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The Belleville Downtown Development Authority is asking the community to help decide: What's next for Belleville Downtown on the Lake?

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The Ypsilanti man who threatened a Romulus officer with a gun and was subsequently wounded will be bound over for trial on multiple charges.

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18th District Court Judge Sandra Cicirelli ordered a man who threatened a Romulus officer with a gun to stand trial on multiple charges last week.

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## Commission OK's 23 of 24 liquor licenses

Members of the Liquor License Review Committee heard reports of violent fights, deaths in car crashes, drug possession, assaults on police officers, unpaid taxes and general mayhem at several of the 24 establishments with liquor licenses in the City of Plymouth.

Despite those reports, all but one of the licenses was recommended to the state for approval following the meeting Monday night.

According to Plymouth Police Chief Al Cox, there were 60 arrests for drunk driving in the city last year and 24 of those were classified as "super drunk."

Cox said this was one of the worst years for these incidents in his tenure with the city.

City Manager Paul Sincock said the city is sometimes referred to as the "West Side Royal Oak Party Town." He said this is especially true on days such as St. Patrick's Day, the day before Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve.

In a letter to the Liquor License Review Committee, Sincock said, "The question becomes, can available city services and infrastructure handle more liquor serving establishments. Alcohol incidents take a significant amount of administration time and police follow up."

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Citing high costs and the limited ability of the city to respond to and act in a preventive mode, Sincock said, "City Administration does not recommend any more liquor licenses."

The owners of the Greek Islands Coney Island applied to the commission for approval of a new liquor license. Mayor Dan Dwyer told them that would not happen this year after hearing accounts of fights and violent incidents at several other city establishments.

Dwyer listed problems at the bars and restaurants and Cox narrated security camera videos of some of the violence. Many of the incidents, Cox said, remain under investigation by the Michigan State Police.

336 Main was the scene of a violent fight among patrons and some staff members became involved.

Dwyer recommended the license of 336 Main be renewed with continued "quarterly reviews."

Cox told the commissioners that two patrons perished in a single-car accident after leaving the Penn Grill. Autopsy reports, he said, showed the victims had high alcohol blood levels and left the establishment after several hours of heavy drinking. He said there are several investigations still ongoing related to the incident.

Cox also said that a patron of the Penn Grill was arrested with 16 grams of cocaine and considerable drug paraphernalia. He was arrested for drug trafficking, Cox said.

The Penn Grill license was also renewed and placed on quarterly review status.

Others incidents discussed occurred at Fiamma, Hermann's Old Towne Grill and Ironwood Grill.

Tax delinquency at one establishment was reported by Sincock who said that Plymouth Crossing was currently \$57,000 in arrears on city taxes.

All 24 current licenses were recommended for approval to the members of the city commission who approved all but Plymouth Crossing, based on the unpaid tax obligation.

The recommendations will now go to the State Liquor Commission for consideration.

## Historic reunion City celebration reunites former sheriff's deputy with man he saved

A surprise reunion between a long-retired Wayne County Sheriff's Deputy and someone he saved from drowning 61 years ago was the highlight of the City of Romulus Black History Month Celebration Feb. 28.

The gathering in Romulus City Hall council chambers brought together 88-year-old Romulus resident Nathaniel Butler, the retired deputy, and 74-year-old Robert Berch, who was flown from his home in Homosassa, FL.

Butler and Berch embraced as tears of joy filled the eyes of nearly everyone attending the celebration during a standing ovation for the pair.

The two men first met on Jan. 15, 1953, in Belleville Lake.

Berch, then a 13-year-old eighth-grade student, was taking a shortcut across the ice-covered lake on his way home from Rawsonville School in Belleville when the ice gave way and he fell into the deep, frigid water.

Butler was on duty with the Sheriff's Department 3 miles from the lake when he and his partner were summoned to

assist.

According to an account of the incident in The Detroit News, "Butler, in full uniform, caught up with a wooden plank and started hacking and swimming toward the drowning boy, as frantic neighbors and relatives watched from shore..."

"As he neared the thrashing boy, Butler yelled, 'Can you swim?' Robert nodded and Butler shouted, 'Hang on! Hang on! I'm coming.' Thirty minutes after a neighbor first heard Robert's cries for help, the numbed and exhausted deputy towed the semi-conscious lad onto shore."

Berch remembers waking up the next day in Beyer Memorial Hospital in Ypsilanti, where he was admitted for observation. Doctors told him he would be fine.

"Mr. Butler stopped by the hospital to check on me and we had our picture taken," he said in an email. The photo appeared on the front page of The Detroit News.

City of Romulus Chief of Staff Robert Dickerson - himself, a retired Wayne County Sheriff's Department officer -



Robert Berch (left) and Nathaniel Butler enjoyed a surprise reunion at the Black History Celebration in Romulus last week. Photo by Roger Kadau

discovered the connection while researching the Black History Month Celebration and he located Berch in Florida. Delta Airlines agreed to fly Berch to Detroit Metropolitan Airport. LaQuinta Inn on Flynn Drive provided lodging for his stay in the city.

Butler - the first African-American sheriff's deputy in Wayne County - was one of 47 honorees at the reception. But he was unaware that his old friend Berch had been flown in



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Cpl. Labrit Jackson

## State test scores continue to climb in Northville

Northville Public Schools students turned in a strong overall performance on the 2013 Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test, according to results released by the Michigan Department of Education.

In October 2013, third through eighth grade students across the State of Michigan were assessed under the MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) in math and reading to comply with federal mandates. In addition, fourth and seventh grade students were assessed in writing; fifth and eighth grade students were assessed in science; and sixth and ninth grade students took the MEAP social studies test.

The percentage scores represent students who performed at the proficient or advanced levels on the fall 2013 tests.

In reading, Northville students in grade three through eight exceeded the state average by about 20 points. In math, too, Northville students exceeded the state average by double digits in grades three through six. In grade seven, Northville students scored 69 percent while the state average

was 39 percent. In grade eight, Northville students were 45 percentage points above the state average, scoring 69 percent against 35 percent.

"The performance of our students on the MEAP and other assessments is a direct outcome of the strong partnership between our students, teachers and parents that focuses on success for all students," said Northville Superintendent of Schools Mary

Kay Gallagher. "We are pleased to see that significant numbers of our fourth through eighth grade students improved their level of proficiency in each of the core content areas, with our special needs population demonstrating significant gains at every grade level, third through eighth grade. Strong individualized interventions, the use of research-based teaching and learning strategies, and goal planning with students contributed to these gains."

In writing, Northville fourth grade students scored at 81 percent while the state average was 50 percent. In grade seven writing,

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Just married



John Danci and Jazmine Bennett

Jazmine Bennett and John Danci were married Feb. 15 in Ann Arbor.

The bride is the daughter of Dan and Starr Bennett of Romulus. She is a 2005 graduate of Romulus High School and earned her bachelor's degree from Bowling Green State University. She earned her master's degree from the University of Michigan in 2011 and is currently the director of community outreach with the City of Romulus.

Her groom is the son of Aurel and Sheryl Danci of Ann Arbor.

He is a 2005 graduate of Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor and earned his bachelor's degree in Body Movement Science and Kinesiology in 2009 from the University of Michigan. He is employed with Arbor Valley Tree Service.

The couple will make their home in Romulus.

Scores

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Northville students were at 79 percent against a 53 percent state average.

Fifth grade science students in Northville demonstrated a 43 percent score while the state average was 17 percent. In grade eight, the science scores in Northville were 47 percent against a 20 percent average.

Social studies testing of sixth grade students in Northville show a 53 percent proficiency against 26 percent in the state while the ninth grade social studies testing showed a 56 percent score for Northville students as opposed to a 26 percent state average.

“Educators across the district also use

MEAP data - along with other assessments of student learning - to strengthen instructional practices, enhance student intervention and support programs, and evaluate and refine school improvement goals and curricular alignment,” Gallagher added. “These goals continue to include a focus on math and science, clearly areas where expectations have increased based on college-readiness standards.”

Individual MEAP reports for those Northville Public Schools students tested this past fall will be sent home to parents upon receipt from the Michigan Department of Education. Parents with questions about the MEAP scores or how to seek assistance for their child should contact their child's school.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

Gwyn Belcher, ADA Coordinator  
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road  
Canton, MI 48188  
(734) 394-5260

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NOTICE TO RESIDENTS  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

If you experience an overflow or backup of a sewage disposal system or storm water system, you must file a written claim with the Charter Township of Canton, Division of Public Works within 45 days after the overflow or backup was discovered. Notice should be mailed to Charter Township of Canton, Division of Public Works, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, Michigan 48188. Failure to provide the written notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Division of Public Works at 734/394-5150 for assistance immediately upon discovery of an overflow or backup.

THANK YOU  
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 20, 2014 for the following:

2014 HERITAGE PARK ADA IMPROVEMENTS

Bids may be picked up at the Engineering Department, on our website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org), or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-February 25, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Meeting called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to appoint Melissa McLaughlin as chair for the evening in the absence of Supervisor LaJoy. Motion carried unanimously. McLaughlin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, McLaughlin, Sneiderman, Williams, Yack Members Absent: LaJoy Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director Trumbull, Director Faas, Director Mutchler **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett supported by Anthony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Motion carried by all members present. Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments - Bethany Burge - Planning & Programs Manager for The Senior Alliance. **Payment of Bills:** Motion by Yack, Supported by Sneiderman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by unanimously. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Reappointments to the CDBG Advisory Council.** (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to reappoint Mary Jane Weidenbach and Sylvester Noetzel to the CDBG Advisory Council for a two year term, effective January 1, 2014 and expiring on December 31, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. **Item C-2. Reappointment to Downtown Development Authority Board (Supv)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to re-appoint Patrick Rugiero to serve on the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority of the Charter Township of Canton for a four-year term ending February 9, 2018. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider Payment of CityView Annual Software Maintenance Fees.** (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to authorize the payment to Harris Computer Systems for the CityView annual software maintenance fees, for a total cost not-to-exceed of \$45,878.70. Funds are available in the 2014 Budget in the accounts specified in the RBA. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-2. Consider Payment of Invoices to Fleis & Vandenbrink for Professional Services.** (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to approve payment of \$11,272.61 to Fleis & Vandenbrink for professional services rendered. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-3. Consider Authorization of Purchase of Radiant Devices.** (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to authorize the purchase of two radiant devices from Radiant Communications Corp, 5001 Hadley Road, South Plainfield, NJ in the amount of \$6,480 to be taken from Account #230-250-970. 0010. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-4. Consider Approval of Backup Generator Connection to Heating Coil Valves.** (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to waive the formal bid procedure and approve the heating coil valve connections to the back-up generator for the Administration/Public Safety Building from Building Automated Systems and Services, 6260 18 ½ Mile Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48314 in the amount of \$12,574. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-5. Approval of 2014 FY Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program.** (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to approve the 2014 FY Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program contract with SMART in the amount of \$31,942 and to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the contract. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-6. Consider Purchase of Maintenance Agreement for In-Car Camera Server.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to approve the purchase of a one-year extended maintenance agreement for the in-car camera system server from L3 Communications, 90 Fanny Road, Bonton, NJ, in the amount of \$6,075, utilizing funds budgeted in the 2014 Police Professional & Contracted Services Account. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-7. Consider the Purchase of Data Analysis Software.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to approve purchase of ArcGIS software from ESRI, Inc., 380 New York Street, Redlands, CA, in the amount of \$9,810. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett supported by Williams to approve a budget amendment to increase the 2014 Police Fund Balance Appropriation by \$9,810; and to increase the Police Program Expense Forfeiture Account #207-301-50.743.0003 by \$9,810. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-8. Consider the Purchase of (9) Radar Units.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to approve the purchase of (9) Raptor RP-1, Dual K Band Radar units, from Kustom Signals, Inc., in the amount of \$13,851, utilizing funds budgeted in the Traffic Forfeiture expense account. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-9. Budget Amendments for the Carryover of FY2013 Open Purchase Orders to FY2014 (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneiderman to approve the following 2014 budget amendment increases for purchase order commitments carried over from 2013: General Fund (101) increase of \$59,373; Police Fund (207) increase of \$24,310; Community Center Fund (208) increase of \$261; Community Improvement Fund (246) increase of \$145,282; Downtown Development Authority (248) increase of \$3,887; CDBG Fund (274) increase of \$16,900; NSP Fund (276) increase of \$634,724; Capital Projects (401) increase of \$30,716; Capital Projects-Water & Sewer (402) increase of \$941,415; Capital Projects-Roads (403) increase of \$355,369; Golf Course Fund (584) increase of \$245; Water & Sewer Fund (592) increase of \$319,789. Motion carried unanimously. **OTHER:** 1. Canton's Home Expo will be March 1 & 2 in the Summit on the Park. 2. Water Rates Forum will take place on March 3 in the PDC of the Summit on the Park. 3. Potholes in Canton should be reported to 1-888-ROAD CREW (1-888-762-3273). 4. Steve King and the Dittilies - Partnership for the Arts & Humanities fundraiser on March 1. 5. The Olympic Gold & Silver Metals for Ice Dancing went to couples trained in Canton at the Arctic Edge. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Williams, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Philip LaJoy, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk -

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) after Board Approval. Publish 3/06/14

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CITY OF ROMULUS  
NOTICE  
2014 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, (Lower Level) Community Room, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll. Please come prepared, as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.  
**Meeting dates are as follows:**

March 10, 2014:

9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

March 11, 2014:

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm & 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

March 13, 2014:

9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Residents and Non-Residents may appeal by (1) making an appointment to appear before the Board **OR** (2) in writing (personal appearance is not required). The Board of Review **MUST** receive all written appeals/documentation no later than March 13, 2014 at 3:00 pm.

Property owners may appoint and authorize a representative to appear on their behalf. According to Ordinance, all Representatives or Agents **MUST** submit an original, notarized, current proof of authorization to act on behalf of the property owner as a prerequisite to appeal to the Board of Review.  
To schedule an appointment, please call the City of Romulus Department of Assessment at 734. 942.7520.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
February 24, 2014  
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174  
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden.  
**Pledge of Allegiance**  
**Roll Call**  
**Present:** Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.  
**Excused:** Harry Crout  
**Administrative Officials in Attendance:**  
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor  
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk  
Stacy Paige, Treasurer  
Steve Hitchcock, City Attorney

**1.** Moved by Makowski, seconded by Choate to accept the agenda as presented. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-060 2A.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 10, 2014. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-061 2B(1).** Moved by Wadsworth seconded by Makowski to approve the minutes of the special meetings of the Romulus City Council (which includes study sessions and closed sessions) as follows: Nov. 25, 2013, closed session, pending legal; study session, RAC Financial Statements; and study session, Secondary PSAP. Dec. 2, 2013, closed session, attorney opinion letter; and study session, Romulus Code of Ordinances. Dec. 9, 2013, closed session, personnel matters and study session; Amendment to Water & Sewer Contract; study session, Public Act 152. Dec. 23, 2013, closed session, attorney opinion. Jan. 6, 2014, study session, Ethics Ordinance; and public hearing, Special Tree Rezoning, PDA Jan. 13, 2014, study session, audit presentation; and public hearing CDBG Feb. 3, 2014, study session, FOIA Policy. Feb. 10, 2014, study session, Romulus Vision Plan, study session, policies & procedures and Ethics Ordinance; study session, proposed amendments to Purchasing Ordinance. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-062 2B(2).** Moved by Abdo, seconded by Roscoe to approve the minutes of the special meetings held on January 27, 2014 - study session, Employees Policies and Procedures and study session, Municipal Finance Overview Seminar. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Roscoe. **Nays** - None. **Abstain** - Makowski, Wadsworth. (both absent from Jan. 27, 2014 meeting) **Motion Carried.**  
**3A.** Petitioner: None  
**4.****Chairperson's Report** Councilman Wadsworth commented on the Dog Inoculation Day that was held on Saturday, February 22nd - 250 animals were inoculated and 119 licenses issued. Fluff and Puff clipped the animals' nails and donated the money received to the animal shelter. The annual Animal Shelter Bowl-a-Thon fundraiser will be held at Romulus Lanes on Friday, May 16.  
**14-063 4A.** Moved by Abdo, seconded by Makowski to approve the memorandum of agreement between the City of Romulus and AFSCME Council 25, Local 1917 and Teamsters Local 214 to provide that the furlough day for April 2014 shall be taken on Thursday, April 17, 2014 and Good Friday shall be recognized as a paid holiday on Friday, April 18, 2014. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-064 4B.** Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Choate to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Earl Alexander, Jr. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-065 4C.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski to adopt a resolution for a proclamation to recognize Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. on their 67th Northern Providence Council Regional meeting to be held at the Sheraton Detroit Metropolitan Hotel in Romulus on April 10-13, 2014. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-066 4D.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to approve a no-fee permit for a city-wide yard sale to be held on May 22, 23, 24 and 25, 2014 and the rain-out dates for June 12, 13, 14 and 15. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**4.** Moved by Choate, seconded by Makowski to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**Mayor's Report:** Officer Keith Haynes and Public Safety Director, John Leacher, explained the "Random Acts of Kindness" program at the Police Department.  
**14-067 5A(1).** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Gerald Frederick. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-068 5A.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski to award ITB 13/14-11 to the lowest bidder, Jorgensen Ford Sales, Inc. for the purchase of one (1) 2014 Ford Sedan Interceptor with Eco-Boost in the amount of \$28,349 and five (5) 2014 Ford Police Utility Vehicles with Eco-Boost in the amount of \$30,724 each for a total purchase price of \$181,969. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-069 5B.** Moved by Choate, seconded by Abdo to authorize the sale of the NEC Telephone equipment in accordance with the City of Romulus Disposal of Obsolete, Worn or Surplus Property Policy to the only interested vendor, CMS Communications, in the amount of \$200 plus shipping fees. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-070 5C.** Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to authorize payment for the Senior Alliance 2014 fiscal year match for 2013 statistics in the amount of \$1,838.00. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-071 5D.** Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Makowski to authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an agreement with Hallahan & Associates, P.C. to represent the City of Romulus in its property tax litigation. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-072 5E.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to concur with the administration and approve the appointment of Daniel J. Wood to the Recreation Commission with a term to expire on January 1, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-073 5F.** Moved by Makowski, seconded by Choate to authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an agreement with Orchard Hiltz & McCliment for completion of the five phase plan (as outlined in the City Council study session presentation held on February 10, 2014) for the City of Romulus Visioning Project at a cost not to exceed \$48,000. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-074 6A1(a).** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Willie Edwards. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-075 6A1(b).** Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Makowski to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Glenda Claxton. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-076 6A1.** Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to schedule a study session to discuss Goddard Road reconstruction updates and bonding requirements on Monday, March 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-077 6A2.** Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to schedule a study session to discuss policies and procedures and an Ethics Ordinance on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-078 6A3.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to schedule a study session to discuss medical marihuana moratorium and a medical marihuana ordinance on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**14-079 6A4.** Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Abdo to approve first reading of the restated Purchasing Ordinance, Chapter 39 of the Romulus Code of Ordinances. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**6B. Treasurer's Report** Treasurer Stacy Paige announced that after February 28, 2014 taxes will have to be paid at the county.  
**7. Public Comment** Citizen was glad to see City workers cold patching Brandt Road. Citizen commented on how it is heartwarming to see police officers participating in "Random Acts of Kindness."  
**10. Communication** Black History Month celebration will be held on Friday, February 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.  
**14-080 11.** Moved by Choate, seconded by Makowski to authorize the treasurer to disburse funds as listed in Warrant 14-04 in the amount of \$958,937.63. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
**12.** Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**  
I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 24, 2014.  
**Publish:** March 6, 2014

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# WAYNE - WESTLAND - ROMULUS

## Suspect who threatened cop will face trial

Allante Jones, 24, of Ypsilanti, has been ordered to stand trial on charges of carrying a concealed weapon, felonious assault, felony firearm, marijuana possession and resisting arrest.

A trial on the charges was ordered by 18th District Court Judge Sandra Cicirelli following a preliminary examination last week and stem from a traffic stop by Romulus officers in Westland Feb. 1. During the hearing, Romulus Ofc. Darryl Nippes testified that Jones threatened him with a gun after fleeing on foot from the traffic stop. Nippes said that he drew his service

revolver and fired wounding Jones in the finger.

The incident began at about 5:45 p.m. Feb. 1, according to police reports, when Nippes and his road patrol partner saw a van driving without headlights near Ecorse and Van Born roads in Romulus. Nippes said that he noticed the vehicle had no lights as it approached his patrol car from the opposite direction. He turned his car around to stop the van and tell the driver to turn on the lights. When he was driving behind the vehicle, he said that he noticed that it had no license plate.

According to police accounts of

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*Nippes said he could smell marijuana in the vehicle.*

the incident, the driver of the van eventually stopped the vehicle on Middlebelt Road, north of Van Born in Westland. Nippes said that the driver, identified as an Ypsilanti woman and Jones' girlfriend, was driving without a license. Nippes said he could smell marijuana in the vehicle.

The other officer was on the pas-

senger side of the van, talking to Jones. The officer asked Jones to step out of the vehicle and when he did, he began running down the sidewalk and into a nearby empty field.

Nippes said he gave chase and drew his weapon only after Jones brandished the gun and threatened him during the foot chase. The officer wounded Jones in the right

index finger and the suspect cried out and fell to the ground, according to police accounts of the incident.

Cicirelli bound Jones over for trial on all charges and set his bond at \$50,000. His attorney requested a reduction in the bond or release on a tether claiming that Jones has a significant medical issue from the shooting and is in serious discomfort. The attorney said Jones requires surgery to remove the bullet.

Cicirelli did not grant the reduction but did agree to refer Jones to Pretrial Screening Services to determine his medical issues.

## History

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for the occasion.

This wasn't the first time Butler and Berch were reunited since the incident at Belleville Lake.

“From time to time till I graduated from high school, Mr. Butler would stop by and see how I was doing,” Berch wrote.

“If I was out driving and we ran across each other, he would always make sure we talked. There was and is not a finer gentleman.”

Berch said that he and his family attended Butler's retirement party in 1976.

While Berch did not speak at the gathering, Dickerson read from his email.

“A few thoughts about my life after that experience,” Berch wrote. “Saving someone's life like Mr. Butler did isn't the end. It's about him allowing me to finish high school, get a job, marry (to my wife Sharon of 54 years this year), and have children Jeff, 52, Jennifer, 50, and Aaron, 42. I choose to be happy every day and try to be helpful to whoever I can. I have always wanted to save someone's life, like Mr. Butler did for me, but so far it hasn't happened.”

Butler is a Navy veteran who served in World War II and was a lifeguard at the time of the incident 61 years ago. After his retirement from the Sheriff's Department, he became a 30-year member of the Romulus Police Fire Safety Commission. A year ago, he received a distinguished service award a year ago at the first Hometown Heroes celebration.

During Friday's ceremony, Mayor LeRoy D. Burceroﬀ announced that he had proclaimed Jan. 28, 2014, as “Nathanial Butler Day” in the City of Romulus.

In addition, Public Safety Director John Leacher presented Butler with the first “Nathanial

Butler Life Safety Award” on behalf of the Romulus Police Department, plus a meritorious safety award for showing unparalleled courage and bravery while saving a person's life.

Leacher said that as the first African-American sheriff's deputy in Wayne County, “he paved the way for thousands.”

“This is an awesome day,” Burceroﬀ said.

“We love Mr. Butler. And we thank Mr. Berch for making the trip.”

The mayor also thanked Delta Airlines (represented by Dana Debel at the ceremony) and LaQuinta Inn for providing transportation and lodging for Berch, saying the two firms made the reunion possible.

Earlier in the celebration, Cpl. Labrit Jackson, a Romulus Police Department school resource officer, gave the keynote address. He spoke of his heroes and paid special tribute to his grandfather, the late Earl Willis, saying he was on his “Mount Rushmore” of people he looked up to.

Jackson said Willis always told him to “do the best you can” and not feel like he had to compensate for something else or overcome a perceived shortcoming. Jackson said he gives the same message to his children.

Jackson said the term “Black History Month” is a “misnomer.” He said the accolades and achievements are not just celebrated by African-Americans, but are part of the history of America.

Jackson also received a standing ovation.

City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg discussed the origins of Black History Month and she and Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden read the list of honorees, both living and deceased. Craig-Bragg said the list included African-Americans “who have enriched our community and helped make our city what it is today,” saying they came from the categories of politics, education, sports, business, public safety, entertainment and community involvement.

Besides Craig-Bragg and

Barden, those recognized included Emmett Barnes, Ed Beanum, Bronson Bell, Tomeka Boles, Cheryle Buckley, Lorena Burton, the Rev. Alvin Burton, Nathanial Butler, the Rev. L.B. Campbell Sr., Mary Carter, Lloyd Coleman, Lnnng Coleman and Thomas Coleman

Also honored were Eugene Edmonds, Brooker Edwards, Eugenio Erasmo Fernandez, Leonard Folmar, Danielle Funderberg, Randolph Gear, Patricia Hardaway, Hazel Harrison, Darnell Hearst, Joel Hearst, Willie Hester, John Holifield, Karl Hunt, Elder Horace Jackson, Pamela Kersey, Grant Long, John Long and Jason Lovette.

Others recognized were Irene Martin, Terry Mills, Barbara Morrison, Jimmie Raspberry, Paulette Reeves, Darren Shelby, Dr. Horace Stephens, Lloyd Ward, Eva Webb, Dorothy West, Rudy Williams, Ezell Wooden, Mike Woods and Sam Woods.

## Hospital to be renamed

Oakwood Annapolis Hospital will get a new name later this year.

The hospital, part of the Oakwood Health Care System, will be called Oakwood Hospital-Wayne, according to Brian M. Connolly, the president at CEO of Oakwood. Three other hospitals in the system will also be renamed, including Oakwood Hospital-Dearborn (formerly Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center), Oakwood Hospital-Taylor (formerly Oakwood Heritage Hospital) and Oakwood Southshore Medical Center which will be renamed Oakwood Hospital-Southshore. Those changes are expected later this year.

“Oakwood is well known for providing uniquely personalized patient care at all of our facilities,” said Connolly. “When someone steps into any Oakwood hos-


pital, clinic or facility, they can be assured of receiving the same great experience no matter where they go. The new hospital names confirm that commitment to system-wide quality and service.” The name change is consistent with the naming of the more than four dozen Oakwood health-care centers located throughout metro Detroit and continues the branding strategy that originated with an advertising campaign that launched in 2012.

It also reflects the 'One Oakwood' concept promoted through the implementation of the OakCare electronic medical records system last year.

“Feedback we received from the community indicated that the Oakwood name was synonymous with quality and preference,” said Connolly. “We're very proud of that and we want that to be the standard at all of our facilities.”

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# BELLEVILLE - CANTON - INKSTER - NORTHVILLE

## Simple Soup supper will present development plans

The Belleville Downtown Development Authority is asking the community to help decide: What's next for Belleville Downtown on the Lake?

Several Belleville High School students will present their ideas for downtown Belleville projects during a simple soup supper beginning at 5:30 p.m. March 13 at Belleville High School Commons. Attendees will vote for their favorite idea presented and proceeds from the supper will help fund the winning project.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and supper will be served at 6 p.m. Presentations and voting will take place during supper. The winning project will be announced after dessert. The meal is being prepared by Angel Food Catering, a local business.

Admission is \$15 or two for \$25; tickets are available at Belleville City Hall, Belleville High School, the Chamber of Commerce, and at the door. RSVPs to the DDA or (734) 646-0504 at [dda@belleville.mi.us](mailto:dda@belleville.mi.us) are appreciated.

Similar grassroots fundraising soup dinners have taken place across the Michigan and the United States to help small groups looking to make a difference in their community with modest financial support. DDA Administrator Carol Thompson heard about the Soup Project at a Michigan Municipal League seminar on Placemaking for 21st Century Communities.

"It seemed like an idea that could work well in Belleville, and would enhance the city and DDA's partnership with Belleville High School New Tech," she said.

"For the past two years, New Tech students, as part of their 10th grade Economics and Literature course, have developed some unique and intriguing entrepreneurial ideas for downtown Belleville businesses," Thompson said.

"The City of Belleville and DDA are excited to hear what these young leaders propose next. Please come out and support them," she added.

## Canton trustees OK purchase of 7 police vehicles

Canton Township trustees have agreed to spend \$155,894 for seven new vehicles.

Five of the cars will replace existing police vehicles and two others will be added to the police department fleet.

Included in the purchase were two Ford Police Interceptors, one Ford Explorer, one GMC Terrain, two Chevrolet Impalas and one Ford Taurus. The cars will be used by patrol officers, the rapid response unit, the detective bureau and a deputy police chief. Some of the vehicles being replaced will have nearly 200,000 miles on the odometer, officials said.

The purchases will be made through Signature Ford of Perry, Shaheen Chevrolet of Lansing and Red Holman Buick GMC of Westland. The township takes advantage of special pricing through county and state bidding procedures, officials said.

The new vehicles, approved last month, will arrive at the police department with 60-90 days, officiating said.

Computers and other equipment and technology will be removed from the older cars and installed in the new vehicles.

## Chamber sets meeting

The 15th Annual Business Community Networking Mixer is planned for 6-8 p.m. March 25 at Inkster Valley Golf Course.

The annual event is sponsored by the Inkster Chamber of Commerce and will include music and a deluxe buffet dinner. Tickets for chamber members are \$20 and non-member tickets re \$25.

Tickets can be purchased by mailing checks to Inkster Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 596, Inkster, MI 48141. For additional information, contact the chamber office at (734) 552-1391. RSVPs will be accepted through March 18.

The golf course is located at 2150 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

### Art smart

The Northville Art House members have announced that Robert Schefman, renowned Fine Artist/Sculptor/ and Foundations Department Chair and Associate Professor at the College for Creative Studies, has been chosen as the juror for the Northville Art House West of Center show. West of Center is a nod to the Art House's location as well as its mission to bring the community something unexpected, edgy, and compelling - an eclectic, contemporary art exhibit that showcases a wide range of accomplished pieces, a spokesman said. Applications with jpegs on CDs must be hand-delivered or shipped to the Northville Art House to arrive by 5 p.m. Saturday, April 12. Cash prizes will be awarded. Applications are available on the Art House website at [www.NorthvilleArtHouse.org](http://www.NorthvilleArtHouse.org). For additional information, e-mail [Exhibits@NorthvilleArtHouse.org](mailto:Exhibits@NorthvilleArtHouse.org).



## Clothing give a way set

Middlebelt Baptist Church in Inkster will once again be the site of a clothing give away, proving free clothes for those in need.

The event is planned from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8 at the church.

The church has been offering the clothing giveaways for several years. Items are donated by church members.

There will be clothing for children, women and men available Saturday and there is no charge for any of the items which are clean and in good repair.

The church is located at 943 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

For more information, call (734) 728-3838.



### Total loss

Two residents and the family pet were able to escape the devastating house fire Monday on the 6800 block of Ardsley in Canton Township. Firefighters were dispatched to the home at about 5:02 p.m. and used multiple hose lines to attack the blaze. A second crew of firefighters entered the home and reported heavy smoke, zero visibility the rapid deterioration of the structure. Firefighters were forced out of the home due to the instability of the structure, according to fire department reports, and worked to extinguish the blaze from outside while protecting surrounding homes and structures. The home eventually collapsed onto itself, reports said. The displaced family is being helped by their church, the Salvation Army and the Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation. Fire Chief Joshua Meier said the cause of the blaze remains under investigation but is believed to have been accidental. Photos by Scott Spielman

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# PLYMOUTH

## Trustees still seek answers to financial questions

Concerned trustees in Plymouth Township believe board officials are deliberately overlooking negative audit findings uncovered last year by the audit firm, Plante Moran.

Last year Plymouth Township officials were cited by the outside auditors for problems with deficiencies in bank reconciliations and the handling of drug forfeiture funds. The auditors described the township procedures as weak, highlighted a discrepancy of \$37,606 and cited perceived problems with the bank reconciliation process.

The audit, commonly referred to as a “single audit,” is normally not part of the government-filing requirement, but was required because the township exceeded a \$500,000 threshold for expenses in the previous year, 2012. The official schedule of expenditures of federal awards report township expenses of \$689,272 for the year ending Dec. 31, 2012.

After conducting a required financial audit mandated by the Federal Office of Management and Budget in December 2012, Plante Moran reported the deficiencies and described the township record keeping procedures as “materially weak.”

Material weakness is described by auditors as a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the township financial standing will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

With state and federal regulations governing the application for municipal funds come various rules about procedure, dates and accuracy. Among the various protocols are

norms for banking procedures and account reconciliation. The rules are outlined in the US Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133.

At a public board meeting last July, the auditors reiterated their 2012 findings categorized as Financial Statement Audit Findings. “The general checking bank reconciliation for December 2012 was prepared timely but continued to have an un-reconciled difference in June 2013. In addition there is no documented indication that bank reconciliations are being reviewed,” the report said.

“We recommend that the Township implement the proper internal controls and segregation of duties to ensure that bank reconciliations are reconciled timely, reviewed timely, and that reviews are documented for bank reconcili-

ations,” the report continued.

Township Trustee Bob Doroshewitz had publicly expressed concern for greater transparency and inquired about the identity and number of township depositories. Township Clerk Nancy Conzelman suggested that she could, upon request, hold one-on-one private monthly reviews with individual trustees and discuss bank funds.

Doroshewitz objected saying he felt the information should be openly shared on a regular basis with all trustees, preferably at monthly board meetings.

Trustees say that the financial information they requested has not been forthcoming and that they have not been informed of any corrective action taken in the clerk's office as recommended by the auditors.

The auditors reported that beginning in 2012 the township began receiving more significant amounts of federal awards through the Federal Equitable Sharing program.

The township drug forfeiture fund balance went from \$146,000 in 2011 to \$1.2 million in 2012.

Plante Moran stated, “As these circumstances changed, the township did not institute a system to prevent noncompliance or detect and correct noncompliance...”

“We recommend that the Township identify an individual with appropriate federal program skills to oversee compliance with the Federal Equitable Sharing programs...and provide ongoing training for this individual...alternatively, the township could select someone more familiar with the police department operations...”

## Emergency Food Distribution set in Plymouth next week

The next distribution of emergency food by Plymouth Community United Way is scheduled from 9:30–11a.m. Thursday, March 20. The Emergency Food Assistance Program provides low-income Plymouth and Northville residents with canned, non-perishable and perishable items.

All recipients must pre-register at

Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth.

This is a supplemental food program that may be used in addition to other assistance programs. Bridge Card holders automatically qualify, but need to pre-register. Recipients not currently on governmental assistance (food stamps, ADC and gener-

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## Elks will host Australian blues harmonica artist in concert

Australian-born blues harmonica player, Harper, will perform from 7-10 p.m. March 11 at the Plymouth Elks Lodge as part of the continuing Blues at the Elks series.

The concert event is open to the general public and admission is \$5 at the door:

Harper plays an amalgamation of blues, rock, funk, soul and world music.

"This Australian-born singer/songwriter creates a heady mix of roots music through his creative use of the harp, and didgeridoo," according to RJ Spangler, president of the

Detroit Blues Society.

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This concert is sponsored in part by the Detroit Blues Society, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 1985.

For more information, visit <http://www.harper.biz/> or <http://www.plymouthelks1780.com/>

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1. Obituaries



**Frederick Jerome Whitmore**  
**Sunrise: Feb. 22, 1958**  
**Sunset: Feb. 19, 2014**

Frederick Jerome Whitmore died Feb. 19, 2014. Among those survivors left to cherish his memory are his devoted wife of 25 years, Betty A. Whitmore; a son, Kamal (Latia) Whitmore; daughters, Jenai Whitmore and Renai Whitmore; a stepdaughter, Sabrina Arrington; his mother, Lillie Mae Richmond; his stepfather, Melvin Richmond; his sisters, Lanessa (Terry) Johnson and Tanya (Chris) Thornton; a brother, Lundale Richmond; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and other family members, and many friends. Mr. Whitmore was preceded in death by a stepson, James 'Chipper' Arrington. Funeral services took place at Greater Than Dreams Church in Wayne with Pastor Larry Mack officiating. Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster. Interment was at Knollwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Canton Township.

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# Calendar

### Quilt show open in Belleville

The Belleville Area Museum and Western Wayne County Quilting Guild are sponsoring the 2014 Quilt Exhibit titled, It's a Man's World. The exhibit, which will continue through March 29, features antique and contemporary quilts

There are special demonstrations, bed turnings, a children's sewing workshop and more than 130 quilts on display. Velia Lauerman will offer quilt appraisals from 6-8 p.m. March 20.

The display is open from 3-7 p.m. on Tuesdays and from noon until 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

Admission to the display is \$2. the museum is located at 405 Main St. in Belleville.

For more information call (734) 697-1944.

### Graduation show is Saturday

The 2014 Senior Graduation Party Committee is sponsoring Project Graduation, a gathering of vendors for graduation party needs including tents, inflatables, photo booths, caterers, bakeries and others, along with Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, Cookie Lee Jewelry, Scentsy Fragrance Warmers, Mary Kay, Velata Chocolate Warmers and other businesses. Admission is free.

All proceeds will benefit the Senior All-Night Party.

The show will take place from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8 at the Canton High School cafeteria, 8415 North Canton Center Road.

### Free tax preparation offered

The Westland Friendship Center, located at 1119 Newburgh Road, will be assisting residents by offering free tax preparation.

This program was developed for those in the low to middle income brackets and they also provide the Home Heating Credit.

Clients must present photo ID at the times taxes are done. Joint returns are done in the morning, individual returns in the afternoon.

To make an appointment, call (734) 722-7632.

### Church serving Lenten meal

First United Methodist Church of Wayne will serve fish dinners from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Every Friday through April 11.

The fish dinner includes baked or fried fish, baked potato or french fries, vegetable, cole slaw and a roll. Children's meals are also available with nuggets or one piece of fish, french fries, vegetable, slaw and a roll. The cost is \$9 for adults and \$4 for children's meals. Home made pies are also available for \$1 a slice.

The church is located at 3 Town Square, Wayne across from the Wayne Post office. The church is handicap accessible.

For more information, call (734) 721-4801

### Church offers Saturday Night Live

Grace Community Church in Belleville is offering Saturday Night Live gatherings beginning at 6 p.m. every Saturday.

The services include fellowship, refreshments and worship and will take place at The Comfort Inn Belleville on the south I-94 Service Drive in Belleville.

For more information, call (734) 740-4230 or access [www.gracecommunitychurch4u.com](http://www.gracecommunitychurch4u.com).

### Storytime continues at library

Preschool Storytime for children ages 3 1/2 to 5 will continue at the Romulus Public Library at 6:30 March 11 and 18.

The sessions include stories, songs and crafts. Register by call the library at (734) 942-7589.

Toddler Storytime for children 2

to 3 1/2 takes place at 10:15 a.m. March 13 and 20. No registration is required.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

### Library offers health care help

Free enrollment and information sessions staffed by Bridges Management will be available for those with questions about the health insurance marketplace from 3 -6 p.m. March 12 at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library.

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster.

For more information, call (313) 563-2811.

### Blues Brothers Revue set

Jake and Elwood Blues will appear live on stage in a Blues Brothers Revue at 8 p.m. March 7 at the Wayne County Community College District Downriver Campus Heinz C. Prechter Performing Arts Center. The auditorium is located at 21000 Northline Road in Taylor.

Wayne Catania will perform as Jake and Kieron Lafferty will perform as Elwood.

Tickets are priced at \$35

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call the box office at (734)374-3200.

### Genealogy for beginners is topic

Beginning genealogists can learn the basics of researching ancestors and creating a family tree during a Genealogy for Beginners class set for 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. March 8 at the Northville District Library.

Students will learn how to chart a tree, understand vital records and discover the wealth of information contained in census records, with an introduction to software. Genealogy experts will help with

hands-on research online. A limited number of computers will be available and students can bring personal laptops, along with their library card.

This class is presented by the Northville Genealogical Society. Space is limited and reservations are required. Call (248) 349-3020 to hold your place. The class is free of charge and open to the public. Bring your own lunch.

Northville District Library is located at 212 W. Cady St. in Northville.

### Ives of March concert planned

The Ives of March will be presented by the Michigan Philharmonic at 2 p.m. March 9 at First Methodist Church in Plymouth.

Soloists Martha Sheil and Stephen Luseman will perform along with the Plymouth Oratorio Society.

For more information regarding ticket prices and availability, call (745)451-2112 or visit [www.michigan-phil.org](http://www.michigan-phil.org).

### Mad Hatter Tea at museum

The annual Mad Hatter Tea will take place from 2-4 p.m. March 10 at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

The event celebrates the wearing of hats and Sandy Root, a Civil War reenactor and period milliner will present Mad About Hats—100 years of Wearing Hats, 1860-1960.

Before the presentation, delicacies from Joe's Deli of Plymouth and "Mary's Blend" tea—a taste bud tingling cherry and almond black tea in honor of Mary Todd Lincoln will be served. The tea is a signature offering of the museum and is available for purchase in the museum store.

Tickets for the Mad Hatter Tea are \$25 for Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum members and \$30 for non-members, if purchased

by March 1 (add \$5 to the ticket price after that date), and can be purchased at the Plymouth Historical Museum during open hours, or on the website at <http://www.plymouth-history.org/Events.html> using PayPal.

Ticket holders who come early that day are also invited to enjoy the Museum's special exhibit, "Made in America." Ticket holders are also encouraged to wear their craziest hat to the Mad Hatter Tea.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main St., a block north of downtown Plymouth. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. For more information, call (734) 455-8940.

### Book signing set in Northville

Sandra Novacek, widow of author Charles Novacek, will sign copies of Border Crossing: Coming of Age in the Czech Resistance from 10-11:30 a.m. at Next Chapter Bookstore and Bistro in Northville on March 8. The book is her husband's posthumously published memoir of his survival amid the Nazi and Communist occupations of Czechoslovakia.

Border Crossings has been endorsed by Madeleine Albright and has been a finalist or winner of 14 independent book awards.

The same day, Belleville author Jan McCombs will sign copies of her book, My Father's Secret, from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at The Next Chapter Book Store and Bistro, located at 141 E. Main St. in Northville.

My Father's Secret is a novel that deals with the struggle of a woman seeking to uncover the mysterious reasons behind the sudden turmoil in her life.

Copies of both books will be for sale during the event.

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