From the

publisher Last week, The Eagle erroneously reported a story regarding a 13-year-old high school freshman

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who brought a gun to

at Belleville High School, not at Romulus High

not at Romulus High School as was incorrectly reported in the story. The incident was first reported on WDIV-TV and quoted Belleville High School principal Abdul Madyn regarding the incident dur-ing which the student was confronted about the wearon after administration

confronted about the weapon after administra-tors at the school wore nod-fied late in the day about a potential gun in the school. Two administrators went to the student's classroom and removed the child, accord-ing to Superintendent of Van Buren Public Schools Michael I, Win Bissed.

Michael L Van Tassel. An unloaded handgun was recovered from the

teen's backpack and bullets were found in another sec-tion of the backpack, Van

ssel confirmed. Van Tassel recently post Van Tassel recently post-ed an account of the inci-dent on the Van Buren Public Schools website and explained that the student was removed from the

school by the police and that the gun was given to the responding officers. He added that 'an explusion

packet was filed, a hearing was held and the student was expelled from the dishearing

administrators at Belleville High School followed cor-rect protocols and dealt

with a dangerous situation well.

the situation correctly, he

the situation correctly, he felt that the communication with parents in the incident was not appropriate and apologized for the "poor job." He said that new pro-cedures were being devised to keen parents

cedures were being devised to keep parents and staff members notified

and staff members notified either through an email blast, a letter sent home with students or the district website should such an incident occur in the

No gun incident took place at Romulus High School and The Eagle sin-

cerely apologizes for the error and any confusion the mistake in identifying the

ol may have caused. Susan Willett, Publisher

future

. Unfortunately, this was Unfortunately, this was not the first time a gun was found on a student, nor will it probably be the last. Pellet and BB guns have also been finding their way into our elementary

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state has invalidated test scores

The district notified the state of the high test scores last

October and, under state orders, undertook an investigation of the conduct of teachers during the testing Van Buren Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent of Schools Michael Van Tassel said in a let-

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State alleges cheating on school tests -,,

Savage Road Elementary School in the Van Buren Public School District have been thrown out by state officials who have dete during the exams

Student at Savare scored sixth in the state on the math portion of the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) test administered last spring. In addition, students at Savage scored higher than a number of schools that educate only gifted and talented students. Officials that the o avall nerformance n the M-STEP was far bett than the school overall has per-formed on state exams in the

State of at teachers at the school alerted students who may have incor-rectly answered a question and

this is only the third time. in 12 years the state has invalidated test scor

in other cases helped the stuter to the community posted on the district website fi The findings were part of a state-ordered investigation at Savage and the results were firm of Collins and Blaha con-ducted the investigation, inter-viewing the test coordinators, students and teachers. That According to Jan Ellis, a spokesperson for the Michigan Department of Education, this is only the third time in 12 years the investigation concluded that at least two teachers admitted to "some level of assistance" while others denied coaching the stu-

> "The conclusion of the investi-"The conclusion of the investi-gation was there were testing improprieties," Van Tassel said in his letter.

Various news modia have reported that five teachers have been placed on paid administra-tive leave as a result of the testThe investigati

ed that students told interview ers that their teacher did the math problem when the student did not know how; the teacher read the question to the student and gave the definition: that before submitting the test on the computer, a teacher went back and helped a student with ques-tions he did not know and that the teacher checked answers or the test and told the student if they were right or wrong, before submitting the examination for section

has been an unfortunate incident which has serious rami-fications for not only the stu-dents, but the district as well with regard to state required testing that is tied to millions of dollars in state and federal at-risk Van Tassel said in his funds. posted letter

Top teen Wayne student wins state scholarship

a Hardyniec from V Rima Hardymee from Wayte has been named as the Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan 2016. Hardynice, who attends Wayne High School, received \$1,250 in cash scholarships along with her tills. Hardynice was chosen for the honor herdynice was chosen for the honor

aring the 58th Annual Distinguished during the 88th Annual Distinguished Yung Women of Michigan Scholarship Program at Saline High School Jan 23. New this year, two vinners were announced. The Distinguished Young Woman of Michigan 2017 is Alexus Warchock from Napoleon. Alexus received \$1,550 and was named as a top Soft Expression. Physical Planess, Takent,

Soff Expression, Physical Pitness, Talent, Scholastics and Interview winner. She attends Napoleon High School. Hardynies and Warchock will repre-sent Michigan at the Distinguished Young Wennan of America Scholarship Program in Mohile. AIA. They are also eligible for sevenal full-ride scholarships at various colleges around the country through the nal program



was named Distinguished Young Woman as chosen from a field of 20 contestants

ite competed and were awarded a total

County and Second Runner-Up Ada

incumbent Steven Sneideman, have said they will be on the November ballot

ond four-year term on the board of trustees. He was the only Democratic candidate on the ballot in 2012 and was the top voter getter in that election. He is president of the Canton Democratic Club and formerly

bring a human ance to the town n rights ora-mship. She is also a founding member of the Beloved Community group that supports diversity efforts in the community. She also helped organize the Not In Our Town

also seek el rd as a trustee the Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion and has worked 21 years in th engineering sector Dhaval Vaishnav, prers in the au

Dhaval Vaishnav, president of the board of directors of the Hindu Temple of Canton, has also said he will campaign for a term as a township trustee. Prior to opening his own comnany Vaishnay Enterprises which specializes in retail and

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Annual Soup Swap benefit begins in Plymouth

Swap returns to Plymouth to benefit the Salvation Army. This year, the Central PARC Art Studio is hosting the community art project. Soups prepared by local groups will be served up for the "swap" on Feb. 27.

for the "swap" on Feb. 27. The art portion of the festivi-ties will begin today when all aspiring or experienced artists are invited to go to the Central

room #116 at the Plymouth PARC, 650 Church St, to deco-rate a handmade soup bowl. Participants will use colored Participants will use colored clays to paint their favorite design on a bowl they've chosen from a large selection of shapes and sizes. There are many ses-sions available beginning from 4:30-6 p.m. or 6-7:30 today, Feb. sion is \$15 per person. To get 4. Painting sessions continue families involved the cost is \$15

from 7-8:30 tomorrow. Feb 5 and from 2-3:30 or 3:30-5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 6 and Sunday, Feb. 7. Sessions are available from 7-830 p.m. Friday Feb. 12, and from 2-3:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15 and Wednesday, Feb. 17

each for the first two of the family and \$10 for each additional family member. If one person would like to decorate more than one bowl, the cost is \$10 for each addition bowl.

On Soup Swap day, several groups will be serving fresh soups when participants come

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This was an incredibly smart and tal-of \$7,000 in college scholarships. Other Democrats announce candidate slate in Canton

Feb. 15 and Wednesday, Feb. 17 The bowls will then be glazed and fired for the Soup Swap. The cost of the painting ses-

served as president and treaser er of the Plymouth-Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition. board trustee is Sommer Foster a founding member of the Foster currently serves as the Northwest Wayne County vice-chalaperson of the Canton League of Women Voters and public Library and is the director of policy and outreach for the tor of policy and outreach for the Plymouth-Canton Interfaith

schools, including as recently as a few weeks ago," Van Tassel's letter statthe principal involved in the incident as the princi-pal at Romulus High will have no lack of choices dur-ing the upcoming township School in error Van Tassel went on to election Nov 8. While incumbent Supervisor say in his letter that while he felt the administrators in the building had handled

Phil LaJoy and Clerk Terry Phil LaJoy and Clerk Terry Bennett have announced their decisions not to seek reelection to the posts, hopefuls have already declared their respec-tive candidacies for various elected offices in the township. To date seven candidates all declared Democrats including



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Library sets Meet Your **Muslim Neighbor event** - ,,

Area residents can sample internation-al delicacies, got a herma-design, write in Arabie-style calligraphy, and have the opportunity to speak face-to face with one of the area's mory Muslim residents at an event at the Canton Fabile Library from 9 am until 1 pm. Feb. 27. The event is being organized by the

library, the Muslim American Society-Detroit, the Muslim Community of Western Suburbs and the Canton Response to Hate Crime Coalition to cre-ate a culture of peace and build a safe.

"Amid growing tensions and cultural misunderstandings, the key to overcoming stereotones is face to face interaction Wa want everyone to see a friendly Muslim want everyone to see a menuty ausann face amid all of the hate rhetoric that's going on nationally." Saamih Bashir of the Muslim American Society, Detroit chapter

Among other topics, speakers will address misconceptions about the role of women in Islam and the wearing of the Hijab, basic tenets of Islam and how s view other religions

"The library is a great venue for this ent. Not only are we fulfilling our misat our Muslim neighbors," said libra Director Eva Davis, who serves with

Not only are we fulfilling our mission of connecting our community,

we are providing a neutral common ground for all

of our residents to meet and learn about our

Muslim neighbors.

nton Public Safety Sgt. Dale Waltz as co-chair of the Canton Response to Hate Orimes Condition

Those of us who serve on the Hate Crimes Coalition have learned that it is personal interactions, such as what we've planned with MAS-Detroit and MCWS for this event, that are the most effective at breaking down preconceived biases and Sers.

"We really believe that the solution is we reary beneve may be solution as not to isolate ourselves but to reach out and for people to see that we're normal human beings, neighbors, teachers, par-ents," Bashir said.

ents," Bashir said. The library is located at 1200 S. Cantor Center Road in Canton. For more infor-mation or directions to the library, visil www.cantonpl.org.

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP 15/16-06 COMMUNITY FIREWORKS DISPLAV-JUNE 30, 2016 city of Romalus, Michigan is socking proposals from qualified comparies for th

- a or services, viduals and firms wishing to submit a proposal **must ase the forms provided by th**e al forms and specifications may be obtained from the <u>MITN system</u> G

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- documents and all required endorsements. For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Rom calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing <u>lecenway/jicc.normalus mi us</u>

INUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 11, 2016 Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 4817

te mosting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden. odge of Allegiance il Call wardt Kathleen Abde, John Barden, Linda Cheate, Harry Crost, Sylvia Makowd sorth. alstrative Officials in Attendance: (). Burcostf, Mayor L. Craig-Bragg, Chy Clerk Paige, Trassuce Paige, Trassuce out by Cowat, seconded by Abds to accept the agenda as ame Motion Carried Unanimously (1996) 2A. Moved by Wadswi rth, so onded by Res es, seconded by Ch ate to accept the Chair, 4. Monoley Braesee, secondard by Chante to accept the Chaippeneon's Report. Model of Shaper's Report of State in the State of the Oxylations on Learning 12, 2016 at the JACC Margin Barnerell' will give of Cammon the Interpretation a vision of spectra in the HERT SAL. Monoley by Makewski, accorda by Create to adopt a marrorizal resolu-Mangunetic Blerth. Modes Carrold Unadimensity (EEM SAL. Monoley Worksonski, accordad by Adoa to include: Budget Annumber ont increase construction conflicting revenues. Fund Dayl. Current the RAC at 4:00 p.m. and again ity events. de d Fund Dopt. <u>Account No.</u> <u>General Fund</u> <u>Revenue</u> 101-336-679.000 Fire Dept Cost Recor Badget 30.000 12.000 Expense 101-336-818.000 Fire Dept Contractual Service ty contractual cost with offsetting to a Carried Unanimently. 5,000 10, Find's find balance Metten Carrier -6A. Clerk's Report: <u>16499</u> 6A1. Moved by Cheate, seconded by Creat ^{to}-solverse Pension Ordinance. Motion Carried Unan ^{to}-solverse Pension Ordinance. Implying Parsion Ordinance, Marine Carriel Unanisment, [Leill 4.42, Morel by Makawaki, sconsoli by Rasene to schultul a polici-haring on Monta 2016 at 700 µm. for the proposal final projects for the Americanal 2016 2017 CERE A Alcane [Leill 4.53, Morel B, Passes, sconsolid V, Adda to Andelia at and spin sconsol Monta. [Leill 4.54, Morel B, Passes, sconsolid V, Adda to Andelia at and spin sconsol Monta.] To D an to discuss the general and and the angle and for final year of the 33, 2015. The wide hold in the C. [Juli Clausel Chandron, Madine Carried at a Monta and Song A. [Juli Clausel Chandron, Madine Carried at a Monta and the hold in the C. [Juli Clausel Chandron, Madine Carried at Interational Passes].

will be held in the City Hull Council Chambers. Motion Carried Unaimonsty. [E212] 64A. Wevel by Waddworkh, secondarb by Creast to schedule a public bearing on Monday, Febr 2016 at 7:90 p.m. for the proposed fland projects for the Anticipated 2016/2017 CDBG Allocation. The Neurism will be held in the City Hold Council Chambers. Mathem Council & Morine Council & Schemater Mathematical and the field of the City of the Schematers. earing w till be held in fi

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Slate

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real estate, he worked in a management in with Ford Motor Co

position with Ford Motor Co. He has helped organize and coordi-nate free health fairs for Canton resi-dents, and been involved with youth cul-tural programs, along with organizing tural programs, along with organizing meals for the needy. He has also been involved with Habitat for Humanity and the Rouge River cleanup The part-time office as township

The part-time office as township trustee pays 812,731 annually. Seeking to succeed LaJog is Dr. Syed Taj who formerly served as a township trustee. He will face Republican Pat Williams, a current trustee, who has also ntered the race for the top township job rhich pays \$122,416 Former State Rep. Dian Slavens, who

served three terms in the House of Representatives, will seek the treasurer's job in Canton Township. Melissa McLaughlin, a Republican, currently fills the full-time position which pays \$104,827 annually Vying for the clerk's office, filled for

Vying for the clerk's office, filled for more than two decades by Bennett, will be Michael Siogrist, a former trustee with the Carton Philei Library and a member of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Baard of Education Singrist, who is a profissional accountant, vorked on the township absentee counting board and said his service on the school board helps manage the \$150 million district

He will face Republican Linda Ob for the full-time job which also pays \$104.827 annualy.

The Democratic slate said they will me: Moving C share a campaign th Forward Together:

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Noted author visits home town

Inkster native, spoke to a crowd-ed audience at the Lemovne iniziter native, spoke to a crowd-ed audience at the Lemoyne Gardens Community Center last week, reminding them of the theme of her novels: what you put into the universe determines

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historically detailed, emo lly rich story of three gener ations of men dealing with and his own But he knows it will not shin created through similar

sometimes coulding their duties be eag. Two years ago, he acti-to one another." ~ Kirkus dentally shot his best friend. Reviews said of her first work Once again, Jayoon is he victim while Vnae Amazon reviewer of stolen opportunities. Now left said, "L Criweil has given us belptess as he awaits a judge's he full throttie of storytelling decision to either jet him walk and has taken readers on a ride of generational honor, dishonor, pride and loyalty."

The first interface of present of the statement of the sentence that f generational honce, dishonce, could land him in a correctional fide and logalty." facility for a long time, Jayson An excerpt from the reflects on the friendship he teen-year-old Jayson Jackson's singer On the surface, Michael, entire body. As an officer pats also known as Mr. Basketball, him down, Jayson secretly hopes that tomorrow, when he turns eighteen, his life will finally be

the help of his grandmother his uncle Scott, Jayson n other and learn to reconcile his past in order to move forward with his future. Set against the sometimes-gritty backdrop of Detroit, this poignant saga reveals an unforgettable message of forgive-ness, responsibility, and second chances as a young man sta to regain his life after a h mistake." Criswell is passionate

te about living a happy and well-balanced life, which is reflective in her writings, which have been described as authentic, witty, humorous and noisnant She has



been writing poetry and sh stories since she was a young girl in her hometown of Inks

Criswell, 45, and her hus now live in Eastpointe with childrer

Mayor taking 'Morning Meetings' on the road

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Adam Martin, principal at Stevenson Middle School, left, congratulates v Bassit Fijabi along with Earle Chorbagian; Carol Middel and Tom Buckalew





Water collection under way

Westland Mayor William Wild has in helping the residents of the City of Flin asked city residents to help the citizens of by participating in an ongoing bottles Flint, suffering from the serious effects of water drive," he added. minated water

need of clean water for drinking, cooking, cleaning and bathing. The Flint water cri-sis is a devastating reality and is occurring and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. a mere 60 miles from our homes. It is time "Westland is known as one o that surrounding communities ban togeth- Michigan's most compassionate cities. er and offer assistance to our fellow and offer assistance to our chiganders," Wild said last week "As part of Westland's Compas

"As part of westianers Compassionate exceed officials, toget City Initiative, I am asking you to join me difference," Wild said.

by participating in an ongoing bottled water drive," he added.

Westland will be collecting bottled "As many of you are already aware the "As many of you are already aware the City of Flinit is in a dire situation and is in need of aid. Many residents are still in ticipate can bring bottled water to

> am confident that with the beln of the res idents, employees, civic organizatio elected officials, together we can r



Belleville – Northville

Center offers help for struggling students -,,

isidered herself a good

She spent the first two decades of her educational career helping children with learning disabilities and special needs, particularly those with emotional impairments, as an educator in the nublic school sys working with elementary ile and high school students. m, working with esementary, iddle and high school students. It was during this time that

her son was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder

"I always tell people, I was a bood teacher before, but I acame a different kind of teacher when I had a child with

nian, a Northville resi-Vart dent, subsequently opened Living & Learning in downtown ville, an enrichment center that provides services for youth, teens and young adults who struggle socially, academically and emotionally in reaching

"A few years ago, I could not find any programs to enrich my son's life near my home. I made it my mission to create my own. I rented a room at the local library remed a room at the local intrary and met with a small group of kids once a week. Eventually, I was turning families away because I didn't have the mom During this time, after working for 20 years as special ed teacher I was able to take an early retirement and decided to take a leap of faith and open up Living &

arning," Vartanian said. Special needs children, teens d young adults can benefit from programs offered at Living Learning in downtown forming for all ages and the cen-ter offers one-on-one or group, therapy classes must in therapy classes, not to mention "rock band", tutoring, teen nights enrichment center provides

services, for youth, teens and young adults, who struggle increase "desirable qualities" socially, academically and emotionally in reaching their full potential. Vartanian said the mission

Our children's disability

does not define who they are

or what they have the potential to become.

statement of the new center embodies her philosophy of

helping young people. "Our children's disability does not define who they are or what they have the potential to ne "she said

"At Living & Learning we are on a mission to assist all people in reaching their own personal best. We understand that your child is a person first (and not a label). Your child has specific strengths and weaknesses that are unique and make them who

be done by knowing your child first as that individual. If we do not believe we can appropriately provide researched-based, best practice methodologies for your child we will assist you in finding the right programs or centers that will," Vartanian said.

Vartanian earned her undergraduate degree from Eastern Michigan University in Teaching for the Emotionally Impaired. She also has a master's degree in Educational Psychology with a concentration in Personality and Development.

Following her se Vartanian returned to graduate vided at the center

ond master's degree in Autism Spectum Disorders. "As with my emotionally

impaired students, I knew the only way I could understand my out way i could understand my own son's needs and enforce real change was to learn and keep learning everything I could about Autism Spectrum Disorders," she said. Vartanian said that social

groups and summer camps are groups and summer camps are now being formed at Living & Learning and therapy in art, speech and music is available. A rock band class for young adults is forming and tutoring and other theranies and exams are avail able

Living & Leaning is located a 150 Mary Alexander Court and Vartanian said she is also seek ing high school students to serve as volunteer mentors with spe-cial needs clients. She said that training for the volunteers is pro



Sina out loud

The Hiside Middle School Ensemble extracurricular choir was rated Excellent at the Michigan School Vocal Music Association district featival at Monroe Middle School Jan. 30 when seven hun-ride middle school Jan 20 school Jan 20 school Jan 20 when seven hun-dred middle school performers from Hrungohot submetars Michigan and the timelise attended the compatibion. The NorthWile Bith gradeers practice twice a week before school with vocal tascher Viciole Ropatitarity, who voluments here time to coach the North-Time NorthWile group was awardle provide Ropatitarity, who voluments here time to coach the North-Time NorthWile group was awardle to the Ropatitarity who voluments here time to coach the North-Time NorthWile and the Ropatitarity of the Ropatitary and the Ropatitary and the Ropatitary school at the Rop

Inside/Out exhibit coming to Belleville

The Detroit Institute of Arts selected downtown elleville as part of the side/Out exhibit next year. Rosemary Loria, chairman of

the Downtown Development Authority, told the members of the group during a meeting last month that a letter had been received from the art museum announcing Belleville as one of the exhibitors for 2016. The art institute will install weather-proof copies of several master-pieces throughout downtown Belleville and several sculptures, four over the bridge in Van

Buren Township. mprise the exhibit and will be are removed in June.

of each other to form a "grand

open air gallery." The exhibit will be a partner-ship with the Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, allowing room for the minimum eight sculptures. The township is con-sidering adding more sculptures to the display in addition to the

two slated for north of the bridge. The addition would classify Belleville as a mid-size display which will cost Belleville an est mated \$12,000 to \$13,000 to the sculptures for a year. The new display will be

Seven framed artworks will ed when the current sculptures

Changes discussed to township and city fire service

Staff Writer

Changes to the way Northville Fire Department handles emergent ambulance service are being considered and have been con-firmed by Northville Township Public Safety Director John

rth. The topic was discussed at the Fire Advisory Board Meeting in Plymouth Monday Plymouth and ymouth Monday. Plymouth and orthville have a joint fire servic-agreement that shares the City of Northville 50-man, on call fire-fighter crew, even though the two communities are not continuous

Plymouth Township participates in the Fire Advisory Board meet-

werth said that with major road construction work scheduled this year for 1-275 and Six Mile Road-the location of the only fire station in Northville Township, officials have offered options to Northville Mayor Ken Roth to alleviate their concerns about long response times, especially during rush hour traffic periods. Werth said they have made var-

ious proposals to Northville "for almost 2 years," and to date have not had any confirmation as to

acceptability until now when city officials formally questioned their response times.

ponse times. One proposal was to locate a orthville Township Advance North Life Support (ALS) ambulance unit at the Main and Wing fire sta-tion in the city for priority-one calls. The move would allow the fire department to elimina ing Community EMS, a priva ambulance company located at 11 Mile and Novi Road, for those pri-ority calls. If the proposal is ority calls. If the proposal is adopted, Northville Township would bill patients directly as opposed to Community EMS. Worth said the cost to provide the

service to the city would be negated by the revenue from the

patients. Community EMS bills residents and patients \$750 for priori-ty-one ALS runs, plus \$12.50 per mile and a \$40 oxygen charge, if required

Colleen Pohur chair of the Fire dvisory Board, questioned orthville Fire Chief Steve Ott about a possible partnership at about a possible partnership at the board meeting. Roth respond-ed saying only, "We've been approached, an offer was made and we're looking at it." "The additional run-volume

(for Northville city) will not nut a

is a first step." Werth said. Werth said the Northville

Township Fire Department response times are less than 8.0

minutes 87 percent of the time. Werth said Northville Township was also in talks with Plymouth Township officials to rent space and park an ambu-lance and fire engine at the long shuttered Station 2 for six months during the construction time. The station located on Wilcow P. was built to serve the 800 homes in the Lake Pointe subdivision because of the numerous rails crossines

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PLYMOUTH - ROMULUS

Court rules wounded officer cannot sue

Don Howard Staff Writer

A Supreme Court decision this ruled that a fo onth Plymouth Township police officer who was shot by a fellow police officer while attempting to appre-hend an armed-robbery suspect does not have the opportunity to nursue legal recourse after years of legal wrangling. The incident to

ok place Oct. 29, The incident took place Oct. 20, 2009 when a robbery suspect was killed by police offleers from the Western Wayne Criminal Investigation Task Force -S.WAT Team outside the Wireless USA store on Ann Arbor Road east of Villes in Placeath Team to Task Lilley in Plymouth Township. The S.WA.T Team is made up of offi-

cers from many communities. Court records of the incident say the plainclothes officers were say the planneountes on even where attempting to arrest Lebron Bronson, 45, of Canton Township who had just robbed the store and walked outside. Officers from the task force claimed Bronson point d a cun at them and refused to drop the weapon. Shots fired and Bronson was provere fired and Bronson was pro-sounced dead at St. Mary Mercy

Plymouth Township Police Ofc Plymouth Township Police Ofc. Michael Lego was shot in the back and wounded in his left hand. He was transported to the same hos-pital as Bronson. Court records show that Michigan State Police snow that succession state Police Trooper Jake Liss fired the shots that injured Lego. Liss' bullet entered Lego's back and exited through his hand, blowing off two

through his hand, blowing off two fingers Lego was given a full dis-ability retirement in 2010. Lego and his wife, Pamela Lego, filed suit in Wayne County Circuit Court against Liss for gross Circuit Court against Liss for gross negligence. Liss' attorneys moved for summary disposition, arguing that the suit was barred by the "Fireman's Rule," which provides immunity from tort liability for injuries "arising in the normal, inherent and foreseeable risks of the firefighter's or police officer's profession."

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge John H. Gillis, Jr. denied the motion for summary disposition and Liss annealed to the Michigan at of Appeals. A ruling in the Court of

Appeals concluded in part that Liss was not entitled to immunity if he acted in disregard of his

The Court of Appeals opi stated, "In the present case, the parties were not members of the same task force; rather; defendant and members of his task force were assisting plaintiff's task force. Defendant offered an affi-davit suggesting that one task force operated under the umbrel In of the other; however, that assertion was not reflected by the written agreements. Moreover, plaintiff and defondant were employed by different govern-ment entities - Plymouth Township and the State of Michigan. Factual questions remained regarding whether the norties were encaced in a joint venture and were coemployees. Therefore, the trial court did not err by denying defendant's motion

err by denying defendant's motion for summary disposition under MCR 2116(D)(8) and (C)(10). Lego at the time of the inci-dent reported to Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington who described incident. "They (SWAT off n who described the had the suspect under surveil-lance when he entered the store. They weren't aware he was goin fact. It was a stacked formation ... it

"When a police officer fires his weapon, he owns the bullet," Tiderington said Lego's attorney Michael L.

Lego's accorney arcuses to Stefani argued before the Supreme Court Justices citing the Court of Appeals opinion. Stefani said this case could be an example of how a police offic

pae of now a ponce officer should not act, "especially a highly trained S.WA.T. officer" "Liss' assignment was across the street to watch was going on...he left his position without telling anyone and positioned himself behind Lego...he was positioned at the back of Officer Lego...his finger was on the trig la_n ger" "If its n ∵side

rmal, inb foreseeable for one police officer to shoot another police officer

that is absolutely ridiculous." Michigan State Police Public Information Officer Mike Shaw reviewed both the case investiga tion file and the court opinions

"It's unfortunate when you we an officer shot in in the line of duty under friendly fire... there our training seriously." Sh The Supreme Court are

defendant Liss' application fo leave to appeal in a case that cer tered on the scope of the immuni-ty provision of the firefighter's rule agreeing with the Court of agreeing with the Court of peals opinion regarding the afighters Rule. "The majority essentially

determined that the defendan might not be entitled to immunit if his actions were especially egre gious: in other words, if the defen dant (Liss) were grossly negligent dant (LES) were grossly negligen he would not be entitled to immu nity because the injury resulting from his actions would not 'aris from the normal inherent and foreseeable risks of (Michael o's) profe

Chief Justice Robert P Young Jr. and six Supreme Court justice ruled in a un imous opinion that the Court of Appeals erred (in part) and held that Liss was entitled to immunity as a matter of law, whether or not he acted with any degree of recklessness and remanded the case to the Wayne Circuit Court for entry of an order granting summary disposition to

Romulus activist continues Flint water drive

ed on the City of Flint to report on the water crisis, Romalus resident Virginia Williams was doing her best to help out. Through the Romulus Citizens

or Social Change (RCSC), she and her husband have been leading efforts to bring safe drinking water to the residents of that city one ed at a time. make sure the p

ople get it." said Williams, who is the presi-=}

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right to t e peos She estimated that she and her

situation w, more p Now, more people in Romans are joining the effort. Romalus City Councilwoman Kathy Abdo said

change to purchase bottled wate to send to Flint. An impromptu col lection from the members of the city council Monday night brou in more than enough to purch another pallet for the city

Williams said a pallet of bottled water could be purchased at Samo Water could be purchased at Sams Club for \$212 or \$264, depending on the amount of the bulk pur-chase. Because of the size of the 18-wheeler, pallets are easier to

are, so the RCSC unds to purcha water:

She also praised the many vol-unteers that have taken the trip to help distribute the water in the two primarily-affected zip codes. She said that effort has involved highschoolers and senior citizens and that everyone has done their part. "We have to come together to do this," she said. "We as adults-no

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e-need to take action. We need to work together to try to solve this and to set a good example for our kids." 111211-0

such to fill another to

The best way to help with th effort is to contact the Romulus Citizens for Social Change. Their email address RCSC2010@yahoo.com and phone number is (734) 673-8396.



She estimated that she and her husband, with the help of his 18-wheeler, have taken more than 12,000 cases of water to the city since 2014, when she first tried to alert leaders and the media of the

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Calendar of events

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imming sessions available Registration for the win 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 Ech 20

The pool will be closed Feb. 13 through 20 20 to complete updates. Visit www.PlymouthPARC.com [http://plymouthpare.com] to register

PARC aquatics program is a swim pe gram dedicated to providing a quality ar price friendly aquatics program to all ago offering a variety of swim programs to fit the needs of beginners, recreational, and connetitive swimmers. Classes are taucht

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The Little Mermaid has arrived at th mouth Arts and Recreation Comple tion Complex (PARC) in downtown Plymouth.

Forever After Productions is stagi the show through Feb. 7 at the forme Central Middle School building where PARC is now located. The show, based on a Hans Christian Andersen story and brought to the screen by Disney anima-tors, the show includes songs like Under ea, Kiss the Girl and part of Yo World

General admission tickets are \$10 and are currently on sale . Shows are at 7 p.m srrow, 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 Sunday. Tickets are available at www.iheartforeverafter.com or by phone at (734) 547-5156. The Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex (PARC) is located m dos stown and Old Village at 650 Church St., Plymouth.

Bricks for sale Momorial bricks to be installed at the

Benefit

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their bowl, again at the Central to pick up their PARC Art Studi

benefit the Plymouth Salvatie то ny Food Pantry, participants are asked aring a canned food or non-perishable item to help restock the shelves to swap for some hot soup when they come to pick ow1

Leslie Greeneisen the director of the

veteran's memorial in the City of Romulus are for sale, to honor those who have served in the armed services of our coun tre

Bricks on the veteranis wall are priced 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 accepted at the treasurer's office in Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus, the as Chamber of Commerce office at Shook Road in Romulus or the 11189 Snook Road in Romulus or the Romulus VFW Post 9668, 39270 W Huron River Dr. In Romulus. For more information, contact the trea-

surer's office, (734) 942-7580.

The Canton Library is offering Storytime for kids with special needs. Count Me In, at 4 pm. on Saturdays. The Storytimes are designed for young children with developmental delays and dis-abilities. The programs are funded by the Dollar General Literacy Foundatio

Programs are planned for Feb. 13 arch 12, April 23, May 21 and June 18 at the Canton Public Library, 1200 South Canton Center Road

For information, call (734) 397-0999

The only 3D photography club in ichigan will meet from 7 until 9:30 p.m. sb. 10 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, just south of Five Mile Road

The February meeting will feature a tutorial on using the free StereoPhoto Maker software for processing stereo images. After a refreshment break, there will be 3D image competitions in 'Open' and 'Nature/Scenic' categories. There

art studios said. "Ive gotten so many calls from past parti ripat ts asking when the Soun Swan will be held again. This is rful project for the community and salvation Army. We're excited see the S this much support and to continue what has become a tradition during the wint in Plymouth." To register for the Soup Swap Bo

Painting sessions at the Central PARC Art Studios or for more information, call Greenelsen (734) 578-1298. The Soup Swap will take place from 1 -2:30 p.m. Feb. 27 and is open to the public, no reser-vations are required.



will also be a special "Freebic" drawing for 3D items for club members. The meeting is free and open to the

public. Stereo cameras, 3D movies, and

educational videos are available for mem-bers to borrow or rent. For more information, visit www.Detroit3D.org.or.call (248) 398,2591

The Friends of the tland L book sale is planned for Feb. 12-14 with 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on d from noon until 3 n.m. on ay and fr Saturday and iron noon until 3 p.m. on Sunday, which is also \$4 per bag sale day. All paperback fiction books are priced at only a dime for this sale only.

There will be DVDs, CDs, hardcover soks, large and small paperbacks, videos, ssettes, records and magazines for sale. The library is located at 6123 Central City Parkway in Westland

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The Romulus Public Library Teen Winter Reading Program will take place

through March 3 for ages 12 through 17. Teens can read and collect priz Those filling up their entire reading ci will win a free book and entry into a spe-

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

ealth film hearings set A video scheduled to be used in repro-uctive health classes for fourth-grade girls will be the subject of a nublic bearing nts of Northvill

Members of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education have sched-uled the public meeting to allow parents and con community members to comment possed revision to the instruction nent or a pi DVD used in the fourth-grade reproduc ve health lesson for female students

A hearing is planned during the regu ecting of the members of the board of education beginning at 7 p.m. Feb. 9, with a preview opportunity from 6:30-7 p.m. at Hillside Middle School Forum, 775 North

Relay For Life kicks of

An informational meeting regarding the Belleville Relay For Life event is planned from 7-830 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8 at Belleville High School, 501 W. Columbia Ave. in Belleville. The meeting, open to the public will take place in the school

cafeteria infor For Katherine Fitzpatrick, (586) 817-0478 or Katherine Fitzpatrick@cancer.org

Fat Tuesday dinner planner

The Belleville rotary Club will pro the annual Fat Tuesday Italian Buffet from 420-730 pm. Feb. 9 at the Van Burren Eagles, 9951 Beck Road in Van Buren

Adult tickets are priced at \$12 and children 12 and younger dinners are priced \$6. The menu includes a variety of past and sauces along with other Italian foo Paczki and pop will be sold separately. Tickets are available from any Rotary

club member and at the door. Carry outs are available. All proceeds will go to youth and tri-community projects.

Soul Food Dinner served The Annual Soul Food Dinner present-ed by the Romulus Community Schools, the Romulus Ministerial Alliance and the City of Romulus will begin promptly at 6 m Feb. 9 at Romulus High School, 9650

Wayne Road in Romulus. Dinner will be followed by a sp Black History Month presentation from 30 until 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium at

The event is fr to the pa and all are welcome to war African attire and African/American themed art and

rafts will be available for purchase. Donations will be accepted on behalf of he Romulus Middle School Student

Activities Flund

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Wayne Memorial High School will be hosting an 8th grade parent night for thos with students transitioning to 9th grade or interested in getting more information about Wayne Memorial High School for the 2016-2017 school year Students do not have to be currently

attending a Wayne-Westland Communit School to attend The event will take place at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 10, in the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer Anditorium. Topics covered will inclusion scheduling, graduation requirements, ments, direct college co t require es, AP courses, extra-curricular activities, and much more. All are welcome to attend

and questions are encouraged. Parking is available in the Glenw Street parking lot and guests should en through the front of the auditorium

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Brackney Chiropractic.	hospitals in the country to treat certain types of neuropathy	

WHEN:	Sat Feb 13 & Sat. March 19 , 11AM-12PM	1
WHERE:	Scrambler Marie's, 43225 Ford Rd Canton, MI	÷
COST:	FREE!! Lunch will be served.	÷
RSVP:	Please RSVP or ask about other dates.	i.
CALL:	(734) 757-6818	i.
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