock up the doors to Victory Station so the present restrooms would only be used from the inside by those renting the station for meetings and parties. The people in the park would use the new restrooms.

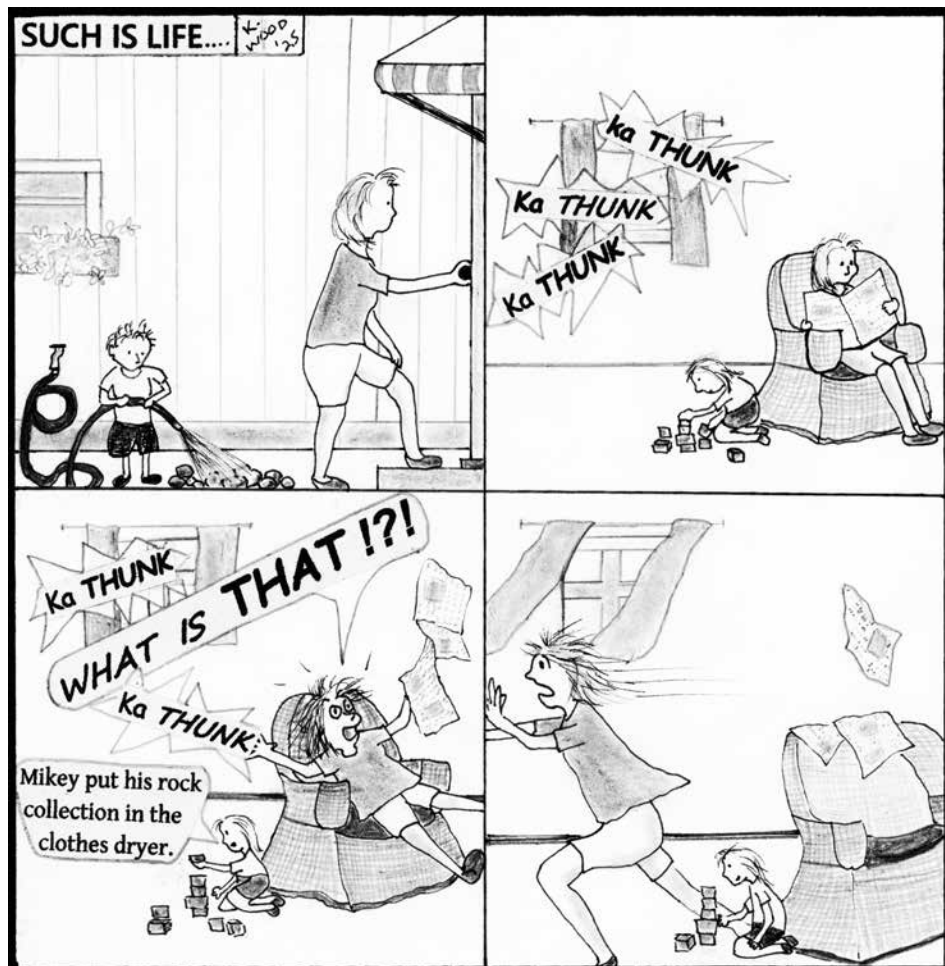
I noted that the kids who messed up the restrooms at Victory Station, that has caused such angst over the years, would just target the new restrooms instead.

I told them it was too bad the new restrooms weren't pretty and didn't have ambiance to upgrade the park. Mayor pro-tem Kelly Bates said they could paint murals on them. I told her that murals were DDA treasurer Sabrina Williamson-Robinson's special dream project for the city and she would be the one to talk to.

On Monday afternoon it looked like the restroom at Victory Park was finally getting its sewer hookup, but it was the hookup to a water line that was being installed.

The 45 mph speed sign on E. Huron River Drive at the city limit as you head eastbound has finally been reinstalled. It has been gone for about two years. Without

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



it in place, drivers technically should have been driving 30 mph to almost Martinsville Road.

We had a letter writer or two who complained about this and said they went to the police to point it out, but it took a while to fix the problem. It probably had been knocked down by a vehicle when it first disappeared.

My two sons were coming back from grocery shopping last Saturday and almost got smashed by a gravel train. Jim said they were stopped at the stop sign on eastbound Tyler Road at Morton Taylor, when he looked into the rearview mirror. Jim said he was at a complete stop and a gravel train was coming at them. He heard the brakes grinding as the truck tried to stop. Since he had looked right and left he knew it was safe, so he barreled across the intersection, narrowly avoiding a collision. He said the truck veered to the right and may have knocked down that stop sign. We haven't gone back to see if it's still erect.

Several municipal meetings were canceled this month because of members being on trips or nothing to put on the agenda. The Belleville Area District Library board was cancelled for Tuesday and the Belleville Planning Commission for Thursday.

The fishing pier boardwalk being planned for the former DNR property north of the

Belleville Bridge will be a nice place for people to go to be close to the calming effects of flowing water. If the fishing is good there, it will be good for fishermen even though they shouldn't eat the fish. Otherwise, it will be a great walkway for anyone.

As I recall when Van Buren Township got the property from the DNR there was a provision by the state that a fishing dock had to be put in on the site.

Years ago, there was a plan for the new Belleville Area District Library to be built there, but voters disagreed. Access and parking were two big problems. Really, the present site in downtown Belleville is wonderful and the library is a big part of everything that goes on downtown.

The Van Buren Township supervisor had his dream of a Lake House for a long time and before his term is up we expect it will be in place and it will be a big asset to that part of the lake for both the township and the city alike. He promised that to the city at the recent tri-community planning commission session.

He said, however, the township residents are still commenting on what they want there and that will be taken into account before the final decisions are made and the construction begins.



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Letters

Put alligator at entry for 'Downtown Alcatraz'

To the editor:

I hope you are doing well and maybe be able to "retire" soon.

Anyway, what is up with Antioch Church on Rawsonville Road? Are they still around? I did a "satellite video conference" with them in 2003, I think. The video board looks like it's on the fritz and they offer childcare but I don't know if anyone is there anymore.

BTW, I loved the idea of the fly-in festival or meal at Belleville Airport! Now make it a package deal with a great local hotel experience and great non-chain restaurants to eat at. At least set the pieces in place. Need a limo? We got it! A hotel? We got it, plus a shuttle downtown to various events and sights to see. Plus, local food done right!

Please change the blue dog! Put the alligator down there and called it "Downtown Alcatraz!"

Please feel free to print this nonsense that I wrote, but if you want good patrons about town, maybe we need to spark some incentive to move into an empty downtown building. I have a friend who has a secondhand store ready to drop in right in town. Please show us what ya' got.

Thank you again for reading my ramble.

Donald S. Keith

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P.S. We NEED an art museum to attract local and national artists. Maybe host an event with the DIA?

Birthdays

Aug. 2 – Tina Tyzik

Aug. 19 – Sheena Barnes, Steve Jones

Aug. 20 – Carol Bodenmiller, Eric Luke, Martha Hanolan, Webster Mason

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

Musings

By Janet Millard
Independent Advertising Director



Well, I messed up and didn't get a birthday in the paper. It is in for today but let me also send a very Happy Birthday to Tina Tyzik whose celebration was on Aug. 2. Forgive my oversight, Tina, and hope you had a very memorable day.

We don't have many boat parades considering our most lovely lake, but tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 15, is the annual Belleville Lake Neon Boat Parade. Park by Johnny's on the Lake around 8 p.m. and enjoy all the creations by local boaters.

Moving the Mitten at 337 Main St. is holding its Back to School Bash on Thursday, Aug. 21, from 5 to 7 p.m. It's a party with free backpacks, a bounce house, games, crafts, professional back to school photos, plus food and refreshments.

Actually, Aug. 21 might be one of the busiest days in the city for the whole summer. It is Third Thursday with extended shopping and popups on Main Street. The Belleville Central Business Community will be holding its annual Taste of Belleville on High Street (see their ad in the paper today). Prior to Taste at 5:30 p.m. will be the Bridge Walk and at 7 p.m. on High Street the last Music Lakeside will have Ghost Town Marshalls performing. You may not be able to do it all but you sure can do a lot.

I hope all the BHS alumni are excited about the new plans for the all-class reunion scheduled for Friday, Sept. 12. What a great idea to have a tailgate buffet inside the cafeteria prior to the football game with Livonia Stevenson. The tailgate will start at 4 p.m. with a buffet scheduled from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. at no charge. How cool it will be for them to follow the marching band into the field and have an area in the bleachers to enjoy the game. Do your best not to miss the deadline of Aug. 29

The band in Harris Park from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 20, will be Cruizen Jupiter, a high-energy cover band. Fun and danceable music.

Music Lakeside tonight at 7 p.m. on High Street features Larry Lee and the Back in the Day Band (a R&B dance band) and Vera's Kuntry Bakery will do the cooking.

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Board of Education reviews annual board policy updates

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

On Monday, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education held its regular meeting at the Administration Building with the only administrative item on the agenda being the first reading of updates to 38 board policies as recommended by the Thrun law firm.

The updates will be presented to the board for the second reading and final approval at its regular meeting on Aug. 25.

Board president Amy Pearce gave a synopsis of the changes recommended by Thrun to stay in line with changing laws. She said as the administration changes, the changes in the law rolls down.

President Pearce said while the district could adopt a policy to start a charter school, it will not adopt that policy now, adding "Maybe someday. Not now."

The many updates also included the policy that the district will issue safe storage for firearms information to all families as of Oct. 1 and post it on the website, as well.

Also, students who are the age of majority, 18, can make their own decisions and represent themselves.

The many proposed policy changes are available for review by the public by calling the school superintendent's office.

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

- Accepted the resignations of teachers Cynthia Labor of Edgemont Elementary as of Aug. 31 after four years of service; Shahna Currie of Belleville High School as of Aug. 20, after four years of service; and Aubrey Banning of the Early Childhood Center as of Aug. 20 after one year of service;

- Approved employment of Rebecca Ross in the administration department as director of community education as of Aug. 1; employment of teachers Jennifer Wampler at Tyler Elementary, Tanika Craig and Gwynn Bell at BHS, and Matthew Peterson at McBride Middle School; teacher-alt.-certified Benjamin Temkow at BHS; Holly Crisler at Early Childhood Center; and Kamari Delfine as toddler teacher at the ECC. All teachers were hired as of Aug. 27;

- Approved the Aug. 15 retirement of non-instructional staff member Randy Fisher of Owen Intermediate School after 39 years of service and the Aug. 4 resignation of Gregory Martinez of building and grounds after less than a year of service. Also approved was the Aug. 5 termination of Michael Ellerby of buildings and grounds after less than a year of service;

- Approved the employment of Ruth McTere for food service at BHS and Autumn Laretz as cook/manager at McBride, with start dates to be determined. Also approved was the Aug. 14 start date of Terri Bono as secretary at Tyler Elementary School;

- Heard school superintendent Pete Kudlak say that Rebecca Ross recently retired as director of the Early Childhood Center after many years of service to

the district. When the district posted the new position of director of community education, he said they were pleased to see that Ross applied and she was hired for the post. He said she will direct a new program of paid, after-school classes in a wide variety of subjects, including art, swimming, pickleball, how to do taxes, and whatever else they can come up with. This will be to keep students active positively after school and for adults, as well, he said;

- Heard Kudlak say the state doesn't have the budget yet for schools and it was supposed to be done by July 1. He said the district doesn't yet know how much it will get per pupil as opening day approaches. He said the state budget year begins Oct. 1, so it absolutely has to be done by then. He said the state wants to use K-12 school funding to fund roads;

- Heard trustees David Shall and Wade Fields report on last Saturday's Robotics successful fundraiser at Lodge Lanes. Fields said they made more than they spent;

- Heard Pearce say she was in the "band camp mode" and the 175 kids in the BHS band will go off the Camp Tamarack on Monday, Aug. 18, and return on Friday, Aug. 22, and give an after-camp concert at 5 p.m. at BHS;

- Heard parent Angela Mears say her son Cooper is a senior this year and she will be announcing fundraisers for the class of 2026. She said at the BHS open house from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. there will be food trucks and on Sept. 25, the Carpenter Road Red Robin will give a percentage to the class if customers mention BHS class of 2026; and

- At the end of the regular meeting at 7:40 p.m., went into closed-door session

to consider the potential reinstatement of Student 24-25-010 for the 2025-26 school year. The student was expelled during the 2024-25 school year and came before the reinstatement committee for consideration of reinstatement after the expiration of the expulsion period. A recommendation from that committee was before the board at the closed session. After discussion, the board came back into open session and voted to reinstate the student with conditions. The meeting ended at 8:27 p.m.

Board vice president Dionne Falconer and trustee Victor DeLibera were absent from that night's meetings.

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Obituaries



Judy Anne Buttignoli

JUDY ANNE BUTTIGNOLI

June 17, 1946 – August 6, 2025

Judy A. Buttignoli, age 79, of Romulus, MI passed away on Wednesday August 6, 2025, at the Gardens of Carleton with her family by her side. Born to Charles and Geraldine (Sanger) Herington on June 17, 1946, in Grand Rapids, MI. Judy graduated from Belleville High School in 1964. She received her LPN and pursued her career in Nursing and was employed at Beyer Hospital in Ypsilanti, MI and worked for local assisted living facilities in the area. Judy is a member of the Willow United Methodist Church in New Boston, and she was active in the Romulus Senior Citizens Club.

Judy is survived by her loving sons Mark (Theresa) Buttignoli and Craig (Chevaun) Buttignoli; grandchildren Kyle Buttignoli, Sarah (Jeremy) Pidgeon, Alex (Sarah) Buttignoli, Aaron, Andrew, Austin Buttignoli and Jade Grassel; and great-grandchildren Wyatt, Kohen, Kahlea, and Kainen.

Judy is preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law Robert (Brenda) Herington and great-grandchild Kyrin.

Visitation for Judy was Sunday, August 10, 2025, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111. Funeral service was Monday, August 11, 2025, With Pastor Chris Butson officiating. Burial was at Soop Cemetery in Van Buren Township, MI. www.davidcbrownfh.com

THOMAS L. BITNER

August 18, 1945 – August 7, 2025

Age 79, of Van Buren Township. Survived by wife Linda Bitner; children Heather, Thomas, Robert, Jon; grandchildren Charidyce, Ashlyne, Carter, Madison, Ethan. Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial at a later date. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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Lida Delaine Bolay

LIDA 'DELAINE' BOLAY

March 2, 1951 – August 7, 2025

Lida Delaine Bolay, loving wife, beloved mother, proud grandmother and great-grandmother passed away peacefully on August 7, 2025 at the age of 74. She was born on March 2, 1951 to Raymond and Joyce Johnson in Detroit, MI. Lida graduated from Belleville High School in 1969. She married the love of her life James G. Bolay on August 29, 1969. Lida lived a life rich in love, laughter and the simple joys that meant the most. Her happiest moments were spent surrounded by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whose lives she touched with endless warmth, stories and unconditional love. She had a way of making each one feel special, and her legacy lives on in their hearts.

She had a love for the outdoors, and some of her happiest days were spent camping under the stars with those she loved. Lida also enjoyed the simple joys of shopping trips, whether for something special or just for fun - always finding delight in the little things. A loyal Detroit Tigers fan, she never missed a game if she could help it. Her kindness, strength and steady presence will be missed more than words can express. She had a way of making everybody feel at home, and her love was the quiet, constant thread that held us all together. Lida is survived by her loving husband of 57 years James G. Bolay; her children Kellie Klein of Florida and James (Michele) Bolay of Macomb, MI; grandchildren Miranda (Daniel) Hurd, Franklin Klein, and Zoey Klein; great-grandchildren Penelope and Harrison Hurd; as well as many extended family members and friends who were blessed to know her.

Lida is preceded in death by her parents and granddaughter Ashley Moore.

A visitation for Lida has been planned for August 14, 2025 at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI at 4 p.m. until the time of service at 6 p.m. Pastor Gordon Moore will officiate.

Though Delaine is no longer with us, her love will forever be our guide - and every Tigers game, camping trip or family gathering will remind us of her beautiful spirit.

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PAMELA SIMON

July 7, 1967 – August 7, 2025

Age 58, of Carleton, MI, after fight against brain cancer. Survived by mother Maryetta "Joyce" Pinter; children Ashley and Travis; siblings Patricia and Joseph; granddaughter Evelyn; companion Moe. Memorial service at a later date. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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Court Watching

Enrique Jose Cano-Hernandez

Enrique Jose Cano-Hernandez of Ypsilanti was video-arraigned while in custody on June 6 charged with driving while license suspended on Nov. 4, 2019 in Van Buren Township. Personal bond was set at \$5,000 and a remote pretrial for July 3.

He also was arraigned on charges of receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle and driving while license suspended on June 3. Personal bond was set at \$5,000 and was present for his probable cause conference on June 18 from the Wayne County Jail. A preliminary exam in person was set for July 30 and the defendant appeared on zoom at 3:57 p.m. from the jail. Judge Oakley approved an adjournment of the exam until Sept. 3 in person at the courthouse.

Cameron William Bush

Cameron William Bush of Van Buren Township was charged with failing to report an accident on July 2 in Van Buren

Township. His arraignment/pretrial was held July 23 and he pled guilty. He was sentenced to a 12-month delayed sentence at which time the charge would be dismissed. He was allowed to do three days of work program in lieu of jail time.

Christan Xavier Marls

Christan Xavier Marls of Detroit was video-arraigned in custody on July 24. He is charged with unarmed robbery, larceny from the person, and larceny from \$1,000-\$20,000 on July 22 in Van Buren Township. Bond was set at \$5,000/10% and the probable cause conference for Aug. 6. A preliminary examination first was set for Aug. 13 and then reset to Sept. 17.

Amber Nichole Wortman

Amber Nichole Wortman, 39, of Jackson was video-arraigned in custody on July 25 on a charge of first-degree retail fraud on July 24 in Van Buren Township. A probable cause conference was set for Aug. 6 and a preliminary examination for Aug.

13. Personal bond is \$1,000.

On July 25, she also was video-arraigned on a charge of first-degree retail fraud on March 9 in Van Buren Township. Bond is \$5,000/10%. The probable cause conference is Aug. 6 and the preliminary examination Aug. 13.

She also was video-arraigned on two new charges of retail fraud, one on April 25 and one on March 28, and arraigned on a bench warrant after failure to appear for a retail fraud charge of March 29. Bond is \$5,000/10%. Probable cause conference was Aug. 6 and another probable cause conference set for Aug. 13.

She is not to return to Meijer on Belleville Road.

Scott Eric Crittenden

Scott Eric Crittenden, 59, of Jackson was video-arraigned in custody on July 25 on two charges of first-degree retail fraud on March 29 in Van Buren Township. Bond was set at \$5,000/10% each charge. A

probable cause conference was set for Aug. 6 and a preliminary exam on Aug. 13.

Also on July 25, he was video-arraigned on two bench warrants for failure to appear in court on two charges of retail fraud, one on Feb. 2 and one on March 28. Probable cause conferences were set for Aug. 7. Personal bond is \$500 each. Probable cause conferences set for Aug. 13. He is not to return to Meijer on Belleville Road.

Gregory Raynard Davis

Gregory Raynard Davis, 58, of Ypsilanti was arraigned in custody on July 28 on a charge of receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle on Oct. 21, 2024 in Van Buren Township. The charge was entered on May 1, 2025. Upon arraignment, his warrant was canceled and his bond set at \$3,000/10%. A probable cause conference was scheduled for Aug. 6 and a preliminary exam for Aug. 13.

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Canton Club 55+ to host annual Senior Golf Scramble on Sept. 19

Area seniors are encouraged to warm up their backswing because Canton Club 55+ is once again hosting its annual Senior Golf Scramble on Friday, Sept. 19, at Pheasant Run Golf Club, 46500 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Ages 55 and better are encouraged to hit the links for 18 holes of golf in this four-person golf scramble, which is sponsored in part by Hampton Manor of Van Buren Township and IKEA.

This annual summer tradition includes a continental breakfast, lunch, plus a cart for a fee of \$66 for Canton residents and \$72 for non-residents. Come as a foursome, a twosome, or as a single player.

Check-in will begin at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start scheduled for 9 a.m. Lunch is expected to be held at 1:30 p.m. Prizes for several on-course contests will be awarded, including men's and women's closest to the pin and closest to the line farthest drive. Additional door prizes will also be available. First-place men's and women's teams will receive a round of golf.

"We welcome all senior golfers to join in on all the fun of our annual tournament, which is played on one of the most scenic courses around," said Canton recreation specialist Patrick Pantloni. "This annual event is always a great way for area seniors to get outdoors and enjoy a good round of golf in great fall weather."

Registration is currently underway. Seniors are encouraged to reserve a spot by calling (734) 394-5485 or register in person now through Friday, Sept. 12, at Canton Club 55+, located in the Parkview Room of the Summit on the Park at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

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Popular golden oyster mushrooms invading Michigan forests

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A recent article published in "The Conversation" describes U.S. Forest Service researchers' findings regarding the impact of golden oyster mushrooms (*Pleurotus citrinopileatus*) on Wisconsin forests.

Veerabahu and colleagues sampled fungal communities in forests around Madison, Wisc., and determined that in logs colonized

by golden oyster mushrooms, only half the expected diversity of native fungal species was present.

"Fungi are sources of revolutionary medicines, including antibiotics like penicillin, cholesterol medication and organ transplant stabilizers," said Veerabahu. "The value of undiscovered, potentially useful chemicals can be lost when invasive species push others out."

Veerabahu recommends that people consider refraining from using golden oyster mushroom grow kits to prevent any new introductions.

"For people who make a living selling these mushrooms, consider adding a note that this species is invasive and should be cultivated indoors and not composted," she said. "If you enjoy growing mushrooms at home, try cultivating safe, native species that you have [lawfully] collected in your region."

New species are often introduced by people long before the species' invasive qualities are known. To avoid introducing or spreading species that may be invasive, never release pets, aquarium plants or other species into the wild, choose native species for gardening, and keep exotic plants – and fungi – indoors.

Upcoming Meetings

- Thursday, Aug. 14 – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Belleville Planning Commission canceled.
- Monday, Aug. 18 – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, budget review meeting all day. Also, Belleville City Council, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 19 – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., and workshop at 5 p.m. as needed
- Wednesday, Aug. 20 – City of Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m., Belleville City Hall, 6 Main St.
- Monday, Aug. 25 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building

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James Wigginton joins yet another round-the-world adventure

By Rosemary K. Otzman
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James Wigginton of Van Buren Township has announced his newest adventure to earn money for Folds of Honor Foundation. He will be part of the team doing seven skydiving scuba jumps in seven days on seven continents: Jan. 13-20, 2026.



Wigginton

Wigginton, a 72-year-old Vietnam-era Marine, already holds ten world records, including those for stair-climbing, skydiving, and submersible diving.

The jumps will start in the frigid waters at King George Island, Antarctica, then progress to Punta Arenas, Chile, and then up to Miami, FL. From there jump #4 will be in Casablanca, Morocco, and then #5 and #6 in Istanbul, Turkey, with one dive in the European waters and one in the Asian waters. They will finish off in Sydney, Australia for jump 7 on day 7.

This will be "Triple 7" for 7 continents in 7 days for 7 dives, which would be a world record.

Besides Wigginton on the team are Fox News host Johnny Joey Jones, a Marine; Fox Nation host Mike Sarraile, retired Navy SEAL; Mike "Boots" Barker, retired Navy SEAL; Jeff Samuel, retired Navy SEAL; Ramon "CZ" Colon-Lopez, retired pararescuer; Kirk Offen, former Navy sub (nuke); and Edward Andrews, formerly of the Australian Navy and owner of a Global Emergency Response Group.

The project will result in a Memorial Day 2026 Fox special following the team of eight U.S. and Australian veterans, led by combat-wounded Marine and Fox personality Jones, as they attempt to smash the world record for diving all 7

continents – currently 11 days, 19 hours, and 23 minutes – in under 7 days, using elite special operations-style planning and pure grit.

Each dive honors a fallen American hero, with every continent revealing the story of a team member and the comrade they lost.

The adventure is a fundraising mission for the Folds of Honor Foundation, a veteran nonprofit.

In 2013, Wigginton founded and has earned money for the Punya Thyroid Cancer Endowment Fund in honor of his late wife Nancy, who died in July 2013. The fund has helped increase thyroid cancer research and prolong patients' quality of life.

His record-breaking was solely for the benefit of thyroid cancer until he began also working with Folds of Honor in 2022. Folds is a nonprofit organization helping the spouses and children of fallen or injured military veterans through educational scholarships.

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EGLE, Michigan Saves offer septic replacement loan program

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has partnered with Michigan Saves, the nation's first nonprofit green bank, to offer financing for the replacement of failing or near-failing septic systems through the Septic Replacement Loan Program (SRLP).

The program provides low-interest financing options for loans up to \$50,000 to Michigan homeowners looking to replace their septic systems.

"A working septic system is an essential part of a home," said Anne Mitchell, Septic

Replacement Loan Program Manager at EGLE. "Fifty six percent of Americans struggle to cover a \$1,000 emergency, so we're thrilled to offer this financial benefit to anyone facing the daunting task of replacing a failing septic system."

A failing septic system can back up wastewater into homes, posing serious health risks. Failing septic systems discharge untreated wastewater, posing environmental risks such as the contamination of surface water and drinking water resources.

This poses a significant health risk, especially to children who may come into contact with dangerous bacteria and viruses. To address this issue, the SRLP offers affordable loan options to homeowners to help them overcome the unexpected financial burden of septic system replacement.

The Michigan legislature has allocated \$35 million to EGLE's Onsite Wastewater Management Unit for the development and implementation of the statewide program. EGLE has partnered with Michigan Saves to develop and manage it.

This collaboration ensures that the program adheres to EGLE's program minimum standards, assuring that supported septic systems are evaluated, designed and installed to be protective of both public and environmental health.

"Michigan Saves is honored to be selected to manage the Septic Replacement Loan Program in collaboration with our partners at EGLE," said Chanell Scott Contreras, president and CEO of Michigan Saves. "With the launch of income-qualified

loans, we're ensuring the process of replacing failing septic systems becomes more equitable, providing financial support where it's needed most and leveling the playing field for all Michigan families."

The SRLP is divided into two tiers: income-based financing (tier one) and market-based loans (tier two). Loans will range up to \$30,000 per project for tier one, and up to \$50,000 per project for tier two, with rates, terms and loan amounts varying.

To be eligible for the program, septic systems must be permitted by the local health department in accordance with EGLE's program minimum standards and be installed by a Michigan Saves authorized septic installation contractor.

Through the initiative, EGLE and Michigan Saves aim to protect Michigan's water resources and safeguard the well-being of its residents. They are committed to ensuring that all Michigan homeowners have access to safe and reliable septic systems.

For more information about the SRLP, to find a Michigan Saves authorized

contractor, and to begin the financing process for septic system replacement, visit MichiganSaves.org/Septic/.

As an example, a Michigan family of 10, Matthew and Jessica Keller, purchased their home unaware that the septic system was on the verge of failure. Shortly after moving in, they were left without a working system. For six weeks, they relied on a port-a-john and struggled to complete everyday tasks like washing dishes.

Through the Septic Replacement Loan Program the Kellers secured a loan to replace their failing system. They expressed deep gratitude, noting they wouldn't have been able to afford the replacement through a traditional lender due to high interest rates.

"If Michigan Saves didn't exist, I don't know where we would actually go. We would have to try to possibly put the home up for sale immediately," said Matthew. "They went above and beyond, and I was very happy with their service."

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Gerlad Kudakwashe Garaba

Gerlad Kudakwashe Garaba of Belleville was video-arraigned in custody on July 29 on a charge of domestic violence in Van Buren Township. A remote pretrial was set for Aug. 6 and then Aug. 20 after he retained an attorney. Bond is \$1,000.

Kevin Lynn Dixon

Kevin Lynn Dixon of Sumpter Township was due for arraignment on July 21 on a charge of possession of narcotic or cocaine less than 25 grams and driving while license suspended on Jan. 7, 2025 in Sumpter Township. The charge was entered on June 16. He was arraigned in custody and a probable cause conference set for July 30. Personal bond is \$100,000. On July 30, the preliminary exam was set for Sept. 10.

Jamil Robert Fuller

Jamil Robert Fuller of Van Buren Township is charged with carrying a concealed

weapon, fleeing police in a vehicle, and weapons on May 24, 2024 in Van Buren Township. The charges were entered July 7, 2025 and a warrant was issued. He was arraigned July 17 and the warrant lifted. His probable cause conference was set for July 30, 2025 and then the preliminary exam was scheduled for Sept. 3.

Agustin Lopez Hernandez

Agustin Lopez Hernandez of Van Buren Township is charged with criminal sexual conduct-assault and CSC-3rd degree (incapacitated victim) on June 19, 2025 and CSC-3rd degree on May 11, 2025 in Van Buren Township. The complaint was filed July 4 and he was arraigned out-county on July 5. His bond was set at \$50,000 cash or surety with a tether. His probable cause conference before Judge Oakley was July 30 and at that time his preliminary exam was set for Aug. 28. Bond was reset for \$5,000/ personal and the tether that had been ordered was removed. The exam was set for Aug. 28.

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Courtney Joy Hardrick

Courtney Joy Hardrick of Romulus is charged with operating with blood alcohol content of .17 or more – third offense and operating while intoxicated – third offense on March 28, 2025 in the city of Belleville. She was arraigned July 15 and her probable cause conference set for July 23, then July 30. Then it was set for Aug. 20.

Lauren Francis Phillips

The probable cause conference for Lauren Francis Phillips of Van Buren Township was set for July 30 and then adjourned until Sept. 3 because the defendant was in the hospital. She is charged with two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (felony assault) and a count of domestic violence on July 18 in Van Buren Township. She was video-arraigned in custody on July 18. Personal bond is \$5,000.

Samuel Robert Ricker

Samuel Robert Ricker, 38, of New Boston, is charged with home invasion-3rd degree, illegal entry and two counts of stalking on June 24, 2024 in Sumpter Township. The charges were entered July 16, 2025 and a warrant entered into LEIN. He was arraigned on July 19. Personal bond

is \$50,000. Probable cause conference was July 30. A preliminary exam is Sept. 10.

David Paul McPherson

David Paul McPherson, 39, of Sumpter Township was video-arraigned in custody on July 31 by Judge Lisa Martin on charges of second-degree murder and weapons on June 29 on Montana Street in Sumpter Township. The charge was entered July 31.

Bond is \$100,00 cash or surety and if he does bond-out he is to be on a GPS tether and not to contact the protected party. All firearms are to be forfeited to the police department and he is not to purchase or possess firearms.

His probable cause conference was set for Aug. 13 and his preliminary exam for Aug. 20 before Judge Martin.

Deshaun Marques Draughn

Deshaun Marques Draughn of Detroit was arraigned in custody on Aug. 1 on charges of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder (strangulation) and domestic violence in Van Buren Township on July 30.

His probable cause conference was set for Aug. 13 and his preliminary examination for Aug. 20. Personal bond is \$5,000 and there is to be no contact with the victim and he must not return to the address of the incident.

Marcia Kay Preslar

Marcia Kay Preslar of Ypsilanti was video-arraigned in custody Aug. 1 on charges of operating while intoxicated, drove while license suspended, and open intoxicants in vehicle on May 27 in Van Buren Township.

She was scheduled for a pre-trial by zoom on Aug. 18 and personal bond is \$3,000.

Barbara Marcelle Troyer

Barbara Marcelle Troyer of Sumpter Township was video-arraigned in custody on Aug. 1 on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and domestic violence on July 30 in Sumpter Township. A probable cause conference was set for Aug. 13 and a preliminary exam for Aug. 20. Personal bond is \$5,000 and she is to have no contact with the victim and not return to the address of the incident.

Johnathan Arnez Moses

Johnathan Arnez Moses, 30, previously of Van Buren Township of Detroit was video-arraigned in custody Aug. 1 on three bench warrants – all for driving while license suspended.

Those were in Romulus on Feb. 23, 2024 and Van Buren Township on Jan. 29, 2023 and April 18, 2023. He was scheduled

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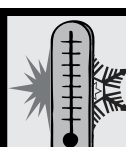


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for a remote pretrial on Aug. 18 for the Van Buren charges and Aug. 28 for the Romulus charge. Personal bond is \$3,000.

Mahmoud Fares Merheb

Mahmoud Fares Merheb, 19, of Ypsilanti is charged with two counts of carrying a concealed weapon in Van Buren Township on Nov. 24, 2024. He was video-arraigned in custody on July 22 and his probable cause conference set for July 30. Bond was set at \$5,000/10%. The probable cause conference was adjourned one week to Aug. 6 for plea negotiations. The probable cause conference was adjourned until Aug. 20 so the defendant could seek HYTA for his age.

Beth Ann Melton

Beth Ann Melton, 45, of Taylor is charged with possession of narcotics and driving while license suspended on Oct. 18, 2024 in Van Buren Township. Charges were entered July 7. She is listed as an habitual offender, fourth offense notice. She was arraigned in custody on July 17 and a probable cause conference set for July 30. Personal bond was set at \$5,000. She failed to appear and a bench warrant was issued. Bond was upped to \$5,000/10% allowed.

Donnell Deshawn Jarmon

Donnell Deshawn Jarmon of Inkster is charged with assaulting a police officer on

July 19 in Van Buren Township. He was video-arraigned in custody on July 22 and personal bond set at \$5,000. A probable cause conference was set for July 30. Then the preliminary exam was set for Sept. 10.

Kaleal Darnell Smith

Kaleal Darnell Smith of Detroit is charged with malicious destruction of personal property less than \$200 on June 9 in Sumpter Township. He was arraigned on June 12 and personal bond set at \$500. A in person pretrial was set for July 30 and the defendant failed to appear. A bench warrant was issued. A show-cause hearing was set for Aug. 6.

Kristen Elizabeth Waltz

Kristen Elizabeth Waltz, 50, of Detroit, was video-arraigned in custody on Aug. 6 on two bench warrants surrounding counts of retail fraud – on Feb. 7 and Feb. 8 – both in Van Buren Township. A remote pretrial was set for Aug. 25 and personal bond is \$1,000.


Bridget Renee Coletta

Bridget Renee Coletta of Van Buren Township was vide-arraigned in custody on Aug. 7 on a charge of operating with a blood alcohol content of .17 or more on June 27 in Van Buren Township. A remote pre-trial was set for Aug. 25 and personal bond set at \$5,000.


Jessica Marie Garlick

Jessica Marie Garlick, 40, of the city of

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City of Belleville Public Notice



POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED THAT ON **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025** at **10AM**, at J&T Towing, 287 Industrial Park Drive, Belleville, County of Wayne, Michigan, a public sale of the following vehicle(s) will be held:

1998 FORD F150

2014 CHEVROLET IMPALA

2017 BUICK REGAL

VIN: 2FTRX18L2WCA10125

VIN: 2G1125S35E9100538

VIN: 2G4GL5EX5H9182025

BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

6 MAIN STREET

BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 48111

BY KRISTY DOE

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POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

On August 19th, 2025, the Van Buren Township Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at **J&T Towing** and Storage, 287 Industrial Dr., Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

1997	FORD	2D	1FALP45X9VF178764	25-9482
2008	CHEVROLET	VA	1GCFH154881114368	25-9481
2010	CHEVROLET	4D	1G1ZC5EB2A4126269	25-8529

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

2009	CHEVROLET	SW	1GNER23D69S130184	25-8097
2013	FORD	SW	1FMCU0GXDUD36460	25-7981
2015	CHEVROLET	SW	2GNFLHE38F6352964	25-6700B
2016	GMC	PU	1GTR1LEH2GZ242508	21-9129C
2019	DODGE	SW	2C4RDGCG4KR735991	25-6860
2000	FORD	PU	1FTYR14V4YTA19763	25-6194
2006	HONDA	4D	1HGCM56706A097093	25-7534
2008	ACURA	4D	2HNYD28338H517652	25-8358
2007	CADILLAC	4D	1G6KD57Y77U179052	25-7704
2003	CADILLAC	4D	1G6DM57N830151907	25-8776
2006	CHEVROLET	SW	1GNDT13S362178940	25-8939
2014	LINCOLN	SW	2LMHJ5NK3EBL56259	25-9237

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

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES -- August 5, 2025

Treasurer Budd called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Boynton, Trustee Martin, and Trustee Frazier. Absent/Excused: Supervisor McNamara and Trustee Kelley. Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Selman, Recording Assistant Beaudry, Director of Public Services Luckett, Director of Parks Locke, Director of Recreation Gerhart, Director of HR Sumpter, Deputy Director of Community Services Dohring, DDA Director Coburn, HR Assistant Williams, Director of Water and Sewer Lawrence, Director of Municipal Services Akers, IT Director Barbaza and an audience of five.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Treasurer Budd outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Wright moved, Martin seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA: Boynton moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Board Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025, Closed Session Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025, Prepaid List of July 17, 2025, Prepaid List of July 24, 2025, Prepaid List of July 31, 2025, Voucher List of August 5, 2025, Approval of Resolution 2025-21: Agreement between the Charter County of Wayne and the Township of Van Buren for the Van Buren Township Lake House Project, Approval of the 2025 Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) contract. This is an annual approval of the FY2025 SMART contract, Approval of changes to the 2025 Planning Fee Schedule, Approval of Resolution 2025-18: The Appointment of Director Kevin Lawrence to be the Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority Board representative for Van Buren Township. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: The beach at Van Buren Park and back section will be closed for roadway repairs from Friday, August 8th until approximately Monday, August 18th; the REAL program is hosting Splashtastic Kids’ Fun Day on Wednesday, August 6 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.; and Clerk Wright updated the public on election changes including new upgraded equipment and the precinct consolidation.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Boynton moved, Wright seconded to approve the selection of Giffels Webster as the consultant for the Township Property Development of the 181 acres at Belleville and Tyler Roads. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Boynton seconded to approve a Letter of Understanding with the City of Belleville to provide interim construction code inspection and plan review services. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Wright seconded to approve the quote from W.J. O’Neil for three HVAC unit replacements at Township Hall in the amount of \$69,659 to be paid from Capital Outlay Account 101-265-971-000. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Frazier seconded to approve Resolution 2025-19: To approve a new Tavern license for on premise alcohol consumption to Dungeons and Draughts, LLC. Motion Carried.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Boynton moved, Wright seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
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Court Watching

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Belleville was charged with retail fraud on Nov. 11, 2024 in Van Buren Township. A show-cause hearing was set for Feb. 6 and then for Feb. 20 for failure to appear on Jan. 16. A pretrial was set for March 20 and she failed to appear and a warrant was issued. A remote pretrial was set for July 17. Then a live bench trial was set for Aug. 7.

On Aug. 7 a plea hearing was held and she was disposed on a guilty plea. She was sentenced to fine and costs of \$345.

Ronald James Legendre

Ronald James Legendre of Rockwood is charged with malicious use of a telephone on April 22 in Van Buren Township. He was

arraigned June 10. Personal bond is \$2,000. A remote pretrial was set for July 17. Then a live bench trial was scheduled for Aug. 7. At that time, the charge was dismissed by the party. Case closed.

Jeremy Javier Anderson

Jeremy Javier Anderson of Detroit is charged with unarmed robbery and larceny between \$1,000 and \$20,000 on July 22 in Van Buren Township. He was video-arraigned in custody on July 24 and bond set at \$10,000/10%. On Aug 6 a probable cause conference was held and the preliminary exam set for Sept. 17.

He also is charged with fleeing police in a vehicle and driving while license suspended on July 22 in the city of Belleville. His probable cause conference on that charge also was held Aug. 6. Bond on that charge is

\$10,000/10%. Preliminary exam is Sept. 17.

Julius Martin Holston

Julius Martin Holston, 25, of Ann Arbor, is charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, malicious destruction of a building less than \$200, and disorderly person on July 22 in the city of Belleville. He was video-arraigned in custody on July 24. His probable cause conference was set for Aug. 6. Bond is \$50,000/10%. Live exam is Aug. 13.

Vincent Christopher Wegienka

Vincent Christopher Wegienka, 32, of Van Buren Township is charged with domestic violence and child abuse-fourth degree on July 20 in Van Buren Township. He was video-arraigned in custody on July 23 on a bench warrant. Bond is \$2,000/10%. Remote pretrial was set for Aug. 6. A final pretrial was set for Aug. 27 and the victim must be

present.

Jeremy Daniel Schuh

Jeremy Daniel Schuh, 44, of Ypsilanti is charged with receiving and concealing stolen property on Sept. 13, 2024 in Van Buren Township. He was scheduled for a remote arraignment/pretrial on Aug. 6.

Jeremy Mark Watson

Jeremy Mark Watson of Sumpter Township is charged with two counts of operating while intoxicated-3rd offense on Jan. 28, 2024 in the city of Belleville. The charges were entered April 7, 2025 and a warrant was issued. His arraignment/probable cause conference was held July 9. His probable cause conference was held Aug. 6 and personal bond is \$5,000. A probable cause conference was set for Aug. 27. He is to be screened for sobriety court.

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Notice of Intent to Issue Hazardous Waste Management Facility Operating License

Public Informational Meeting and Public Hearing for Wayne Disposal, Inc.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Materials Management Division (MMD), and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), hereby gives notice of its intent to issue a hazardous waste management facility operating license (License), for Wayne Disposal, Inc., pursuant to Part 111, Hazardous Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder. The License would allow the facility to begin storing hazardous waste in containers, and to continue disposing of hazardous waste, certain radiological materials, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB), waste in its hazardous waste landfill facility located at 49350 North Interstate-94 Service Drive, Belleville, Michigan. The draft License includes an expansion of disposal volume and the addition of hazardous waste storage.

EGLE is hosting a public informational meeting about the facility and a public hearing to receive comments on the draft License. The public informational meeting will start with an open house for residents to come and talk to EGLE and U.S. EPA staff one on one, ask questions, and learn about the facility in general. The open house will be followed up by a presentation about the facility's application and draft License, and a question-and-answer session with a panel. The public meeting will be followed by a public hearing where interested individuals will have an opportunity to submit oral or written comments on the draft License into the formal record. All individuals attending the public hearing who intend to speak are requested to register by filling out a comment card.

How to attend the Online Hearing:

To attend the online hearing register at <https://bit.ly/MMD09182025>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. If you do not have internet access and would like to join by PHONE ONLY, please use the following phone number: 636-651-3142 and use conference code 374288. Pre-registration is not required to attend. Individuals interested in participating can click the link above at the start of the event (6:00 p.m.).

Date/Time: Thursday, September 18, 2025
Time: 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Location: Wayne County Community College District, Ted Scott Campus 9555 Haggerty Road, Belleville, Michigan

Meeting Agenda: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Open House with EGLE and U.S. EPA staff
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM: Presentation and Q&A
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM: Public Hearing

The public comment period begins on August 14, 2025, and ends on September 29, 2025, 5:00 PM. EGLE is seeking public input on the draft License and encourages the public to present written comments to

EGLE-MMD-HWS@Michigan.gov, or by United States mail no later than 5:00 PM September 29, 2025, addressed to:

Christine Matlock
EGLE, MMD
Hazardous Waste Section
P.O. Box 30241
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7741

The draft License information is available online at Michigan.gov/USEcologyWDI or at:

EGLE, MMD Hazardous Waste Section Deborah A. Stabenow Building 525 West Allegan Street Lansing, Michigan 48933 Contact: Christine Matlock Phone: 517-290-4612 Email: MatlockC2@Michigan.gov By appointment	EGLE, MMD Warren District Office 27700 Donald Court Warren, Michigan 48092 Contact: Todd Zynda Phone: 586-206-1640 Email: ZyndaT@Michigan.gov By appointment
U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604 Contact: Lisa Graczyk Phone: 312-353-3219 Email: Graczyk.Lisa@epa.gov By appointment	Local Repository Belleville Area District Library 167 Fourth Street Belleville, Michigan 48220 Contact: Information Desk Phone: 734-699-3291

Before issuing a final decision, EGLE will evaluate all comments received. Information on the final decision will be communicated to all persons who submit oral comments at the public hearing, submit written comments during the public comment period, or are on the Facility Mailing List. EGLE will respond to all significant comments on the draft License and explain any changes made thereto.

Stay informed by joining the Facility Mailing List. Use the online form at Michigan.gov/USEcologyWDI Mailing List or call Vickie Terry, Secretary, Hazardous Waste Section (HWS), MMD, at 517-284-6546. All other requests for information, including hard copies of the application, should be directed to Christine Matlock, Project Engineer, HWS, MMD, at the telephone number or email address listed above.

Individuals needing language assistance or accommodations for effective participation at the public meeting or public should contact Christine Matlock by September 4, 2025, to request language, mobility, visual, hearing, translation and/or other assistance.

EGLE does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, age, national origin, color, marital status, disability, political beliefs, height, weight, genetic information, or sexual orientation in the administration of any of its programs or activities and prohibits intimidation and retaliation, as required by applicable laws and regulations.

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 342 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police this week including the following.

Sunday, Aug. 3:

0115 – personal injury accident, W. I-94/Belleville
0248 – welfare check, Anna Dr.
0201 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
xxxx – assist other dept., W. I-94/Belleville Rd.
0219 – property damage accident, W. I-94 / Belleville Rd.
0256 – missing person, Haggerty Rd.
0236 – welfare check, Kirkridge Park Dr.
0327 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
0415 – welfare check, S. Bellridge Dr.
0419 – welfare check, Lake Villa Dr.
0510 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.
0806 – larceny from auto, Winchester St.
0910 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.
0956 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Walden Ct.
1009 – larceny from auto, Victoria St.
1050 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd. / Savage Rd.
1349 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1500 – malicious destruction of property, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1510 – property damage accident, Kennedy St.
xxxx – repossession, Parkwood Dr.
1516 – fraud, Coolidge St.
1636 – civil matter, Denton Rd.
1643 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.
1922 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
1928 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Old Rawsonville Rd.
1935 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
2154 – larceny, Winding Pond Dr.
2203 – juvenile complaint, Sylvia Dr.
2227 – fireworks, Beck Rd.
2326 – welfare check, W. I-94/Belleville Rd.
Monday, Aug. 4:
0229 – intrusion alarm, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0309 – 911 welfare check, W. Huron River Dr.
0437 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
0822 – harassment call, Arlene Ln.
0850 – mental subject, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1004 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Van Buren Ln.
1004 – animal complaint, Daniel Dr.
1034 – welfare check, Presidential Estates
1040 – assist fire dept., Fairbanks St.
1151 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.
1058 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1150 – civil matter, Dorchester Dr.
1218 – trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1216 – lost property/child, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1219 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1330 – warrant arrest, S. Wayne Rd.
1356 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1431 – assist other dept., N. I-275/Ecorse Rd.
1510 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Robson Rd.
1441 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
xxxx – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Jackson St. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1458 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1542 – welfare check, Park Estates Dr.
1559 – missing person, Quirk Rd.
1605 – family trouble, N. Woodbury Dr.
1647 – fraud, Stamford Rd.
1713 – suicidal person, Coca-Cola Dr.
1730 – lost property/child, Oak Ln.
1853 – malicious destruction of property, Jeremy
1835 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Patriot Ln.
1858 – welfare check, Lake Point Blvd.
1920 – welfare check, Edwards Rd.
1922 – civil matter, Beckley Rd.
2013 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd.
2017 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
2016 – fraud, Ironwood Dr.
2021 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd./Ecorse Rd.

2027 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
2044 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
xxxx – repossession, Bemis Rd.
2137 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
2225 – missing person, Quirk Rd.
2334 – fight, Holly Ln.
Tuesday, Aug. 5:
0046 – domestic, Bemis Rd.
0822 – 911 welfare check, Lenmoore Ave./Savage
0847 – assist other dept., Kirkridge Park Dr.
1058 – property damage accident, Morton Taylor Rd./Ecorse Rd.
1131 – civil matter, E. Archwood Dr.
1225 – threat, Oak Ln.
1239 – civil matter, E. Archwood Dr.
1315 – missing person, Quirk Rd.
1327 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1430 – civil matter, Forestdale Dr.
1432 – personal injury accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
1541 – civil matter, Arlene
1557 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Walden Woods
1822 – suicidal person, E. Sadie Ln.
1831 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1846 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville Rd.
1909 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1954 – larceny from auto, Belleville Rd.
2058 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
2146 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Villa/Village Green Ln.
Wednesday, Aug. 6:
0053 – property check, Greenbriar
0155 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Samuel Barton Dr./Ricardo Dr.
0358 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
0358 – vehicle lockout, E. Walden Dr.
0450 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Vernon St.
0920 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Ormond Dr.
0945 – missing person, Dellor St.
1028 – unattended death, Westlake Cir.
1222 – assist citizen, Bemis Rd.
1227 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.
1400 – welfare check, Chandler Dr.
1611 – property damage accident, E. I-94 / Rawsonville I-94 ramp E.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1912 – harassment call, Assembly St.
1847 – misc. complaint, Robbe Rd.
1852 – sexual assault, Tyler Rd.
1949 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1933 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2036 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
2100 – misc. complaint, Belleville Rd.
2205 – motorist assist, Rawsonville Rd./Snow Rd.
Thursday, Aug. 7:
0658 – missing person, Quirk Rd.
0637 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
0720 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0731 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Water's Edge Ln.
0754 – assist fire dept., Maude Ct.
0815 – assist fire dept., Victoria St.
0824 – overdose, Martinsville Rd.
0907 – larceny from auto, Maurice Dr.
0926 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
0945 – larceny from auto, Maurice Dr.
1017 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Point Blvd.
1050 – sexual assault, Lauren Ct.
1208 – assist fire dept., Rawsonville Rd.
1222 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1224 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Van Born Rd.
1305 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.
1341 – animal complaint, Crowley Ave.
1344 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Old Oak Trl.
1344 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Togowtee Pass
1401 – civil matter, Woodgrove Dr.
1428 – juvenile complaint, America
1506 – assist fire dept., Stamford Rd.
1523 – larceny, America
1526 – larceny from auto, Vernon St.

1553 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1558 – road hazard, Belleville/Yost
1643 – larceny from auto, Outer Dr.
1629 – animal complaint, Jeremy/Patty Lane
1654 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
1655 – motorist assist, Hannan Rd./Tyler Rd.
1820 – civil matter, Union St.
1857 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1856 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Haggerty Rd./Bemis Rd.
1950 – assist fire dept., Capitol Dr.
2019 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.
2031 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
2123 – disorderly, Park Estates
2149 – warrant arrest, Haggerty Rd.
2204 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
2244 – 911 welfare check, Village Green Ln./Meadows Cir..
2339 – trespassing, Ecorse Rd.
2324 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park Dr.
Friday, Aug. 8:
0054 – mental subject, Beckley Rd.
0111 – 911 welfare check, Country Walk Blvd.
0120 – assist fire dept., S. Ponderosa Trl.
0749 – assist fire dept., N. I-94 Service Dr.
0901 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0925 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Beckley Rd.
0959 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Van Born Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Jackson St.
1157 – mental subject, Lighthouse Dr.
xxxx – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1332 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1349 – neighbor trouble, Brookside Dr.
xxxx – private property impound, Lohr Rd.
1457 – animal complaint, Alden Ave.
1608 – road hazard, Alden Ave.
xxxx – private property impound, Hardwood Dr.
xxxx – private property impound, Hardwood Dr.
1550 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1610 – assist fire dept., Kirkridge Park Dr.
1628 – animal complaint, Alden Ave.
1658 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1703 – assist other dept., Richard Run Dr.
1710 – civil matter, Woodbury Green Dr.
1717 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1901 – threat, Parkside Dr.
1923 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
2032 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd.
2033 – threat, Meadows Cir.
2039 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
2045 – road hazard, Tyler Rd./Belleville Rd.
2048 – suicidal person, Parkwood Dr.
2116 – assist other dept., NB I-275/Tyler
2128 – 911 welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2144 – family trouble, Alden Ave.
2206 – assist citizen, Belleville Rd.
2223 – assist other dept., Judd/Martinsville
2339 – welfare check, Ecorse Rd.
2351 – road hazard, Arborview Ln.
Saturday, Aug. 9:
0213 – intrusion alarm, Ironwood Dr.
0441 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
0453 – fight, Westlake Cir.
0708 – welfare check, Woodgrove Dr.
xxxx – mental subject, Belleville Rd.
xxxx – civil matter, Bog Rd.
1025 – civil matter, Basswood Cir.
1041 – 911 welfare check, Denton Rd.
xxxx – misc. complaint, Michigan Ave.
1100 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Bemis Rd.
1116 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1138 – domestic, Roosevelt
1203 – domestic, Denton Rd.
1303 – road hazard, Belleville Rd.
1333 – threat, Tompkins St.
1446 – welfare check, Anna Dr.
1436 – harassment call, Oak Ln.
1521 – assist other dept., W. I-94/Belleville Rd.
1811 – 911 welfare check, Harmony Ln.
1825 – private property/property damage accident, Quirk Rd.
1901 – animal complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1902 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1934 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
2003 – welfare check, Oak Blvd.

2223 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.
2241 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Mission Point Park
2254 – road hazard, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
2309 – found property/child, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
Also, on this log are 113 traffic stops, 15 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 3:

0150 – assist other dept., W. I-94/Belleville Rd.
xxxx – missing person, High St.
xxxx – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
1102 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Main St./First St.
1144 – assist fire dept., Santa Clara St.
1343 – found property/child, Main St.
1755 – welfare check, Carmell St.
Monday, Aug. 4:
0212 – assault & battery, Church St.
0931 – follow up by officer, Church St.
1103 – civil matter, Church St.
1133 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1134 – suicidal person, Loza Ln.
1511 – intrusion alarm, Savage Rd.
1539 – parking complaint, Clarence St.
1604 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
2100 – private property impound, Estrada Dr.
2226 – assist other dept., Quirk Rd.

Tuesday, Aug. 5:

0035 – welfare check, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.
0820 – suicidal person, Carmell St.
1245 – property damage accident, Main St.
1630 – assist fire dept., High St./Brain St.
2009 – breaking & entering, E. Huron River Dr.
2032 – assist other dept., E. Waterbury Ct.
2322 – threat, E. Columbia Ave.

Wednesday, Aug. 6:

0023 – disorderly, High St.
0452 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
0822 – sexual assault, S. Biggs Ave.
1004 – misc. complaint, N. Liberty St.
1106 – animal complaint, Main St./N. Liberty
1218 – parking complaint, Clarence St.
1708 – larceny, Main St.
1916 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
1954 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.

Thursday, Aug. 7:

1546 – assist fire dept., S. Biggs Ave.
1609 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St.
2103 – suicidal person, N. Aberdeen Ct.

Friday, Aug. 8:

0323 – repossession, Carmell St.
1022 – warrant arrest, Carmell St.
1049 – warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.
1216 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
1228 – repossession, S. Industrial Park Dr.
1511 – threat, Anaheim
2146 – found property/child, Sumpter Rd.
2308 – disorderly, Main St.

Saturday, Aug. 9:

0724 – intrusion alarm, S. Edgemont Ave.
0735 – assist fire dept., High St.
1337 – follow up by officer, Belle Villa Blvd.
1424 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.
1952 – assist other dept., Carmell St.

There are 67 reports on this week's log, 19 of which are traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 3:

0040 – family trouble, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
0105 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Weimer Dr.
0150 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0246 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
0532 – shots fired, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
0829 – found property, Wear Rd./Sumpter Rd.
1030 – alarm, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.
1548 – follow-up investigation, 49000 bl. Sherwood Ct.

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1617 – 911 hangup, 11000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1712 – welfare check, California St.
1716 – fire dept. assist, Wear Rd./Sumpter Rd.
1729 – fire dept. assist, Colorado St.
1843 – property damage accident, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
1921 – suspicious person, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2010 – harassment complaint, Georgia St.
2209 – animal complaint, 27000 bl. Martinsville
2215 – noise complaint, 27000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
Monday, Aug. 4:
0146 – suspicious person, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0944 – neighbor dispute, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1100 – neighbor dispute, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1112 – alarm, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.

1226 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
1453 – follow-up investigation, 46000 bl. Wear
1620 – traffic complaint/hazard, 44000 bl. Wear
1625 – civil matter, Nevada St.
1834 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.

Tuesday, Aug. 5:

0404 – civil matter, Mulberry Dr.
0648 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0943 – civil matter, New Mexico St.
1048 – fire dept. assist, Walnut St.
1317 – citizen assist, Walnut St.
1320 – harassment complaint, Virginia St.
1455 – alarm, 22000 bl. Fenster Ave.
1506 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry Dr.
1518 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.
1547 – civil matter, Washington St.
1655 – ORV complaint, Arkona Rd./Elwell Rd.
1733 – citizen assist, Rustic Ln.
1943 – alarm, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2025 – citizen assist, Mulberry Dr.
2046 – 911 hangup, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2104 – assault, 51000 bl. Arkona Rd.

2202 – 911 hangup, 17000 bl. Odyssey Dr.

Wednesday, Aug. 6:

0137 – family trouble, Magnolia Dr.
0435 – suspicious circumstance, Washington St.
0639 – alarm, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0857 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1015 – assist other agency, 49000 bl. Sherwood Ct.
1035 – prisoner check, Huron Twp. PD
1131 – alarm, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1228 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
1517 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Willow Rd.
1533 – neighbor dispute, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.

Thursday, Aug. 7:

0313 – civil matter, Edgewood Dr.
0704 – juvenile matter, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
0849 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane Dr.
1126 – assist other agency, Magnolia Dr.
1148 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1338 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1411 – follow-up investigation, Timberlane Dr.
1502 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane Dr. / Rustic Ln.
1524 – alarm, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1600 – follow-up investigation, Greenmeadow Dr.
1657 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1815 – suspicious person, 40000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2025 – fire dept. assist, Hawaii St.
2031 – felony warrant arrest, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.

Friday, Aug. 8:

0548 – misdemeanor warrant arrest, Willow Rd. / Karr Rd.
0809 – welfare check, Wear Rd./Sherwood Rd.
0822 – neighbor dispute, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
1117 – animal complaint, Arizona St.
1118 – family trouble, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1219 – fire dept. assist, Sumpter Rd./Paris Dr.
1619 – larceny report, 8200 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.
1631 – civil matter, Rustic Ln.
1721 – 911 hangup, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1757 – fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
1800 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico St.
1832 – follow-up investigation, Mulberry Dr.
1931 – follow-up investigation, Mulberry Dr.
1939 – welfare check, 49000 bl. Collyer Ln.
1954 – civil matter, Virginia St.
2000 – 911 hangup, 28000 bl. Clark Rd.
2106 – assault, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
2227 – 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 9:

0013 – mental health call, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
0137 – family trouble, Oregon St.
0146 – neighbor dispute, Delaware St.
0209 – citizen assist, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
0308 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.
0815 – suspicious circumstance, 45000 bl. Wear
0953 – animal complaint, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
1231 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.
1422 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Willis
1525 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1711 – civil matter, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.
1727 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.
1759 – traffic complaint/hazard, Willis Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
1806 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Oakville Waltz Rd.
1929 – assist other agency, out of township
2108 – animal complaint, Willow Rd./Sumpter Rd.
2230 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.
Also, on this week's log are 172 patrol checks, 69 traffic stops, and 14 misc. details.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Aug. 14** – Music Lakeside concert begins at 7 p.m. featuring Larry Lee and the Back in the Day Band.

• **Friday, Aug. 15** – Family Fun Picnic presented by Guiding Harbor, 525 E. Huron River Dr., 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. BBQ food available for purchase, drawing, painting, crafting, outdoor games and activities, scavenger hunt and story time. Show your support for foster youth. For more information contact: ghfamilyfunpicnic.rsvpify.com .

• **Friday, Aug. 15** – Eagle Riders Summer Steak Roast at the Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., Van Buren Township. Starts at 5 p.m. until gone, followed by entertainment.

• **Friday, Aug. 15** – Belleville Lake Neon Boat Parade near Johnny's on the Lake, 8 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 20** – Mid-Week Music from 7-9 p.m. at Harris Park, 10101 Belleville Rd. Tonight it's "Cruizin Jupiter" Cover Band playing decades of hits. Sponsored by Van Buren Township DDA.

• **Thursday, Aug. 21** – Third Thursday in the Ville is from 5 to 8 p.m. when popu crafters are in the Fourth Street Square and inside retail businesses in downtown Belleville. It's the Third Thursday of each month, from March through December.

• **Thursday, Aug. 21** – Annual Belleville Bridge Walk starts at the Gateway sign at 5:30 p.m., followed by Taste of Belleville from 6-8 p.m. on High Street and Horizon Park, also the last Music Lakeside for the season, 7-9 p.m. Performing tonight is Ghost Town Marshalls. The Rotary launches its Lucky Ducky fundraiser in Belleville Lake at 6:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Aug. 22, 23, and 24** – Yard sale behind the Sumpter Township police department and vendor sales inside the community center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost for space is \$5 for outside and \$10 for inside.

• **Friday, Aug. 22** – Tacos and Margaritas from 5 to 7 p.m. (or until they run out) at the Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus, (734) 941-3030. Public welcome. All proceeds to the building fund.

• **Sunday, Aug. 24** – Michigan Flight Museum at Willow Run Airport presents Open Cockpit Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Some of the static aircraft on display will be opened up so you can get an inside look at the AH-1J Cobra, F-84F Thunderstreak, and the F-4 Phantom II. This extra feature is included with the price of your admission ticket. (734) 483-4030. mflightmuseum.org

• **Sunday, Aug. 24** – BBQ under the pavilion 3-5 p.m. (or until they run out) at Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus (734) 941-3030. \$10 includes all sides and 2 hot dogs OR a hamburger OR + 50 cents for a cheeseburger. Everyone welcome.

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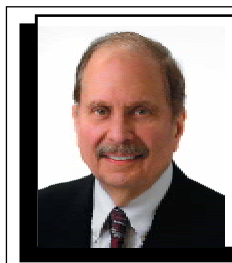
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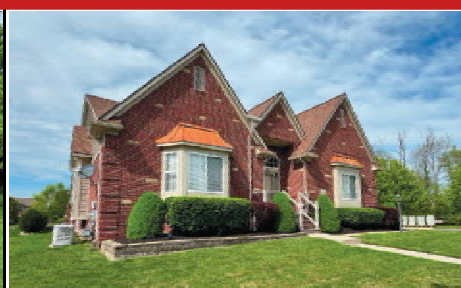
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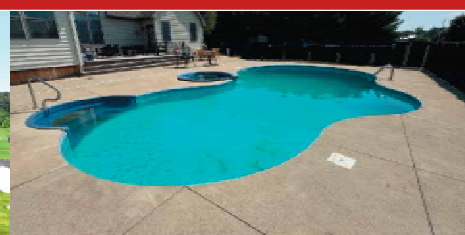
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