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Boot camp for Melendez draws ire

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Former Inkster Police Officer William Melendez could complete his 13-month to 10-year prison sentence as early as July as part of an alternative sentencing program or boot camp. Melendez moved to the program prompted criticism from Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Vonda Evans and outrage from Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

Melendez, 47, was convicted of brutally beating a 33-year-old Detroit man during a traffic stop, an incident that made national news when patrol car videotapes of the incident were made public. Evans sentenced

him in February after his jury conviction on charges of assault with intent to do great bodily harm and misconduct in office. He was immediately remanded to the Michigan Department of Corrections to begin his prison term at Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility.

Last week, prosecutors filed court documents objecting to Melendez serving his time in the

para-military type prison boot camp in Chelsea. They wrote in the filing that Melendez's completion of the program, "will result in the defendant being paroled well before he has served his minimum sentence."

The boot camp program usually takes 90 days for prisoners to complete but can go for up to 120 days, according to the Michigan Department of

Corrections. "Upon successful completion of the program the prisoner will be paroled or placed on probation, if deemed appropriate." Melendez could be paroled or placed on probation after serving only six months of his sentence as part of the boot camp program.

Melendez reportedly entered the boot camp program and was there for about two weeks last month.

Evans amended her original sentence April 4 including an objection to Melendez's transfer to the boot camp program.

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Heavy weight National champion hopes to inspire healthy living

It's never too late.

Proof of that adage seems to be personified by Ray Fougner, who took up weightlifting in his 70s, following his retirement from his teaching career and as the head of the American Indian program at Cornell University.

Fougner, now 73, brought four world records back home to Plymouth last week and was selected as the best lifter from all competitors in the Amateur Athletic Union 2016 North American Championships which took place in Laughlin, NV.

Fougner now splits his time between Plymouth and another home in Tennessee. His sponsor in the weight competitions is the Oneida Indian Nation where he grew up on the Indian homeland in central New York before pursuing his education.

Fougner said he hopes his powerlifting success will help inspire Native Americans of all ages to embrace exercise and healthy living. He won the men's 70-kg age division while setting new world records for the class in the squat, bench press, deadlift and total overall score categories.

His selection as the best lifter in the entire event qualifies him for the World Powerlifting Championships planned for September in Las Vegas. That will be Fougner's third international championship event and he also holds state lifting records in both Tennessee and Michigan.



Ray Fougner, 73, shows judges his ability in the squat lift during competition last month in Las Vegas. Fougner set a new world record in the event.



Ray Fougner, a Native American, started lifting in his early 70s. He also set a world record in the dead lift event during the competition last month.

Texting to 911 service is now available in area



A new program sponsored by the Conference of Western Wayne will now allow local residents to text messages to the emergency 911 number.

Westland Mayor Bill Wild, chair of the Conference of Western Wayne said the availability of text-to-911 emergency services was now active. The new feature is part of the Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) "Call if you can, text if you can't" public safety program.

The announcement of the new service was made during a press conference last week attended by law enforcement representatives from the affected communities and

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Canton officials will take 5 percent pay cuts

Elected officials in Canton Township have voluntarily reduced their own salaries beginning Jan. 1, 2017.

Following a review by Clerk Terry Bennett and Trustees John Anthony and Tom Yack, the seven member board voted unanimously to cut their pay by 5 percent in an effort to keep them compatible with surrounding communities.

Township Supervisor Phil

Laloy said the cuts make Canton "competitive" and said the new salaries are "fair amounts of money." He added that officials in Canton took a pay cut in 2008 and that salaries have gradually increased since then to the current levels. Laloy suggested the three-member review panel in an effort to ensure that the township salaries were in line with other communities and respectful of the pay cuts that employees in

the township have taken. The vote on the salary adjustments was adopted before the filing deadline next month for candidates for offices. Laloy and Bennett have both announced that they will not seek re-election.

Anthony said the new wage scale was fair and noted that the township employees had "stepped up and took wage and benefit cuts. It's only fair that we match the way they handled their

contracts. It's fair all around," he said.

Following the recommendation of the panel, the township supervisor will make \$116,295, a decrease of \$6,121; the township clerk and treasurer will make \$89,596, a reduction of \$5,241 and the four part-time trustees will make \$12,094, a drop of \$637 annually. The pay cuts will decrease the township payroll by \$19,788 annually.

INKSTER - ROMULUS



Leadership students Kendal Dorsey, Christine Jones and Camryn McQueen display their project.



Romulus Middle School Leadership Group members attended the conference.

Sentence

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"The court is modifying the order and objecting to boot camp at this time. The Court will reconsider at a later date," her amended order stated. Prison officials removed Melendez from the program at that time and returned him to the Bellamy facility.

Prison officials have stated that approval from the sentencing judge is required for eligibility into the boot camp or Special Alternative Incarceration Program.

Melendez' defense attorney James Thomas appealed Evans' amended ruling on April 8, and his emergency motion to vacate the modified sentence order issued by the judge was granted by the Michigan Court of Appeals on April 14, making Melendez eligible for the program.

Wayne County Prosecutor Ryan Worley was outraged by the decision.

"It is unconscionable to me that the Michigan Department of Corrections would irresponsibly and recklessly decide that former police officer Melendez who

was convicted of Assault with the Intent to do Great Bodily Harm for the police beating of Floyd Dent should be placed in its boot camp program. This is outrageous. "We argued at his sentencing that he should serve far more than what he was given, and this decision adds insult to injury - literally. The fact that he is even eligible for boot camp speaks to the need for an immediate change the eligibility standards," Worley said in a prepared statement.

Melendez was convicted by a jury who viewed patrol car videotape which showed the officer punch Dent with his closed fist 16 times while holding him on the ground in a chokehold-like position in January of 2015.

Melendez was immediately fired by the City of Inkster and two other officers suspended and a third disciplined when the videotapes were released to the media by Dent's attorney.

Dent was hospitalized for his injuries and reached a \$1.37 million settlement with the City of Inkster last year. All criminal charges against Dent stemming from the incident were dropped as judges and prosecutors viewed the patrol car videotapes of the beating.

Students show off 'spirit'

There can be no doubt that Romulus Middle School students have spirit. They proved that last month at the Family Career and Community Leaders of America State Leadership Conference where they were recognized for being the most spirited group throughout the three-day conference.

The students, all members of the Romulus Youth Leadership Movement, also participated in competitive star events by presenting community service projects. Of the five groups presenting their work, three groups earned gold honors and qualified to represent Michigan at the National Leadership Conference in San Diego later this summer, while the other two groups earned silver awards.

"I felt comfortable going in front of the panel of judges, our preparation made it easy to speak to them," said eighth-grade leadership student Bianca Waters. The

conference is designed to prepare students for the business world by having them wear formal attire and communicate effectively. Students were also required to attend enrichment workshops on various topics such as managing stress and college preparation.

Once students finished participating in competitive events and workshops, they had free time to meet and socialize with other Michigan FCCLA members. "The district banquet had great food and the dance allowed us to have fun with our friends," said Waters. The Valley Plaza Resort in Midland where the conference is housed also has a bowling alley and miniature golf course.

The Romulus Youth Leadership Movement program is funded by the Detroit Wayne Metro Health Authority. More information about the program is available at www.rymfcsb.com.

Mother injured in shooting

A 39-year-old Inkster mother remains hospitalized following surgery for injuries she received in a random shooting at her car.

The woman's four children ages 5 through 17 were also in the car when several bullets struck her silver minivan. None of the children were injured in the incident, police said.

The incident began when a Dearborn Heights Police Department officer reported to Michigan State Police that he observed the minivan driving northbound by the victim disregard a stop sign at Princeton and Beech Day Road at about 10:44 p.m. April 13.

Officers made a traffic stop and discovered that the woman had been shot one time in the left buttocks area. Several bullet holes were observed on the exterior of the driver's side rear door.

The victim told officers that she and her children were returning home from a local restaurant she observed three men standing near the intersection of John

Duly and Bagham. The three black males were observed standing on the north side of the street on Princeton, police reports stated. According to the victim, when she drove by the men, she heard what she thought were rocks being thrown at her vehicle. She told police that she eventually realized that the men were shooting at her minivan and she realized that she had been shot in the left buttock.

The victim was transported by ambulance to Beaumont Oakwood Main in Dearborn where she was listed in stable condition while awaiting surgery. No arrests were made and all three male suspects are described as wearing hooded sweatshirts.

Investigators were told by the victim that she believes the incident was a random act, and that neither she nor her children were being targeted.

Detectives are asking for information from anyone who may have information to contact Michigan State Police at (855) 642-4847 or Crime Stoppers at 800-773-2576.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC NOTICE

To all residents and other interested parties: Agenda and Minutes for the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees Meetings are available for review online at applediscovery.com under Agenda/Minutes in the City Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Hagerty Rd., Plymouth, MI.

Regular Meeting dates in 2016: April 26, May 17, June 14, July 19, August 9, September 13, September 27, October 11, October 25, November 15 and December 13.

Special meetings, if any, will occur on Tuesdays, unless otherwise posted. The public is invited and encouraged to attend the Board of Trustees Meetings.

Nancy Conzelmann
Township Clerk

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 98-021

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Charter Township of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance No. 99 is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map as accordance with the changes indicated on Amended Zoning Map No. 017, attached hereto and made part of this Ordinance.

ZONING CHANGE FROM: R-1 TO: VP

ORDINANCE NO. 98-021 AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 017
Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For possible description, see tax record based on Tax ID No. 8-79-045-59-0002-000; 8-79-045-59-0003-001.

Part II. CONFLICTING REVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE: The provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on May 12, 2016.

Part IV. ADOPTION: This Ordinance was adopted by the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees by authority of Act 110 of Public Acts of Michigan, 2006, as amended, at a meeting duly called and held on April 12, 2016, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law. The Ordinance may be inspected at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department, during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on: April 12, 2016
Effective Date: May 12, 2016
Published: April 21, 2016

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12th Annual ROMULUS ANIMAL SHELTER "Bowling Fundraiser"

"9 Pin No Tap Tournament"

"Dedicated to the Memory of Frank Ayers"

Friday, May 13, 2016
7:30 pm at Romulus Lanes
Registration begins at 6:30 pm

HANDICAP DOUBLES or SINGLES EVENTS

\$25 per person, PRIZES *
(Includes Ladies and Mens mystery games, snacks and cash prizes.) **50/50 RAFFLE * FUN!**

"Make your reservations now"
Space is limited - ONLY 72 spots available

Romulus Lanes.....941-1640
Councilman Bill Wadsworth.....941-0616
Joe Ozog.....941-3466

(Tournament is not USBC sanctioned)

WAE - WESTLAND

Annual Crop Walk set

Six local churches will participate in the Wayne Westland Crop Walk planned for May 1.

The annual event, organized this year by Wayne First Congregational Church, is open to the public and the crowd will walk one mile from the church along Michigan Avenue to Elizabeth Street to Washington Park and along the river to Josephine Street. Walkers will then return to the church.

Participants are asked to obtain financial pledges prior to the event and individual donations are also accepted.

The community-wide event is sponsored by the Church World Service and is an effort to raise funds to end hunger in local communities and around the world. Funds earned this year will be shared

with St. Mary's Bolde Center, Good Hope Lutheran Food Pantry, the Salvation Army and FISH. About 70 percent of the funds generated will go to Church World Service to aid efforts around the world.

Walkers can register beginning at 2:30 p.m. at the church, located at 2 Towne Square and the walkers will start off at 3 p.m.

Participating Wayne churches this year include First Congregational, First United Methodist and St. Mary Catholic Church. Westland churches participating are Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian and St. Richard's Catholic Church. Good Hope Lutheran Church in Garden City is also participating in the event this year.

For more information, contact Eileen Rowland, (734) 898-7035.



End of an era

Workers from Dore and Associates Contracting began the demolition of the former Westland City Hall building on Ford Road last week. Demolition work was scheduled to begin at the Bailey Center when the city hall project was complete. Both buildings should be razed within 7-8 weeks, officials said. The former city hall building was constructed in 1964 and was replaced by the new city hall located at 36300 Warren Road in September of 2014. The Bailey Center served as the city recreation building but was closed in June of 2012. The city is currently marketing the 40-acre site for redevelopment.

Mayor to study at Harvard

Westland Mayor William R. Wild has been chosen as one of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Taubman Fellows for 2016.

The Taubman Fellowship for Executive Excellence provides local public officials with demonstrated leadership an opportunity to learn effective approaches to public-sector problems. The fellowship takes place at The Harvard University Business School.

"This program is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for local government leaders to broaden their perspectives by interacting with colleagues from around the world," said Robert S. Taubman, chairman, CEO, and president of Taubman Centers, Inc. "The experience truly enhances the way public officials serve the residents of Southeast Michigan."

Wild is currently serving his third

term as full-time mayor of Westland, the 10th largest city in the state. He oversees a \$60 million municipal operating budget and approximately 300 employees. Wild has successfully balanced seven consecutive budgets with a 10 percent surplus.

"My hope is to further develop my leadership and problem solving skills," commented Wild regarding the upcoming opportunity to study at Harvard University Business School in Boston. The classes will take place in July, although Wild does not yet have his complete schedule for the prestigious honor.

"It is my hope that this experience will also help me gain important insights from policy experts and scholars on a multitude of challenges and key issues that will help me better serve the residents of Westland," he said.

School offers 'Tuesday Tours'

St. Mary Catholic School in Wayne is hosting Tuesday Tour Days during the month of April.

Interested parents can drop in at the school from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. or call for an appointment to tour the school and meet teachers and the principal. St. Mary offers

preschool 3-and 4-year-old programs and grades kindergarten through eighth grade classes.

St. Mary Catholic School is located at 36145 Michigan Ave. in Wayne.

For more information, call (734) 723-1280 or access school info at stmarywayne.org.

To subscribe to The Eagle call 734-467-1900.

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID ITB 1516-23 CEMETERY GATE AND ARCH FOR THE ROMULUS MEMORIAL CEMETERY

- (1) The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item(s) and/or services.
- (2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the [MTBC website](http://www.mtbc.com) or by calling (734) 734-1000.
- (3) Two (2) copies of the bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, May 10, 2016. Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed using the Bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
- (4) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.
- (5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive irregularities.
- (6) For additional information contact Lynn A. Corway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 945-4568 or by emailing lcw@cityofromulus.mi.us

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CITY OF ROMULUS

Notice of Public Hearing and Proposed Projects/Program COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Romulus is announcing its objectives and possible uses for projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and is scheduling a Public Hearing on **Monday, May 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** for the purpose of receiving comments or suggestions regarding the transfer of funds from projects in FY13/14, FY14/15 and FY15/16 to purchase property in a qualifying area where 70-99% of the population is low to moderate income, for the purpose of expanding a community center. These funds total \$150,308.20.

The primary objective of the Federal HUD CDBG program is to assist low to moderate income families directly or to provide benefits to areas where 51% of the residents are low to moderate income, such as replacing the urban infrastructure of streets, providing deteriorating housing, improving recreational facilities and programs and assisting in meeting special needs of the elderly and physically disabled.

Pending transfer funding approval from Wayne County, the City proposes to carry out the following eligible activity with the respective estimated amounts.

OBJECTIVES:

- A. Benefiting Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Persons
- B. Benefiting Low and Moderate Income Limited (LIMC) Persons
- C. Addressing Slums and Blight or Low and Moderate Income Housing Benefit
- D. Meeting a particularly urgent community development need

Proposed Project

ACTIVITY	Amount	* Objective Met
Transfer from Parks/Recreation Jobs FY 14/15 To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 14/15 Census Tract 5839, Block 2	\$73,312.03	A
Transfer from Parks/Recreation Jobs FY 15/16 To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 15/16 Census Tract 5839, Block 2	\$73,600	A
Transfer from Housing Rehab FY 13/14 To: Acquisition/Historical Park FY 15/16 Census Tract 5839, Block 2	\$3,396.17	A
	\$150,308.20	

The Public is invited to attend and comment during the Public Hearing or to make written comments on or before May 2, 2016. The City of Romulus will provide reasonable accommodations for those individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services. For further information, contact the Economic Development Department, City of Romulus, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, (734) 942-7545.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 4, 2016

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

1. Moved by Cress, seconded by Chase to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-24. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Rowe to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 4, 2016. Ayes—Barden, Chase, Cress, Rowe, Wadsworth. Absent—Abdo, Makowski. Motion Carried.

3A. Petitioner: Brian Bishar, Powell Engineering and Julie Allison from Goddard Associates spoke on behalf of Jack Cooper Transport and Goddard Associates to ask Council to consider two Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024, Jack Cooper Transport (Phase) and S21-2016-001, and Goddard Associates (Phase 2) for long term parking located at 29777 Goddard, Dearborn. Councilman Wadsworth asked if this was to be Jay Way Parking. Mr. Allison answered yes. Councilwoman Rowe thanked Mr. Bishar and Mrs. Allison for making things clear at the last Planning Commission meeting regarding Phase 2, the long term parking.

16-102 Moved by Chase, seconded by Cress, to approve the Special Land Use requests for PC-2015-024 for Jack Cooper Transport and S21-2016-001 for Goddard Associates. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Chairperson's Report:

Mr. Barden announced that there was a closed session meeting at 7:15 regarding Pending Legal Matters. Chair recognized Dan Hampton, Mayor Manager of The Senior Alliance, (TSA). Mr. Hampton gave an update on the progress of the Senior Alliance, which is to connect individuals to available resources. They are best known for their Meals on Wheels program but offer many other services to older adults. TSA is asking each Municipality to provide a match amount to support the work they do in such community. Mr. Hampton reported that the match amount for 2015 for Romulus was \$1,828.00, which helped TSA deliver the \$765,000 in services spent for fiscal year 2015 in the City of Romulus. He thanked Romulus for their support and commented that TSA would be happy to take part in any events the City would like to host in the future. For more information on any of the services TSA provides, they may be contacted by telephone at 1-800-815-1112, by email at info@tsa-mi.org or by going to their website at tsa-mi.org.

Chair recognized Sybil Makowski to make a motion.

16-101-41. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Wadsworth, to approve the release of claim with Hastings Mutual Insurance Company and Ready-Rock, LLC. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Moved by Rowe, seconded by Abdo to accept the Chairperson's Report. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burrell reminded everyone that spring is here and opening day for the Tigers is this Friday, April 8th. Mayor Burrell accepted Andy Mackay, General Manager of the Romulus Athletic Center. Andy gave an overview of the 2016 Mayors Fitness Challenge, which started on January 11 and ended on March 14th for a period of nine weeks. He reported there were 195 participants who lost a combined weight of 875.5 lbs. Andy announced the men's and women's first, second and third place winners and presented them with a certificate. Mayor Burrell announced that Romulus' Standard and Poor's bond rating has been upgraded to an A+. He will do a press release at a later date. Mayor Burrell asked Dennis Davidson to give an update on upcoming events in the City of Romulus.

16-102-54. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski, to concur with the administration and award ITB1516-19 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Blue Ribbon Contracting, Inc., to perform the needed repairs to the steel beam columns at first station #4 in the amount of \$19,193.00. Discussion: Councilwoman Abdo commented she is glad to award a bid to a local vendor. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-58. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Cress, to concur with the administration and award ITB1516-10 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, On Day Group, LLC, for the acquisition of three LightHouse Tactical Vans and for the from and turn ballistic rifle plates needed for the vans for the Romulus Police Department, Special Response Team in the amount of \$17,667.70. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-59. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Abdo, to concur with the administration and adopt the software and hardware upgrades to the existing Live Scan digital fingerprint computer, from 1.D. Networks. This mandated upgrade is for a fingerprint scanner, CIBS supported software, and installation totaling \$6,739.00. This equipment will ensure that the Romulus Police Department is compliant with State and Federal CIBS requirements. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-59. Moved by Cress, seconded by Rowe, to concur with the administration and allow the Mayor and Clerk to enter into the five (5) year, full service agreement with 1.D. Networks, for an annual fee of \$2,447.00 to maintain the system until such time the equipment is replaced or funds are no longer budgeted for this purpose. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-50. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo, to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint grant application for the Residential Target Analysis Grant for the ROMULUS, contract not to exceed \$6,739. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-55. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Rowe, to allocate matching funds with MSIDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with four (4) other communities.

FUND/PROJECT	ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	BUDGET	CURRENT	AMENDED	BUDGET
Downstate Development Authority						
105-728-818.002		Consultant Development	-	6,750	6,750	

Fund Balance: DEFA Fund Balance: 15,219 (6,750) 8,469
To allocate matching funds with MSIDA for a joint Target Market Analysis (TMA) with 4 other communities. (Approved 3-16-16 resolution 16-DDA-544)

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk's Report:

Clerk Ellen Craig-Bishop requested Council adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as the

Chairman of Commission 2016 Person-of-the-Year.

16-102-641. Moved by Rowe, seconded by Wadsworth, to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 1516-18 Community Development Block Grant. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-642. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Chase, to approve amendment to Ordinance Department fee schedule. The proposed amendment adds postage fees for certified mailings of wood cutting notices. Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-102-643. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski, to adopt a resolution for Sheldon Chandler on being selected as Chairman of Commerce 2016 Person-of-the-Year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment: A resident visited a complaint to Council in regards to the Wolverine Pipeline Company cutting down trees on his property. He submitted to council pictures of his property before and after the trees were cut down, along with correspondence from the Wolverine Pipeline Company.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth reminded the public of the Bow-Tie T-shirt fundraiser for the Animal Shelter on Friday, May 13, 2016. He commented that they still have a few openings and are looking for volunteers or anyone who wants to donate a pair. All the proceeds go to the Animal Shelter.

9. New Business:

Councilwoman Abdo asked Council to adopt a resolution recognizing the High School FCCLA Program. The students recently competed on a State level and won numerous Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. They also qualified to send two students to the National Conference.

16-102-9A. Moved by Abdo, seconded by Rowe, to adopt a resolution recognizing the achievements of the High School FCCLA Program. Motion Carried Unanimously.

18. Communications:

Councilwoman Makowski announced that next week is National Library Week and encouraged everyone to stop in on Tuesday for National Library Staff Appreciation Day. For more information, contact the Library at 734-942-7588. Councilman Cress wished everyone that has a birthday in April, a happy birthday.

11. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Rowe, to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. Motion Carried Unanimously.

1. Ellen L. Craig-Bishop, 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 April 4, 2016.

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BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Student wins prestigious hospital award

Delreese Lyons is a woman who understands multi-tasking.

The single mother of five and a grandmother of two also works full time and is attending classes to achieve her paramedic certification at Wayne County Community College District.

While doing all that, the Canton Township resident was recently honored by the Henry Ford Health System in Wyandotte for her contributions to patient care and well-being, the first time the award has ever been presented to a student rather than a staff member.

Hospital officials noted that while the recognition awarded to Lyons is typically reserved for employees, Lyons' dedication was exceptional. Lyons, who is in her second semester in the paramedic program at WCCCD, agreed that like thousands of single parents nationwide, parenting, working fulltime, while also attending school is not an easy thing to do. It is a full-time job, but Lyons said she is up for the challenge.

Brandon Young, safety officer, EMS and Emergency Preparedness Program Coordinator at Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital (HFWEH) and Lyons' supervisor, could not be more proud of her.

"The other week I received a card written to 'Dell' (Delreese Lyons), and the patient had nothing but incredible praise for the young lady. She made a tremendous impact on that patient and their family," Young said.

Lyons said she was shocked to hear that she had been recognized, but her pride and dedication are evident in the glowing smile she wears every day.

"When I talked with my children about receiving the Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital award, they were just as surprised as I was, and they continued to encourage me to pursue my goals and

trust in my abilities."

These abilities are far-reaching, as Lyons works fulltime as a Patient Care Technician at St. Joseph Henry Hospital in the Surgery Preparation Center and attends school full time at WCCCD as a paramedic student. She admits, "Balancing work life, school life, and parenting is extremely challenging." She had worked locally in the healthcare field for 12 years before going back to school in 2013, and the change has not been without its sacrifices for both Lyons and her children.

Besides work and keeping her grades at school, Lyons said she makes sure that she devotes time to her family. She has mastered the art of multi-tasking, she said, and remains committed to her children's personal well-being and academic success while setting a great example for them. "We all do our school assignment or study as a family and run errands together in order to get family time. There is also time for fun, though. I carve out a block of time during the weekend and do something my children want because they also have made a sacrifice so that I may attend school."

Lyons has demonstrated a commitment to teamwork that extends beyond her school assignments and job responsibilities, hospital officials noted.

"I explained to my children over a year ago that I was returning to school and that we all would have to sacrifice what we want in exchange for what we need and my children were very receptive," she added.

Anthony Arminiak, president of the Dornier Campus where the program is housed, said the Paramedic Program has consistently produced graduates who are not only knowledgeable about the policies, procedures, and algorithms neces-



Brandon Young, EMS and Emergency Preparedness Program Coordinator at Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital, congratulates Canton resident Delreese Lyons on her award.

sary to treat a wide variety of acute and life-threatening events. "But they are also adaptable and highly skilled at administering the appropriate treatments and operating the equipment necessary for life-saving resuscitation efforts prior to arriving at a hospital," said Arminiak, who also serves as Chief Academic Officer and Provost for the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education

(MIPSE).

"Some of the most important skills and qualities to have as a paramedic are the most difficult to attempt to teach - compassion, empathy, and the ability to establish a rapport with patients," Arminiak said of Lyons' award.

Lyons has embodied these characteristics and represents the type of student that WCCCD strives to develop, he added.

Canton police to participate in Drug Take Back Day

The Canton Police Department will join law enforcement units from across the county in the national effort of the Drug Enforcement Agency to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from homes.

The local effort will continue from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. April 30 when unused or expired prescription medications can be placed in a drop box located in the lobby of the Canton Police Department, 1130 S. Canton Center Road. Drop offs are free and anonymous, no questions will be asked, police officials said.

Liquids and needles will not be accepted and the prescription medications and drugs can only be accepted at the police department during the estab-

lished hours.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue, according to national reports. Unused medicines in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

The usual methods of Americans for disposing of unused medicines-flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash-both pose potential safety and health hazards, the national agency said.

For more information, contact Community Relations Officer Patty

Esselink at (734) 394-5194, or the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400.

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Calendar of events

Ghosts walk in park

The popular Ghosts of Plymouth Walk is planned for Saturday, April 23 this year.

Visitors can hear tales of early Plymouth from characters such as merchant Calvin Crosby; photographer Romeo Wood; Sarah Fuller Shattuck, daughter of Michigan Anti-Slavery Society leaders and the fiery Carrie Nation, the temperance woman with an axe.

The walks begin at 5 p.m. and groups leave every 15 minutes, circling Kelllogg Park in downtown Plymouth to listen to the "ghosts." The walk lasts approximately 90 minutes and the last group will depart at 7 p.m. Participants should meet near the fountain in Kelllogg Park.

Tickets are \$10 per person (\$5 for children under 10) if purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the museum's website (http://www.plymouthhistory.org/events/Ghosts-of-Plymouth-Walk_ET37.htm?SortBox=20150424) using PayPal or at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 105 S. Main St., Plymouth, from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Tickets are available at the park the day of the event for \$15, \$10 for children younger than 10.

Questions or more information are available at (734) 455-8940.

Clean Sweep Day in Romulus

The City of Romulus Annual Clean Sweep Day will take place Saturday, April 23. Waste Management co-sponsors the event.

Volunteers are welcome from all around the community to clean up litter and spruce up public spaces around the city.

No pre registration is necessary; volunteers need only show up at 9 a.m. at Romulus City Hall.

The event takes place rain or shine so volunteers should dress appropriately for the weather. All materials will be provided.

Romulus Eco-Fair set

The second Eco-Fair in Romulus will take place April 23. The exhibit will take place from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Romulus Athletic Center, 35705 Northline Road.

Local organizations will be on hand to distribute environmental information and giveaways. Groups present will include Waste Management, Huron-Clinton Metroparks, MSU Extension Office and

others.

Concerned citizens meet

The next meeting of the Plymouth Concerned Citizens will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the Plymouth Library on Main Street.

John (Jack) Dempsey and Gary Heitman, candidates for Plymouth Township trustee, will be speaking. The meeting is open to the public at no charge.

Learn to bellydance

Introductions to Belly Dance classes will begin from 6:15-7:15 p.m. April 28 and continue on Thursdays through June 2.

This feminine dance combines light cardio with core strength and flexibility and includes hip accents, undulations and belly rolls, shimmies, and arm movements. Light choreography is involved.

No previous dance experience required. Recommended attire includes yoga/waterpants or shorts and fitted top. This dance is traditionally performed barefoot but students may prefer non-slip socks/slippers or jazz shoes on the wood floor.

Classes recommended for those 15 and older. The fee is \$75 or \$60 for city of Plymouth residents.

Register at the recreation department, 525 Farmer-Plymouth, MI 48170 (734)455-0920.

Pottery sale

The Village Potters Guild members have planned their annual spring sale from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Friday April 29, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday April 30, and from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday May 1.

Functional and decorative pottery created by members of the guild will be available at the annual event. Tableware, tiles, jewelry and a wide range of decorative and framed pieces will be sold.

The studio is located at 325 N. Main St. in Plymouth. For more information or directions to the studio, visit www.villagepottersguild.org or call (734) 297-8807.

Unused drug disposal offered

The federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Plymouth Township Police Department will coordinate efforts to remove potentially dangerous drugs from home from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30.

Residents can bring expired, unwanted and unused pharmaceuticals and other

medication to law enforcement officers for the proper disposal.

The Police Department is located at 9605 N. Haggerty Road, just north of Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 354-3322.

Mon-to-Mom sale planned

Canton Leisure Services will host a Mom to Mom Sale from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. April 30 at the Summit on the Park, 4000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

More than 60 booths will be on site offering great deals on everything that is baby, child or maternity related, according to a prepared announcement. Moms will be selling gently used children's clothing and shoes, plus toys, books, DVDs/videos, baby gear, Halloween costumes, water and swim gear, and more. Bargain shoppers will also be able to find great deals on furniture, strollers, high chairs and more in the large item area.

Admission is \$2 from 8 - 9 a.m. and \$1 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. All sales are "cash only."

For more information, contact the Summit on the Park front desk at (734) 394-5499 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

Spring Clean-up set

The 2016 Spring Clean Up in the City of Plymouth is planned for Saturday, May 7.

The annual clean up will take place in all areas of the city. Residents should have all items at the curb for pick up by 7 a.m. Officials have cautioned residents, however, not to place at the curb more than 24 hours in advance of the scheduled pick up.

Additional information regarding Spring Clean Up Day can be found at (<http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us/index.aspx?nid=1009>)

Spring Clean Up Day is for large items and bagged and bagged trash only.

Automated trash carts, automated recycling carts and compost yard waste will not be picked up May 7. For questions or more information, contact the city municipal services office at (734) 453-7757.

Grief recovery seminar offered

A grief-recovery seminar and support group will meet at Romulus Wesleyan Church in Romulus at 6 p.m. each Thursday. The church is located at 37300 Goddard at Huron River Drive.

GriefShare features nationally recognized experts on grief and recovery topics. The 13 video sessions include "When Your Dreams Fall Apart," "The Seasons of Grief," "Emotions of Grief," "When Your Spouse

Dies," "Your Family and Grief," "Growing Through Grief," and more.

Participants can attend any or all sessions.

The \$15 registration includes a work-book/journal and weekly handouts. More information is available by calling the church at (734) 941-1511 or on the web at www.griefshare.org.

Mother-Son dances set

Celebrate Mother's Day in a special way. Moms, aunts, grandmothers and more are welcome for an evening of dancing and money-making at the annual Mother Son Dances in Canton Township from 6:30-8:30 p.m. May 5 and May 6.

Light refreshments and the popular balloon-drop finale are included in the \$9.25 admission fee.

Souvenir photos will be available for an additional cost at the dance. Semi-formal, dress-casual attire recommended. All ages require a ticket.

Last day to purchase a ticket is April 29. Tickets will only be sold at Summit on the Park Front Desk, 4000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The dances will take place in the Summit Grand Ballroom.

For more information, call (734) 394-5376.

Champions host run

The Champions of Wayne Memorial High School program will host a 5K run/walk on Friday, May 6 at Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth Street, Wayne.

Registration starts at 4:30 p.m. and the race begins at 6 p.m.

Cost to participate is \$20 and includes a t-shirt.

Registration can be completed at <https://payableform.appspot.com/forms/pjd40>

The Champions of Wayne program is an educational incentive program that includes mentoring, setting academic goals and financial rewards. The Champions program creates an opportunity for Wayne Memorial High School students to earn a \$200 award if they reach a customized academic goal. Students choose a staff member as their mentor and for one semester, they create and work toward an academic goal. The program is funded by The Helpie Charitable Foundation.

For more information on the Champions program or 5K event, contact Dr. Sam Guerin at Guerin@wmsd.net.

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