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## Pavilion construction flaws prove costly - , , -

ENTERPRISE Vol. 133, No. 05 Members of the Belle Rotary Club are again host-ing their renowned Italian iner Buffet from 4:30-7:30 a. Fat Tuesday, Feb.13 at Van Buren Eagles hall. p.m. See page 7.

> EAGLE Vol. 71, No. 05

Federal law enforcement authorities have charged Devin Rodriguez with the attempted robbery and taking of hostages at Citizens Bank branch in Canton last Thursday See page 5.

### LEDGER STAR Vol. 71. No. 05

State Rep. Jewell Jones (D-Inkster) attended the State of the State address with his guest, Army National Guard 2nd Lt. George Croom, at the state George Crosses Capitol in Lansing See page 3.



The Northville Art House will present POW! Juried Comic Art Exhibition Seaturing works of comie-inspired, through Feb. 24. See page 7.



The Plymouth library with host Sikh Mystique - an afternoon with members of the local Sikh c planned from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb 11. See page 6.



The Annual Come Unity oul Food Dinner will take place in Romulus this year place in Romunus this year beginning at 5 p.m. Feb. 6 and include a Black History Month program. See page 3.



The Distinguished ni Committee at Wayne orial High School will Δ1 accept nominations for the annual award until Feb. 28 See page 2.



Lee Bradford, a junior at John Glenn High School in Westland, will attend the prestigious Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders in Lowell, MA this summer: See page 2.

# Staff Writer

Reports of unfinished work. concrete failures and shoddy workmanship at McClumpha Park in Plymouth Township have led to unnecessary costs and labor expenses of past year, according to Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt vise.

Last week. Township Park Foreman Steve Rapson again reported that park personnel had discovered part of the con-crete walkway at the main pavilcrete walkway at the main pavil-ion had ruptured, up-heaving walls which blocked doors from opening. Rapson also reported that concrete blocks in the woenen's bathroom had shifted due to the upheaval. According

We need to show the public what a waste of money this was.

to Rapson, cold weather this winter has created a similar problem with he convext at the work included installing wind convex All Seasons Pavilion dows, base moldings, fixing located at the top of sledding word discuss the ball dia-word discuss the ball dia-inct he converting and the problem with the seasons pavilion of the dows, base moldings, fixing incthe converting and the problem with the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows, base moldings, fixing incthe converting and the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the seasons pavilion of the dows of the seasons pavilion of the season mond

Last summer, the Township Board of Trustees approved a \$25,000 expenditure for outside contractor Shaw Construction Company and ASC Communications to make repairs and complete the new

into round in storage and repair-ing the security system. The pavilion project was a hotly-contested issue prompting severe criticism and unfavor-able comments from residents at board meetings prior to approval by former township officials three years ago.

during the construction, he during the construction, num-dreds of residents called for greater accountability and more public input into the use of township funds. At the time, for-mer township officials had pro-posed a \$350,000 amphiltenter posed a \$350,000 amphilheater and residents crowded township hall board meetings demanding the board prioritize public safe ty over the proposed recreation ty over the proposed recreation staffed fire department rather than build the parilion. Construction of the partilent

began in the fall of 2014 after approval of the bid to Acme approval of the bid to Acme, Enterprises of Roseville, the second-lowest bidder, by a 5-2 vote of the former board mem-

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upervisor Robert Nix II, rom Wayne County C hs of

## **Official officials** Conference of Western Wayne swears in new leaders

and local officials were recently elected to new posts with the Conference of Western Wayne, an association

The 2018 Executive Committee will be led by Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff who was selected as chairman of the group. Vice Chairman Robert Nix II is the Northville Township Supervisor and Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley will serve as secretary of the group. Canton Townshin Supervisor Pat Williams was selected at treasurer and Chairman

Emeritus is Dearborn Mayor Jack OReilly: Weyne County Circuit Court Judge Melissa Cox adminis-tered the oaths of office to the new leaders last month during an emeritary month office. an organizational meeting in

an organizational meeting in Plymouth Township, "I am truly grateful to serve the 18 communities in western Wayne County that make up this organization," Burcroff sold. "Our board has met meetthy for over three decades to discuss issues such as state and federal legislation, county matters: trunscrotting, nuble matters transportation public

nomic development. Our region is the most populated in the county and we pride our-selves on working together to promote western Wayne." The members of the confer-ence meet to discuss issues of

mutual concern in their respective communities. It is a bipartisan group and members uparusin group and members work on mutual issues that could improve the quality of life for the nearly 700,000 resi-dents of the area. Members of the Conference of Whether Whene inch

of Western Wayne include the cities of Belleville, Dearborn, safety, substance use preven-tion and community and eco-City, Inkster, Livonia,

Northville, Plymouth, Romahus, Wayne and Westland and the townships of Canton, Huron, Northville, Plymouth, Redford, Sumpter and Van Buren. The conference has been working to help enhance the area con nunities for more than 38 years.

"All of our 700,000 reside and 340 square miles are impacted by the decisions and laws that are made at the fed-eral, state and county levels," Burcroff said. "It is vital that we continue to collaborate in order to create the best solucrible to the chall we face

## Court appeal filed in Wayne recall attempt . . .

An attorney representing Robert Boertje has filed an appeal in Wayne County Circuit Court seeking to reinstate recall petitions against Wayne City Councilman Christopher Sanders.

The petitions seeking the recall of Sanders were declared invalid and deficient under state law by the Wayne County Clerk Cathy M. Garrett on Jan. 10. Boertje, who submitted the peti-tions to Garrett's office, was notitions to Garrett's office, was noti-fied of the deficiencies and fail-ure of the petitions to comply with the mandatory language of MCL 168 544 c (1) Jan. 5 when Sanders' attorney John Pirich filed an official challenge with Garnett's office

I trust the judicial system I will certainly respect whatever the final court decision may be.

Boertje responded to that ini-tial challenge but did not address the actual deficiencies cited by Pirich. Garrett then responded hat she was "without authority to issue a Call for Election due to did not have the authority to revisit the determination citing a state regulation which limited

state regulation which limited her authority to 33 days following the actual filing of the potitions. In the latest appeal of the deci-sion filed by Ruark, no reason for the failure of the petitions to include the correct language is cited Boertje, represented by attor-ney Scott R. Ruark, appealed that decision on Jan. 18, requesting The petitions used by those

who collected signatures in sup-port of a ballot question to recall

Sanders did not contain th Sanders did not contain the required language indicating whother the "circulator is not a Michigan resident" and that the "circulator accepts Michigan jurisdiction for purposes of litiga-tion."

In his initial seven-page filin of the discrepancy with the elec-tions commission on Sanders' behalf, Pirich argued that the language was mandatory at substantial compliance v an option.

Boertje originally submitted only a handwritten response to the challenge which did not address Pirich's arguments or the claimed deficient language

See Recall, page 2

the petition not complying with MCL 168.544c (1)"

of 18 chief officials from local municipalities. The 2018 Executive Executive

# WAYNE - WESTLAND

# Honored Local student to attend prestigious science conference this summer

ad being called a nerd.

The designation is new for radford, a junior at John Glenr High School in Westland and came along with the news that he has been nominated for the Congress of Puture Science and Technology Leaders in Lowell, MA this summer The congress is an honors

only program for high school students who are passionate about science, technology, engi-neering or mathematics (STEM). The purpose of the event is to r inspire motivate and direct the top students in the country who aspire to be scien-tists and technologists, to stay true to their dream and, after the event, to provide a path, plan and resources to help them reach their goal, according to a statement from the organization

Bradford an honor roll stu dent, is hoping that is the o and that his attendance at the end of June will help him with his college enrollment choice He isn't quite sure which one that will be vet as he is getting

I felt proud and honored just at the possibility of being able to attend.

day" "Tm also interested in art, so I'm looking for something that is a good mix," he said. Bradford said that while his

teachers all congratulated him, as did many of his classmates, he is now good-naturedly called Bradford's main scientific

interest is in computers and computer technology. He said he has always had technology around him and has been fasci nated with how technology works and the impact it has on everyone's daily life.

Bradford 16 was nominated to represent Michigan at the congress by Dr John C. Mather, winner of the Nobel Prize in Physics and Science Director of the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists. was based or

Bradford's academic achieve rship pob passion for science and technol ogy. "I felt proud and he

just at the possibility of being able to attend. I was star struck, I had no words," Bradford said. Then to find out I could really go. It was such an honor," he

During the three-day con-gress, Bradford will join students from across the country and hear Nobel Laurentes and National Medal of Science recipients talk about leading scientific research: he given advice om deans of the top technica universities in the vorid; learn about fellow teen science prodi-gies and hear talks about cutting edge advances and the future of science and technolo-

alumnus who has made his or her mark on society." Weber

The most difficult task is to

astian and step-son of Bran Bastian who are equally, if not more, proud of his acceptance into the prestigious workshop. Lisa Bastian said her son has always been interested in all kinds of science biology and antics of science, biology and math. "He can just look at these things and it just 'clicks' for him' she said. She added that Lee has two

unger brothers, Michael 14. younger brotners, Michael, 14, and Jackson, 10, who are also honor roll students. His youngest sibling, Maia, 2, hasn't joined the ranks of academics

Before entering the Wayne Westland school system about 6 years ago, Bastian said the boys attended school in the Plymouth Canton district. "Words cannot begin to

express how proud we are of him," Bastian said." his is a crucial time in

America when we need more nimble-minded and creative scientists and technologists who are even better prepared for a ging exponen

ity wishes to nominate a

Wayne Memorial graduate, con-tact Weber's office at (734) 419-

2206 or submit a letter to Wayne

lemorial High School, 3001 ourth St., Wayne, Michigan



National Academy of Futur mined students like Lee Bradford are our future and h deserves all the mentoring and

### Distinguished Alumni award nominations are sought our current graduating class, to hear first hand from a former mbers at Wayne Mem

Each year, Wayne Memorial High School awards a а Distinguished Alumni medal to a former graduate of the school. istinguished Alumni med former graduate of the sel "There have been many

standing people graduate from Wayne Memorial." said Kevin Weber, school principal. "Many Weber, senoot principal. anany have contributed significantly to the betterment of society on a

local, state, national or interna-tional level. The Distinguished Alumni Award is our way of honoring an outstanding gradu-ate on an annual basis."

The prestigious award has become a part of the annual commence agne Memorial High School. "This is an opportunity for

> unt thest off At issue is the state requirement that all recall petitions contain the omitted lan-guage, which, according to filings from Pirich, has been previously tested and

Pirich, has been previously testen and upheld by courts. Sanders said that he did not want to comment further on the situation but that he had "copreted" a court challenge. "I can only rely on the decision of the

courts. The process will now move forward. "I trust the judicial system. I will certain-by respect whatever the final court decision

maybe," Sanders said. Boertje did not return calls s



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A Distinguished Alumni are asking the community to dp in the search. If any member of the con

recipient. The win ner will be announced in mid-May and the recipient will be honored at Nominations are due by Feb

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Reertie's response detailed only that the language stating the reason for the recall was approved by the elections commission was approved by the elections commission and that 2300 signatures had been deter-mined valid by Wayne City Clerk Matt Miller Neither of those issues had been challenged in Prichis filling. His response resulted in the notification from Garrett's office stating that she was "without authority to issue a Call for

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locate the many alumni who ment ceremony of have distinguished themselves since their graduation, he added. For that reason, staff with MCL 168 544c (1)." e is th

PLOT 3

# Inkster - Plymouth

# **'Come Unity'** Annual soul food dinner is Tuesday

Dinner will take place in Romulus this year beginning at 5 p.m. Feb. 6. Included in the plans for the dinner

this year is a special Black History pro-gram beginning at 6 p.m. in the Romulus High School cafeteria. The annual event is sponsored by the City of Romalus and Sponsored by the City of Romanis and Romalus Community Schools along with the Romalus Ministerial Alliance. This is the 15th year for the free dinner

ans an to ich) year for the froe dimer which was started by a small group of video donations are accepted to benefit the unteers at Cory Elementary School in Romulus Middle Schools Student Romulus bidginersea garware involve. Activities Paul ment and to build containity spirit ment and to build containity spirit Romulus parts, add, childmanulty spirit this analo access on the city colordar and istration. During the years the event has expanded to include the entire city and has evolved into what Romulus has tagged as "Come Unity." The dinner outgrew the elementary school and was moved to Romulus Middle School and now, due to the growth of the dimner, takes place at contact the Rev. Tina Talley at (313) 408 Romaius High School, 9650 South Wayne 837.

The menu at the dinner usually includes rib tips, chicken, turkey, ham along with green beans, greens, cabbage, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, black-eyed peas, fried corn and dressing. Also on the cafeteria-style menu will be corn bread dinner rolls nie nound cake and banana pudding. The menu and selection could change due to availability. While the dinner and program are free,

declared it a City of Romulus and commu-nity event. Elected officials attend the dinner and serve the southern style-soul food dishes cooked and prepared by local churches and volunteers.

For further questions or to vol

# **Miz Rosie to speak** during Black History month

the Romulus Library for a special pro-gram during Black History Month Rosie Chapman, aka Miz Rosie,

always knew she wanted to be a teacher/actress prompting her English major and theatre minor in college. For the past 20 years, she has performed for audiences in Scotland, Australia, Germany, Canada and all over the United States. She presents one-woman shows of Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Rosa Parks, Coretta Scott King, Madame C. J. Walker, Marian Anderson, Maya Angelou and Mary McLeod Bethune. Through audience participation, Chapman combines education with an

entertaining performance

Chapman earned her bachelor's degree in English from Bluffton University, a masters degree in social work from the University of Michigan m Wayne State Unit

She has been included in the Touring Arts Directory for the Michigar Humanities Council for the Arts for 16 ars Miz Rosie will pres w

ent Goin' Up North the story of African Americans moving North through songs and poetry begin ning at 6 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Romulus Public Library.

The presentation is funded in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Michigan Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council along with the Friends of the Romulus Library.

The performance is free and open to the public. For more information contact th

library at (734) 942-7589. The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in

## **Officials move meeting location** Citizens who have questions or concern in the meantime are encouraged to cor

Anderson will be hosting a Coffee Hour event in Inkster with State Sen. David Knezek from noon until 1 p.m. Monday,

The location of the meeting has anzed from the Leanna Hick Public Library The meeting will take place at the Western Wayne Family Health Center, located at 2700 Hamlin Boulevard in Inlestor

ster Residents are encouraged to attend I discuss issues of importance to them.

Phone: (313) 224-8855 Email: District12@way Senator David Knezek

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## Library offers computer help

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City of Romulus Outreach Meeding New 94th District Court Building Construction Project The City of Romahas will hold a commanily extractal meeting for local business, cont trades persons to meet with Goarge W. Auch Company on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at City Hall, Coarsel: Clamiterio located at 11111 Wayne Rend, Romaha, M.

nding the n or your business is interested in attending the meeting, please send an e-mail to: d cheoretraction.com to register. Registration is not required, but as a courtesy to us it ful to know how many people will be attending the meetings so that we will have e is of materials on hand for distribution.

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### MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 8, 2018 Its City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romalus, as called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tom John Barden.

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# Bank robbery suspect facing federal charges

robbery and taking of hostages at a Citizens Bank branch in Canton last Thursday Rodriguez was identified in a

mplaint filed last Friday in U.S. District Court as the suspect in the incident during which resulted in a four-hour stand-off with Canton Township Police, FBI agents, and the western

Protect law conformation in the class of the about 3.45 pm. Jan. 25. The man bank employees and a customer threatened employees with what for nearly four hours. He surre-was described as a semi-auto-dered to authorities after that music pixel and ordered a teller time and valked out of the bank to go into the vault for each. unarrand, according to police Reportedly, the teller activuted a panie alarm as she entered the -745 pm.

matching the description of a man who robbed a branch of Huntington Bank in Canton earlier this month A \$20,000 reward was offered by the bank for infor-mation leading to the arrest and robbed that bank, located on Michigan Avenue, just east of Beck Road just after 4 p.m. Jan

Authorities have not ide fied Rodriguez as a suspect in the earlier robbery In that inci dent the robber also wore hand-ages on his face and clothing similar to that worn by Rodriguez last week duri

## Lack of lighting troubles local business owner .,, We're very visible in business districts

But we can't be everywhere all the time.

### Special Writer

Canton Public Safety Director Josh Meier acknowledges streets are dark in the southern part of Canton Township.

There are no street lights on Michigan Avenue, Meier said, and the far east and far west township sections of the roadway pose challenges for traffic safety and crime presention

take a lights on annmach: we ask "We take a lights-on approach, we ask our officers to be visible," said Meier, addressing a concern of a township busi-ness owner who spoke at the Jan. 23 township Board of Trustees meeting. "We do have challenges along the south end of variatemethics." ship."

Mel Morris, owner of Mel's Auto Clinic/Mel's Auto World, told township ner of Mel's Auto trustees and staff he's worried about light. ing safety. His lights are "strictly designed for security purposes. It's not a flashing light" and doesn't change color, said

orris, in business since 1965. "Let's save a life from somebody get-ig hurt or injured," concluded Morris in his remarks, noting he's concerned about customer and employee safety.

Township Clerk Michael Siegrist rec-

ommended the written report Morris prepared be entered into township docu ments for public perusal, which is being done. After the meeting, Meier said there's extensive uniformed patrolling of Michigan Avenue, which becomes more hazardous in inclement weather.

"We're very visible in business dis-tricts," Meier said. "But we can't be every-where all the time." He encourages residents and business people to immediate ly report any suspic ous activity to police

Often, Meier said, residents hesitat Il police and only realize later th has been a problem. He encourages call-

ing immediately: "Michigan Avenue is a state road. It makes it challenging." in terms of adding street lights, Meier said. "We have to work

with the state and the county Canton Township was able to work

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

recently with DTE Energy to enhance lighting at Michigan Avenue and Beck Road That intersection has no traffic light and only stop signs, which makes lighting crucial, Meier said. "We had a good conversation tonight," Meier added of his discussion with busi-

ness owner Morris. In other action, the Board of Trustees

in other action, the Board of Trustees unanimously awarded Rauhorn Electric Inc. of Macomb a contract not to exceed \$100,000 to address light pole concerns at

The 12 fields have some light nol

that are n up than 20 years old with con cerns including equipment failure. Five poles were found to be in very poor con-dition by township staff. The replacement work will be done by early April to modate the start of the 2018 sea

"We knew we had an issue out there. We have a safety issue on the ball fields with these poles," said township Supervisor Pat Williams. "The scope is bigger than we expected. I think the team's done a good job patching the money together." Township trustees also approved with

out discussion ordinances on smoking lounges, used car dealers, and apartmen rental inspections.

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# **PLYMOUTH**

## Pavilion

FROM PAGE 1

Former Township Clerk Nancy Conzelman and former Treasurer Ron Edwards conducted a purchasing inquiry for the new pavilion in 2014 and selected architect-design firm D.S. Wright and Associates of Phynouth. The pavilion vus to be an integral part of a \$1.5 million recreation plan approved by the township board. Two options were created by Conzelman and Edwards for contractors. One was for a base project bid and the other requested an unusual alternate bid to allow the town-ship to purchase certain materi-als directly for installation by the construction manager subcon

By the ti e construction start ed, the structure had grown from a basic picnic pavilion to a sprawling facility. Costs increased by 750 percent from the time the project was originalby annowed by members of the shin Re and of Trustees to e of the final design



nges for a total of \$900,000 ch

Edwards acted as construc-tion manager for the project. A prior practice within the town-ship allowed the use of munici-pal credit cards held by various department heads with unoues tioned numbers up to \$20,000 a policy that facilitated customiza-tion and immediate-on-site changes during the pavilion construction.

Edwards announced he want ed the structure complete before the 2014 July 4 township, picnic an annual event he created complete with fireworks and a priate party for politic

and those whose companies had

'donated' to the fireworks. Neighboring residents and project observers, some with vast construction experience, expressed concern regarding the quality of material and workanshin they observed during

construction at the pavilion. "The (all-seasons) pavilion was unfinished when we (the new administration) took over new administration) took over. The taxpayers have incurred tens of thousands of dollars to fix the many problems that existed in the building," Heise said. "We need to show the public what a

# Library to host **Meet Your Sikh Neighbors** program

Residents can meet their Sikh neighbors at the Plymouth library during Sikh Mystique -an afternoon with members of the local Sikh community planned from 24 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11.

Feh 11. Paul Talwar, a leader with Sikh Outreach and Plymouth Canton Interfaith Community Outreach, has joined members of the local committee, Know Our Neighbors to create this afternoon of introduction for

the community. A number of information tables - with members of the Sikh community - will allow attendees to ask questions and learn more. The afternoon will also include a presentation on Sikhism, the fifth-largest reli-gion world-wide. Sikh and unjabi music, dance, art and food will also provide furthe as.

Know Our Neighbors is a Know Our Neighbors is a grass-roots organization of Plymouth area individuals who seek to help area residents become more familiar with the different customs and qualities of diverse cultures that reside within local communities, a library spokesman said. Created by the Plymouth City Commission, the group bedred a citillar interheatene

hosted a similar introductory event last year with the Muslim community

Sikh Mystique is a free event and open to the public. The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 S. Main St. in downtown Phymouth For more information call

(734) 453-0750

# Winners of art council competition are chosen

Community Arts Council mem-bers exhibit, Inspired, were recently selected

The exhibit takes place in December each year to show-case the work of member artists and this year included topics spanning childhood memories and the beauty of nature, to the loss of a baby, the Great Eclipse and an African safari.

The People's Choice Award went to Lance Rosol, "Totality: The Great Eclipse of 2017"; People's Choice Honorable

Denise Cassidy Wood, "Red Lily #552"; Director's Choice Award went to Lisa Mistiuk, "All That Remains"; the Best In Show First Place award went to Nancy Bahr, "The Beauty of The Birches"; and Best In Show Honorable Mentions went to Nick Bair, "Hippopotamus and Her Reflection" and Janith Rolston, Award went to Lisa Mistink "Zebra."

Plymouth Community Arts Council membership is open to anyone in the community. The

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is one of the only places that artists can submit and exhibit

their work year round

group has been providing quali- businesses and retail establishy arts experiences for the citi-rents in Ppmouth that display zers of groater Western Wayne County since 1960. Although there are many art of the only places that artists can submit and exhibit the work year round, a council spokesperson explained. The Annual Open Juried

The Annual Open Juried Exhibit in April is open to both member and non-member artists in the southeast Michigan area. Eleven solo, group, scholarship and student exhibits round out the schedule och yoor Ker mene informa. each year. For more informa-tion about future exhibit opportunities or membership www.plymoutharts.com email director Lisa Howa lisa@nlymoutharts.com



# **Belleville – Northville**

Art House exhibits comic book works





le Art House will present POW no 28 works of Juried Comic Art Exhibition feature comic, or comic-inspired, art created by 22 artists and selected by juror, Jim Anderson from Feb. 2 through Feb. 24.

Comic art can be defined as an image or series of images, often displayed together and combined with text, to tell a story. Comic art also functions as an avenue for visual experimentation and modes of self-expression for many artists, a spokesman said

artists participating in the exhibition include Elisa Altrecht, Kathleen Brenowitz, Joanne Cook, Terence Cover, Adrienne Dunkerley, Kayleigh Fogle, Shayauna Glover, Adam Helner, Jossica Statu Kanner, Jonatha Machine Tanaira Fogle, Shayauna Glover, Adam Helmer, Jessica, Justice, Poggy Kerwan, Jennifer Kesler, Travis Matchulat, Brandon McDonald, Mike Ortiz, Megan Roethler, Jan Ross, Shannon Schmidt, Billy Tackett, Aaron Underwood, Babelon Williams, Todd Zapoli, and Emily Zelasko.

Anderson has been a find of comics since he was small, and has been making them for almost as long. He is currently the creator of the comic strip Ellie On Planet X, as well as an illustrator and graphic design r More infor mation about Jin ie on Planet X is a onnianety com



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# Kindergarten enrollment is now under way

ow accepting kindergarten Parents with children who

will be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, can scheduled an appointment to enroll the student on the 2018-19 Enrollment page on the district website. Staff members from the Office

of Student Data will be present at et schools during February March to review all necessary documentation and process

Staff will be at Win Elementary School Feb. 6, 7, and 8; at Thornton Creek Elementary 8; at Thornton Creek Elementary School Feb. 13, 14 and 15; at Silver Springs Elementary School Feb. 20, 21 and 22; at Ridge Wood Elementary School Feb. 27, 28 and March 1; at Moraine Elementary on March 6, 7, and 8 and at Amerman Elementary School on March 13, 14 and 15. Parents should follow steps

to complete the enrollment form and gather information regard-ing which documents will be needed to bring to the scheduled pointmens. Those unsure about the

school their child will be attending can consult the Attendance Boundary Map on the district website A parent meeting for incom-ing 2018-19 kindergarteners will take place at each school in the

schools are fully-engaged in The Leader in Me framework, which emphasizes a culture of student empowerment that helps unleash each child's full poten-tial. For more information about specific schools, visit the district website website www.NorthvilleSchools.org and

click on the link to the school. The Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Education and

d Day Programs of Kids' Club at each elementar school. This tuition-based pro-gram allows parents the option to have their child participate in a before- and/or after-school child-care program. Kids' Club is offered as an option on school days from as early as 7 a.m. to the start of school and from school dismissal until 6 p.m. Early Childhood also offers Half-Day Pre-K PLUS, School-Day and Full-Day programs

# **Rotary Club serves dinner**

Tablas are again hosting their renowned Journer can be purchased from any Italian Dianer Buffet from 430-730 p.m. Rotarian, or at the door Carry-outs will on Fat Tuesdag, Feb.13, at the Van Buren be available. Proceeds from the dinner and raffles Earles 9951 Berk Road

Members of the Belleville Rotary adults and \$6 for children 12 and

Eagles, 3961 Beck Road. Rotarians are cooking up a host of support local RotaryChine projects which Mediterranean delights for hungry din-benefit the Belleville, Sumpter, Van ers. The pre-Larden meal fashers soup. Buren Phile salads, a pasta bar with several saaces Schools, the Salvation Army and other including meat and vegetarian. Soda and local charities. The club also annually paczki will also be available - sold sepa-rately. Tickets are priced at \$12 for Belleville High School.



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### Toddler Story Time avails

The Romulus Public Lib ere will b Toddler Story time for those 0-4 years of age for playtime, stories and crafts from 10:30

20 a.m. Wednesdays through March 23. Older children can attend but must be companied by an adult.

Toddler Story Time is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Romulus Public

The library is loc ated at 11121 Wa ad in Romulus. For more information and (720) 042 7500

### day music for senic

Seniors can enjoy live music from vari-is bands from 2-5 n.m. every Sunday at the Van Buren Senior Citizens Center There is no cost for the entertain and it is open to all senior citizens.

The Van Burren Senior Citizens Center is located at 46425 Tyler Road in Van Bur Township. For more information, pho Jimmy Baleja, (734) 223-4824.

### A40-

ArtCrush, a fundraising event to benefi the Northville Art House is planned from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at Cantoro Italian Market

Proceeds will be used to st proceeds will be used to support the mission of the Northville Art House to bring art to the community through free monthly exhibits, an artist store, adult and children's art classes and workshops and utreach programs in the schools. The evening will include appe

an open bar along with a creative project lead by Maria Latour on art instructor at

which by sharra Labour, in art inserveror in the art house. There will be live music by jazz and blues planist Jarrod Champion. Tickots, priced at \$60 per person, will be on sale until Feb. 4 at the Northville Art se store

Sponsors of the quant are The Sponsors of the event Knickerbocker Group of Raym and Bandoni Creative, LLC. and James

The Northville Township Firefighters Charity Fund will host the 15th Annual Fireman's Ball from 6 p.m. until midnight Saturday, Feb. 17 at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia.

Tickets are priced at \$100 per pe and include dinner, drinks, and dancing to live music from the Killer Flamingos.

There will also be a raffle, silent and live

auctions during the evening. To purchase tickets, become a sponsor or to donate, contact (734) 219-3961 or visit www.NTFFcharityPund.com

nily Story Time begins The Romulus Public Library will host Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays through Feb. 15

through Fen. 1a Story Time will include aspects of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) depending on the weekly

The library is located at 11121 Way Road in Romulus. For more information call (734) 942-7589.

Story Time is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Romulus Library

Spend an evening with Groucho' The Village Theater will present "Frank Ferrante in An Afternoon with Groucho" at

wright Frank Ferrante recreates his PBS New York and London acclaimed portrayal of legendary comedian Groucho Marx in this fast-paced 90-minute show. The two-act omedy consists of the best Groucho one liners, anecdotes and songs,

Tickets, priced at \$35 for adults and \$27 for youths and seniors, can be purchased and printed at home or held in will call ne online at www.cantonvillagethe aterory at no extra charge

ater Box Office is open from 10 a.r until 2 p.m. weekdays. Tickets can also be ordered by phone at (734) 394-5300 x3, with a Visa or MasterCard between the hours of a row or nation card between the four 10 a.m.<sup>2</sup> p.m. weekdays. If tickets are av able, they can also be purchased one hs prior to program time.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is cated at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.

### alogist to speak in Bel

Genealogist to speak in Benevine Renowned genealogist Tony Burroughs will speak at the Ted Scott Campus of the Will speak at the Ted Scott Campus of the Wayne County Community College District from 12:30 until 2:30 p.m. Feb. 4.

Burroughs is the founder and CEO of the Center for Black Genealogy and is an inter-

Hardward and a second s Olympic Gold Medal sprint champion Michael Johnson's family history. He has consulted on the Rev. A Sharpton-Strom Thurmond genealogy; the Openh Winfrey genealogy: African American Lives 2 and The Real Family of Jesus. Burroughs also ulted with the Chicago Public Schools York Public Schools Chicago City iges and Ance trycom

The Ted Scott Campus is located at 9555 aggerty Road in Belleville. The event is He ut of the college Global Co

Speaker Series. For more information, contact (313)496 9834 or visit www.weed.or

### mulus Garden Club meets

Members of the Romulus Ga have planned chat meetings for 6:30 p.m. Feb 5 and again Feb. 19 at the Ros Public Library

The meeti members to talk with others about gard inz

The Romulus Public Library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

Wayne Memorial High School will wayne atemorial right School will be hosting an 8th grade parent night at 630 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer Auditorium 3001 Fourth St. Worne.

iditorium, 3001 Fourth St., wayne. This evening is for current eighth-grade udents and their families or families interested in more information about Wavne Memorial High School for the 2018 2019 school year. Students do not have to be currently attending a Wayne-Westland Community School to participate in this event.

Tonies covered will include: scheduling ropics covered win include scheduling, praduation requirements, testing out equirements, direct college courses, AP courses, extra-curricular activities, and much more. All are welcome to attend, and

much more. All are welcome to attend, and questions are encouraged. Parking is available in the Glernwood Street parking lot, and guests should enter through the front of the auditorium. For questions, please contact the Wayne seling dep nt at (734 419.2215

### untry Garden Club to me

Members of the Country Garden Club o Northville will meet at 11 a.m. Feb. 7 a Ward Presbyterian Church (enter via door

Meeting speaker will be Tracy Campbell of English Gardens who will dis

There is no charge to attend th

d guests are welcome. For more information, call Shervi Signorelli, (248) 202-1518)

Wayne Senior Services will offer a six-week workshop, Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) which will take place from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays begin ning Feb 7



Senior programs offered

nce at 1 p.m. We esday, Feb. 7.

The program will b presented by Ider Law and Advocacy Center of eighborhood Legal Services Michigan and will focus on guardianship, cor vatorship, wills, trusts, power of attor-ney, nursing homes, assisted living, sen-ior housing and Medicare/Medicaid. Pre-registration is appreciated, but

Provegotation is appreciated, but walk-ins will be welcome. Participants must be 60 years or older and a Wayne County resident. Those attending must be signed in by 12:45 p.m. and stay for the entire presentation to get further matters. For the attending to the second assistance from the attorney

Senior Services will also offer a six-week workshop, Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) which

### day March 21

The free workshop is designed to de skills and tools to help people l with Type 2 diabetes and their support sys tem live a healthier life. It is an interactiva workshop presented by certified leaders Participants will learn how to manage everyday activities by making an action plan, avoid complications, balance blood

sugar, and much more. To register for the workshop, call (313, 586-5488 or visit beaumont.org/classesesonts

Both the legal and dist will take place at the HYPE Re Center, 4535 Howe Road in Wayne.

### Used book s

Friends of the Westland Library will host a winter warm up book sale from 36 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8 for members only. The sale will be open to the public from

10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday

Specials at the sale include biographies iced at three for \$1 and hardcover adult oks will be buy one, g

The library is located at 6123 Central City Pieway in Westland. For more information coll (734) 395-6123

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The Michigan Philharmonic will pre-

6-8:30 p.n idnesdays beginning Feb. 7. There will be a bonus see

There will be a bonus session Wednesday March 21. The free workshop is designed to provide skills and tools to help people living with Type 2 diabetos and their support system live a healthier life. It is an interactive workshop presented by certified leaders. Participants will learn how to manage everyday activi ties by making an action plan, avoid complications, balance blood sugar, and much more. To register for the work-shop, call (313) 595-5488 or visit beau-

ont.orgelasses events. Both the legal and diabetes work shop will take place at the HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road in

ning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9. The per formance will include vocalist Lonnis formance will incruue . Reed, guest artist for the Michigan Philharmonic "Rock, Pop & Soul" concert "An Evening of Artistic Expression" will ake place at artist Tony Roko's Warel

Reed will be performing an selection, from classical works, to pop ongs, accompanied on piano by Ma Draughn, principal harpist with Michigan Philharmonic

Roko was named Detroit's Best Fine Artist for three consecutive years ( 2017), and his art serves as the fas ars (2015 Atwa water Brewery. Tickets for the event are \$40, and light

Trickets for the event are \$40, and light appetizers, wine, as well as Atwater Browery craft beer are included. The event benefits Music and Arts Education Programs of the Michigan Philharmonic and Art Foundation.

For tickets and information call (734) 451-2112 or visit www.m

### ily Movie Night planned

The Romulus Public Library will host Family Movie Night at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7. The movie My Little Pony will be shown and light snacks will be provided.

The movie night is sponsored in part by the Priends of the Romalus Public Library The library is located at 11121 Wayn Road in Romalus. For more information call (734) 942-7589.



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