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Vol. 69, No. 04 Lori Fodale has been ed as the new Economic

Development Director in Wayne after serving in Westland for eight years in Westlamu 104 - ... the same capacity. See page 4.

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Students in the DECA club at John Glenn High School won 30 medals at the District Conference at Eastern Michigan University recently and will advance in

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www.associatednewspapers.net Drug forfeiture funding is suspended

A 1.2 billion dollar reduction in the Federal Drug Asset

Plymouth Township and orthville. Federal officials have already begun implementing cost reduction measures

after the enactment of The Bipartisan Budget Act, has suspended equitable fund sharing to police agencies across the U.S. including those in

according to a letter-dated Dec 21 2015 sent to state and local law enforcement agencies. The equitable sharing asset forfei-ture program through the Department of Justice was designed as an incentive for state and local governments to seize the property of criminal suspects, according to officials.

If we can no longer share assets with state and local governments, then we can't afford to have people assigned to a DEA task force.

enforcement circles, allowed enforcement agencies like the Drug Enforcement Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to get around state law limitations on asset forfeitures and therefore seize more assets, som keening 80 percent of the

subjects of the seizures, includ ed many who have never been charged with any crime, nor ruted, according to offi

The program, critics said, accounts, property owners in widely criticized outside of law some states were denied an opportunity to challenge the seizures and law enforcement agencies were able to hold on to their assets for many months without a hearing. Their attor neys labeled the program

Solid state

Leaders report progress in local communities

At "halftime," things are oking good for the City of mulus

is annual State of the City address last week, comparing address last week, comparing his four-year term to the four quarters of a football game. With two years or two quarters under his belt, he said he's proud of the things that have been accomplished and eager for the progress to come. Highlights include the

expansion of public-private partnerships that brought new parks and programs to the city, additional economic development and enhanced communi-cation between the city and

In economic development, he said the city is working with developers, still, on the pro-posed Outlets of Michigan retail outlet mall, and hoped to see some progress this year. Due to its proximity to 1-94, the project requires federal approval for additional access points. He said they're also working to land some additional anchor tenants that would eady to go it will be filled from day one. "They don't have all the ten

ants locked in yet," he said "We still feel good about it; we

us they won't move forward."
The city is also working with a new tenant for the former Romulus Marketplace in

Romulus returned two recreation facilities to resi-dents with the re-opening of Park #1, located near the inter-section of Beverly and Henry Ruff roads, as St. John's Lodge Park, and the redevelopment of the dilapidated tennis and roller hockey court at Elmer Johnson Park into the city's second dog park This one, now named US Ecology Dog Park,

which bought the dog exercise equipment and top soil. The city partnered with another business, Westside Beer Distributors, on a new project called Paint The Town, which used donated supplies and volunteers to repair the home of a Romnins resident and veteran. Working with the Rolling Thunder Chapter 5 members, city employees and members of local St. John's Lodge #44, about 40 volunteers from the company helped out

was funded by a Romulus-based business, US Ecology,

in the project. Burcroff also created a new committee made up of employ-ees and residents that brain-



Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff (above) delivers his and of the City address to a packed audience recently.



anton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy, right, receives con-tions from Plymouth Noon Rotary Club President Russ ter a preview of his upcoming State of the Township addre

as well as ways to build up attendance at current events. Through the committee, events like the Sounds in Downtown, Free August Youth Days at local parks were implements and the adult co-ed summer

at Elmer Johnson Park, as well as many other fun initiatives. Also completed in 2015 were the Downtown Streetscape and Goddard

Canton supervisor speaks to Plymouth Rotary Club address, but did offer several hints as to the message he

Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy gave members of the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club a preview of his State of the Township e supervisor, who nounced that he will not

LaJog a former state repre-sentative and township trustee, told the assembled crowd that "Canton Township financially and otherwise is in

would be delivering.

damaged several industrial buildings on Lilley Road near Joy "There was no warning

whatsoever," LaJoy told the crowd. "The good news is no one was hurt." good shape." He said that about 24 busi-He lauded the reactions of township employees faced that Canton staff people were

working on Christmas E "Our emergency management procedures went well. You always have to be ready."

LaJoy teased the crowd with news of impending financial development in the town-ship but cautioned them that there were things he "could

New health center, retail development OK'd

Council approved a recognize to allow for the development of land at the corner of Ford and Newburgh roads which will include a skilled-care nursing facility and other retail business-

ly agreed to rezone the 12.5 acres, the former site of the Feister Auto and RV husin

It's a huge win/win for everyone involved Council President James Godbout

Ciena Healthcare to purchase Carolon Condominiums had

the land from current owner
Glem Shaw, Jr. for the planned
75,000 square foot construction.
Nearby residents in the

the new center To ameliorate those concerns, Ciena purchased an additional parcel of land clos-est to the Carolon

an additional parcel on must con-est to the Carolon Condominiums and agreed to use it as a buffer between the new construction and the exist-ing homes. Clena will install a detention basin and add to the See Land page 4

Belleville - Inkster

No progress reported on fire contract

Executive Director of the Michigan Association of Fire Fighters Fred Timpner said that the parties had reached an "impasse" and that a hoped-for ement in December failed

Fire department union officials when negotiators for the city say there has been on progens in bill and formerly agreed upon negotiation for a centruct with the conditions. The fire fighters union Lipse of Fishers and the conditions. The fire fighters union Lipse According to Brian Hischlann assets with the city and expects to learn Michigan Association of Fire Pearl (September 1997). The centruct has been under negotiation for nearly "involve the dispute this month." This present said the union has been under negotiation for nearly "involve the pick has dispute the two years, since the fire fighters and the condition of the condits of the condition of the condition of the condition of the cond

The major issue in dispute, according to union officials, is wages. The current pay scale allows for the reduction of the hourly rate from \$14 an hour to \$10 an hour after the first hour on duty

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for the on-call fire fighters. The ion insists on a standard wan for every hour on duty, with no reduction after the first hour Timpner said the city position could be intermeded as some kind of punishment to the fire fighters if they do not extinguish the fire in the first hour. He said the fire fighters are called out from their homes at all hours and in all types

mediately. He indicated that a recip response in negotiations from the city would be appropriate in light of the performance of the fire fighters working without a conunionize two years ago.

He said that the latest contract language which was tentatively The cost of the binding arbitration procedure, estimated at between \$10,000 to \$20,000 will be paid equally by the city and the fire fighters' union. The fees cover the hearings by the arbitrator and a court stenographer, but do not include attorney fees or tran

proud to represent the Belleville fire fighters and added that the community should be very proud

Helping

hands ne Juneteenth hapter of Detroit mated a \$500 check the inkster Legends hristmas Giveaway in apport of fundralsing upport of fundraising florts. Former Detroit ston John Long, left, ined in the celebra-n along with Michael seeph, Legends rector Fred Smiley id fundraising description



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approved came back from the city CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

Romulus



Message

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"Both make our community more safe, walkable and pedestrian-friendly," said

runity development projects, including the expansion of the 34th District Court, which will be funded through bonds sold

"Don't give up at halftime," Burcroff

Mayors to host charity event along with live and silent auctions. Advance ticket purchase is requ

The Mayors' Ball, hosted by Romulus Mayor LeRoy D. Burcroff and Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley is planned for 5 snayer Refreet Consey, is planned for a p.m. until midnight, Saturday March 12 at the Romulus Sheraton Hotel, 8000 Merriman Road in Romulus.

Tickets and information are available from Rob McLachlan, (734) 578-5682 or rwmclachlan@gmail.com. Sponsorships at various financial lev-

rriman room in roomans.

Tickets are \$100 per person and the earlien to the Boys and Girls Clubs in ac in the program book are available.

The Boys and Girls Clubs is a regisopen bar, dancing and entertainment tered 5010 3 organization

Student takes gun to school

xpressed their displeasure at the failure

expressed their displeasure at the failure of school administrators and particularly with principal Abdul Madyn to notify them of the incident. Madyn told TV reporters that the student had been arrested by police and subsequently expelled. He also said he had an "open door policy" and would discuss the inci-dent with any parents who had questions about the incident.

out the incident. According to Madyn's aired c According to analysis areas commenced the student had some issues with others at the school and brought the stolen handgun to class. The gun was unloaded but the teen did have bullets in his back-

pack. Staff members and parents only found out about the situation last Friday,

according to reports, and were upset that no notification had been forthcoming from school administrators.

A 13-year-old freshman student at Bedleville High School was arrested and subsequently expelled after a gau subsequently expelled after a gau side sourced in his backpack Dec 15. Pavento of students at the high school in School and Rehigan, Romulus High School in School and Rehigan, Romulus High School in School and Rehigan, Romulus Falles and Rehigan, Romalus Falles Repartment

School and Romalius Police Department instituted proactive precautionary secu-rity measures to ensure the safety of stu-dents and staff."

The response came after a student brought an Instagram message to the attention of a staff member at the high attention of a staff member at the high school. The message contained a non-specific threat directed to "rhs," similar to other generic threats received by sev-eral other high schools. The post did not mention Romanus High School by name.

Romulus Police Department officers, were able to determine that the threat to the high school "was not credible." Police officials said that a state of heightened awareness was still in place and that the department and the school district were "partnering to ensure the continued safety and security of students staff, residents and citizens in our com

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

School board honored

Superintendent of Romulus Community Schools Marjie McAnally presented members of the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education certificates of appreciation at their Jan.

11 meeting.
"Serving on a school board has been described as the toughest volunteer job in America. Yet Michigan's public school board members dedicate countiess per-sonal hours to attending meetings, sonal nours to attending meetings, school functions, and hours of prepara-tion for the decisions they make," said McAnally.

McAnally.

"On top of that, many pursue their own professional development to stay on top of the ever-changing education land-scape. Collectively, school board members in Michigan have spent about 7,000 hours attending training and profession-al development. They're dedicated individuals who are committed to the contin-uing success of our schools and stu-

January is School Board R

Jamuary is Senior round acceptation of the Month and Romulus Community Schools joined 541 local and 56 intermediate school districts across the state to thank these community volunteers for their untiring dedication to public education.

School board members in Romulus develop policies and make tough deci-sions that help shape the future of our education system. They bear responsibility and oversight for an annual budget of over \$30 million, 3,000 students, 300 employees' and seven instructional

emproyees and seven instructional buildings, she said.

"We proudly join educators and com-munity members in saluting these edu-cation advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement. academic programs, district funding and school facilities," McAnally added. "They preserve the core of our d lic education."



as School Board Institute Devail Station, let, institute formina boles, Sa a Beard, President Tom Kuderik, Treasurer Sandra Crout and Vice P e Funderburg show off their certificates of appreciation for their service. I Caldwell is not pictured.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO HID

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON - NOTICE OF THE CLOSE OF REGISTRATION

FOR THE MARCH & 2016 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION Notice in handly given that February 3, 2016, in the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vot above stated election to be held on Timedra, March 5, 2016. Registrations will be accepted in the factor Forestiles (2016), 1976 short factors Court Read, belows the factors of 26 at a mad 42 3) per, Montay fatough February Register can also be made at any solventice of State Branch Office of State Designated Agency. Persons with special reside to made to organize at the above mentioned neutran are aregular to contract the Culti-12 Office at 174-194-152 (Made) or right

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WESTLAND

Mayor visits D.C.

Mayor William R. Wild visited the White House Jan. 21 during his atten-dance at the 84th winter meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Wild joined more than 250 mayors from across the country at the conference last week. President Barack Obama hosted the bipartisan mayors at the White House to thank them for their steadfast partner-ships during the past seven years of his administration and to outline America's priorities for cities across the country in the year ahead. The meeting also focused

on the economic progress that each city has made since the president took office. The mayors recently unveiled their urban agenda - The 2016 Compact for a Better America: A Call to action—which calls on presidential candidates and Congress to invest in and protect

America's cities and metro areas.

The gathering convened at the Capital
Hilton in Washington D.C.

Wild met with Capitol Hill leaders and

Land

EDOM DAGE 1

existing trees along with some decorative The additional land could be used usion of the Ciena project in the

"We heard the concerns at the last meet-ing. We appreciated the concerns," said

and he was among the mayors urging Congress to continue to work in a biparti-san fashion to spur job creation and economic growth in America's cities and met-ropolitan areas. "We have experienced many situations

in our state alone that are real examples of why mayors should always be at the table on a state-wide level and federal table on a state-wide level and federal level discussing issues and solving prob-lems," said Wild. "The Flint water crisis being the most relevant reason to date. In general, problems are solved at the city level and meditings with the president and other leaders on the federal level are imperative, if we want to keep moving in a positive direction."

Some other tonics of discussion includ ed: criminal instice reform and communi transportation and infrastructure.

John Gaber, attorney for Ciena Healthcare. "The land is part of our development - it locks it in, so that the condominium owners know exactly what they will be getting, Gaber said. Carolon re

meeting were in agreement with the nev plans and applauded the decision of the city council members.

"It's a huge win/win for everyone olved," Council President James



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ESTIMATED 2016 ALLOCATION BASED ON 19% PUBLIC SERVICE CAP

PUBLIC SERVICES	\$15,199
Senior Services	\$7,590
Council on Aging	\$5,366
Senior Alliance	\$2,234
Souther Transportation	\$7,990
ADMINISTRATION	\$18,399
BEKKA MORTUR	\$75,828
ADA Township Facility Emperorements	\$75,020
TOTAL ALLOCATION	SHLIW

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION City of Romulus, Michigan March 8, 2016 - Presidential Primary Electi

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CANTON - NORTHVILLE

Schools honor life, legacy of Dr. King

throughout the area honoring De Martin Luther King, Jr. earlier this month, students across Northville Public Schools contin ued to honor Dr Kings, life and legacy in a variety of ways throughout January. The theme this year for student activities and initiatives is "Life's most per-

and initiatives is "Life's most per-sistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?", a quote from Dr King. Students were not in school Jan. 18, to mark Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, but upon their return to classrooms across the 10 Northville school buildings, students took time to reflect on equality and service to others through teacher-led activities that included a range of experiences aligned with curriculum standards that included book talks; reading and listening to selected Dr King speeches; writing reflections art projects shap.

Along with classroom lessons, several buildings also had school-wide and grade-level spees of neproful numbers, solv sages of peaceful problem-solv-ing and strengthening communi-ties through service. At Thornton Creek Elementary School, kindergarten through fifth grade students will wrote about how they can make a difference in their community and created an artistic representation of their ideas In addition Thornton stormed and voted on a commu nity service project for February nity service project for February to help those in the community who are less fortunate. The entire Thornton Creek school community honored Dr. King and Rosa Parks at its school-wide

The Leader in Me assembly in

sixth graders viewed the video "Mighty Times: The Children's March," which chronicles the impact the young people of Birmingham, Alabama, had on the civil rights movement and segregation in 1963. Students then created a "footprint" in words and/or a drawing showing how they can promote social

change today. The footprints will be shared with parents and guardians and displayed in the school's main hallway through mid-February. Students at the districts special education center program at Cooke School viewed videos, listened to books and parrelated to Dr. King's work, and then brainstormed ways they could help others, as well as make connections with those individuals throughout history

who have devoted their lives to serving others. Principal Tony Koski reflected on Dr King's life and legacy via

classes incorporated student activities focused on Dr. King's message of service to others. In addition, teachers and students in all high school classes will took time to reflect on Dr King's

contributions to our world.

Along with honoring Dr King's legacy as a civil rights pioneer; the high school also hosted an event for students and the com-munity recognizing civil rights leader Fred Korematsu who was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1998 for his fight for equal rights for Japanese Americans during World War II and throughout his life. Speakers included Ron Aramaki, from the University of Michigan Department of American Culture; Roland Hwang. Commissioner for the Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPAAC) and Commission (MAPAAC) and Adjunct Instructor for the U of M

Department of American Culture

and Mary Kamidoi former

staff are taking part in, focused on Dr King's legacy and the civil rights movement, go hand-in-hand with Northville Public Schools' mission and vi Schools' mission and vision for all Northville students to become said Deanna Barash Northville

assistant superintendent for instructional services. The meaningful ways in which students, teachers, staff and our community are giving thought to and putting into action the principles taught by Dr King are important," said Northville Superintendent Mary Kay

experiences will resonate for our students beyond this one day and beyond their classrooms, and erve as a reminder to all of use Northville community the journey toward greater understanding and respect for one another is both ongoing and

Butterfly Balls planned State

An annual Valentine's Day tradition, The Butterfly Balls, will take place Feb. 5 and 6 at the Summit on the Park in

Canton.
The annual daddy-daughter dances will continue from 630 until 830 p.m. on Priday and from 2-4 p.m. and 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. on Saturday in the gymnasium at

"Canton's Butterfly Ball truly offers a treasured experience where dads and daughters can create special memories that they'll cherish forever," said Recreation Specialist Jennifer Girard. What's also nice about this event is that

grandfathers hig brothers and other

male role models are also welcome." Guests will make memories sure to last a lifetime as they enjoy dancing to age-

photos and face painting are available fo

purchase is required for all ages, and walk-ins will not be accepted. Tickets, now on sale, are \$10.25 per Canton resi-dent and \$13.25 for non-residents. All tickets must be purchased in person at the front desk of the Summit on the Park

Canton. All dads and daughters require a ticket regardless of age.

No tickets will be sold after Feb. 1, without exceptions. ticket sales, contact the Summit on the Park front desk at (734) 394-5460 or visit

re just yet." He did say that ec nomic development in the township including several new restaurants was very healthy and growing. "We have some exciting things that are going to be happening." he said.

Rotary Club members asked about the meestion on Ford Road, suggesting a Warren Road or Cherry Hill exit from I-275 could provide any help. LaJoy explained the expense of road repair in detail and recalled the three trips he has

made to Washington, D.C. in attempts to obtain federal funds to help with the

He said all the efforts the township has made to ease the situation for

motorists have resulted only in the fund-ing of plans and studies, but no actual construction. construction.
"We're going to keep going after it," he

dents and the support he feels the istration receives from the public Overall he reiterated while Canton Township suffered the financial imp of the recent recession, the township now "in yery good shape" he concluded

— resources and other statemed parties: Agendas and Minutes for the Charue Toutschip of Psymouth Board Mortings are available for review online or <u>many alternations are</u> under Agendas Minutes and in the Clark Psymouth Toutschip Hall, 1955 N. Haggerty Ral, Psymouth, MI.

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PLYMOUTH

Rotary Club offers scholarships to students

scholarships for students in the Plymouth Canton Community

noos. Each of the scholarships is for Each of the schotarships is too 82,500 ammally for four years for a total of \$10,000. Additional one-year scholarships will also be awarded by the club.

Members of the Rotary Club Memorial Scholarship Committee are looking for well-rounded indi-viduals who have demonstrated academic success, show leaderSelf." To be considered for this Seit. 10 be considered for th scholarship students must resk within the Plymouth-Canto school district, be a graduating senior have a grade point average of at least 3.0, be a person of high personal and moral character and have demonstrated school

and community service The Plymouth Rotary Club has awarded hundreds of scholar-ships to students during the past decades. Committee members

the club members expect to award more than \$50,000 in echolarchine

among the applications submitt each year is very difficult. "It is truly rewarding to realize that so many of our students are talented and contributing young citizens. The Rotary Club of Plymouth is pleased to be able to make these scholarships avail-able to the deserving youth of our

technical education and academ-ic scholarships. This year, Weber ic scholarships. This year, weber said, the club members expect to award more than \$50,000 in schol-arships.

Scholarship Memorial

Application forms are available in the counseling offices at each of the high schools as well as on the

Funds

Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington expres ed his disar Tom Tiderington expressed his disap-pointment with the secession of the pro-gram, noting that since 2011, \$2.5 million in asset forfeiture funds were returned to the township. Tiderington referred to the changes as a significant blow to drug leve enforcement.

the changes as a significant one-so-law enforcement.

'This is the best thing to happen to drug traffickers,' Tiderington said.

Tiderington, who was an undercover police lieutenant in Ft. Lauderdale Florida for 10 years before coming to Plymouth, is familiar with the program and its intricacies. Plymouth Township participates in a statewide Drug ration (DEA) ta

state and local governments, then we can't afford to have people assigned to a DEA task force," he said.

JULIA THESE TOPOE," he said.

A later letter sent by the DOJ on Jan.
6, 2016 titled, Deforms of Department of
Justice Equitable Sharing Payments-Fact Sheet, contradicted their initial
notice of rescission.

"Contrary to some reports, the Department did not "shut down" or oth-Program. Rather, the Equitable Sharing Program. Rather, the department was required to temporarily defer equitable sharing payments to our state, local, and aw enforcement partners due to nbined effects of the \$1.2 billion tain the financial solveney of the Asset Forfeiture Program and operate within legal guidelines for Federal financial management. This deferral decision was made purely for budgetary reasons and does not alter the department's commitment to supporting state, local, and tribal law enforcement," the letter

John Werth, Northville Township public safety director and current presi-dent of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police also takes exception to ment and the inference that

the deforment and the inforence that the system is riddled with abuses. "We're not looking for a windfall of dollars, but need to recoup expenses for our personnel. To stop crime you have to hit them were the money is...some-times there is just negotiation and the relative to the purchased till not the izure is the punishment-it's not that ey're not guilty."

Worth said that last week represent tives from his chiefs of police organiza-tion and other community law enforce-ment officials met with Barbara L. McQuade, U.S. Attorney for the Easte District of Michigan. "We're reaching out to our congre

men and government officials to edu-rate them on the importance of equi-The DOJ letter said there was no def-inite date for the return of the forfeiture

The hottom line is that the denart. ment views this as a 'pause' whereby we are holding payments in place until the funding situation improves. We hope that when funding allows, we will esume payments where they left off ither in full, or as close to full as the sudgetary situation allows," the latest letter stated

Legislator blasts supervisor

Plymouth Township with the criticism of a presumptive candidate for supervisor

on an internet site.

State Rep. Kurt Heise took Plymouth
Township Supervisor Shannon Price to
task about the site during the public
comment portion of the agenda at a regular meeting of the board recently. Heise accused Price of being com-plicit in "cyber bullying" and said that the supervisor, who is expected to be a candidate in November, knows "all the

people behind this."
Heise showed a photo of the site,
which has a photo of him, imposed over a menacing looking man behind bars. The internet site is critical of Heise's

current hill which would allow future He told the board of traction that this

bill had "passed the House with a major ity of Republican support. It's supported by Speaker Cotter, the Detroit News and Free Press, and is one of Governor Snyder's top three priorities for 2016," he said.
"I'm all for debate on the is

Tim all for denate on the issues, but this kind of imagery and messaging crosses the line, and puts our township in a negative light. The image of an African-American man behind bars along with dishonest and racist 'code words' and imagery on both a Facebook site and website is the kind of dema goguery that people of goodwill must re

He said the site was the work of nolit

head of government relations for Rizzo Environmental. Heise said Munem has donated money to Price's campaign and

that Rizzo just "got a multi-year contract with the township." He said that Munem's partner in the internet site is Canton attorney Deb

Whyman.
"The Citizens for Accountable Government PAC has been used for years by Munem and Whyman to help Rizzo obtain trush contracts, and as you all know, to attack and smear political opponents." Heise claimed.

ponents," Heise csames. "Now I think Rizzo Environmental is a good corporate citizen; I sure hope they're not financing this effort," Heise added

Heise also criticized Stu Sandler, with whom Price formerly worked and who attended Price's interviews for the

"Twe discovered that the "Citizens for Accountable Government" Facebook site is directly linked to Sandler's political consulting company, and Sandler ha made it very clear to me that he's run ning your political operations," He is claimed.

"Plymouth Township must be a toler ant and welcoming community, and must denounce racist and malicious fear-mongering like this," Heise said. If you really want to stop cyber-bull

his would be a great place to start," e told Price. Price made no public con eiso's elaims

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City hires former Westland development director

to find a new position when her contract as the Economic Development Director in Westland was not renewed Jan. Last week, Fodale, who worked in Westland for eight years, was hired for the same job in the City of Wayne.

members of the Wayne City
Council at their regular meeting
by City Manager Lisa Nocerini
job in Westland. by City Manager Lisa Nocerini who said that while there had who said that while there had been interest from businesses about moving to Wayne, there had been no one for them to talk to about the process. She said
Fodale's experience will bring a
Fodale was the director of the
Fodale was the director of the

6 in Wesmanu. Her \$70,000 annual salary will be split between the city and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) as she will also

opment planning for the future, which is a key to bringing addi-

into the city tional revenue into the city:
"Lori has the background that
we need and knows Wayne - her
family lived here," said Nocerini.
"We have vacant buildings - that's port the city has for the Wayne Main Street project and Fodale said that she is supportive of that

effort. Currently, the City of Wayne faces a \$2.25 million budget shortfall and auditors predict the city could be out of money in

St. Mary sets open house

hosting on Open House from 11 a m until

The event is open to anyone who may be interested in school for grades Preschool 3, Preschool 4, and Kindergarten through 8th grade.

as view classrooms and work done by sim-dents. St. Mary is a diverse school that unspect offers many extracurricular activities to offers many extracurricular activities to moet each individual students interests. The school carming Specialist will be available to discuss extra help that is dichigan Ave. in Wayne.

available to students during the senoor day as well as after school small group tutoring. Students from the middle school will also be demonstrating a dissection in the science lab.

Registration and tuition information for the 2016-2017 school year will be avail-

Reference of the state of the s

wayne.org or feel free to call the School Office at (734) 721-1240 or email schooloffice@stmarywone.org.
The school is located at 34516 West

one of the biggest complaints we hear. The city is in a financial sit-uation where it needs to bring in

Alumni sought for honor

for Wayne Memorial High School will con-tinue the tradition of awarding a "Distinguished Alumni" medal to a gradu-ate of Wayne Memorial High School.

"We have had many outstanding people graduate from Wayne Memorial," said Kevin Weber, Wayne principal. "Many have contributed significantly to the betterment of society on a local, state, national or international level. The Distinguished Alumni Award is our way of honoring an outstanding graduate on an

annual basis " Fach winner is awarded a medal "This is an opportunity for our current graduating class to hear first hand from a

The most difficult task is to locate the many alumni who have distinguished themselves since their graduation. For

themselves since their graduation. For that reason, Wayne Memorial officials are asking the community to help in the search. If any member of the community wishes to nominate a Wayne Memorial graduate, contact the principal's office at Wayne Memorial High School (734) 419 2206. The school is located at 3001 Fourth St. Wayne, Michigan 43184. A "Distinguished Alumni" committee

has been established at Wayne Memorial to decide on the recipient for 2016. An announcement of the winner will be made in mid-May, and the recipient will then be honored at commencement, June 4. Nominations are due by Feb. 26. us who has made his/her

Parents meeting is planned

hosting an 8th grade parent night for those with students transitioning to 9th grade or those interested in getting more information about Wayne Memor High School for the 2016-2017 sch

Students do not have to be currently attending a Wayne-Westland Community tenter through the use. Agy additions place at 630 p.m. Feb. 10 in the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer at (734419-2215.

courses, AP courses, extra-curricular activities, and more. All are welcome to attend and questions are encouraged. Parking is available in the Glenwood Street parking lot and guests should enter through the front of the auditorium. Any additional questions should be

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Calendar of events

Registration for the wir imming sessions at the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex (PARC) is now

under way and will continue through Feb. 26. Registration will be closed (online and at the office) Feb. 15-19 and will re-open Feb.20.

The pool will be closed Feb. 13

through 20 to complete updates. Visit www.PlymouthPARC.com [http://ply mouthpare.com] to register

PARC aquatics program is a swim pro-gram dedicated to providing a quality and price friendly aquatics program to all ages offering a variety of swim programs to fit the needs of beginners, recreational, and competitive swimmers. Classes are taught by certified staff members.

Plymouth spring soccer registration will take place during the entire month of January at the recreation office from 11:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday on online 247. Last day of registration is Jan. 31 and the last day of in office registration is Jan. 29.

office registration is Jan. 29. To register online, players or parents must have an email address on file, a ame and a nessword: for first tir et-up by the i department by email at recreation@ci.plymouth.mi.us oth.mi.us1 or call (734)455-6620, or visit the Soco Webpage, which has registration for and a link to online registration at

www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/socces [http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/index.asps NID-6551 ation office is located at 525

The recreation of Farmer in Plymouth

Hot Reads for Cold Nights The Adult Winter Rea will be under way at the Romulus Community Library through March 30. Readers should register at the front desk to receive a reading log and record each book read by March 30 when a reception including food, hot cocoa and

course that highlights various services provided by the police and fire depart ments, from SWAT team demonstrations to the Jaws of Life and crime scene is

ation. The class is free, but limited to 25 pa ipants. Applications and additi information are available at the Romotos Police Department, 11165 Olive St. ov.com/citizen: This year, the sessions will take place

from 6:30 until 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays from Feb. 2 though May 17, according to city All applicants must con ning interview prior to accer into the classes

Memorial bricks to be installed at the veteran's memorial in the City of Romalus are for sale, to honor those who have served in the armed services of our

at \$125 with two lines of text and bricks on the walkway with two lines are \$75. Larger size walkway bricks are available

for \$100 and include four lines of text Orders for the bricks are being accent. ed at the treasurer's office in Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus the Romulus Chamber of Commerce office at 11189 Shook Road in Ro the Romulus VFW Post 9568, 39270 W Huron River Dr. In Romulus.

treasurer's office (734) 942,7590

The Canton Library is offering Storytime for kids with special needs, Count Me In, at 4 p.m. on Sahmdays The Storytimes are designed for young chil-dren with developmental delays and dis-shifter The preparers on fine of the country of the count

abilities. The programs are funded by the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. Programs are planned for Feb 13 March 12, April 23, May 21 and June 18 at the Canton Public Library, 1200 South Canton Center Road.

dener certified through Michigan State University Extension, will be speaking on pollinator preservation strategies for s. For more information, call (734) 223-5510 or visit www.sembabutt

Inspire Theatre presents lody pirates Inspire Theater will present The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree weekends from Jan. 29 through Feb. 14 at the Westland Center for the Arts, 33455 Warren Road in

estiand. The play features the crew of the Kala ae in their swashbuckling musical tale of Captain Bree and her lady pirates roaming the Seven Seas in search of

adventure, love and laughter
Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. on Fridays
and Saturdays and 3p.m. on Sundays.
Tickets, priced at \$16 for the musical dy, are available by calling (734)751-or access InspireTheatre.com.

en reading program planned The Romulus Public Lib The Romaius Public Library Teen Winter Reading Program will take place through March 3 for ages 12 through 17. Teens can read and collect prizes.

Those filling up their entire reading card will win a free book and entry into a special drawing.

The Romulus Public Library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus. For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

result tim nearings set

A video scheduled to be used in repro-ductive health classes for fourth-grade girls will be the subject of two public hearings for parents of Northville stu-dents.

Members of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education have scheduled the public meetings to allow par and community members to commen a proposed revision to the instructional DVD used in the fourth-grade reproduc-

two health lesson for female students

A second hearing is planned during
the regular meeting of the members of
the board of education beginning at 7

Meetings take place from 45 p.m. the ast Monday of the month through Feb. Light p

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road. For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

Library tutors sought

The Romulus Community Library is seeking tutors for the adult library program. Volunteers need only to be able to read and write English fluently, enjoy read and write English Huenty, enjoy reading and enjoy helping others. Tutor training will take place Jan. 30 at the library, 11121 Wayne Road. For more information about volunteering, call

Kassi Gilbert, adult services librarian. Rattle of the Books is on

Teams have until tomorrow, Jan. 29 to register for the Battle of the Books at Northville District Library.

The 'battle' is a reading program for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. Teams of two to six students read from a set of seven books and compete to answer questions based on those books during the final competition at 630 nm. March 16 at Northville High School

Registration forms are available at the middle schools media center or Northville District Library. For more information. www.northvillelibrary.org. or call (248) 349-3020.

Dream Creatures on exhibit The Village Theater at Cherry Hill will present "Dream Creatures," a mixed media solo exhibition featuring the works of Took Gallagher through Jan. 31, in the

Displayed works include collages, plaster cloth sculptures, and hand sewn items turn into dreamlike creatures based on the images the artist has seen emerge from the layers of paper, paint, and cloth that were used in her pieces. This multi-media art exhibit at the Gallery@VT is free and open to the pub-

Gallery@VT

lie from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday Priday and during public performance at the theater. The Gallery@VT is closes

