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# Woman dies after being pulled from Belleville Lake

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

Loretta Jackson, 44, died in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital three days after being pulled from Belleville Lake at Van Buren Park on Sunday, July 23.

The Washtenaw County Medical Examiner did the autopsy and a death certificate was released Tuesday listing the cause of death as accidental drowning, said Van Buren Township Police Lt. Charles Bazzy. He said it had been delayed because there was confusion over where the incident occurred.

Lt. Bazzy said Jackson and a friend walked past the swim buoys in the lake and got into difficulty in the deep water. They were struggling and a boat came by to help them, Bazzy said.

A GoFundMe page has been set up to pay for funeral arrangements.

# Five file for two seats on Belleville City Council

As of the July 25 deadline for candidates in the Nov. 7 election, the following have filed to run for two open, four-year seats on the Belleville City Council.

- Jesse Marcotte, incumbent, 53 Potter or.
- Tom Fielder, incumbent, 206 South St.
- Kelly Bates, 342 Victorian Ln.
- Jeff Vernon, 111 South St.
- Gwen Hooks, 207 Victorian Ln.

Members of the city council attend two meetings a month and are paid \$1,000 per year, with the mayor getting \$1,500 per year.

Belleville has two voting precincts and both precincts are at St. Anthony Catholic Church on West Columbia Avenue.



Keystone Academy Principal Keturah Godfrey, at right, and Keystone Middle School Dean Paula Henry hold their school's newest award.

# **Keystone wins School of Excellence award from National Heritage group**

National Heritage Academies, one of the nation's largest charter school management companies, honored its top performing schools, including Keystone Academy, during its 16th-annual Eagle Awards ceremony.

The event was held July 24 at the Amway Hotel in Grand Rapids with more than 400 principals and deans in attendance as part of a three-day Leadership Summit.

Keystone Academy was honored with the School of Excellence Award from NHA. Out of 84 NHA schools, 11 received the School of Excellence award.

"I am so proud to accept this award on

Postal Regulations Require This Space On The Front Page. behalf of Keystone Academy," said Keturah Godfrey, Keystone Academy principal. "This award celebrates my outstanding staff, wonderful community of parents, and excellent students we have at Keystone. This award will be proudly displayed for everyone to see at our school. Thank you, NHA."

NHA states its system of schools is designed to eliminate achievement gaps and provide school choice to families, with the clear objective of preparing children for success in high school, college, and beyond.

Keystone Charter Academy is located at 47925 Bemis Road in Sumpter Township. The school teaches 768 students from Young 5's Kindergarten through eighth grade.

Keystone's charter is authorized by Bay Mills Community College.

# Construction of pedestrian walkway set for spring

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

The new Belleville Road pedestrian walkway over I-94 is expected to be bid out in February and constructed next spring.

This is the report Van Buren Township Downtown Development Executive Director Susan Ireland gave to DDA members at their July 25 meeting.

Ireland said she attended an earlier meeting that day at the Taylor Office of the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

She said the pathway will be 10-feet wide with a two-foot shoulder on each side. A 6'x6' sign will be included in the total project.

Ireland said she is talking with Detroit Edison on the lighting for the pathway.

Actually, Ireland said, MDOT refers to the project as a "Bridge Widening for Pedestrian Walk." There will be another planning meeting in October or November, she said.

#### Aerotropolis

Most of the time at the two-and-a-half-hour DDA meeting on July 25 was spent listening to a report on the Detroit Region Aerotropolis and discussing whether the VBT should pay the \$25,000 annual dues to continue to participate in Aerotropolis.

The DDA finally unanimously agreed to pay the 2017 dues for the township with several conditions, including:

- Quarterly updates during the next year;
- Assurance of a seat on the executive board under the proposed changes to the Inter-Local Agreement.

Ireland said VBT has been paying the \$25,000 annual dues without a vote on the executive board. Now, it will get a vote. But, first the Inter-Local Agreement needs to be changed.

Robert Luce, executive director of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis since March, presented a three-year plan to the DDA on business attraction and development.

He said recent progress of Aerotropolis included a parcel / infrastructure identification project. He provided feedback

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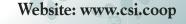


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# Sumpter board moves appointed Trustee Hurst up to appointed Clerk

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

Sumpter Township attorney Rob Young addressed the township board about how it needed to appoint a new clerk within 45 days or the county clerk would set an election.

This was at the July 25 work/study meeting of the township board, which is held directly before the regular meeting.

Attorney Young said due to the untimely death of Clerk Clarence Hoffman on July 14, there needed to be an appointment.

He recommended the supervisor get suggestions from board members, discuss those suggested, and then make an appointment.

Young said an election is coming up, there is new election equipment, and Deputy Clerk Janet Hoffman, Clarence Hoffman's daughter, has been handling the clerk's office while her father was off and is trained on the new equipment.

As the regular meeting opened, Supervisor John Morgan said he had lost a longtime comrade, who he had known for 40 years, and Hoffman was more than just a board member. He and Hoffman worked in the community together before they were on the board.

"Clarence was always there. He never stopped working together. He was always there," Supervisor Morgan said. "We sometimes were on other teams at election time, but we worked together."

He said Hoffman worked to change a wilderness into Sherwood Park.

"When people had problems, they went to the clerk's office," Supervisor Morgan said. "We're going to move on without him."

"I will make my recommendation tonight," Supervisor Morgan announced, telling the board they don't have to take his recommendation, but, "We need somebody in here for the election."

He referred to the Aug. 8 school election for the two precincts in the Huron School District.

He then asked for a moment of silence in memory of Clerk Hoffman and then went on with the meeting.

When they got to Item C under New Business, Supervisor Morgan suggested Trustee Esther Hurst, who had been appointed trustee in January to fill the seat of the Trustee Peggy Morgan who had been promoted to Treasurer after the death of Alan Bates

"She has 35 years of service in the clerk's office and tons of experience in dealing with the public," Supervisor Morgan said.

Hurst had served as deputy clerk under Hoffman and then, after she retired, ran against Hoffman for clerk on the Morgan Team in the 2016 election. Hoffman was on no team, but voters reelected him clerk.

"I absolutely agree she is the most

qualified and experienced," said Trustee Matthew Oddy, who made the motion to accept Supervisor Morgan's appointment of Hurst. Treasurer Peggy Morgan seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously to appoint Hurst.

34<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David Parrott came out of the back room in his robe ready to do the swearing in, but attorney Young said she can't be sworn into a new position until she resigns as trustee, first.

Hurst verbally resigned as trustee and then was sworn in as clerk. Supervisor Morgan kissed her on the back of the neck in approval.

Clerk Hurst picked up her papers and moved to the clerk's place next to the supervisor at the board table.

No mention was made of who would fill the vacant trustee position, but the board has 45 days.

Deputy Clerk Janet Hoffman served as secretary to the board meeting as usual that evening and sent approved minutes for publication to the *Independent* the next day. When the *Independent* asked her if she would be staying on as deputy clerk, she said the new clerk has told her she wouldn't.

In other business at the July 25 meeting, the hoard:

- Approved Fast Track Landfill Agreement #3 and a resolution authorizing Republic Waste to proceed to Wayne County for its permission to start its metal reclamation project at the landfill. Sumpter is expected to get about \$50,000 more a year in tipping fees;
- Accepted the resignation of Gabriel Akans from the fire department;
- Accepted bids on 12 township-owned properties for a total of \$30,551. Karen Armatis, who serves as both deputy supervisor and deputy treasurer, said these are all landlocked, small, not-buildable parcels and were bought by property owners next door;
- Approved the 2018 SMART Municipal Credit and Community Credit Contract;
- Approved purchasing of 25 suits of Wildland Fire Gear from West Shore Fire for \$6,549.75. Trustee Don LaPorte, a fire fighter, said his department just got grant money for the gear, which is a lighter jump suit for brush fires. The suits are fire retardant and allow fire fighters to move more nimbly without fatigue and chance of heat stroke:
- Approved Safety and Compliance Training to train fire fighters in ICS 300 and ICS 400 at a cost of \$2,000. Trustee LaPorte said this is for management of national emergencies. The fire fighters must be compliant. The two courses are 20 hours and 24 hours in length and, eventually, the township board members will have to take this training, as well;



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

34<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David Parrott swore former Sumpter Township Trustee Esther Hurst into her new position as Sumpter Township Clerk at the board's July 25 meeting.

- Approved paying \$10,583 to Priority One to install emergency lighting on the two, F-350 brush/grass trucks recently purchased and also approved waiver of the purchase policy because there was only one bidder. LaPorte said they thought the 25-year-old equipment from the old trucks could be transferred to the new, but they couldn't. Fire Chief Joe Januszyk said it would take about a month for the lights to be installed;
- Heard Tim Rush say everybody on Martinsville Road thanks the board for demolishing the partially burned house, owned by the township, in their area;
- · Heard LaPorte report that Chief Januszyk and Fire Fighter Jamie Goode got the DEA out to the fire station July 20 and eight other departments attended to get upto-date information on fentanyl and other drugs. Fentanyl is lethal in tiny quantities and emergency crews can get the powder on their hands and collapse. LaPorte said there are 50,000 lethal doses on the tip of a knife. "It was good information," he said, adding they showed pictures of drugs confiscated in Novi during the past two weeks. Representatives attending the session were from Sumpter Township Police and Fire Departments, Huron Valley Ambulance, Washtenaw County and Western Wayne Hazmat, Augusta Township, City Belleville, Ash Township, and Airport;
- Heard Mary Ban tell of all her efforts to get information on the closed Waltz Road Bridge over the Huron River in New Boston that may be closed for a year. She said it is a public safety issue and she called the governor, State Rep. Bellino, Supervisor Glaab at Huron Township, and Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous. "People living there are livid and it is hurting business," Ban said, besides public safety concerns. She says she won't give up on the

bridge:

- Heard Ban also complain about little notes in mailboxes with false, malicious accusations, and false reports;
- Heard Karitha Hanible announce the Back to School Family Fun Day at Graham Park from 2 to 5 p.m., Aug. 19, put on by the Progressive League. She also thanked the police and fire department for their help when her father passed away at her home on Oakville Waltz;
- Heard Toni Clark give a presentation on Atomic Veterans and show her framed Michigan Senate Resolution #72 passed on June 8 naming July 16, 2017 as Atomic Veterans Day in Michigan. Her father was one of the Atomic Veterans that served during the years 1945-62 and were exposed to radiation. They signed an agreement of secrecy not to tell about the tests and they couldn't go to the VA for medical care. She said there were birth defects from this and, "We have to go further because children are suffering." Clark said she wrote to every senator and Senator Hopgood was the only one who called her back and he got the resolution passed that Clark had written;
- Heard Ronald Barrington Robinson say he was very against Esther Hurst being named clerk because a Wayne County Circuit Court law suit said she was a KKK member and a racist. Attorney Young said those were only claims in a lawsuit. Supervisor Morgan tried to shut his comments down, but Robinson voluntarily left the microphone; and
- Went into closed-door session to discuss the Po vs. Sumpter Township case where Po is trying to get about \$1 million worth of personal belongings back that were confiscated by civil forfeiture accompanying his arrest for growing too much marijuana.

"You have to be odd to be number one."

— Dr. Seuss

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...By Rosemary K. Otzman

**Editorial** 

# **Belleville Road** is busy now – wait until Menards opens

Sometimes drivers say they take a different route or shop at a different store just to avoid all the traffic on Belleville Road in Van Buren Township.

Very early in the morning or late at night the traffic is comfortable, but go out on a Saturday afternoon, or any afternoon for that matter, and things get wild.

Menards has the reputation of pulling shoppers from a wide area and it likes to have its stores near freeways, since that's how many shoppers get there. Menards almost did have a spot next to the freeway in VBT, but it got turned away for what we believe were political reasons, although storm water gets the blame. There also were comments that there would be too much traffic on the North I-94 Service Drive if Menards built in the old Farmer Jack area.

Well, when Menards gets up and running next February or so, we have to expect traffic to pick up a lot between I-94 and its location to the north.

Drivers have been saying Belleville Road is quickly turning into Ford Road in Canton, another super-busy business area.

VBT's new engineers have been asked to look into some kind of rescue of Belleville Road and it's possible to put in trafficcalming ideas, we're told.

And, the rumored Buffalo Wild Wings on Belleville Road in front of Menards should increase traffic, as well.

More traffic comes with development and so here we are developing ourselves into a traffic nightmare. Is it worth it?

# **EXTRA THINGS I KNOW**

Michael Wright brought a copy of his blood and urine testing to his employer at Burhop's Collision and his boss Sam Arndt showed the paperwork to me, with Michael's permission. The testing was done after Michael collapsed in the middle of Main Street on July 1. He didn't know why he collapsed so he came to me with his story to tell and I listened. Now he said someone has suggested he may have had a seizure.

The test report, approved for release by Michael and signed by a doctor, shows his tests were all clean, as he had stated in the July 13 story in the Independent, except for the buprenorphine, a generic version of the suboxone he takes as a medication-assisted treatment to help him quit his addiction to heroin. He said he's been clean for a year

Michael hit his face against the concrete of Main Street when he collapsed and his face was cut up from the fall. Michael is homeless and Sam gave him a job at Burhop's. After the story ran in the paper, Sam said people around Belleville were saying he was employing a drug addict. So, he asked for proof that Michael was clean and he got it.

"I don't employ drug addicts and he knows it," Sam said of Michael. "If he's not clean, he's out of here."

One of the things Michael does is mow the grass between the two Burhop buildings on Davis Street. That property is the City of Belleville's former DPW yard that has been considered contaminated for years. Burhop has tried to buy the property from the city, but has been unable to because the city refuses. Really, there has to be a cleanup

I remember all the reports on the property and the soil tests given to the city council by former DPW Chief Keith Boc.

Guess where

Going August

Rather than let the grass grow high between his buildings, Sam is paying Michael to mow the city's grass.

The grass is growing high, as well, on the property owned by the city next to its new DPW yard on Savage Road.

Barb Dudek Kwiecinski of Sumpter said that she is caregiver for Annie Richichi, who is 93 years old and in a wheelchair. She said she has to take Willis Road to Haggerty to get to Annie's house and the corner is very dangerous

She said the growth in the ditch at that corner is so thick you can't see traffic coming until you're in the middle of the intersection. Barb said she complained to the township which passed it on to the county. She said Wayne County put a stop sign on Willis Road. She said the sign needs to be on Haggerty Road and if anyone wants to get a better idea, they can drive out there and look. But, be careful.

Barb is a former Sumpter Township trustee and I've known her for many years. She never complains, but this time she feels she has to. She's afraid she'll have Annie in the car and get T-boned. She's warning: If that happens, she will have to sue Wayne County.

Rowena Zimmerman brought me a newspaper from a trip she made. It was

the Traverse City Record Eagle that had a front-page story that quotes LeRoy Paige of Sumpter Township. He was there as the Michigan chapter director of Honor and Remember.

On July 4, during the National Cherry

Festival, Honor and Remember honored two Gold Star Mothers and remembered their sons' separate deaths in Afghanistan. Also honored were families of three other soldiers who died in

Meet me at the Nayne County Fair!

Vietnam. Each family received an Honor and Remember flag with the loved one's

I thank many people for their help in my research done for the report on lowering Belleville Lake, published last week. Help came from the librarians at the Belleville Area District Library and the Henry Ford Centennial Library in Dearborn, as well as Katie Dallos at the Belleville Area Museum. Katie had her kayak strapped to her car and was ready to leave on vacation when she handed me a handful of photocopies full of

Now, I have more information coming on the special assessment district the lakeside property owners put on themselves to help fix the dam. That will be another chapter in our lake report.



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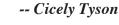
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# Letters

# Van Buren Soccer registering for Sept.

Hello Van Buren Soccer Community,

We are looking forward to our fall 2017 soccer season which will start in September. Registration is open for the fall 2017 season. Please register at <a href="https://www.vanburenpride.com">www.vanburenpride.com</a>.

We are hopeful we can continue to

grow our soccer club at a reasonable cost. Sponsors and volunteers help us do this. We thank you so much for all your support and dedication! We couldn't do it without the community's help.

If you are interested in donating to our soccer club, please email us at <u>vanburensoccerbelleville@yahoo.com</u>.

Programs we have available are:

- Pride Development ages 2-5 (This is a development program for our little ones. Learn basic fundamentals of the game. One hour every Saturday starting in April and ending in June.)
- Recreational In-House ages 5-8 (This program is an in-house program where teams will play teams within our community. Practices will be held weekly and games will be held once a week.)
- Recreational Travel ages 8-14 (This program is a recreational program where teams will play teams outside of our community. Practices will be held weekly and games will be held once a week.)
- High School Off-Spring High School Level

Saturday, Aug. 12: Please attend our Van Buren Community Soccer Fair from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Wayne County Community College (9555 Haggerty Rd, Belleville, MI 48111). This will be held in the front room when you enter the front entrance. We will also be having open registration on this date as well, so please feel free to come up and register. Please make sure to bring payment with you, as well.

Please check in at your team's table to get your paperwork and meet your coach.

The VBCSA is committed to the game of soccer and nurturing the skills of our young people to be the best they can be. We are committed to building the association to make your child's experience even better. We are open to making positive change in our community!

We also are always looking for volunteers for our club. Please reach out to us if you are interested in joining our board or coaching any age group. We do offer some great benefits by volunteering.

Thank you for your continued support.
Registration is open. Register today!
Angie McCluskey, president
Van Buren Community Soccer
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# Health & Wellness Expo set Aug. 11 at Sept. Days

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Dear Belleville-area Seniors and Caregivers:

It's Baaaack! After a two-year break, September Days Senior Center's eighthannual Health and Wellness Expo will be held on Friday, Aug. 11, from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Recreation Center. This fun-filled and informative event is FREE to attend with registration by Aug. 10 (\$3 at the door).

Pick up your "passport," visit the exhibitors, and enjoy a free turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Over 40 exhibitors will provide valuable information on quality retirement living and resources for caregivers needing help taking care of their elders. A DJ will spin tunes for dancing in the Senior Garden along with other performers, outdoor games, and door prizes.

Come on out and enjoy the fun while supporting your local Senior Center. Reservations are required, so be sure to call (734) 699-8918 by Aug. 10 for your FREE registration, whether you're staying for dinner or not. Admission is \$3 after Aug. 10 or walk-ins at the door.

Thank you for supporting YOUR senior center. See you on Aug. 11!
Joyce Gant, Expo Manager
Health and Wellness Expo
September Days Senior Center

# Battle for Belleville set Sept. 1 on Main St. in front of museum

A World War II reenactment, the annual Battle for Belleville, will begin at 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 1, on Main Street in front of the Belleville Area Museum.

Representatives of Yankee Air Museum at Willow Run Airport bring over WWII fighting machines from the American and German sides and the uniformed reenactors battle over ownership of the museum.

The tanks and Jeeps and trucks caravan from Willow Run Airport by way of Tyler Road through Van Buren Township south on Belleville Road and over the bridge to downtown Belleville where the battle is held. Often old warplanes are seen overhead

This reenactment is annually held on Friday, leading up to the Thunder Over Michigan Air Show at Willow Run on Saturday and Sunday.

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– Yoda

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# Belleville Rotary Club plans annual Lucky Ducky race on Aug. 17

The Belleville Rotary Club plans to launch more than 1,000 little yellow plastic ducks into Belleville Lake during its annual Lucky Ducky Race on Aug. 17.

The duck that gets to finish line first will earn \$1,000 for the person who bought the winning ticket with that duck's number.

The race begins at 6:30 p.m. as part of that day's annual Belleville Bridge Walk and the Taste of Belleville.

Rotarians have been selling tickets for \$5 each or five for \$20. All proceeds from ticket sales are used to help fund projects in the Belleville-area community.

The Rotary Club has provided dictionaries for third grade students, coats for children during winter months, adopted families for the holidays, and provided college scholarships to Belleville High School graduates.

The first-place duck will earn \$1,000 in cash for the ticket holder; \$250 to the second-place duck, and \$100 for the thirdplace duck. The ducks will go into the lake near Horizon Park and winners need not be present to claim their prizes.

The annual Belleville Bridge Walk starts at Doane's Landing at Main and N. Liberty streets at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17. Walkers go across the bridge and back, pause for a group picture next to the Welcome to Belleville sign, and proceed to the Taste of Belleville. The Taste runs from 6 to 8 p.m. along High Street.

Belleville-area restaurants and other groups will have booths serving up their specialities. Tickets are sold on the day of the Taste for \$1 each. Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation will have a Kids Activity Tent and the Belleville Kiwanis Club will have a game for kids.

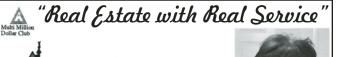
The Bridge Walk is sponsored by the City of Belleville and the Taste of Belleville is put on by the Belleville Central Business Community, with the Twisted Rooster and Tucker Insurance Agency as sponsors.

## Summer Book Sale at Library Saturday has 'Buy One Get One'sale

The Friends of the Belleville Area District Library are holding their summer book sale, 12-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, in the program room of the library. Books will be "Buy One, Get One Free."

There will also be a table with specially marked books. A preview sale for members of the Friends will be 11 a.m.-12

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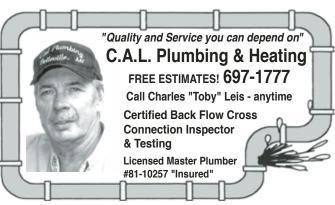
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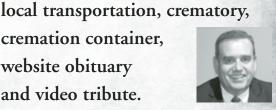
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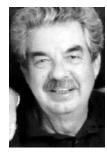
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# **Obituaries**



Frederick Gerald Ritchey

#### FREDERICK G. RITCHEY

(June 23, 1942 - July 25, 2017)

Mr. Frederick Gerald Ritchey, age 75, of Van Buren Township, MI, passed away Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at his home, surrounded by family, after a short battle with cancer. He was born June 23, 1942, in Warren County, Tennessee, son of the late James Frederick & Dollie (Keaton) Ritchey.

Fred grew up in Detroit, MI and graduated from Western High School in 1960. He moved to Van Buren Township in December of 1963 with his wife and daughter. He retired from General Motors Willow Run Hydromatic Plant in January 1993, after 30 years of loyal service. He had a farm in Tennessee as well as his home in Michigan. He loved raising beef cattle and supplying his children with beef for their families. In Michigan, he had bee hives and sold honey locally and at the Van Buren Senior Center in the gift shop. Mr. Ritchey loved to hunt and fish with his sons and grandkids, friends, and extended family. He tried to attend most of his grandchildren's soccer and hockey games, plays, marching band, and concert band events and soft ball games. Fred is survived by his devoted wife Wanda Lou (Helton) Ritchey, daughter Pamela (Wade "Rusty") Basnaw of Belleville, MI, twin sons James (Becky) Ritchey of Willis, MI and John (Tracy) Ritchey of Edwardsburg, MI, step-daughter Sabrina (Clifton) Johnson of Philomath, Oregon, and like-a-son John (Wendy) Gladhill of Okemos, MI, 15 grandchildren, 1 great-granddaughter, sister Barbara Sterurer of Smithville, Tennessee, brother Charles (Janice) Ritchey of McMinnville, Tennessee, also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Visitation was 2-8 p.m. Saturday, July 29, 2017 at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500.

Funeral services at McMinnville Funeral Home, 117 Underwood Road, Warren County, Tennessee 37110, (931) 473-6606, will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, August 5, 2017. Bro. David Bratcher will officiate. Interment will follow at Wood Cemetery in Warren County, Tennessee. Visitation will be Friday, August 4, 2017, 2-8 p.m. and again Saturday from 9-11 a.m. at McMinnville Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society and would be appreciated by Fred's family.

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#### ALMA G. 'NANA' WATSON

(July 6, 1930 - July 27, 2017)

Age 87, of Sumpter Township. Survived by 4 children; 9 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, sister Bessie, nieces, nephews. Service was July 29. Janowiak Funeral Home, Ypsilanti. www.janowiakfuneralhome.com



Allyson D. Crump

#### ALLYSON DEVONNE CRUMP

(August 21, 1993 - July 26, 2017)

Allyson D. Crump, age 23, of Carleton, July 26, 2017. Beloved mother of Angelee Crump. Loving daughter of Albert Crump and Karen Plummer. Dearest sister of Candace Crump. She is also survived by her nephew Sean Watkins and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. She is preceded in death by her grandparents. Funeral service is Saturday, 6:00 p.m. at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Visitation is Saturday, 1:00 -- 8:00 p.m.



James David Mitchell

#### <u>JAMES D. MITCHELL</u>

(September 16, 1949 -- July 21, 2017)

Mr. James David Mitchell passed away Friday, July 21, 2017 at Beaumont Hospital, Wayne. He was born September 16, 1949 in Detroit, Michigan, a son of Eugene and Alveretta (Combe) Mitchell. On December 18, 2003 he was married to Susan Carol Adkins in Toledo, Ohio, moving to Romulus from Belleville in 2006.

Mr. Mitchell was a member of the Wolverine Riders and Star Touring Group. He enjoyed owning, working on and showing cars and motorcycles. He also enjoyed slot car racing, model airplanes, Nascar and leather working. He was an advocate for greyhound rescues. Prior to his retirement in 1997 he had been employed by General Motors, Romulus Plant for 32 years.

Mr. Mitchell is survived by his loving wife of 13 years; Susan Mitchell. Dear father of James (Cheryl) Mitchell and Daryl (Melanie) Mitchell. Step-father of Rebecca (Randy) Rose and Laura (Jerry) Taylor. Fond grandfather of 14 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 brother, and 1 sister.

The family will receive friends on Monday, August 7, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 8 pm. at the Higgerson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville (734-697-9400).

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to G.R.A.C.E. (Greyhound Retirement Adoption Care and Education), P.O. Box 671, Belleville, MI 48112 and would be greatly appreciated by Jim's family. Please keep the Mitchell family in your prayers.

#### JAMES LLOYD LUCAS

(December 20, 1943 - July 27, 2017)

Age 73, of Detroit. Survivors include children Jessee and Barbara Lucas, five grandchildren, and one whom he considered his great-grandson. A memorial service will be at a later date. David C. Brown Funeral Home <a href="https://www.davidebrownfh.com">www.davidebrownfh.com</a>

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#### Court Watching:

## Judge Oakley again delays decision on Chapman's DNA refusal

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

James Forrest Chapman, 57, of Van Buren Township, convinced 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley to dismiss all three of the misdemeanors filed against him for refusing to give DNA samples for VBT Police.

Later, Judge Oakley reinstated two charges and set another session for 10 a.m., Aug. 2, the judge's birthday.

All this happened at defendant Chapman's complicated, two-hour court session on July 12. He was representing himself.

After everything appeared to be complete and the DNR charges dropped, Chapman was escorted back into the court lockup, and Judge Oakley adjourned court for the day.

Then Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Greg Akaraz said in a statement to the judge that he will have to refile the charges again. When Judge Oakley said it is a waste of the state's time and money, Prosecutor Akaraz said he has to refile because it's the law and he has to do his job.

"The Prosecutor's office didn't brief us in 2015 when the first DNA charge was made," Judge Oakley said from the courtroom floor after the session ended. He said it was a new law and he was interpreting it, which is what he is supposed to do.

"That poor bastard wouldn't have been arrested three times on this Mickey Mouse shit" if the Prosecutor's Office had written a brief, Judge Oakley said.

"If I hadn't ruled the way I did in 2015, he might have given his DNA the next time," Judge Oakley said of Chapman. He said VBT police have a vendetta against Chapman.

"I'm scared something bad's going to happen and be in the headlines," Judge Oakley said.

Then new evidence, presented by Prosecutor Akaraz and VBT Detective Michael Long caused Judge Oakley to put his court back in session and call for the officers to bring Chapman back out of lockup into the courtroom.

Judge Oakley told Chapman that Akaraz brought to his attention the proper statute and the prosecutor is going to refile again. Or, he said, he can look again at the Maryland vs. King ruling by the Supreme Court, that Chapman had cited earlier in the session. Judge Oakley had recessed the session to give him time to read the ruling.

Judge Oakley said the administrative statute presented by the prosecution is not the one written on Chapman's complaint, but that's the first statute he's seen that talks about what is required of the individual.

"Adjourn the hearing," Chapman said.

Judge Oakley then said he rescinded the dismissal of the DNA charges and reopened the issue. Dates were set and then changed after two hours of discussion.

Chapman began his court session that day by saying he didn't think his courtappointed attorney David Lankford was prepared for this hearing. He said Lankford refused to read the transcript he wanted him to read.

"I have no problem with removing me," Lankford said.

"I'm requesting another attorney," Chapman said.

"If he's not comfortable with me...," Lankford said. "If you can find an attorney that meets his standards..."

"Anyone assigned to represent you is likely to have the same problem," Judge Oakley said. "Most attorneys don't do well when the defendant directs."

Judge Oakley said he doesn't know if Wayne County will appoint someone else.

Prosecutor Akaraz made a formal objection.

Chapman said they've said a police officer didn't come to the jury trial to testify that led to a dismissal of the charges because he didn't get a subpoena, but, "They've never issued subpoenas for officers to come to court."

Judge Oakley said the reissue of the charges wasn't the defendant's fault.

"Never an excuse not to show up," Chapman said.

Judge Oakley told VBT Police Officer David Champagne he would not be testifying. Officer Champagne was standing by to testify in the scheduled preliminary exam on Chapman's reissued felony charge

of resisting a police officer.

"I'm more than willing to adjourn the felony case and do the three DNA misdemeanors today," Judge Oakley said, noting the DNA charges were filed on May 26, 2017, June 3, 2016, and Aug. 16, 2015.

Lankford, who defends felony cases at the 34th District Court, told Judge Oakley the misdemeanors are not his cases. Chapman asked Judge Oakley to dismiss

the last two of the DNA charges "due to double jeopardy."

Judge Oakley adjourned the felony case to July 19. Later that was changed.

"All I want is the attorney to be prepared. He refuses to read the transcript of the testimony," Chapman said of Lankford.

"I've known him for many years and he's a good defense attorney," Judge Oakley

"He hasn't convinced me of that,"

Chapman replied.

"He doesn't have to," Judge Oakley

Chapman said the May 17, 2017 case is

the same as the June 3, 2016 charge. Judge Oakley gave Prosecutor Akaraz a

chance to review the cases. Chapman read the Prosecutor's response

to his motion and then asked for a copy of his own motion. He said since he was abruptly arrested on a circuit court violation of probation warrant, he was not able to prepare himself for court.

Attorney Lankford left the courtroom at this point. Earlier he had said he was going on vacation to Chicago.

Prosecutor Akaraz said he has three files on DNA refusal. He said when the felony of resisting a police officer was dismissed and then refiled, Chapman refused DNA

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# **VBT DDA**

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on recent site-selector visits to the township and shared plans for improving the publicprivate partnerships within the district.

The Aerotropolis, he said, is made up of seven communities and two counties, developed around two airports. He said there are 6,000 acres of developable land.

He pointed out the American Center for Mobility is a \$100 million, 300-acre federally designated site as a connected and autonomous vehicle test facility.

Luce said he is working to regain the trust of the communities within the Aerotropolis, as well as stabilize and grow the organization.

"Van Buren Township is located in a prime area," Luce said.

He said Aerotropolis submitted 15 VBT sites for consideration on 14 projects. He added Romulus gets a lot of attention, as

#### **Belleville Road Streetlights**

Ireland reported she recently met with Detroit Edison's community lighting division and discussed the conversion of the existing street lighting on Belleville Road and a new lighting along the pathways for the proposed pedestrian overpass.

Ireland said DTE indicated there would not be cost savings to doing both of the projects at the same time, so they will treat each of these as two separate projects.

The existing Belleville Road streetlight fixtures are 2001 models. DTE is checking to see if the current fixtures are capable of being retrofitted, she said.

Ireland said DTE suggested the DDA consider installation of a shorter lighting fixture that would be more of a pathway light for the paths to the pedestrian overpass. There are several styles and can be a direct bury, eliminating the need for a concrete foundation, she said.

#### **Belleville Road Placemaking**

Ireland reported that TEK Environmental and Consulting Services expect to begin the abatement project on Aug. 7. As soon as this is completed, the contractor will be able to begin demolition of the house, which will be rebuilt.

She said Wakely is working on drawings



Robert Luce, executive director of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis, at right, visited the Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority meeting on July 25. At left is DDA Executive Director Susan Ireland.

for the electrical, civil, mechanical, and structural. A meeting will be scheduled with the landscape architect to review the conceptual site layout to make suggested changes to items such as pathways, gazebo(s), picnic areas, and irrigation.

#### Belleville Road Rights-of-Way

Ireland reported she has met with Commonwealth and the DDA is winding down this phase of the right-of-way acquisition project. She said there are two parcels in probate and she has completed the land divisions for what the DDA has acquired.

Ireland said they have pushed this rightof-way acquisition as far as they can because the DDA can't condemn property. She said the DDA went by the Federal Relocation Act.

In the future, if the owners of some rights of way are still unwilling to sell their property, it would be the township that would have to do the condemning.

#### Financial actions

The DDA accepted the 2016 year-end audit, amended the 2017 budget to add payment to Aerotropolis of \$25,000, and approved the proposed 2018 budget.

#### **Assistant Director's Report**

DDA Assistant Director Lisa Lothringer presented a report on her e-mail outreach, a press release on the summer vouth employment project, advertisements, and other work in progress.



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The Belleville Area Council for the Arts' Community Art Show is scheduled for Oct. 27-29 at the BYC on Huron River Drive. The opening reception will take place on Thursday with the public viewing on Saturday and Sunday. Entries will be accepted through Oct. 13 with the art pieces due that Thursday afternoon until 6 p.m. Entry Fee for up to three pieces of art is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children and teens. Entry fees are waived with any paid BACA membership from now until the show. Cash prizes over \$800 will be awarded in five age categories 6-12, 13-18, Adult 2D, Adult 3D, and Adult Photography. Entry forms are available at the Belleville Library, Chamber, BYC, Garden Fantasy Main Street, Professional Building, Sumpter Ace, Twisted Rooster, Van Buren Township Hall, and printed out from the BACA website at www.bacaartshow.org . Call (734) 357-8000.

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Congratulations once again to Van Buren Township Clerk Leon Wright for his holein-one on May 28 at the Woodlands of Van Buren Golf Course. Wright scored the ace on the 175-Yard, Par-3, 8th Hole using an 8 Iron. I incorrectly reported the yardage. My apologies. Wright finished the round with an 82.

Fall sports at Belleville High School get under way next Wednesday, Aug. 9, so be on the lookout for daily cross- country runners and other athletes along W. Columbia Avenue and Main Street as they prepare for the new seasons.

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# New building gets preliminary approval for Grace Lake Center

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

The first new building in 15 years will be going up on the office campus between Ecorse and Tyler and I-275 and Hannan Road since Visteon Village was built.

At the July 26 meeting of the Van Buren Township Planning Commission, preliminary site plan approval was granted to Smith Group JJR to build a four-story office/laboratory building at what is now called Grace Lake Corporate Center.

Building B will be 124,000 square feet in size on the western edge of the gravel pit that was transformed into a pristine lake.

The Grace Lake Corporate Center has a total site area of about 237.57 acres and this new building will be on four acres. It's not a duplicate building to what's already there, but it will fit in with what's there, said Patrick Westerlund of Smith Group.

He said the pathway along the lake will be extended to the new building and the parking lot behind. Westerlund said they would like to put an overlook over the lake and it is considered an alternative, if they can afford it in the budget.

When asked if they had a tenant for the building, Westerlund said, they didn't, but, "Build it and they will come."

He said there is a need for office space in Southeastern Michigan and they wouldn't

be building it if they weren't sure they could lease it.

In other business in the hour-long meeting, the commission approved an amendment to the Country Walk site plan for revised single-family architectural elevations by Infinity Homes.

Infinity purchased 39 lots in the subdivision's phases 3 and 4 on five different streets in the unfinished development. It would like to break ground for the first handful of models this fall. Two other home builders are also building houses in Country Walk.

# Builder gets permit to begin work on Cobblestone Building 1

On July 27 the necessary building permits were issued for the construction of Building 1 in Cobblestone Ridge subdivision, said Van Buren Township Building and Planning Director Ron Akers.

The applicant provided the required performance bonds to move forward, he said.

Cobblestone Ridge has been the subject of complaints for 11 years because of open basements and unfinished buildings.

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# Chapman

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again. They were two different incidents,

he said. "It was one felony, one DNA refusal. Double jeopardy," Chapman insisted.

"There was the reissue of the original charge. It was dismissed and reissued and he refused to give DNA again," Akaraz

Judge Oakley ordered the May 26, 2017 DNA charge dismissed.

Then there were the charges from 2015 and 2016. The motion filed by Chapman asking for their dismissals cited the Maryland vs. King decision by the U.S. Supreme Court. "I have 11 reasons and he's only

concentrating on one and a half," Chapman said of Akaraz.

Judge Oakley pointed out Maryland talks about serious felonies.

Akaraz read from the case, saying in line with past ways of using photos and fingerprints for identification, a DNA sample is more accurate. The Supreme Court referred to it as "standard expanding technology throughout the nation," noting that the needs of law enforcement supersedes invasion of privacy concerns.

They discussed the Supreme Court case and Michigan law at length.

In his argument, Chapman said there is no Supreme Court case authorizing fingerprints. There's a Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination and they can get a warrant for DNA.

"If I've committed some unsolved crimes, make them get probable cause for a warrant," Chapman said. "I die a Patriot without giving DNA samples."

"Two years ago I ruled," said Judge Parrott. "I interpreted that it did require a warrant. My interpretation was 'Get a warrant.'"

Prosecutor Akaraz said the Michigan law tells police departments they must maintain the DNA records, which means they must get the DNA.

"My interpretation is this has never been argued in any other court but mine," Judge Oakley said, referring to the new law on DNA samples for felony arrests.

He said circuit court said he abused his discretion when he dismissed Chapman's DNA charge and sent it back to his courtroom. "I don't understand that."

Judge Oakley said there's nothing that requires an arrestee to give DNA. They can't find any wording in the laws saying

"I really am enjoying the arguments," Judge Oakley added.

"It does say police have to keep the records, but it's silent on a search warrant," Prosecutor Akaraz said. He said there is no expectation of privacy in the Supreme Court decision.

"Even if I agree with you, this statute doesn't say he has to say yes," Judge Oakley said. "The statute may imply..."

He said it would have been such a simple matter for the law to be written to require submission of DNA. He said it now seems to say, "If you fellas collect some DNA in your investigation, you have to keep it."

The argument continued and the subject of "serious offenses" was considered.

Finally, Judge Oakley said he was ready to rule. He denied Chapman's motion to dismiss the DNA charge tied to the stalking charge, which he found a serious charge. He wasn't so sure about the resisting a police officer charge.

The two DNA charges and the felony resisting an officer charge were set for 10 a.m., Aug. 2.

Judge Oakley also gave Chapman seven days from when he is released from jail after his violation of probation charge is heard before Circuit Court Judge Margaret Van Houten to bring in a plan for a new home for his dog Diesel.

Diesel has been in the Romulus Animal Shelter since mid May after biting a man.

"Van Buren Township will pay for all charges for Diesel," Judge Oakley ruled.

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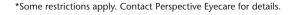
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# Sumpter Township grants marijuana grow permit to Nelson Po

Nelson Po, of Sumpter Township, was granted a marijuana grow permit by Sumpter Township on July 28 after paying a \$1,000 permit fee.

Po had been prosecuted for a felony charge of growing more than the amount permitted, but on June 26 before Judge Ulysses W. Boykin he pled guilty to "attempt" to deliver/manufacture 5-45 kilograms of marijuana at his Harris Road home, a misdemeanor.

On July 17, Judge Boykin sentenced Po to one year of probation and \$1,548 in fines payable over a year's time.

Judge Boykin also ruled that Po may grow marijuana within state statutes and so Po applied for a permit from the township.

Po's retained attorney is Ronald Ruark of Canton

Po, 69, was arrested on Aug. 16 by Sumpter police after they were called to his home by a neighbor complaining of a skunky smell of marijuana. He was freed on personal recognizance bond of \$10,000.

Meanwhile, Po has sued the State of Michigan and Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy for what he says is \$1 million worth of cash and items taken from him by civil forfeiture during that raid. A settlement conference is set for Aug. 8 before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge David J. Allen

Also, Po has sued Sumpter Township and

Police Detective John Toth in civil court over the Aug. 16 arrest.

# Alexandria Ragland earns Credit Union's Co-op Scholarship

As students make college and career plans for after high-school graduation, Unified Communities Federal Credit Union announced that two high school students have been selected to receive a \$500 scholarship.

Alexandria L. Ragland, a graduate of Belleville High School, is the recipient of the Credit Union's Co-op Student Scholarship.

This scholarship is awarded to a student who has worked his or her entire senior year at the credit union as a Member Service Representative. Alexandria submitted an essay on her experience of being a coop student and what she learned from the experience that will help her. Tracy B. Markray II, a graduate of Ann Arbor Huron High School, is the recipient of the Theodore Hancox Scholarship in honor of Ted Hancox who was a credit union volunteer for many years. Tracy submitted an essay on how he perceives credit unions as a part of the community. Unified Communities Federal Credit Union has a location at 186 Main Street in downtown Belleville.





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(Last Day)

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#### Court Watching:

## Judge Parrott approves plea deal for 19 yr. old who possessed skimmer

By Rosemary K. Otzman *Independent* Editor

34th District Court Judge David Parrott approved a plea deal for Tylan Jamel Johnson, 19, who had been charged with possessing an automated sales suppression device on Nov. 22 at the Burger King drivethrough in Van Buren Township.

Judge Parrott heard the case July 26, the day the defendant was due for his preliminary exam.

Johnson had been lodged in the Wayne County Jail for more than two weeks since his July 11 arraignment. He was being held on \$5,000/10% bond.

His court-appointed attorney Malita Barrett worked out an agreement with the assistant county prosecutor. Johnson pled guilty to a misdemeanor and the felony charge was dismissed. If there are no future charges in the next six months, the charge will be dismissed.

He will have to take part in a business crime program offered by the court. Fines amounted to \$790 and he was given credit of \$5 per day for 15 days in jail, bringing his new balance to \$715.

After agreeing to the plea deal, he was free to go. Barrett said Johnson is enrolled in Washtenaw County Community College.

Van Buren Township Detective Ken Toney was the officer in charge of the case.

#### Samuel Lewis Ward

Samuel Lewis Ward, 38, was charged with tampering with an electronic monitoring device, and was due for his preliminary exam on July 26, but he was tending to another charge at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice that morning and missed the bus from the Wayne County Jail to 34th District Court. His retained attorney, Delicia Cain-Taylor Coleman, said she tried to get the sheriff's deputies to make another run, but failed, so Ward missed his court date in Romulus.

His preliminary exam was adjourned until noon Aug. 17 and that date may be changed. Prosecutor Greg Akaraz said he would call the defense attorney, who said that was her only free date and time, to see if something other than lunchtime could be arranged.

Ward is lodged in the Wayne County Jail on bond of \$10,000/10% for this case and a reduced bond on his other charges, as of his morning circuit court appearance on that day, to \$5,000/10%.

#### Jerry Lloyd Rogers

A probable cause conference for Jerry Lloyd Rogers, 25, was adjourned to Aug. 16 on his charges of operating while intoxicated—3<sup>rd</sup> and driving while license suspended-2<sup>nd</sup> on Dec. 18 in VBT. Det. Mike Long is in charge of the case.

Rogers faces similar charges in 21st District Court in Garden City for three alleged offenses on July 8.

#### Sandra Ann Cole

Judge Parrott and court-appointed defense attorney David Lankford and people sitting

## Methodist Church in Denton offers free movie night on Sat., Aug. 16

The congregation of the Denton Faith United Methodist Church invites the public to join them for a free movie night on Saturday, Aug. 12.

At 6:30 p.m. light refreshments and popcorn will be available as they get settled in to watch the movie "The Shack" in the church sanctuary. Showtime is promptly at 7 p.m.

A donation plate will be set aside for anyone that would like to donate to the evangelism team in hopes of connecting this community together.

Chairwoman Lena Keller asks for RSVPs by Aug. 11 to (734) 323-7260. The church is located at 6020 Denton Road, just south of Michigan Avenue.

One Call Does It All... ...At The Independent 734-699-9020 in the courtroom could all see Sandra Ann Cole via video from the Wayne County Jail where she was being held, but there was no sound.

After district court officers tried to make a better connection about a half dozen times and the jail officials rebooted and did other things to make the sound work, it didn't.

Cole, 57, was trying to hold her probable cause conference, during which she was

expected to waive her preliminary exam, set for Aug. 2. Instead, she was set to hold her preliminary exam on Aug. 2.

Cole is charged with first-degree retail fraud in VBT on April 22, 2015 and was being lodged until she could post \$10,000/10% bond.

VBT Police Det. Toney is the officer in charge of the case.







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# Constellium introduces new alloy, earns award for lightweighting

On July 31, Constellium Automotive Structures announced its new generation of high-strength aluminum 6000-series alloys, Constellium HSA6 TM, to help automakers meet the growing demand for lighter-weight vehicles. Constellium HSA6 is in production for several 2017 and 2018 model year vehicles, including the MINI Countryman.

Also, on July 31, Constellium HSA6 was recognized by the Altair Enlighten Awards for innovation in vehicle lightweighting, receiving the award for Runner Up in the Enabling Technology category. The award was presented at the Center for Automotive Research Management Briefing Seminars in Traverse City.

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# Yankee Air Museum vows to retake Rosie world record

The Yankee Air Museum has launched its registration website and is recruiting women from the entire region to reclaim the Guinness World Record for Largest Gathering of Rosie the Riveters.

This massive event is slated for Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 and will be held at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center, 799 N. Hewitt Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

The event opens at 9 a.m., but participants can arrive as late as 11 a.m. to be part of the gathering. The museum is hosting the event to celebrate women in the workforce and to inspire youthful generations with the "We Can Do It!" spirit that was so prevalent in Michigan, the crucible of the Arsenal of Democracy, during World War II.

"Rosie the Riveter endures as an important figure in America because she empowers," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of Yankee Air Museum. "We meet women, all the time, and from all walks of life, who trace their success back to Rosie the Riveter breaking down barriers. Reclaiming the Guinness World Record amplifies Rosie's inspiration as a community, with one voice!"

Walsh said that Representative Debbie Dingell, 12th Congressional District, and Supervisor Brenda Stumbo of Ypsilanti Township are reprising their roles as cochairpersons of the Rosie the Riveter World Record event. Brenda McKinney, treasurer of Superior Township has also jumped on board this year and is a co-chairperson. The museum is engaged in a spirited rivalry to hang on to the title with the Rosie the Riveter WWII Homefront National Historical Park in Richmond, CA.

"This competition between California and Michigan strengthens women and strengthens the nation. Our first thought was to retake the record this past spring, but when we heard California was having another rally in August, we knew we had to break their record soon afterwards," said Rep. Dingell. "Our event will combine meaningful messages and activities for recognizing the power that we, as women, bring to the workplace and the economy."

On Saturday, Aug. 13, 2016 a claimed 2,265 people, dressed as Rosie the Riveter, gathered at the National Rosie the Riveter Park to set the current record. The previous record of 2,096 People Dressed as Rosie had been held by Yankee Air Museum since Oct. 24, 2015. California is planning to raise the record on Aug. 12, and this has aroused the proverbial sleeping giants.

"Bring it on California! With the help of women across Michigan and our region, we are bringing our record back where the original Rosie worked, at our Bomber Plant in Ypsilanti Township," said Supervisor Stumbo. "Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center is large enough to accommodate 8,000 people and the adjoining EMU field is called FACTORY field for a reason! This is proud EMU country where our colors are green and our collars are blue. We can do it!" Stumbo concluded.

With the launch of the website and official announcement of Oct. 14, as "R-Day," all three co-chairs of the event stressed the urgency to get the word out and encourage women in the strongest terms to register for the event.

"Women of the Greatest Generation did not wait to be counted, they did not wait to enter the defense industry and do the work America needed," said Brenda McKinney. "We cannot wait either. In California they are on the move. I call on all women to join us in Michigan. Register now and be with us at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center on Oct. 14."

There is no cost to attend this event and doors will open at 9 a.m. In order to be counted in the World Record gathering participants are asked to arrive no later than 11 a.m. Women of all ages are encouraged to attend. Participants must register for the activity and can do so ahead of time at: <a href="http://yankeeairmuseum.org/rosie-world-record/">http://yankeeairmuseum.org/rosie-world-record/</a>. Costume requirements consist of dark blue work clothes, red socks, dark shoes with closed toes, and the quintessential red and white polka dot bandanna.

"Yankee Air Museum is proud of its Ypsilanti heritage and home at historic Willow Run Airport," said Walsh. "This world record effort brings attention to the campaign to renovate the Willow Run factory, home of the original Rosie the Riveter during WWII. We will have plenty of up to date information about our efforts to finish the job at the Bomber Plant, turning it into our new home."

The Rosie World Record event is being supported by the Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau and DTE Energy.

Yankee Air Museum, established in 1981 is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. The museum works to positively excite kids and stimulate interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) to help meet the challenges facing America. Yankee Air Museum, located at 47884 D Street, Belleville, on the grounds of historic Willow Run Airport, is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit www.yankeeairmuseum.org to discover more about how the museum is working to preserve local history with the www. SavetheBomberPlant.org campaign. For more information, call (734) 483-4030.

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# VB School district to pave some of its part of Belleville's Davis Street

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

With the parking lot upgrades almost done at Savage and Tyler elementary schools, there's some \$17,000 left in the contingencies from those sinking fund

James Williams, director of plant operations, told the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education at the July 24 regular meeting that the part of the bus yard that is severely damaged is on Davis

"It is a safety concern and has to be constantly repaired using cold patch," he told the board. He showed the board pictures of the crumbling road.

"During construction at the bus yard, I'd like to use the balance of the contingency dollars to make the necessary repairs. To date, we anticipate having approximately \$17,781 remaining to address this concern."

Williams said they will be sectioning off the street and addressing some 70' the district owns. He said they will get to the rest next time work is done.

He said they will not go over the contingency amount. Williams said they will put in an eight-inch base and eight inches of reinforced concrete on top. Drainage tile also will be added to address the water problem.

"This is just information," School Supt. Pete Kudlak said to the board, noting they didn't have to vote on it. "This is a city road, but that part is ours."

The project change log Williams presented showed 4,050 square feet of concrete would cost \$29,362, with curb at \$43 per lineal foot.

On Tuesday, Supt. Kudlak said the school district owns 150' of Davis Street and they are working to get as much of the budgeted money out of the elementary paving projects so they can use it for Davis

For example, school employees can plant replacement grass and that project can be taken out of the budget for Tyler and free up money for Davis.

In other business at the July 24 75-minute meeting, the board:

• Approved purchase of \$166,218 worth

of Acer R13 Chromebooks and accessories from CDWG using Enhancement Millage funds. This is to supply every member of the teaching staff, plus 20 extra for replacements and new teachers. In May, the district bought 216 Chromebooks for McBride students, in June it bought 400 for New Tech and Owen students, and in July 283 for staff. The board was told it is important for the teachers to have up-todate equipment, the same as their students

- Approved purchase of two 65-passenger lift buses and four 47-passenger buses from Hoekstra in the amount of \$610,776 through the MSBO/MAPT Bus Purchasing Program. They are expected to be delivered in October. The district budgeted \$810,440 toward the purchase of new buses in 2017-18 and so there is still \$199,664 remaining for the possibility of purchasing some recently returned leased buses in the spring of 2018;
- Heard Trustee Alison Bennett present the first reading of proposed board policy changes, as recommended by the Board Policy Committee and NEOLA, a consultant working through the Michigan Association of School Boards on updating policies. The updates include changes on the way meetings are run, criminal history checks, bullying of students, student suspensions, weapons, seclusion and restraint, and allowing the superintendent to make policy for food allowed for certain occasions. "This frees classrooms from the tyranny of whole wheat pizza crusts," said Trustee Bennett;
- · Voted unanimously to approve the second reading and adoption of another group of board policy updates, as presented by Trustee Susan Featheringill. Supt. Kudlak said the updated policies will be on line soon, when NEOLA posts them;
- · Approved the terminations of two teachers and an administrator. Jessica Fant at BHS for four years left as of June 30 to stay home with her child; John Hill at BHS for two years resigned as of June 30; and Rawsonville Principal Delria Crippen left after five years of service as of July 3 to accept other employment;
- · Approved the hiring of three new teachers, starting Aug. 29: Ryan Petersmark

to teach art at BHS; Ryan Mills to teach social studies at McBride; and Nicole Slinker to teach science at McBride;

- Approved hiring three new custodians as of July 3: Autumn Miller, DeAndre Williams, and Matthew Wegeinka;
- Heard Human Resources Director Abdul Madyun explain the process under way to hire a replacement principal

## Van Buren residents get free Shred Day at twp. hall on Saturday

Iron Mountain and Van Buren Township are presenting a free shred day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, at the township hall parking lot, 46425 Tyler Road. This is for VBT residents only.

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for Rawsonville. He said 79 applicants submitted resumes and a committee of teachers, working 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., was able to reduce that number to 39. Then there were phone interviews of all 39 and a reduction to 13. After the first round of interviews, the number has been reduced to five, two of which are internal candidates. The five are going through three-part interviews and the final two will go to Supt. Kudlak for a final selection. Madyun said their goal was to get someone by Aug. 1 and they are right on track;

- · Heard Madyun say the district is also hiring for other various positions and hopefully everybody will be in place before school starts; and
- · Heard Trustee Featheringill report she went to the district library town hall meeting that was held at the Methodist Church July 18. She said she was impressed that the new library will have a specially designed teen area. Parent Angela Mears said the library should be asked to have Chromebooks available for students whose internet is out at home or they can't get to McDonald's to use the WiFi.







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# Belleville DDA to get more information on shade for 4th St. Square

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

After hearing that the recommended shade structure for the Fourth Street Square would cost from \$50,000 to \$100,000, the Belleville Downtown Development Authority decided to wait on a decision until more information is presented.

At its July 19 meeting, the DDA heard Jennifer Smith of Penchura LLC of Brighton give a presentation on her recommendation for the Fourth Street Square.

She said DDA Coordinator Carol Thompson had said the DDA was looking at creating shade over the Fourth Street Square and in the past tents had been erected there for a winter ball and St. Patrick's Day event.

She said in studying the square, she finds planter boxes with trees and lamp posts and she finds the installation will be more expensive then the shade itself.

She said she recommends a structure that is left up year-round. The supports will be three feet wide and 15 feet deep and will have a hefty installation cost.

Although the DDA had been impressed

with pictures of the colorful fabric shades that Thompson had presented at its April 19 meeting, Smith said, "Fabric may not be what you want" because it has to be taken down each winter and replaced about every ten years.

She recommended a steel structure which would be more permanent with a wood awning. She suggested the right structure would be more like a \$100,000 project.

She said they would have to rent heavy equipment for the installation, which would include providing a plywood blanket over existing decorative pavers and sidewalk to protect them from being disturbed by the heavy equipment.

Brick pavers would have to be removed at four locations and the pavers would have to be custom-cut to be reset around the four posts. They would auger holes and provide four 36" x 15' steel reinforced concrete footings and haul the spoils off-site.

Jeff Vernon asked from the audience if this would be enclosed in the future and Smith said it was intended to be open-air.

When Thompson asked if they could move the light posts, Smith said she would leave the light posts where they are.

"There will be a lot of intense labor because of how nice it is," Smith said of the square. "I give you your options. A permanent structure is better."

Thompson said the Central Business Community's farmers' market that just started every other Monday on the square has been "toasting" in the bright sunlight. She said the DDA was looking at a \$10,000 grant.

Thompson noted that DTE has an electrical box on the square.

"We have to see if this is even conceivable," said DDA chairwoman Rosemary Loria.

Smith said a standard gable structure or a steel structure would be the same cost as a fabric shade, which you have to replace every ten years.

Smith said her background is in design and she finds the square so "nicely done."

"I'm not comfortable with what I've recommended," Smith said.

"Chopping up properties we paid to make nice? No, we're not tearing up the square," stated DDA treasurer Sabrina Richardson Williams.

Smith said they could bring the cost down to \$50,000.

"There are a lot of things to be aware of," she said, asking for more time to come up with a different recommendation.

Thompson said the CBC was willing to share in the cost of the project and CBC president Bill Wolters and CBC treasurer Bob Stoner were in the audience for the discussion.

In other business at the 45-minute meeting the DDA:

- Approved a \$1,000 community programming grant each for: National Strawberry Festival, Belleville Area Council for the Arts Music Lakeside, Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Winter Fest, and Belleville Area Museum Harvest Fest and BOOVILLE and holiday programming. (The current DDA budget has yet to be brought before the DDA board for approval.);
- Heard a report from Thompson on the damaged ADA access to the kayak launch in Horizon Park. She said the ADA support and the bench are missing and "we are guessing it's at the bottom of the lake." She said Building Official Rick Rutherford is looking to see if the city can repair the equipment and limp through the rest of the season. Thompson said the city and DDA got a state grant for the launch and pledged they would maintain it, "So we've GOT to do it." Chairwoman Loria suggested a PR campaign to let people know how wonderful the handicapped-accessible launch is and Thompson said, "We'll see what we can do";
- Discussed a report Thompson had drawn up on the storm water ponds in

Victoria Commons. Kelly Bates, president of the Victoria Commons Homeowners Association said her group was interested in partnering in the cost of fountain replacements, instead of the DDA replacing non-working fountains with bubblers. She said she has not be contacted on this offer. Thompson said the DDA voted to replace fountains as they broke with diffusers. She said a fountain cost was \$6,600 five or six years ago. Two bubblers cost \$3,200. "I imagine the city would welcome Victoria Commons spending its money on this," said treasurer Williams, who also lives in Victoria Commons. She said the DDA was not spending money for the beauty, but for keeping the water running; · Heard Bates say she asked that the

- Heard Bates say she asked that the
  weed-filled planters in Village Park be
  either removed or planted and she is
  disappointed that they decided to remove
  them. She noted she also has mentioned
  in the past that there is only one trash can
  along the paths in Village Park and people
  who walk their pets have to carry the bag
  they fill because there are no trash cans
  along the way;
- Approved accounts payable of \$29,437.80 for two months, since the DDA did not meet in June; and
- Heard Thompson note that three businesses are putting in pop-up shops for the July 21 Christmas in July promotion. Vernon reminded everyone that the promotion will be July 20 and 21, starting on Thursday with the garage sale and antique appraisal at the museum and the weekly concert at Horizon Park. On Friday, several businesses have promotions and family events are planned next to Our Father's Child daycare on South Street. He said a free shuttle will be running from one end of town to the other.



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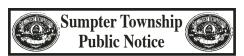
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# Things to do in the Belleville area...

- Thursday, Aug. 3 Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's Detroit Elvis. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- Saturday, Aug. 5 Summer book sale at the Belleville Area District Library. Buy One Get One Free. Also, a special sale table. Preview sale is 11 a.m. to noon for members of the Friends of the Belleville Area District Library, and noon to 3 p.m. for the public. As a bonus, attendees will receive a coupon for a free book, redeemable after the book sale anytime in the month of August.
- Saturday, Aug. 5 The 18th-annual Gregg Brinkerhoff Scholarship Golf Outing begins with registration at 7 a.m. at Woodlands of Van Buren. Cost is \$95 per player. Registration deadline is July 29. Information: (734) 697-0440.
- Saturday, Aug. 5 Van Buren Eagles invites the public to its Woodstock Revisited Family Festival, 3-10 p.m., at the Eagles hall at 9961 Beck Road, Van Buren Township. Tickets \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate. Children 15 and under, free. Information: (734) 788-4410.
- Sunday, Aug. 6 Join Bugles Across America at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville for a brief ceremony to honor past and present members of the military. Stand to pledge the flag and hear "Taps" played.
- Monday, Aug. 7, and Wednesday, **Aug. 9** – Tickets are being sold from 3 to 5 p.m. at the BHS stadium for \$10 each for the opening game of the BHS Varsity Football season on Aug. 24 at Michigan Stadium. The Battle at the Big House will be against Brighton.
- Tuesday, Aug. 8 Join the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce for a ribboncutting ceremony at noon at Belleville Health Care, 265 Main Street. The clinic now has all new doctors. Refreshments.
- Wednesday, Aug. 9 Volunteers and coaches of the Van Buren Community Soccer Association meet at 6:30 p.m. at Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty Rd.
- Thursday, Aug. 10 Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's Brother Crowe. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- Friday, Aug. 11 September Days Senior Center's Health and Wellness Expo runs from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Recreation Center. It's FREE if you register by Aug. 10 at (734) 699-8918. Admission is \$3 at the door. Includes 40 exhibitors, music for dancing, and a free turkey dinner.
- Saturday, Aug. 12 Free Movie Night with free popcorn at Denton Faith United Methodist Church, 6020 Denton Road, just south of Michigan Ave. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie, "The Shack," starts promptly at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Donations accepted. RSVP by Aug. 11 to (734) 323-7260.



#### **Sumpter Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes** July 11, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m., showing present: Supervisor J. Morgan, Treasurer P. Morgan, Trustees: Swinson, Oddy, Hurst. Excused absence: Clerk C. Hoffman, Trustee LaPorte. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk J. Hoffman and approximately 11 residents.

- 3. Agenda: Motion by Swinson, supported by P. Morgan to approve the Agenda. Motion carried
- 4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only:
- 5. Minutes:
- A. Motion by Hurst, supported by Swinson to approve the Regular Board meeting Minutes of June 27, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Warrants: Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve Warrants totaling \$93,848.68 and any other warrants through August 22, 2017. Roll call vote: Yes: J. Morgan, P. Morgan, Swinson, Oddy, Hurst. Nay: None. Excused absence: C. Hoffman, LaPorte. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Water & Sewer Report P. Morgan: Motion by Hurst, supported by Swinson to approve the Water & Sewer Report. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Police Report Luke: Motion by Hurst, supported by P. Morgan to approve the Police Report. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Building/Ordinance Report C. Hoffman: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hurst to Receive and File Building/Ordinance Report. Motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Fire Report Januszyk: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve the Fire Report. Motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Treasurer's Report P. Morgan: Motion by Hurst, supported by Swinson to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously
- 12. Supervisor's Report J. Morgan: Motion by Hurst, supported by P. Morgan to approve the Supervisor's Report. Motion carried unanimously.
- 13. Attorney's Report Young:

A. Use and Occupancy Agreement between Wayne County and Sumpter Township for WIC program services.

Motion by Hurst, supported by Swinson to approve the Attorney's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

- 14. Board Response
- 15. New Business:
- A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hurst to approve to cancel the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting of August 8, 2017 due to a Special Election held on the same day. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hurst to approve the new two-year Use and Occupancy Agreement between Wayne County and Sumpter Township for use of the Community Center to provide WIC Program Services. Motion carried unanimously. 16. Announcements:
- 17. Open Floor:
- A. Mary Ban
- Bemis Road Paving
- Grant for Graham Park
- Brush at Corner of Roads
- Mail situation
- Firework concerns

18. Adjournment: Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion carried unanimously Respectfully submitted,

Janet R. Hoffman, Deputy Clerk

Sumpter Township

#### Certification

I, Janet R. Hoffman, Deputy Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of minutes taken at a Regular Board Meeting of the Township of Sumpter Board of Trustees on July 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and that the said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act. being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes were kept and will be available as required by said act. Janet R. Hoffman, Deputy Clerk

Published: August 8, 2017

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

#### Notice of Advertisement

**Seeking Demolition Bids.** The Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, MI will receive bids for the demolition, removal, and disposal of all structures and debris at 50953 S. I-94 Service Drive (Parcel Number V125-83-074-01-0028-007). Bid forms and demolition work specifications are available at the Office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday or on the Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org. Bids shall be submitted to the Clerk's Office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25, 2017 and will be publicly opened immediately following the closing of the bid. Interested contractors may contact Ron Akers, Director of Planning & Economic Development at (734) 699-8913 to schedule a Pre-Bid Meeting. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and reserves the right not to award a contract. Van Buren Township is an equal opportunity employer. This project will be funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

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#### Notice of Advertisement

Seeking Demolition Bids. The Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, MI will receive bids for the demolition, removal, and disposal of Pavilion #2 and nearby Playground Equipment in Van Buren Park, which is located on the south side of S. I-94 Service Drive between Rawsonville Road and Denton Road in Van Buren Township. The coordinates of Pavilion #2 are 42°12'52.3"N 83°32'10.3"W and the coordinates of the nearby Playground Equipment are 42°12'54.2"N 83°32'08.3"W. The structures are owned by the Charter Township of Van Buren. This demolition project is the first phase of a multi-phase project, which will subsequently include a future bid for the construction of a new pavilion and new playground equipment in this area.

Bid forms and demolition work specifications are available at the Office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday or on the Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org. Bids shall be submitted to the Clerk's Office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25, 2017 and will be publicly opened immediately following the closing of the bid. A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 17, 2017 at the site of Pavilion #2. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and reserves the right not to award a contract. Van Buren Township is an equal opportunity employer. This project will be funded with federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, and Federal administrative, labor, and equal employment requirements apply.

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# Van Buren Public Schools Public Notice

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Bid documents can be obtained at the district's website or by emailing <a href="mailto:purchasing@vanburenschools.net">purchasing@vanburenschools.net</a>. All bids must be submitted on the forms provided. All bids must be accompanied by a familial disclosure statement. Bids received without a familial disclosure statement will be rejected.

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(BUDGET REVIEW and PREPARATION)

OF THE

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In the Board Room

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2017 And

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017
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FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING:

Review of the 2017 amended and preparation of the 2018 proposed budgets.

Leon Wright, Clerk
Charter Township of Van Buren

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Posted: July 18, 2017 Published: July 27, 2017 August 3, 2017

# **Upcoming Meetings**

- Monday, Aug. 7 Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 8 Van Buren Township Recreation Committee at 5:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 9 Van Buren Township special board meeting for budget review and preparation, 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 10 Van Buren Township special board meeting for budget review and preparation, 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Also, Keystone Academy Board of Education, 6 p.m., Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission at 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 14 Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education regular meeting, 7 p.m., Administration Building
- Tuesday, Aug. 15 Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

# **Public Notice**

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless is proposing to build a 175-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower (overall height of 177-feet above ground surface) located along the east side of Lohr Road, south of Harris Road, Belleville, Wayne County, MI 48111. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30-days from the date of this publication to: Kimberley Bouchard, G2 Consulting Group, LLC, 1866 Woodslee Street, Troy, Michigan 48083, Phone: 248-680-0400, E-Mail: kbouchard@g2consultinggroup.com.

Publish: August 3, 2017



# City of Belleville Public Notice



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Sherri Scharf City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: July 27 & August 3, 2017

Sunday, July 23:

Van Buren Township

**Police Dispatch Log** 

Out of the 439 dispatch calls for service reported

by Van Buren Township police for the past week, the

0006 - suspicious person/vehicle, Woodlands

0317 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0606 – suspicious person/vehicle, Revere Dr.

0213 - suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service

1801 - unauthorized driving away of auto, Westlake

1914 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River

2248 - suspicious person/vehicle, Lighthouse Dr.

0921 - property damage accident, E. Huron River

1325 - malicious destruction of property, E. Walden

1506 - parking complaint, Cross St./Denton Rd.

1759 – 911 welfare check, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1949 - suspicious person/vehicle, Oak Ln.

0717 - found property/child, Belleville Rd.

0921 - disorderly, Huron River Dr./Hannan Rd.

1001 - private property impound, Van Born Rd.

1010 - ordinance violation, Martinsville Rd.

1532 - 911 welfare check, WB I-94/rest area

1650 - suspicious person/vehicle, Elwell Rd.

1544 - property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler

1605 - property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. /

 $1834-property\ damage\ accident,\ Belleville/Quirk$ 

1857 - suspicious person / vehicle, N. I-94 Service/

2024 - personal injury accident, Lohr Rd./Martz

1047 - private property impound, Village Green

1759 - property damage accident, Martinsville /

1907 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hardwood Dr.

2036 - suspicious person/vehicle, Van Buren St.

2317 - suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville

0128 - juvenile complaint, Hamilton St.

1339 – family trouble, E. Walden Dr.

1729 - 911 welfare check, Haggerty Rd.

1528 - domestic, Rawsonville Rd.

1906 - fraud, S. I-94 Service Dr.

2022 – family trouble, Maple Dr.

0259 - mental subject, Tyler Rd.

Monday, July 24:

2114 - follow up by officer, Oak Blvd.

0754 - disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.

 $1018-disorderly,\,N.\,I\text{-}94\,\,Service\,\,Dr.$ 

1244 - suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse

1437 - ordinance violation, Lauren Ct.

1748 - assist other dept., Pinewood Ln.

2018 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

0956 - mental subject, Savage Rd.

1443 - assist other dept., Ecorse

1715 - fraud, Belleville Rd.

1804 – hospice death, Crowley Ave.

2203 - noise complaint, Hamilton St.

2329 - family trouble, Beacon Trl.

0401 - family trouble, Jackson St.

1506 - suicidal person, Revere Dr.

1849 – neighbor trouble, Ashbury Dr.

1920 - hospice death, Pebblebrook Dr. 1941 - noise complaint, Hamilton St.

2004 - suspicious person/vehicle, Republic Dr.

2122 - road hazard, EB I-94/Belleville Rd.

2245 - noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.

2254 - suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville

0030 - domestic, Rolan Meadows Dr.

2035 - suspicious person/vehicle, Bemis/Haggerty

2042 - suspicious person/vehicle, N. Bellridge Dr.

1537 - disorderly, Belleville Rd.

1842 - fraud, Lighthouse Dr.

1959 - disorderly, Alva Dr.

2233 - fraud, Morton Taylor Rd.

Thursday, July 27:

1020 - abandoned auto, Belleville Rd.

0759 - disorderly, Jackson St.

1100 - fraud, Bentley Dr.

Country Pond

Wednesday, July 26:

2027 - disorderly, Parkwood Dr.

1447 - fraud, Rawsonville

1536 - fraud, Ecorse Rd.

Tuesday, July 25:

Visteon Way

Oak Ln.

1158 - assist other dept., Ecorse Rd.

following are selected for this column.

0140 - fraud, Harmony Ln.

1513 - threat, Robson Rd.

Page 22 0303 - abandoned auto, Hannan Rd./Van Born

0845 - disorderly, Maurice Dr.

0856 – abandoned auto, Milton Dr. 0950 - ordinance violation, Hull Rd.

1030 - shooting, Cape Condos

1101 - trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr. 1302 - disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.

1322 - larceny, W. Sadie Ln.

1712 – threat, Westlake Cir.

1857 - property damage accident, Quirk Rd.

2155 - disorderly, Lake Villa Dr.

2225 - suicidal person, Kirkridge Park Dr.

2356 - suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd. /

#### Friday, July 28:

0527 - lost property/child, Parkwood Dr.

1017 - lost property/child, Oak Ln. 1050 - fraud. Vine St.

1246 - larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1247 - trespassing, Haggerty Rd.

1335 - property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

1401 - malicious destruction of property, Nautica 1418 - suspicious person/vehicle, State St./Senate

1602 - suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.

1603 - narcotics crime, Rawsonville Rd 1628 – 911 welfare check, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1656 – noise complaint, Ecorse Rd.

1756 - suspicious person/vehicle, Walmart 1812 - threat, Edison Lake Rd.

2113 - suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River

2131 - suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.

2138 - noise complaint, Bemis Rd.

2329 - assist other dept., Village Green Ln.

2338 - disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.

#### Saturday, July 29:

0006 - family trouble, Hull Rd.

0009 - weapons violation, S. Ponderosa Trl.

0112 - suspicious person/vehicle, Martz/Lohr

0243 - suspicious person/vehicle, Richards Run

0317 - fight, Rawsonville

0905 - larceny, Parkwood Dr.

0906 - larceny, Belleville Rd.

1037 - domestic, Winchester St. 1050 – fraud, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1058 - assist other dept., Lighthouse Dr.

1146 - personal injury accident, Belleville/Ecorse

1159 - mental subject, Quirk Rd.

1324 - juvenile complaint, Pond Bluff Dr.

1350 - abandoned auto, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94

#### Service Dr.

1427 - suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.

1810 - domestic, N. Cumberland Dr.

1907 - property damage accident, Belleville Rd. /

S. I-94 Service Dr.

1949 - suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell Rd.

1057 - suspicious person/vehicle, E. Sadie Ln. 2013 - suspicious person/vehicle, Robbe Rd.

2051 - suspicious person/vehicle, Elwell Rd.

2126 - disorderly, Jackson St. 2149 - suspicious person/vehicle, Parkwood Dr.

2211 - assault & battery, Rawsonville Rd.

2255 – lake emergency, Edison Lake Rd.

Also on this week's log are 117 traffic stops, 14 of which were on the I-94/I275 freeways.

## **Belleville Police Dispatch Log**

#### Sunday, July 23:

0050 - assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.

0237 - suspicious person/vehicle, Main St. 1012 - civil matter, Belle Villa Blvd.

1022 - follow up by officer, Timberland

1145 – assist fire dept., Madelon St.

1241 - larceny, Main St.

1427 - disorderly, E. Huron River Dr.

1604 – property check, W. Columbia Ave. 1843 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1934 – assist fire dept., E. Waterbury Ct.

2048 - suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell St. 2120 - vehicle lockout, Main St.

#### Monday, July 24:

1048 - private property impound, South St.

1949 - suspicious person/vehicle, South St. / W. Wabash Ave.

2019 - property damage accident, Main St. / W. Columbia Ave.

#### Tuesday, July 25:

0148 - suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia 1303 - 911 welfare check, W. Davis St.

1402 - assist fire dept., Carmell St.

1606 - parking complaint, Oxford Ct.

1837 – property damage accident, Main/Denton

1855 – assist fire dept., Edison Ave.

1937 - disorderly, Main St.

2041 - parking complaint, Victorian Ln./W. Waterbury Ct.

#### Wednesday, July 26:

0256 - found property/child, Main St.

0828 - follow up by officer, E. Huron River Dr.

1302 - disorderly, Secretary of State

1318 - larceny from auto, Biggs Ave. 1552 – assist citizen, Victorian Ln.

1553 - warrant arrest, Belleville Rd.

1837 - threat, Sumpter Rd.

1838 - suspicious person/vehicle, Wexford Ave. / E.

Huron River Dr. 1859 - warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.

1951 - assist fire dept., Potter Dr.

Thursday, July 27:

0923 - harassment call, South St.

1037 - miscellaneous complaint, Henry St. apt. 1131 - miscellaneous complaint, Harbour Pointe

1311 - assist fire dept., High St./Main St.

1449 - road hazard, Main St./Denton Rd.

1608 - suspicious person/vehicle, High St.

1838 - vehicle lockout, W. Columbia Ave.

2055 - threat, Henry St.

2309 - 911 welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.

#### Friday, July 28:

0120 - suspicious person/vehicle, Belle Plaza 0857 - larceny, Carmell St.

1105 - narcotics crime, A&W restaurant

1239 - assist fire dept., Loza Ln. 1354 - assist fire dept., Loza Ln.

1425 - harassment call, High St.

1823 - malicious destruction of property, Horizon

1945 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

#### Saturday, July 29:

0828 - suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia

0842 - follow up by officer, W. Columbia Ave.

1105 – larceny, Robbe St.

1253 – trespassing, Menlo Park Dr.

1537 - vehicle lockout, Charles St. 2102 - parking complaint, Wabash Ave.

2105 - harassment call, Carmell St.

2144 - assist fire dept., Main St.

2205 - warrant arrest, Michigan/Belleville

2327 - suspicious person/vehicle, E. Huron River Dr. / Wexford Ave.

Also on this week's log are 92 traffic stops.

## **Sumpter Township** Police Dispatch Log

#### Sunday, July 23:

1002 - assist other agency, 10000 bl. Willow Rd.

1251 - 911 hang up, Sumpter/Wear

1411 - animal complaint, 46000 bl. Harris Rd.

1706 - harassment complaint, 24000 bl. Sherwood

2012 - civil dispute, 27000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

2016 - suspicious vehicle, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.

2122 - civil dispute, 45000 bl. Paris Rd.

#### Monday, July 24:

0300 - suspicious vehicle, 45000 bl. Willis Rd. 0444 - civil dispute, 17000 bl. Sully Dr.

0743 - fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.

0930 - suspicious incident, 20000 bl. Sherwood 1050 – alarm, 24000 lb. Bohn Rd.

 $1143-911\ hang\ up,42000\ lb.$  Willis Ct.

1150 - citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd. 1750 - well-being check, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1932 - neighbor dispute, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

2145 - juvenile complaint, 27000 bl. Elwell Rd.

2354 - shots fired, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd. Tuesday, July 25:

#### $0026-suspicious\ incident,\,44000\ bl.$ Willow Rd.

0031 - leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Country Club Blvd. 0136 - fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.

0648 - property damage accident, Rawsonville /

0731 - citizen assist, 45000 lb. Willis Rd. 1156 - civil dispute, 25000 bl. Clark Rd.

1241 – 911 hang up, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.

1424 - assist other agency, 46000 bl. Harris Rd. 1425 - 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.

1638 - assist other agency, Bemis/Elwell

1709 - fire dept. assist, Haggerty/Harris 1850 - well-being check, 8600 bl. Meadow Springs Circle

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1946 - animal complaint, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.

1947 - citizen assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.

2058 - flee & elude, Judd/Elwell

2252 - personal injury accident, 48000 bl. Willis

#### Wednesday, July 26:

0058 - well-being check, 18000 bl. Savage Rd. 0715 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.

0938 - alarm, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd. 1321 - suspicious vehicle, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.

1324 - harassment complaint, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.

1647 – 911 hang up, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.

1948 - fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.

0833 - fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.

0859 - civil dispute, Brookview

1234 - citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd. 1507 - traffic hazard, Martinsville/Willis

1706 – warrant arrest pick up, 8100 bl. Rawsonville

2040 – subpoena service, 18000 bl. Martinsville Friday, July 28:

0917 – alarm, 5100 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.

1029 - suspicious incident, 42000 bl. Harris Rd.

1239 - suspicious incident, 5100 lb. Oakville Waltz

Rd.

1448 - civil dispute, 24000 lb. Bohn Rd.

1543 - civil dispute, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.

1933 - reckless driver, Judd/Fenster

2111 - fire dept. assist, Nevada

2157 - fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Clark Rd.

2157 - property damage accident, 43000 bl. Willow

#### Saturday, July 29:

0059 - suspicious vehicle, 18000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1210 - fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Bemis Rd.

1213 - juvenile complaint, 23000 bl. Martinsville

1808 - 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.

2100 - assist other agency, out of township

2228 - noise complaint, 41000 bl. Wear Rd. 2302 - found property, 18000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

27 miscellaneous details, 102 patrol checks, and 25 traffic stops.

# Van Buren Beach closed Friday for E. Coli levels

that Van Buren Beach has been closed effective July 28 by the Wayne County Health Department due to high E. Coli levels. The source of the bacteria had not been determined. The Health Department regularly checks the water two times a month during the swimming season.

1525 - personal injury accident, 44000 bl. Willis

1522 - fraud complaint, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.

1531 - fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.

 $2049-fire\ dept.$  assist, 22000 bl. Fenster Dr.

Thursday, July 27:

0325 - death investigation, 19000 bl. Martinsville 0724 - assist other agency, Sumpter/Oakville Waltz

1029 - suspicious incident, Creekside 1223 - suspicious incident, New Mexico

1534 - leaving the scene of a property damage 1628 - property damage accident, Bemis/Sumpter

2016 - traffic hazard, Sumpter/Oakville Waltz

0320 - disorderly person, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1156 - well-being check, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.

1322 - suspicious incident, Arizona

1524 - fire dept. assist, Timberlane

1802 – animal complaint, 20000 bl. Martinsville

1827 - civil dispute, 5100 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd. 1831 - citizen assist, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.

2031 - animal complaint, 20000 bl. Martinsville

2146 - ordinance violation, Texas

#### Rd.

0005 - fireworks complaint, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.

0154 - suspicious incident, Sumpter/Oakville Waltz

0215 - suspicious incident, 51000 bl. Willis Rd. 1030 - fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

1442 - subpoena service, Wyoming 1757 - abandoned vehicle, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1832 – suspicious person, 21000 bl. Clark Rd. 2021 - reckless driver, Judd/Fenster

2136 - suspicious person, Rustic Ln. 2213 - violation of park rules, 24000 bl. Sherwood

Also on this week's log are 11 follow-up investigations.

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