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City names new chief; 2 officers suspended

Joseph Thomas, Jr., a 33-year law enforcement veteran, has been named as the City of Inkster Interim Police Chief.

Thomas was named to the Inkster position last week and will replace former chief Vickie Yost who resigned April 22 in the immediate aftermath of misconduct in office, mistreatment of a prisoner and assault charges filed against Inkster Police Ofc. William Melendez. A probable cause hearing on those charges took place before 22nd **District Court Judge Sabrina** Johnson last week who determined the case should go forward.

A preliminary examination is scheduled for Melendez on May 28.

> The felony charges came as a fist.

result of an investigation by the Michigan State Police into an Inkster police traffic stop in January during which the driver, Floyd Dent, was dragged from his 2011 Cadillac and severely beaten after he failed to obey a stop sign. Inkster police reports claimed Dent drove four blocks before obeying the lights and siren they employed attempting to get him to stop his car. A videotape from the police vehicle was released to Dent's attorney and subsequently went viral on the internet, bringing national attention to the incident. On the videotape, Melendez, 46, is seen holding Dent, 57, in a chokehold and punching him in the head and face 14-16 times with his closed

Dent, who spent two days in the hospital being treated for injuries sustained in the beating including a broken eye socket, protested his innocence on the drug possession charges filed against him based on Melendez' claim that he found drugs in Dent's car at the scene of the arrest. Those charges were subsequently dropped by Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy after her office conducted an independent investigation of the case, including a review of the videotape and reports from the state police investigation. Johnson had earlier dismissed charges of resisting arrest filed against Dent when she reviewed the videotape of the incident.

Dent's attorney claimed that Melendez planted the small bag



Former Inkster Ofc. William Melendez of white powder, later identified as cocaine, in Dent's car and then claimed to have found the drugs.

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'116 Candles' Oldest woman in the world will celebrate birthday next week

Jeralean Talley, the oldest person in the world, will once again endure all the publicity surrounding the annual celebration of her birthday next week, but if she had her way, she'd be fishing.

Talley, who was born May 23, 1899 in Montrose, GA will celebrate her 116th birthday this month with her family who plan to take her out to dinner. Talley was verified as the oldest living person in the world by Gerontology Research Group.



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Asked about her longevity, Talley simply pointed her finger in the air and commented, "Everything comes from above. Everything just comes from above. Don't ask me, ask Him."

She has suggested in past interviews that eating plenty of pork is also helpful, specifically hog's head cheese, a kind of aspic usually made of pig ears and feet and containing no dairy products whatsoever, despite the name.

She is in reasonably good health, according to her only daughter, Thelma Holloway, 77, who now lives with Talley. She said Talley remains a night owl and is often awake until midnight.

The Senior Alliance celebrated Talley's longevity as the special guest at the annual meeting of the organization last month. The Senior Alliance has worked closely with her and her family so that she is able to remain in her Inkster home, a spokesperson noted.

"Ms. Talley is the embodiment of The Senior Alliance mission: We empower people with needs to live with dignity in the community they choose by providing available services," she added.

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell spoke at the luncheon as did Barbara Medvec, RN, MSA, MSN the senior vice- president and chief nursing officer for Oakwood Healthcare, Inc. The Senior Alliance also presented former Congressman John Dingell with the annual Legislative Award during the luncheon attended by a large crowd.

Talley has lived in Inkster since she and her husband, Alfred Talley, came to Michigan in 1935 when he found work at a Ford factory.

In 1963, she and her husband built the home in which she still lives. Talley was widowed in 1988 and she said she never Jeralean Talley Photo by Sean Rhaesa

wanted to remarry.

She worked in a laundry, washing and ironing clothing when she was younger, she said, but wouldn't want to ever go back to that work.

Talley bowled regularly until she was 104 and still loves to fish. While she doesn't get out socially as much as she did formerly, she remains active at New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Inkster, where there is a front row seat reserved for her every Sunday. She enjoys the Ellen DeGeneres Show, Wheel of Fortune and baseball on the radio, according to her daughter.

But for real enjoyment, she is still waiting for the weather to warm up enough for her favorite pastime, fishing. Her friend, Michael Kinloch, takes her to her favorite spot to fish every year.

"Maybe in June," her daughter said.

Wayne police warn of gang robberies, assaults

Wayne Police The Department is currently investigating four robberies that occurred in the community, according to a recent internet alert to citizens.

Police officials said that three of the incidents occurred in the Westwick Square Cooperative, located near Annapolis and Venoy roads. The other occurred near Attwood

This Memorial Day, May 25,

the Brown Funeral Home and

Brown Family Center will

sponsor the 9th annual

Thunder Rolls in Belleville.

This is a special tribute to

honor all veterans, especially

those who have made the ulti-

mate sacrifice by giving their

Park, located at 4901 Howe Road. Two incidents occurred on Sunday, May 3 and two incidents on Wednesday, May 6. Police said that all the incidents occurred in the evening hours. The victims were approached by a large group of male subjects who demanded property.

Three of the victims were assaulted by the subjects and property was taken from them.

One victim voluntarily gave the property to the subjects, police said.

In several of these incidents, the victims were approached from behind and knocked to the ground and their property was taken. No weapons were used or reported in the incidents, which police believe to be related.

The group of subjects

involved in these incidents comprises black males between the ages of 18 and 20. A silver **Chevrolet Cavalier or Cobalt** may be involved in the crimes.

All of these incidents are currently under investigation. The Wayne Police Department is asking that anyone with information on these incidents, contact the department at (734) 721-1414.

Thunder rolls into Belleville on Memorial Day

lives to protect our nation.

The ceremony is preceded by a one-hour police escorted motorcycle ride through parts of Van Buren Township and into Belleville. then Participants in the ride register and line up for the ride starting at 11a.m. in the Wayne County

Community College Western Campus front parking lot located just north of the Haggerty Road/Interstate 94 intersection, at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville. More than 300 bikes are expected this year as the number of riders in the memorial event grows each year,

organizer Kathy Steigerwald noted.

She said that all makes of bikes are seen in the ride and several of the riders are veterans themselves.

"Many proudly fly our

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NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

Farm Fest Maybury Farm offers special attractions

A special day of activities is planned during Farm Fest at Maybury Farm from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. this Saturday, May 16.

Featured attractions include the new baby animals, hayrides, games, garden planting and watching the sheep and llamas receive their annual haircuts. There are many other activities planned, according to Jessica Striegle, director of the Northville Community Foundation which oversees the operation of the interactive, working farm that provides educational opportunities to the public.

Striegle said that Farm Fest is the favorite event at Maybury because it is the kick-off to summer.

"There is just so much to see and enjoy," she said. "We've got lots of fun activities and demos planned including a building workshop with the Home Depot, planting container gardens to take home with the Country Garden Club, sheep and llama shearing demos, a food workshop with Taste: A Cook's Place, and a scavenger hunt for kids, and adults, too."

Those who complete the scavenger hunt will be entered in a drawing to win four admission tickets to the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum.

The events begin at 10 a.m. and a Home Depot building workshop will begin. The sheep shearing and ferrier demonstrations will continue until noon while a children's story time is scheduled for 11 a.m. From 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. the Country Garden Club of Northville will help children with a free gardening activity that they can take home. Llama shearing will begin at noon and food demonstrations with Mary Spencer from Taste: A Cook's Place will begin at 1 p.m.

There will be a second story time for children at 2 p.m. while the other activities continue.

Striegle said that families can pack a lunch and make a day of it.



Admission is \$4 per person and children younger than 3 are admitted at no cost. Maybury Farm members get \$1 off per admission. All events, other than hayrides and refreshments are included with the admission fee.

Sponsors of Farm Fest include Community Financial Credit Union, Meijer, Blackwell Ford, and Aisin World Corp.

Maybury Farm is operated by the visit www.nor Northville Community Foundation, a tion.org o 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The farm maybury.farm.

is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays and from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, weather permitting. The farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville, 1-1/4 mile west of Beck Road, 1/2 mile west of Maybury State Park. Enter at the Maybury Farm sign, do not enter the State Park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, visit www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org or www.facebook.com/ mayburyfarm.

Student radio station auction is set for this Saturday

Students from 88.1 The Park, the district-owned radio station in the Plymouth-Canton schools will host the annual radio auction from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. this Saturday, May 16.

The Park will broadcast the auction and listeners will be able to call in and bid on items donated by local businesses, with new items available every half hour. Items this year include a Mackinac Island Grand Hotel Gold Outing, autographed memorabilia, restaurant gift cards and services from many local businesses.

The auction generated \$13,000 to help fund the radio station operations last year and this year the students have set a \$15,000 goal, according to Station Manager Bill Keith.

"We want to thank everyone that has supported us over the years. The auction has become such a big part of our fundraising. This is our biggest fundraiser and we couldn't do it without the generous support of local businesses and our listeners," Keith said.

He added that there is still time for businesses and residents to donate items to help support the station, which has been operating for 43 years.

One alumni of the station is

Todd Chatman, who graduated from Plymouth-Salem in 1983 and is now the director of radio marketing for Food for the Poor.

"WSDP set the course for my gratifying 30 plus year career in broadcasting. The practical, hands-on experience I received gave me an advantage in landing my first paid radio job. Even if your career goals don't include broadcasting or media, the skills you'll craft and WSDP will benefit you the rest of your life. And it's just a whole lot of fun, too," Chatman said.

Keith said the station is looking for local businesses willing to display a poster to help publicize the auction, along with half-hour sponsors and anyone wishing to donate. Those interested can call (734) 416-7732 or email bill.keith@ pccsk12.com.

Township procedure in land decision appeal irks judge

Don Howard Staff Writer

Attorneys for Plymouth Township were in court again last week in an effort to appeal a ruling that returned the 323-acre, \$16 million DeHoCo property to the City of Detroit.

In February, Wayne County Circuit Court Chief Judge Robert Columbo Jr. ruled that the land should be returned to the City of Detroit as the legal owner and that the Wayne County tax foreclosure sale Colombo was obviously agitated when Plymouth Township General Counsel Kevin Bennett insisted on arguing about Columbo's February ruling. Colombo told Bennett, "according to law the case has to be final before it goes to the court of appeals." He allowed a one week extension for Bennett to file a response to the City of Detroit motion for summary disposition. The issue will be back before Colombo on May 22.

"I could rule today, Mr. Bennett," Colombo warned. title to the disputed land.

"I guess I'm not going to be able to change your mind." Bennett pressed on.

Colombo continued, "I'm not happy with your performance-you think you're doing a good job...? Raimi described the situation as an arcane issue.

"The case has to be final before you go to the court of appeals; Bennett didn't know," Raimi said. "The case (the appeal) is frivolous," he added.

CITY OF ROMULUS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING D&G Building - Temporary Parking Lot - Northline/Harrison

of the land to Plymouth Township was improper.

During a brief motion hearing before Colombo on Friday, City of Detroit Deputy Corporate Counsel Chuck Raimi told the court the city had no basis to contest the township appeal, but felt township attorneys improperly filed for the appeal by not waiting until a final ruling. "I respectfully disagree with the court's ruling," Bennett told Colombo.

Bennett claimed he was unaware that his predecessor, township attorney Timothy Cronin, had filed a claim against the City of Detroit bankruptcy filing. The claim would have returned \$144,000 in back taxes to the township in the event the city won the bankruptcy case and retained



Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015** for the purpose of considering a request for **BZA-2015-009; D&G Building** for a temporary parking lot. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Board of Zoning Appeals has set the public hearing to consider a temporary use request in accordance with the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. **Temporary Use** (Section 22.03(e)) to allow a temporary parking lot during the construction of a building addition for Aerostar Manufacturing.



The subject property is located at the southeast corner of Northline and Harrison. DP #80-097-99-0004-704. The property is zoned M-1, Light Industrial District. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 4:00 p.m., June 3, 2015 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Canton inducts newest member into Hall of Fame

Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy inducted Herb Scott into the Canton Hall of Fame recently noting that Scott is one of the volunteers who has made the community of 90,000 residents the success it is today.

Scott, who moved to the township from New York in 1974, has been a volunteer in the community nearly since day one. He is now the executive vice president of a pharmaceutical company, and is the father of four daughters and the grandfather of six.

His volunteer involvement includes his membership on the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage, a group formed in 2004 to promote visual arts, drama, music, dance, historical heritage and humanities. He also served on the Canton Community Foundation and established a fund to help nonprofits in the community. He and his wife, Olivia, recently helped fund a Michigan Philharmonic Middle Eastern concert during the Canton Acts of Culture Week through their fund.

His favorite effort, right now, is his involvement with the Fallen and Wounded Soldier Fund, an all-volunteer effort to help injured servicemen and women pay their expenses while waiting for their federal benefits.

Scott is a charter member of the group and said that this effort is a real concern for him as many discharged veterans wait years to receive their benefits and face serious financial hardships including foreclosure proceedings on their homes or repossession of their vehicles during that time.

Scott also served on the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports, worked on the formation of the Canton 100 Days to Health program with St. Joseph Mercy Health System and also served on the United Home Health Services, an affiliate of Garden City Hospital that helps provides home health services to lowincome residents.

If that work doesn't keep him busy, he serves as the president of Western Wayne Habitat for Humanity and is a member of the Canton Lions Club. He has traveled to Central America and Mexico with the club to build churches and administer medical and dental programs.

Scott told the crowd assembled at the Summit on the Park during his induction ceremony that being named to the Canton Hall of Fame was probably the best honor he had ever received, "except for my children." He also



Herb Scott

told the crowd that he didn't expect to curtail his volunteer efforts anytime soon.

"I'm sure it's going to continue," he said.



Warm welcome

Canton Township Public Safety welcomed a new firefighter/paramedic April 20 when Bernard Brosnan, center, took his oath of office. Like all new firefighter/paramedics in Canton, Brosnan successfully completed three months of mentored orientation and training prior to joining an assigned shift. New firefighters are on probation for one year while they complete an extensive training program, noted Fire Chief Joshua Meier, left. Deputy Fire Chief Christopher Stoecklein, right, also congratulated Brosnan.

Thunder

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American Flag during the ride. It is Belleville Veteran's Memorial in Horizon

riders and all riders are welcome. Each year a special pin is designed and presented to each paying rider. The money is used to benefit local veterans and their families.

The bikers make their way to the

Children's safety workshop set

Andy the Ambulance will make a special appearance at the Van Buren Township Fire Station from 5-6:30 p.m. May 27 to teach children from 4-7 years old about safety.

The free program will teach children about emergencies and emergency community helpers.

Andy will begin the workshop with a special presentation and then there will be interactive stations for children including Calling 911 which will include dispatchers from Huron Valley Ambulance and law enforcement personnel making mock 911 call with participants.

There will also be ambulance, fire and police equipment will be on hand for children to explore with trained personnel available to guide them an answer questions.

A special craft station will be available so that students can learn their address. They will receive a magnetic template to place on the refrigerator at home as well as an emergency card that can be carried

ceremony begins. This year, at 2 p.m. there will be a C-47 flyover coming from Willow Run Airport, Steigerwald said.

The Honor Guards from the Belleville's VFW and PLAV and Honor Guards from the Canton Young Marines will lead the crowd at the ceremony.



in their backpack.

All participants will receive a t-shirt and a certificate of participation.

The program is limited to 30 participants and pre-registration is required. To register, access www.hva.org. For more information, call (734) 477-6781.

The fire station is located at 7981 Belleville Road in Belleville.

During the ceremony, local veterans who have died in the past year will be honored with the announcement of their name in a bell-ringing ceremony.

For more information, or to register to ride, call (734) 697-4500 or email brownfamcenter@yahoo.com.



INKSTER - ROMULUS

Mayor to head regional road safety task force

Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff has been named chairperson of the Road Safety Task Force of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEM-COG).

The new task force will provide input and guide development of a road safety plan for Southeast Michigan that will identify the key safety needs in the region. The plan will be used to guide investment decisions to reduce fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. Members of the task force will provide input on the key elements of the plan, including traffic safety challenges, regional recommendations

Police

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Melendez, who has denied any wrongdoing, was fired from the department when the incident became public.

Inkster City Manager Richard Marsh, Jr. said in an earlier interview that he had requested a review of the conduct of all the Inkster officers who were on the scene of Dent's arrest.

Last week, two more officers were suspended without pay because of their actions the night of Dent's beating. Ofc. Phillip Randazzo has been suspended for 15 days without pay. Randazzo is shown on video kicking Dent and then apparently ridiculing him at the police station. Ofc. Shawn Kritzner is shown on the tape using a Taser on Dent multiple times as he was being beaten by Melendez. Kritzner, the supervising officer on duty during the incident, been suspended for 30 days without pay.

The suspensions were confirmed by Thomas last week.

Thomas joined the Southfield Police Department on April 8, 1991. He served as the director of public safety in Albion and also worked at the Jackson Police Department.

Thomas has extensive training in police, fire and emergency management operations and is a graduate of the Michigan State Police School of

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and follow-up implementation, noted a prepared release from the SEMCOG office.

"Mayor Burcroff is a new mayor eager to be involved on a regional level. He will bring a fresh approach to road safety and the many issues surrounding this very significant topic," noted SEMCOG Chairperson Kathy Vosburg, a Macomb County Commissioner. "We welcome the opportunity to have him involved at SEM-COG."

Burcroff is a lifelong resident of Romulus and served on the planning commission and the city council before becoming mayor.

Management, the National Fire Academy and the FBI National Academy, according to credentials listed on the Southfield website.

Thomas is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University Doctoral Program in education. He holds a doctoral degree in educational leadership and counseling, a specialist degree (33 semester hours above a masters) in educational leadership from Eastern Michigan University, a Master of Arts Degree in public administration from Western Michigan University, a Bachelor of Science Degree in mathematics from Alcorn State University, Loran, MS, where he was an All-American Athlete and captain of the football team. He also earned an Associate of Arts Degree in law enforcement from Jackson Community College.

Thomas is an adjunct professor at Eastern Michigan University, Oakland University and Oakland and Muskegon community colleges. He also teaches at the Oakland and Schoolcraft police academies in basic and advanced training. He teaches at Eastern Michigan University schools of police and fire staff command. He has also taught special topics at the F.B.I Academy and the National Fire Academy.

Thomas is an honorary commander, a colonel, of the 645th Area Support Group of the U.S. Army Reserve and the first Michigan Ambassador to the U.S. Army Reserve. His appointment as interim chief was effective immediately, sources in the department said.



Honored

Oliver "Gabe" Henderson, second from right, was honored as the Volunteer of the Year at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library in a special award ceremony earlier this month. Volunteers were thanked and celebrated for their efforts at the facility by Library Director Denise M. Bearre, center, Collin Mays, aide to State Sen. David Knezek, far left, Mary F. McClendon, legislative aid to Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc and State Rep. Julie Plawecki, far right. Henderson has been maintaining the grounds at the library for years and assists the staff and patrons, noted Bearre. Six other volunteers were also honored for their help with Certificates of Recognition, she added.

Bracelet sales aid community

City of Romulus employees are selling Romulus Strong bracelets to collect funds to aid city employees and community members who need help.

The No One Fights Alone campaign features bracelets for \$2 available at Romulus City Hall in the mayor's office and the economic development department, the Romulus DPW building, the **Romulus Senior Center, the Romulus** Athletic Center and the Romulus Public Library.

All proceeds from the sales go to the Romulus Employee Benefit Funds.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
he Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at he meeting/hearing upon a two week notice to the Charter Township of Canton. These services include signers for the hearing mpaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary ids 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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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, May 28, 2015 for the following:

PAVING IMPROVEMENTS SUMMIT ON THE PARK - EAST PARKING LOT

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at 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 nt or the provision of services

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **REOUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 4, 2015 for the following:

5 YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance & Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of 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 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT **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, May 28, 2015 for the following:

HOUSING REHABILITATIONS (NOTE: EACH HOUSE TO BE BID SEPARATELY)

Bids may be picked up at the Finance & Budget Department, 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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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **INKSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The Inkster Public Library Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed library budget for fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 at the Inkster Public Library (Leanna Hicks Public Library), located on 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141. The public hearing will be held during the Library Board's regular meeting which is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Inkster Public Library, 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141, during business hours.

The Inkster Public Library 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 upon 5 days notice to the Inkster Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Inkster Library by writing or calling the following: Denise Bearre - Library Director, Inkster Public Library, 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141, (313) 563-2822.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF INKSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RE: Case #ZBA 15-01

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Act 110 of 2006, as amended by PA 12 of 2008 and as provided under this act, the City of Inkster's Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Inkster City Hall Council Chamber, which is located at 26215 Trowbridge Inkster, Michigan. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider a dimensional variance from the City's outdoor play area requirements and parking requirements for a Day Care/Preschool in a B-2 (Thoroughfare Mixed-Use) District. Leila Chammout is the applicant. The subject property is located on the West side of Inkster Road South of Cherry Hill Road and is legally described as follows:

Lot 321 Assessors Inkster Plat No. 7 T2S R9E as recorded in Liber 65, Page 65, of Plats, Wayne County Records (Property ID # 44-003-01-0321-000; Commonly identified as 314 Inkster Road).



NORTH

Public comments are invited. Persons unable to attend the public hearing may send their comments in writing to the attention of the City of Inkster Community Development Department, 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, Michigan, 48141. Comments will be received through 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 4, 2015. Please reference Case No. ZBA 15-01 in all correspondence.

The City of Inkster 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 public hearing, to individuals with disabilities upon five (5) business days written notice. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Inkster at 313.563.9770.

> Felicia Rutledge Inkster City Clerk

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Community Development Department - 313.563.9760

WAYNE - WESTLAND

Main Street Project wins state technical assistance

Wayne was recently awarded technical assistance from the Michigan State Housing **Development Authority**.

The award will include advice from national consultants who will help design a customized community development strategy, according to prepared statement from the agency.

Through a partnership with the National Main Street Center, professional staff members will work with national experts to deliver communications planning services to local Main Street leaders. This training will help enhance downtown development

The Main Street Project in efforts like business growth and beautification projects, noted Kevin Elsenheimer, executive director of the state housing development authority.

"This type of technical support gives main street communities the tools they need to create engaging, vibrant places for residents and visitors to enjoy," Elsenheimer said.

Wayne Main Street was awarded this technical assistance after a competitive application process late last year. Scheduled to be completed before 2016, the service will focus on audience, capacity and current and potential resources to strengthen the

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awareness of downtown Wayne and the Wayne Main Street program.

"This is one of the many great benefits of being a Main Street community," said Lindsey Wooten, executive director of Wayne Main Street. "This communication planning process is going to be instrumental in helping us set our long-term goals and will provide us with the key steps we need to achieve them."

During a two-day site visit, consultants will assess the local environment and gather information from the Main Street board of directors and organization committee to identify key audiences and messages. The second day will include a brief presentation of preliminary findings and

ideas. The final plan will highlight unique assets of the city and be presented to local leaders within 30 days of the visit.

The consultation is part of a variety of services Wayne is eligible to receive since becoming a Select Main Street community in 2014. Additional services provided by Michigan Main Street include a baseline assessment in 2014.

For more information on the Wayne Main Street communication planning service or becoming involved with the Wayne Main Street projects, contact the Main Street office at (734) 629-6822 or visit www.downtownwayne.org.

Westland Police Station will receive \$2.2 million upgrade

A lot has happened at the Westland Police Department during the past 40 years.

Much of that history and many of the visitors during those four decades contributed to the wear and tear at the building which is now scheduled for a major renovation, according to Mayor William Wild.

Wild said that \$2.2 million in renovations at the building on Ford Road will provide for a total reconstruction of the section of the building that houses the Traffic and Special Operations department. In addition, new corridor security barriers, ceilings and lighting are planned for the lock-up section and the staff locker area will also see renovations. Wild said that a new fire alarm system and added security devices would be installed throughout the building along with new windows, ceramic flooring and carpeting.

Wild said this was the first major renovation to the building since it was originally constructed in 1975.

Included in the renovation plans are improvements to the parking lot and sidewalks, a new digital exterior monument sign that will be shared with the 18th District Court and a 20 by 40-foot storage facility to be constructed on the west side of the parking lot. The project also includes renovation of staff and public restrooms and the purchase of new office furniture.

Eric Dumont, senior associate with CRESA, a division of Plante Moran, oversaw the project design and will manage construction at the project. Dumont was also involved in the design and management of the new Westland City Hall project.

"The police department project is a continuation of the collective efforts of my



Plans for \$2.2 million in renovations at the Westland Police Station on Ford Road were revealed by Mayor William Wild last week.

administration and the city council to reinvest in and modernize the city's physical assets," said Wild. "We set aside funds over the past few years for these improvements that enhance functional capabilities and improve safety for the officers and the public."

Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik echoed Wild's comments.

"The officers and support staff are looking forward to working in a modern, welldesigned facility, and one with added security features, not only in the lock-up area but throughout the building."

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Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport Runway 4L/22R and **Associated Taxiway** Reconstruction Romulus, Michigan

The Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) has completed а Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) that is now available to the public for review and comment for the reconstruction of Runway 4L/22R and its associated taxiways. The Draft EA has been made available for review at www.wcaa.us/About/Public Notices.aspx and at the following locations:

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport, WCAA Administration Office, L.C. Smith Building -Mezzanine, Romulus, Michigan

• FAA, Detroit Airports District Office, 11677 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan

· City of Romulus Public Works Department, 12600 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan

• Romulus Public Library, 11121 South Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan

A public open house will be held on Thursday, 21 May 2015 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm EDT at The Holiday Inn located at 8400 Merriman Road, Romulus, MI, 48174. The public is welcome to attend to learn more about the project and the impacts associated with project implementation. In addition, the public can provide comments on the Draft EA at the public open house. Written comments must be received by 5:00pm Eastern Daylight Time on 1 June 2015. Emailed comments should

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Calendar of events

Saturday park program under way

The Saturday in the Park program is now under way throughout a 6-mile stretch of Hines Drive. Visitors will have the opportunity to enjoy their favorite activities in a vehicle-free environment from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The program will remain in effect until Sept. 26.

"Providing recreational activities in a safe environment is a priority of Wayne County Parks," said Wayne County Executive Warren Evans. "Saturday in the Park is a great way for families to enjoy biking, running and walking without road traffic."

Parking is available at the Hines Park-Helms Haven Area (Hines Drive, west of Outer Drive) and Hines Park-Nankin Mills Picnic Area (Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail).

For more information, call Wayne County Parks at (734) 261-1990 or visit www.parks.waynecounty.com.

Church to host card party

A Spring Card Party is planned from 6:30 until 10 p.m. May 15 at SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer Road in Westland.

There will be door and table prizes and a 50-50 raffle. A light meal and snacks will be available.

Tickets are priced at \$8 and available at the door.

For more information call (734) 722-1343.

PARC offers swim program

Registration is now under way for a swim program at Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth offered by The Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex (PARC) which will assume management of

the facility in June and continue to offer the swim program.

There will be more classes offered due to expanded available pool time.

Session 1 Swim Program registrations will take place through June 19 at the City of Plymouth recreation office during front counter hours, noon until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and online. To register online you must have a City of Plymouth recreation issued username and password; for first time users this can be set-up by the recreation office. To get setup with a username and password please email the recreation office at recreation@ci.plymouth.mi.us or call (734)455-6620.

Cuckoo takes to stage

Barefoot Productions will present One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest at 8 p.m. May 15 and 16 and at 2 p.m. May 17.

Tickets for the performance are \$15 and can be purchased through the box office at (734)560-1493 or online at www.justgobarefoot.com.

The play is an adaptation of the novel by Ken Kesey and will be directed by Craig A. Hane.

The theater is located at 240 N. Main in Plymouth, in the strip mall just west of Bode's Corned Beef House.

City hosts garage sale

The City-wide Garage/Yard Sale will take place throughout Romulus beginning today and continuing Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Residents can have garage or yard sales without purchasing the usual city permit on these dates. Registration in the office of the city clerk is required.

A list of addresses featuring garage sales and more information is available in



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Equipment Inspections: Wednesday, May 13^e (4-6pm) Tuesday, May 26^e (11am-1pm)

Load Out: Thursday, May 28th (10am-1pm) the office of City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg at the church, located at 9401 General Dr. (734) 942-7540.

Spring Trade Show set

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Spring Trade Show is planned for 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. May 16 at Belleville High School.

Admission is free to visit with a wide variety of vendors who will have products and services displayed.

Snacks and refreshments will be available through the Belleville Council for the Arts.

For more information, contact the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce at (734) 697-7151.

Church hosts women's event

Way of Life church will sponsor a women's seminar for married and unmarried women from noon until 3 p.m. May 16

in Plymouth Township.

The meeting is free and questions for discussion of women's issues will be accepted at worship@wayoflifecc.com or call (734) 392-8007.

Bark in the Park planned

Dogs and their owners can enjoy a special visit to the Canton Dog Park from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. May 17 during the Bark in the Park event.

There will be live entertainment and local pet vendors and free give-a-ways, and food will be available for sale.

The dog park is located at Preservation Park with its entrance off Denton Road north of Cherry Hill Road. Dog owners must show proof of up-to-date vaccination for rabies and DHLPP, signed by an accredited veterinarian. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org.

CITY OF ROMULUS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Paul and Angie Cabe - 8754 Cogswell

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 for the purpose of considering a variance request for BZA-2015-008; Paul and Angie Cabe. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485

The Board of Zoning Appeals has set the public hearing to consider a variance from the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Accessory Building Size (Section 3.04(a)(3)b.) to allow a 4,080-sq. ft. acces-1. sory building which results in 5,345 square feet of accessory buildings; the ordinance allows a maximum of 2,400 sq. ft. for all detached accessory buildings.



The subject property is located at 8754 Cogswell. DP #80-027-99-0016-000. The property is zoned R-1A/RCOD; Single-family Residential/Rural Character Overlay District. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 4:00 p.m., June 3, 2015 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk City of Romulus, Michiga



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CITY OF ROMULUS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING 28004 Willowtree - Ernest Arkoh **Fence Variance**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 for the purpose of considering a variance request for BZA-2015-007; Ernest Arkoh. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Board of Zoning Appeals has set the public hearing to consider a variance from the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Fence Variance (Section 3.05(a)(2)) to allow a chain link fence to extend into 1. the front yard (along Meadow Ave.)



The subject property is located at 28004 Willowtree. DP #82-80-141-01-009-0096-000. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 3, 2015 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

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CITY OF ROMULUS BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING PackSpec - 8111 Middlebelt

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 for the purpose of considering a variance request for BZA-2015-010; PackSpec. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Board of Zoning Appeals has set the public hearing to consider the expansion of a nonconforming building and variances from the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- 1. Front Yard Setback Variance (Section 8.04(a)) to allow the widening of the existing loading area into the nonconforming front yard setback along Smith Road.
- 2. Lot Coverage Variance (Section 8.04(a)) to allow impervious lot coverage of greater than 75% for a proposed pavement expansion.
- 3. Overhead Door Orientation Variance (Section 14.03(c)) to allow overhead doors for truck loading areas to face a public right-of-way.
- 4. Rooftop Mechanical Equipment Screening Variance (Section 13.07(b)(1)) to allow the cyclone roof-top equipment to be unscreened.



The subject property is located at 8111 Middlebelt Road. DP #80-046-99-0032-700. The property is zoned M-T, Industrial Transportation District. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 4:00 p.m., June 3, 2015 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

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