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New city manager chosen by Wayne council

If employment contracts are successful, Joseph Merucci, the current city manager in Lincoln Park, will be the new city manager in Wayne. He will replace Robert English who retired from the city in September after serving as city manager for about three years. City Engineer Ramzi El-Gharib has been interim city manager since that time.

Merucci was interviewed for about 90 minutes last Saturday by members of the Wayne City Council who were apparently satisfied with his responses to their questions, experience and education.

Merucci said the largest expenses in the city are in personnel particularly in the fire and police departments.

“I would first start working with the finance director - you've got to get control of the spending. The majority of that would be people. I would do a thorough review of the (labor) contracts. There are also contracts with attorneys, engineers and others. They all need to be examined,” Merucci told the Wayne

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council members.

Following the interview the council members voted unanimously to begin contract negotiations with Merucci, who has nearly 30 years experience in city government. He began his career as assistant city manager in Garden City and was then the city manager in Pleasant Ridge, Clawson and Fowlerville. He accepted the Lincoln Park job about a year ago. Merucci earned his bachelors degree in political science from the University of Michigan in Dearborn and earned his masters degree in public administration at Wayne State University. He would be contract employee and would not receive employee benefits.

Merrucci is no stranger to municipal financial problems. Lincoln Park will have an

Emergency Financial Manager appointed by Gov. Rick Snyder this year, based on the financial deficits in the city. Wayne currently faces a \$1.5 million deficit and a deficit of more than \$3 million is anticipated for next year. City officials recently met with the Michigan Office of Financial Responsibility at the recommendation of budget consultant Vince Pastue, the city manager in Farmington.

“People who say they want an EFM (Emergency Financial Manager) are foolish - that's the last thing you want,” said Merucci. “The EFM has a single job - that is to make sure the budget meets the revenues.”

“You have a golden opportunity with Main Street. I'm quite shocked that your DDA (Downtown Development Authority) board only meets once or twice a year,” said Merucci. “Most meet monthly. I realize the funding is committed but there are still things they can do with smaller expenses.”

If employment agreement negotiations are successful, Merucci could start within 30 days.

Battle for air Local women compete in annual fundraiser

Five local women were involved in a “fight” earlier this month that drew a lot of media attention.

The five participated in the Fight For Air Climb, a fundraising event for the American Lung Association March 2 at the Renaissance Center in downtown Detroit.

Linda McNeil, Merrie Druyor and Dawn Dennison of Romulus took part in the “vertical road race” for the second straight year, climbing 70 flights stairs - 1,035 steps - to raise funds to battle lung disease. This year, the group increased to five, including Tammy Todd of Taylor and Paulette Matlock of Canton.

So far, the event has raised more than \$335,000. Money raised provides life-saving education, research and advocacy with the goal of finding a cure.

McNeil and Druyor work in the City of Romulus Economic Development Department. Dennison works at a physical therapist's office. Todd is administrative assistant with VantagePort and Matlock is a pediatric hygienist with a dental office in Commerce Township.

McNeil said she was first inspired to participate by her husband, Brownstown Township Firefighter Brian McNeil, who did the climb this year in full gear for the third year in a row



Linda McNeil (left) of Romulus, Tammy Todd of Taylor, Merrie Druyor of Romulus, Dawn Dennison of Romulus and Paulette Matlock of CantonTownship were among those involved in the Fight For Air Climb in downtown Detroit March 2.

despite a recent injury.

Dennison, whose husband, William, is a firefighter at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Romulus, said she did the climb in honor of her daughter, who has suffered with asthma since she was 7 years old and has had trouble breathing.

Druyor said she participated because of the worthy cause and because of the fitness challenge. She and McNeil thanked their family and friends for their support, along with their sponsors, including D&G Building in Romulus.

“We are again proud to support such a great cause and are happy that we were able to

recruit Tammy and Paulette for this year,” McNeil said, “and we will continue trying to recruit additional people for next year.”

Todd, who said she was inspired to make the climb by neighbors who became firefighters, called the climb “a great experience.”

“I have a lot of family members and friends that have either died or are struggling with lung disease,” she said. “My grandfather and my mother-in-law died from emphysema, my brother-in-law and a long-time friend passed away from long cancer - just to name a few. This was my way to help find a cure. I would absolutely do it again. It was a remarkable experience.”

Plymouth drug prosecution delayed nearly 4 months

A miscommunication was the apparent cause of a four-month delay in the prosecution of a Dearborn man arrested for possession with intent to deliver cocaine at a downtown Plymouth restaurant and bar.

Bryce M. Koth, 50, appeared for a preliminary hearing on charges last week before 35th District Judge Mike Gerou after his arrest by Plymouth police at around 9:30 p.m. Nov.16. This court hearing was delayed at the request of attorneys who said more time was needed to obtain evidentiary surveillance

The owner of Fiamma has since protested erroneous reports that the arrest took place in his business.

video. The preliminary hearing was rescheduled for this Tuesday.

According to police reports of the incident, Landon Garrett, identified as the owner of the Ironwood Grill and 336 Main, flagged down a police car on patrol in the lower lot of the downtown city parking structure Nov. 16. Garrett, according to the reports, told the officer that a

waitress at the Ironwood Grill had been given small packets of cocaine by a customer on three separate occasions. Garrett told the officer that the waitress said the packets were folded in her tip money and that she had never solicited the drugs. Garrett, according to the report, said the man who had given the drugs to the waitress

was at the bar and requested that the officers remove the man from his establishment.

According to the report, immediately after the officer was flagged down, he received a call from dispatch to meet with Garrett at Ironwood Grill, located at 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Two other officers responded to the call and joined the first patrolman at the scene, leaving the patrol cars in the parking structure at the rear of the bar.

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Warehouse expansion planned at IKEA in Canton

Managers at IKEA, the leading home furnishings retailer in the world, have revealed plans to expand the warehouse area at the Canton store on Ford Road by about 44,000 square feet.

IKEA Canton, which opened in June 2006 at 311,000 square feet in size, would grow to a new footprint of about 355,000 square feet.

Initial utility work would begin this coming summer with actual

construction activity starting in the fall. The store will remain open and operational during construction, maintaining its full product offering throughout the project, expected to be complete next spring, according to Matt Hunsicker, Canton store manager.

The project will include expanding the Self-Serve Furniture Area where shoppers collect flat-packed furniture to take home on the same day, rear-

ranging customer service functions to the newly-built part of the store and enlarging the home delivery area. This extension would blend into the existing structure so the store can preserve the unique architectural design for which IKEA stores are known.

“IKEA is thrilled with the success of IKEA Canton. But, as our customer base and sales continue to grow - along with our product

assortment - the store's warehouse capacity now is less than ideal,” said Hunsicker.

“Extending the store's self-serve furniture area so it can hold more products would allow us to improve the shopping experience, to meet our customers' needs more easily, and to enhance our ability to keep lowering prices,” he added.

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CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Dream wedding Wish comes true for disabled couple

One Canton Township couple realized a dream they thought would never come true thanks to a national group dedicated to providing free wedding services for those in special circumstances.

“We’ve been together for 20 years and I have always wanted to marry her but I could never make it a reality,” said David Gorden, who recently married the love of his life, Maureen. “My bride and I have disabilities and because of the way entitlements are set up, we were always in fear of losing them so we never got married.”

One night he was watching TV and saw a story about an organization called “Wish Upon a Wedding,” (<http://wishuponawedding.org/>) a non-profit organization that donates wedding services to people who need help due to unusual life circumstances. Gorden said he quickly got on the computer and sent an e-mail.

“I contacted them secretly and filled out an application and the rest is history, before I knew it, I was planning a wedding without Maureen even knowing it!” As the date grew closer and more people got involved, the secret was let out of the bag and the prospective bride found out.

“I could not believe it! I could not stop smiling! I still can’t believe it happened,” she said.



David Gorden and his bride Maureen

Everything from start to finish was donated, the dress, the hall, the food, entertainment, photographer, and all the other necessities for a perfect wedding.

“They definitely made our dream come true,” said Gorden.

The couple had a “commitment ceremony” so they will not be in jeopardy of losing Social Security benefits. David and Maureen are supported by Community Living Services, a non-profit organization serving and supporting over 4,000 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. CLS is funded through the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority. For more information, visit www.comliveserv.com

remain available onsite. Ultimately, the warehouse would increase from 75,294 square feet to 113,294 square feet, according to building plans. IKEA also would demolish the adjacent building, which formerly housed ABC Warehouse, to make room for the addition.

IKEA would aim to minimize any disruption or inconvenience to customers during the construction.

“This project may require some flexibility by our customers, but we are confident it will create an enhanced shopping experience with access to a bigger product selection and greater quantities of each item,” added Hunsicker.

Rake-n-Go needs volunteers

Want to make a difference by helping a senior citizen or person with a disability?

Plymouth Community United Way is looking for volunteers to clean yards and do light chores in Plymouth, and Plymouth and Canton townships on Saturday, April 26 during its Rake-N-Go.

Come alone, with your family or bring a team of co-workers or friends.

Volunteers are asked to bring rakes, garden tools, hedge trimmers, and gloves. United Way will supply yard waste bags.

For an application, call (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org

Delay

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The officers entered the bar, two remaining near the door, as one of them approached Koth, according to police reports. The officer stated in his report that he told Koth that management requested he leave the establishment and suggested he walk him outside to the alley to talk.

The officer's report indicates that once outside the bar, Koth consented to a search of his person and that officers found two plastic bags containing 16 grams of a white powdery substance along with a wallet containing \$2,831. Officers arrested him at the scene and transported him to the Plymouth Township Police Department for processing. At the township, a second search revealed another \$60 in cash. The officer said that he told Koth at the time that all the money would now be forfeited to Wayne County.

In the report, the officer said a preliminary field test of the white powder was positive for cocaine. A second officer on the scene spoke with Dan Johnson, also identified as an owner of Ironwood Grill. This officer also interviewed the waitress who confirmed that Koth had given her a white powder in a small baggie which she had thrown away on three separate occasions.

According to the police reports, Johnson later told officers that when Koth was arrested and in the patrol car, the manager of Fiamma came into the alley behind the establishments. According to the police reports, Johnson said that the Fiamma manager iden-

tified Koth as “trying to peddle drugs in his place.”

At the most recent Liquor License Review Committee in the city, the drug arrest was listed on the agenda under item H as “Drug Arrest, Fiamma/Ironwood.” The owner of Fiamma has since protested erroneous reports that the arrest took place in his business.

Plymouth police sent a request for a felony drug warrant to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office-Narcotics Unit on Nov. 25, 11 days following Koth's arrest.

There was no further action listed in police reports of the case until Feb. 11, more than 13 weeks following the arrest when officers called the prosecutor's office to check on the status of the warrant. Police reports state that an attorney in the prosecutor's office told the inquiring officer that the warrant was not in the system and “was likely stuck in the fax machine since 11/25/13 as they had no toner for the fax machine to print (warrant) requests.”

According to Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Maria Miller, however, all police departments received notification in early November that the prosecutor's office was changing to a new fax/computer system and given a new number to fax warrant requests.

Miller said that Plymouth received the felony warrant the day after the request was sent to the correct number.

Koth was formally charged March 6 by video arraignment in front of Judge James Plakas who entered a not-guilty plea on his behalf and set his bond at \$10,000.

Koth, 50, now faces up to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$25,000 if convicted of the charges. He remains free on bond.

IKEA

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For less than a year, IKEA Canton would undergo phased implementation of a reconfigured self-serve furniture area, a larger ‘as-is’ section, as well as larger and shifted customer service areas such as furniture pick-up and an expanded home delivery area. The Exit Bistro and Swedish Foodmarket, however, would stay in their current locations, according to Hunsicker. During construction and build-up of this extension, the full product selection would

Winning snowman builders named

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department staff has chosen the winners of the Snowman Photo Contest.

First place winner was Gavin French who created a snowman ready for a fight. Second place winner was Stu Kammeraad whose snowman has his very own corncob

pipe.

There was a tie in the category of most creative non-traditional snowman. Both Kylee Geiser's Grinch and Alexis Hack's snowcat were named winners.

Each of the winners will receive a City of Plymouth goody bag.



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BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS - WAYNE

Romulus accepting fire fighter applications

The City of Romulus is accepting applications to establish an eligibility list for the position of firefighter/EMT.

The job posting is pursuant to the receipt of a two-year Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant. Such federal grants were created to provide funding directly to fire departments to help them increase or maintain the number of trained front-line firefighters available in their community. The goal is to enhance a department's ability to comply with staffing, response and operational standards, according to a department spokesperson.

Individuals would be hired on a part-time basis. Duties include saving lives and reducing property loss through rescue techniques and fire-suppression operations.

Each applicant must be a Certified Michigan Firefighter Level I and II, Hazmat Operations Level Certified and licensed as an EMT - Basic by the State of Michigan.

The applicant must be at least 18 years old, be a United States citizen, possess a high school diploma (or equivalent), have and maintain a valid State of Michigan driver's license and have a good driving record.

City launches new internet access to information

The City of Romulus has launched a new You Tube channel on the Internet.

In addition, officials have created an electronic version of the City Charter and Code of Ordinances that is easily accessible by anyone with Internet access, officials said.

Both information-sharing aids are early communication improvements of the administration of Mayor LeRoy D. Burcroff.

“Expanding communications and increasing transparency were two of the promises I made during last year’s mayoral campaign,” Burcroff said. “It is so important to keep taxpayers informed about their community. We feel this is a great start.”

The You Tube channel can be accessed at www.youtube.com/user/CityOfRomulus. The channel will feature video programming created by the city for the city cable TV channel on Comcast, including city council meetings and Burcroff's recent State of the City address.

The complete City Charter and Code of Ordinances can be accessed on the Romulus MuniCode site, <http://library.muni-code.com/index.aspx?clientid=13887>. The site will be updated seasonally, every three or four months.

Wayne awaits new plans to keep Community Center, ice rink open

In an effort to balance the deficit budget, Wayne City Council members approved a plan last week to close several sections of the Wayne Community Center, which receives a \$1 million annual subsidy from the city.

According to Wayne-Westland Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Adams, however, the closures are not confirmed as city is waiting for two proposals from private organizations to assume management of the community center and the ice rink. The plan council members approved would include the closure of the Wayne Activities and Banquet Center, the Senior Department and the Patrick Norton Recreation Exercise Club and the ice arena. All will close June 30 if there is no outside proposal accepted, Adams said.

The pool will remain open and Adams said the staff would move some exercise equipment into a nearby observation area for use by those who formerly used the exercise room in the community center.

Adams said he is telling everyone concerned “not to panic and to sit tight for the month of April. What we'll be doing will become more clear in May.”

The city council members will have a better grasp of the possibilities and “what they want to do” when the private investors or entities make their proposals regarding the community center and the ice arena, Adams said.

“We need to get the information and perform our due diligence,” he said.

The Senior Center would reopen using funding from federal Community Development Block Grant allocations available in the 2014-15 budget. That funding would make the Senior Department self-sustaining beginning in April, Adams said.



‘Bee’ quick

There are only two more days to enjoy the annual Quilt Show at the Belleville Area Museum where crowds have been flocking to see the exhibit of more than 140 quilts. The show will continue from noon until 4 p.m. through Saturday at the museum, 405 Main St. in Belleville. Admission is \$2 per person and \$1 for children. For more information, call (734) 697-1944.

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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City of Romulus
Notice of State of Michigan Bid Participation

The City, through the State of Michigan bidding process, is soliciting bids for 1.27 mi of hot mix asphalt surfacing, storm sewer, concrete pavement, curb, gutter, sidewalk and ramps, signing, pavement markings, streetscaping, landscaping, traffic signal, and watermain on Goddard Road from Romaine Street to east of Wayne Road in the City of Romulus, Wayne County.

See proposal for bidder guaranty information. Completion date is 10/01/16
Proposal and plans are available for examination online at;
<http://mdotcf.state.mi.us/public/eprop/login/index.cfm>
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PY2014 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On April 17 2014, at 2 p.m. in Meeting Room D, lower level, Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, there will be a public hearing on the PY 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project proposals. The purpose of the Action Plan is to identify projects and project funding levels for the PY 2014 CDBG program. The initial funding requests are: First Step, \$20,000; Growth Works, \$6,000; Neighborhood Legal Services Michigan, \$10,000; Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency, \$8,000; Canton Township Leisure Services Volunteer Coordination, \$2,000; Summit Scholarships, \$3,000; Affordable Housing Activities (housing rehabilitation), \$116,000; ADA Projects \$100,000, Program administration, \$66,400. Not all project proposals are necessarily listed, and not all projects will be approved or funded at the requested amounts. The PY 2014 CDBG allocation is approximately \$332,411. Written comments or requests for information should be directed to: Mike Sheppard, Financial Analyst, Finance Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188-1699, (734) 394-5225.

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Terry Bennett, Clerk

Public Notice
Romulus Housing Commission

The Romulus Housing Commission (RHC) has developed the 5 Year Agency Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and applicable regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The 5 Year Agency Plan and supporting documentation is available for public review for a period of not less than 45 days at the Romulus Housing Commission's administrative office located at 34200 Beverly, Romulus, MI 48174. The Commission's hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The RHC Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 @ 12:30 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain citizen comments on the 5 Year Agency Plan.

Sabrina Gaddy, Interim Executive Director
Clementine Haynes, President
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-March 18, 2014

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sneedman, Williams. Members Absent: Yack Staff Present: Director Trumbull, Director Faas, Bob Belair. **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, seconded by Anthony to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all members present. **STUDY SESSION TOPIC, ITEM 1. Water & Sewer Rates (MSD)** The Board was provided with an explanation of the proposed 2014 water and sewer rates including a discussion on the assumptions and inputs that factor into setting the rates each year. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to adjourn at 7:35 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 after Board Approval. Publish: March 27, 2014

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INVITATION FOR BID

The Romulus Housing Commission will receive bids for the provision of lawn maintenance service for 101 dwelling units of public housing, including the Commission's main office, 34200 Beverly Road. All work sites are located in the City of Romulus, Michigan. The bid shall include all necessary labor, tools, supplies, and equipment to provide service on a weekly basis for approximately 28 weeks in the year 2014 cutting season. Bids are due April 7, 2014 no later than 3:00 p.m. at FOURMIDABLE's main office located at 32500 Telegraph Road, Suite 100, Bingham Farms, MI 48025. Bid documentation may be obtained at the housing office, Monday's through Fridays during regular business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (734) 729-5389.

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"NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS"

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

TO THE OWNER OR OCCUPANT OR ANY PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRM OR CORPORATION HAVING CHARGE OF ANY LAND IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON:

Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing on any land in the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan must be cut and destroyed on or before the first day of May, the first day of June, the first day of July, the first day of August, and the first day of September in each year and/or as needed and as often as may be necessary to prevent same from going to seed. Any owner, occupant, or person having charge of any such land must notify the Township that such weeds have been destroyed within three (3) days of such cutting. Any person failing to comply with this notice shall be liable to the imposition of the penalties set forth in Noxious Weed Ordinance, Chapter 34, Article III of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan and shall be liable for all expenses incurred by the Township in destroying said noxious weeds, which expenses, if unpaid by the Owner or occupant, shall be spread against the property on the next County and State tax roll or the next general Township tax roll and/or place a lien upon the property to secure the collection of such expense. The Township of Canton may notify by certified mail with return receipt requested, the owner, agent or occupant as shown on the current County and School tax roll, of any lands on which said noxious weeds are found growing. Such notice shall contain a summary of the provisions of this section of the Ordinance. Failure of the Township to give such notice shall not, however, constitute a defense to any action to enforce the payment of any penalty provided herein or any debt created hereunder.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

TERRY G BENNETT
CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
-SPECIAL MEETING-
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
APRIL 17, 2014

Notice is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Craig Engel, Julia Perkins, Vicki Welty, Dawn Zuber
Alternate: Gregory Demopoulos

Approval of Agenda

General Calendar:

1. Jonathan Crane, Verizon Wireless, 1126 N. Main, Rochester, MI 48307 applicant and project representative for property located at 41802 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187 on the North side of Ford Road between Haggerty and Lilley Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance - 2.26 variance to omit screening for a roof top mounted cellular antennae. Parcel 71-044-99-0012-701 (Planning)

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

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Calendar of events

Hare applications available

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts will again sponsor the Hares on The Square display for 2014, formerly called Bunnies on Main.

Applications and "Hare Cages" will be available, upon payment of the \$10 entry fee through April 6 at Michigan PC Tech located at 397 Main St., Suite 3 in Belleville.

Completed hares must be returned to Belleville City Hall between Tuesday, April 8 and Friday, April 11. Hares will be on display in Fourth Street Square beginning Monday, April 14. Prizes will be awarded at the May 5 city council meeting.

Full details and rules are available on the application or by calling (734) 697-8123.

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, cold 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

Health coverage Expo set

Wayne County Health and Human Services Department will sponsor a health coverage Expo from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. March 29 at the Western Campus of Wayne County Community College District in Belleville.

The expo will include information about Medicaid and health Michigan enrollment, health insurance application support, market-place enrollment, federally certified Affordable Care Act navigators, environmental service, WIC

services, Head Start, smoking cessation, nutrition education and other community resources.

Those attending are asked to bring proper documentation; driver's license or identification card, Social Security number; proof of income. unemployment benefits for family members and any existing health insurance information.

The Western Campus is located at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

For more information, access www.waynecounty.com or call (313) 224-0810.

March Into Madness set

The Wayne Community Center is sponsoring March Into Madness from 6-10 p.m. March 29.

Wayne Westland children 6-13 can enjoy a night of swimming games pizza and pop for \$13. Non-resident fee is \$16 per child.

Participants must bring a lined bathing suit, towel, tennis shoes and lots of energy.

For registration or more information, call (734)721-7400. The program must have a minimum of 10 children or face cancellation.

Local author signs books

Plymouth resident Beverley Dunn will sign copies of her book, Marriage, Incarcerated, at the Plymouth District Library from 1-3 p.m. March 29.

The book is the story of her escape from an abusive marriage. The library is located at 223 S. Main St. in Plymouth.

Free health fairs planned

Two free health fairs which will include physician advice, blood tests, cholesterol, prostate, blood sugar and other testing will be offered by the Hindu Temple of Canton Township.

The free screenings will be available from 9 a.m. until noon April 6 to the first 350 individuals who sign up at the temple by March 31. The temple is located on Cherry Hill Road east of Canton Center Road. Registration is also available at thehindutemple.org or www.mapiusa.org. As many as 70 doctors are expected to be involved

Philharmonic presents ‘Fiesta’

The concert season which brought numerous major national awards and recognitions for the Michigan Philharmonic for innovative programming will come to a close with a sizzling concert of Latin music beginning at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 5.

The final concert of the season will be “Fiesta!” a celebration of music with roots in Latin American culture and dance at the Village Theater in Canton Township. Guest composer Alice Gomez, visiting from San Antonio, TX, is an internationally acclaimed composer of Latino and Mexican Indian influenced works. She brings her Los Voladores depicting the ancient ritual dance from Mexico and the famous “pole flyers” from Guatemala.

Mexican composer Silvestre Revueltas is represented by his evocative Sensemayá based on the work of Afro-Cuban poet Nicolas Guillen, hailed as “an impressive musical fresco, full of distressing and visionary imagery.” Another important com-

poser from Mexico, Carlos Chávez, will be featured with his Sinfonia India. Inspired by the historic Mayan civilization, the work abounds with wild and infectious dance rhythms.

Michigan State University faculty member Gwendolyn Burgett Thrasher will perform the popular Concerto for Marimba by Brazilian composer Ney Rosauro. The grand finale will be the sensational and seductive Danzón No. 2 by Arturo Márquez, Mexico's most popular composer living today.

For tickets and information, call (734) 451-2112 or visit www.michiganphil.org. All ticket buyers who were included in the season-long raffle for a two-year lease on a new Cadillac ATS Sedan, courtesy of Don Massey Cadillac, will find out who wins the Cadillac lease at this concert.

The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

with the event, open to Canton residents and others. Oakwood Hospital-Wayne and the Michigan Association of Physicians of Indian Origin have joined with the temple to provide the health fairs.

Those who register for blood testing at the April 6 event must be 18 years of age or older. Those patients are asked to fast after midnight to facilitate the testing. They will be asked to return to the temple for the 9 a.m. until noon April 27 health fair to discuss their results with doctors.

The April 27 heath fair will also offer care to walk-ins and provide blood pressure and hearing testing.

Senior driving program offered

The AARP will offer a refresher driving course for motorists 50 years and older from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. April 1 and 2.

The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Students can refresh driving skills and learn new rules of the road. The course will also cover research-based driving strategies to increase safety behind the wheel. Some insurance companies offer discounted rates to those who complete the course, a spokesperson said.

Students can register and pre-

pay at the Wayne Senior Services office through March 26.

There are no tests to complete with the course.

Tom Thewes exhibit planned

The Northville Art House will exhibit work of Tom Thewes for the month of April.

The exhibit will open with a reception from 6-9 p.m. First Friday, April 4 and continue through April 26.

Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady St., Northville. Admission is free.

For more information, call (248) 344-0497

Food for Fines accepted

From April 1-30, the Romulus Public Library will accept non-perishable food items in lieu of fines.

The library will forgive \$1 in fines for each item donated. The program is sponsored by Gleaners and The Library Network.

For more information, call the library at (734) 942-7580.

Zumba and Yoga classes offered

The Romulus Recreation Department will sponsor Zumba and Yoga classes for adults of all ages at various times on

Wednesday evenings from April 2 through May 21 at the Romulus Senior Center.

The cost is \$7 per class or prepay for eight classes and receive on class free.

The first session is from 5-6 p.m. with 30 minutes for each program.

From 6:15 until 7:15 p.m. Zumba classes are offered to high-energy Latin beats.

From 7:30-8:30 p.m. Yoga instruction including Ashtanga/Hatha Yoga/Yin will be offered.

Yoga students need to bring a Yoga mat, a towel and water bottle. Zumba students need low tread athletic shoes, a water bottle and a towel.

For more information call Julie Wojtylka at (734)955-4501.

Registration will be on site at the Senior Center prior to class session. The center is located at 36525 Bibbins.

Annual meeting is planned

The annual meeting and awards presentation of the Plymouth Community United Way (PCUW) will take place from 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, April 4, sponsored by Comcast, 41112 Concept Dr.,

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<div>1. Obituaries</div> <div><div>LaVita Nichole Wright Witherspoon Sunrise: Feb. 12, 1969 Sunset: March 11, 2014</div><div>LaVita Nichole WrightWitherspoon died March 11, 2014. Among those survivors left to cherish her memory are Duane Witherspoon; her devoted mother, Evelyn Wright; her children, Durren, Diamond, Brandi, Duane, Dwight (Kristina) and Ebony (Rivers); grandchildren, Brenden, Zontez, Zionna, Denton and Sarraya; godchildren, Regina, Jawan and Christopher; her sisters, Joyce (James) Sharon (John), Lolita and Tahjee (Alex); a brother, Charles (Yvonne); a loving mother-in-law, Shirley Witherspoon; aunts, Betty Eldridge, Audrey McGaughy and Gwendolyn Eldridge; uncles, James Eldridge, Arthur Thompson and Russell (Alice) Thompson; her life-long best friends, Alisha Turner and Marcella Clark; a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and other family members, may friends, and her poodle, Miley. Funeral services took place at New Birth Baptist Church in Inkster with the Rev. Dr. Joseph A. Stephens officiating. Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.</div><div>To advertise in The Eagle, call 734-467-1900.</div></div>	<div><div>Michael Lawrence Calhoun Sunrise: July 27, 1949 Sunset: March 12, 2014</div><div>Michael Lawrence Calhoun died March 12, 2014. Among those left to mourn his passing and rejoice in his memory are his mother, Geraldine Calhoun; a brother, John V. Calhoun, Jr.; his wife, Loretta; sons, Michael Anthony, Michael, Jr. (Tara), Caleb and Jerrod; a daughter, Delmita (Tommy); his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews; a host of other relatives, and many friends. Funeral services took place at the Christian Faith Ministries of Garden City with the Rev. John D. Hearn, Jr. officiating. Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster. Interment was at V.A. National Cemetery in Holly.</div><div><div>Deborah Ireland July 8, 1030 March 2, 2014</div><div>Deborah Ireland died March 2, 2014. Among those left to mourn her passing and treasure her memory are her three daughters, Alpha Hughes, Gloria Harris and Melony (Carl) Peabody; two sisters, Irene Brown and Elizabeth Passmore; three grandchildren, Tamica (Gerald) Walker, Alray Hughes, Jr. and</div></div></div>	<div>Zachary Peabody; three great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild; a devoted son-in-law, Alray Hughes, Sr.; her caring neighbors, Konrad Dixon and Ruth Stephens; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins, and many friends and neighbors. Funeral services took place at the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster with the Rev. Arthur Willis officiating. Final rites were accorded by Tri County Cremation Services.</div> <div>6. Legal Notices</div> <div>STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF WAYNE NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 2014-795154-DE Estate of Faith P. Martens, Deceased Date of Birth: January 11, 1932 TO ALL CREDITORS:* NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Faith P. Martens, Deceased, died January 18, 2014. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to MaryRuth Satterthwaite, personal representative, or to both the probate court at1305 CAYMC Two Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48226 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. March 17, 2014 Foster Swift Collins & Smith, P.C. Norman E. Richards P55762 32300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 230 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334 (248) 785-4724 MaryRuth Satterthwaite 543 Maple Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170 (734) 455-9389</div>	<div>30. Help Wanted</div> <div>Small Plymouth company seeks person for light assembly/shipping. M-F, 11a.m.-5p.m. or 10a.m.-4p.m. \$10.50/hour. Email resume to mlew@thestampmaker.com.</div> <div>32. Help Wanted Drivers</div> <div>DRIVERS: HOME DAILY! \$1000 Sign-On Bonus! Safety Bonus! Great Benefits! CDL-A, 1yr T/T Exp. www.BulkTransit.com 800-841-0333</div> <div>Drivers CDL-A: Lots of Miles. Great Pay/Benefits & Bonuses. Home Weekly. No Slip Seat. No Touch. Newer Equipment. 855-219-4838</div> <div>46. Private Instruction</div> <div>OPEN ENROLLMENT American International Academy applications available March 31- April 11 at 300 S. Henry Ruff Rd. Westland, MI 734-895-7974</div> <div>55. Estate Sales</div> <div>ESTATE SALE PROS We will turn your house full of tiems into cash. Whether you are moving or liquidating an entire estate. Our team will eliminate your worries. WE WILL DO ALL THE WORK FOR FREE ESTIMATE CALL JERRY 734-765-5589 We also offer certified appraisals. 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Tickets are on sale now for \$40 and

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road.

Romulus Mayor Leroy D. Burcroff and Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley are hosting a Mayors' Ball from 7 p.m. until midnight April 11 at the Romulus Marriott Hotel.

For more information visit www.justgo-barefoot.com or call (734) 276-9075.

The 6th Annual Diva Day in Plymouth will take place from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. April 12. The first 500 divas will receive free hot pink boas. Little divas and diva dogs are also welcome, according to a prepared statement.

For more information, contact the museum at (734) 697-1944.

To register, call the senior center at (734) 955-4120.

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