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Millages, candidates on ballots Tuesday

Romulus schools request millage

Next Tuesday, voters in the omulus School District will be asked to approve two millage requests during the Aug. 8 elec-

The first proposal to appear on the ballot will be the Hold on the ballot will be the Hold Harmless milligge which seeks approval for the district to lower the maximum levy for this purpose from 5.1314 mills to 2.5 mills, a reduction of more than 50 percent in the author-ized key;

The second proposal on the ballot is for a Sinking Fund ballot is for a Sinking Fund millage which would replace the existing .75 mills levy with a 3-mill levy. State law allows a new sinking fund millage to be used for security, infrastruc-

Happy birthday

These funds cannot be used for salaries or retirement costs. Robert W McLachlan, who

serves as secretary of the Romulus District Schools Board of Education and chairs the Friends of the Romulus Millage Committee, said there are factual misrepreser being floated about regarding the issue. "The Hold Harmless mill-

"The Hotel Harmiess mill-age, which was authorized last year at 5.1314 mills (mzc), only resulted in a levy of 1.3137 mills, due to the formula used by the State of Michigan leverng local levy toward what is

Voters to cull council candidates

Westland voters will have no lack of choices on the ballot lack of choices on the ballot next Tuesday when they will be asked to reduce the field of can-didates seeking terms on the city council to eight hopefuls for the four available terms.

Primary voting will take place at all regular city polling places from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Thesday, Aug. 8.

Three of the available council seats are 4-year terms while
the third is a 2-year seat. The four-year terms will continue

from Jan. 1, 2018 through Jan. 1, 2021 while the 2-year term will continue from Jan. 1, 2018 through Jan. 1, 2020. Voters will choose the final four city council representa-tives during the General

move on to the General Election are candidates: Steve Boron, Jesse Davey, Debra Fowlkes, Timothy Gilbert Tasha Green Timothy Gilbert, Tasha Green, Jim Hart, Peter Herzberg, Jason S. Jackson, Meriem Kadi, Michael A. Kehrer, Michael Londeau, Terry L. Martin, Felicia Miles-Clegg, Joseph Schaefer, Donna Stottlemyer-Beaupre and Jody White. Herzberg and Kehrer are

incumbent council members During the General Election, voters will also be asked to choose between incumbent Mayor William Wild and Kevin Coleman, a city councilman who opted not to seek re-elec-

ICE]

City celebrates 150-year anniversary







2 arrested in brutal attack on senior citizen

and charged with attempted mur-der in the assault and beating of a

According to police reports, Wayne officers were dispatched to the rear parking lot of a bar located in the 35000 block of West Michigan Avenue at 234 a.m. July 23 after callers reported a fight in

ene they discovered a 70-year old man unconscious and suffer-ing from numerous injuries. The victim was transported by emervictim was transported by emer-gency medical personnel to a local hospital for treatment. According to the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor, it is alleged that the two suspects encountered the victim who was walking with his dog in the park-

pair first threw the victim's dog at his car, then knocked the senior citizen to the ground and began beating and kicking him into unconsciousness. The pair is accused of beating their victim with his own car radio. After an investigation. War

police arrested Ryan Fletcher, 35, and Jacob Rose, 23, both of Garden City, in the incident. Both Fletcher and Rose have been charged with assault with intent to commit murder and felo nious assault, according to a pre pared statement from the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor. A third person was arrested in

the incident and subsequently released following the police



arraigned July 25 in the 29th District Cor irt before Magi Linda Gable who set bond at \$100,000 for each of them. They are due back in court Aug. 8 for a investigation of the attack.

Both Fletcher and Rose were charges before Judge Laura Mack: relatives at his request.



date has been set for Aug. 15. Police said the victim was tinuing to recover from his injuries. The dog was placed in

PLYMOUTH - CANTON

New traffic signal gets state green light

Staff Writer

of Transportation (MDOT) will be moving forward with the installation of a four-way traffic signal and widening of the McClumpha and Ann Arbor Road intersection was the ound of success for Plyn Fownship Supervisor

Heise, a former state representative, worked with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for more than two years to facilitate the installation of the traffic signal and reconfiguration of the intersection. Last week, State Reps. Jeff Noble of Plymouth and Laura Cox of Livonia announced that \$1 milnated to reconfigure the inter-section. According to the announcement, there have been 36 total accidents at the rsection between 2012 and

ns. Twenty-three of these accitwenty-turee or these acci-dents were Thone or head-on collisions, according to the release and some caused seri-ous injuries. The intersection prompted numerous com plaints from area residents claiming that the situation was a threat to public safety. The T-

shaped intersection has no turn "As citizen complaints sky-rocketed through the root," Heise said, "I kept the pressure Heise said, "I kept the pressure on. However, this is a team effort, and its more complex that just a traffie light issue." The issue is exacerbated dur-ing hours when traffic is travelschools at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park nearby where more than 6,000 students attend classes.

leagues in the State House for approval of a truffle study in the area. He added that he was concerned about what many perceived as a serious danger in the neighborhood, which is also his neighborhood. He said records show speeding over the 45 mph limit is often common-

place. In November 2015, his efforts paid off and MDOT com-missioned the Wayne County Road Commission to conduct a study of the truffic at the intersection In early 2016 the next ived a final go-al Having the engineering data from the joint Wayne Country-MDOT sponsored study. Heise

After his successful hid to become township supervisor, Heise continued his quest for

the road project.

In February 2017, at his urg-ing, members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees approved a resolution urging

Heise said he is gratified that the project is moving for ward and that the state will pay for the entire \$1 million esti-mated cost of the traffic signal and reconfiguration of the He said he sent copies of the

township resolution to State Rep. Jeff Noble, MDOT Director Kirk Steudle, Sen. ous issue." Heise said Patrick Colbeck, Rep. Kristy "This is great news."

Pagen and to Cox, the current Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, reminding them of how serious a public safety threat the inter-section is and the efforts at the township level to solve the

problem. that the intersection was a

known danger: "It's been a dangerous i ction for a long time and a lot of drivers, especially those who are inexperienced like high school students, had difficulty maneuvering through the inter-section," Tiderington said. "This is a team effort. MDOT will have to rework the into section. It will require left-turn lanes, deceleration lanes, new curbs and widening. It's a seri

School board members choose officers

Members of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education have select-ed new officers for the year. Terms will continue through

new president. She has also served as secretary of the board. Nominated by her predeces-sor Kim Crouch. Borninski was the sole nominee and elected on a 6-0 vote. Trustee Patrick Kehoe was absent from the

members that she appreciated their confidence in her and said that she looked forward to con-tinuing the good work done by the previous board and Crouch. The new vice president of the board will be Crouch, nominated by Trustee Doug Brooks. She

2013. Patti McCoin was nominat-ed for the office of secretary by Trustee Anupam Chugh Sishu who had declined the nomina who had decimed the nomina-tion for herself suggested by Brooks. McCoin has been a Kehoe was nominated in bsentia for treasurer by

McCoin. Kehoe has been a board member since August of Its.
The votes for all the nemi

es were unanimous, 60 votes. In other business, the board bylaws and approved a schedule

Annual collection of school supplies now under way Plymouth Community United Plymouth, Canton, and west Way is gearing up for the armual whool supply drive. not have success in the classroom environment, a spokesman said. The drive will run continue The drive will run continue

Wayne students in need of the proper tools to help increase their shillty to achieve their education. Last year the organization abidity to achieve their education filled 120 backpacks with 7,172 all potential. Without the basic two techqueck slided and distributed bags were distributed to rulers, and paper, students will year Pymouth 1400 Sed/Storage

through Aug. 12, in an effort to get the backpacks filled and distrib-uted by the start of the school

off at the 42360 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth location during busi-ness hours. Donations will also be collected at the Plymouth

from 7:45 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. www.nlymouthunitedway.org.













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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Blues, Brews and BBQ this weekend

The most highly anticipated went in Westland, Blues, Brews and BBQ, will begin at 5 p.m. comorrow in a new location. This year, the event has been noved just north of its former location and will take place on Ford Road to offer more parking and shaded areas, organizers said. As in years nost the arress

able for purchase. The event will feature profes-onal pit-masters to offer good dors include Heaven on a Rott; Hill Billy Bone BBQ; Smoke Ring BBQ; Stick a Pig in it; Uncle Bebe's Barbecue; Grindstone Smokehouse; Famous Dave's The Grill Fathers Ribs & BBQ Harold Ole Daddy BBQ; Detroi Mini Donut and Lemonade: Harvest Kettle Corn; Heavenly Hot Dog; Maniaci Pizza and On

the Border Again this year, the two-day again this year, the two-day event boasts an impressive line-up of musical guests beginning up of musical guests beginning
Then, the Bobby Murray Band at
with opening act Roadside Rick
6 p.m. followed by crowd favorite

a musically choreographed fireworks show that begins at 10 p.m. on Saturday.

and the Breakdowns at 5 p.m.
Pridag, Aug. 4, followed by The
Boa Constrictors at 7 p.m. and
Detroit Soul Revue at 9 p.m. On
Saturdag, Aug. 5 the music starts
with 4 p.m. with Front Street.

and the headliner this year netta Davis, at 8:30 p.m. Eight ice cold taps will be pouring eight different craft and domestic beers. This year, a fast-tap pass is available for \$10 that New this year is access to House of Blues which inclu

es which includes

an upgraded event experience complete with private seating with restrooms and prime view of the stage. Tickets for the

More information and updates about the landmark

fashioned slow-cooked, entic BBQ and tasty finger Crowdfunding effort to fund Wayne bike racks

One civic group in Wayne is Bicycle Club.

peddling a new idea to install If the campaign r

announced a new crowdfunding campaign through the Michigan-Patronicity. The campaign will support the plan to install new bike racks throughout downtown and run pop-up bike repair and safety workshops in

sectioning a new store to instant see white racks throughout the formtown area. The second of the second funding goal of \$5,500 by Aug. 31, the project will win a matching grunt with funds made smootneed a new crowdfunding Development

Economic Development Corporation Public Spaces Community Places program. For project details and to donate, visit: www.Patronicity.com/ months of the community Places program. For the community Places program. For the community Places program. For the project also aims to provisit: www.Patronicity.com/ mote Wagne as a bikasable com- currently in competition for a WayneMainStreet. munity
The Downtown Bike Rack a boars

cycling in Wayne. The project includes the installation of 20 community and we want to do brand new, custom bike racks downtown, the refurbishing of the existing downtown bike racks, pop-up bike repair and safety events launching this fall

munity, explained Theo Brooks, a board member of Wayne Main

It has evolved into one of the largest civic organizations in the community. Last year, volunour downtown " Brooks said In

Michigan Municipal League (MML) Community Excellent

Wayne Main Street was launched in 2011 by a group of civic-minded residents

teers contributed more than 2,700 service hours to the city group. In 2014 the organi cognized by the Michigan Main Street Association as a Select-Level Main Street com-

Artist to exhibit paintings at city hall gallery

nized artist Betty Felts will be on exhibit at the Westland City Hall gallery during

Felts works in wat ed at the L eshure Center for the Arts tions. She has earned numerous awards that range from Best of Show to Honorable Mention and has been awarded the Maggie Price award from the Pastel Society of Central Florida. Club, Garden City Fine Arts Association, and The Visual arts Association of Livonia. She is also a charter member of the Pastel Society of Central Florida, the Center for the Arts in Leesburg Florida.

Center for the Arts in Leesburg, Florida, and is chairperson of the annual art show in Lady Lake, Florida. Several series of paintings will be fea-tured in the exhibit. These include images from Greenfield Village and vari-

images from recentation visingle and vari-ous Michigan state parks along with some of Felts' favorite paintings of her family and grandchildren.

Notice of Public Hearing

PROPOSED ACTION: Approval of a DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, A TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 PM.

nationally recognized watercolorists Rose Eden, Karlyn Holman, and Tom

Lynch, as well as pastel artists Ray Hazzard, Janet McGrath, and Donna Tweedle. She said the artist who has been most influential to her work is Lynn Baum, whose mantra is, "If you can see it, you can paint it." She said her own motto is, "Keep your brush wet,

paintings with only three col large brush on watercolor paper.

This exhibition is a collabor between Three Cities Art Club and the City of Westland and will be available Cay of Westiand and Will be available through Aug. 31 at the Gallery at City Hall located in Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan 48185. An artist's recention is planned for 4.6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11. The public is v

INVITATION TO BID

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Annual cardboard boat race set

in the area. The 4th Annual Cardboard Bost Race

The 4th Annual Cardboard Boat Race is scheduled to take place beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Summit on the Park Aquatic Center Participants are encouraged to use creative teamwork to build a boat entirely out of cardboard, duct tape, and paint prior to the event. Boat dimension

requirements are that the boat should be no larger than 5.5 feet wide by 10 feet long. Cardboard boats must be built at home and then transported to the Summit to compete. Paddles will be provided for ally. Awards will be given out for Most Creative and Fastest Boat, as well as the

Creative and Fastest Boat, as well as the Thanic Award.

"We're looking forward to another exciting competition at this year's Cardboard Boat Race," said Brad Chiasson, aquatic specialist. "It's great to see families working together and the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But to unknown conference and fur. But to unknown conference and the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But to unknown conference and the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference and when the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference and the same that the same that the same that the transfer and the same that the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference the same that the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference the same that the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference the same that the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference the same that the competition takes it to a whole other level of fur. But the unknown conference the same that the same that the competition takes it to a whole other the same that the same of fun. Plus, the unique engineering and creative designs make it a great event to just watch as a spectator."

Entry fees for this event are \$10 for Summit members, \$15 for Canton residents, and \$20 for non-residents. The

Heddy Morillo of Lambertville, near the Ohio state line, drove an hour and a half to Geneva. "You never forget your



Registration for the annual Cardboard sat Race is available at the Summit or aline at www.summitonthepark.org, The

events at the Summit on the Park, visit

Church hosts Venezuelan referendum voting

onstitution July 16. organizer Cecilia Escobar of Canton Township didn't hesi-tate to express her sincere gratitude for

country," said Morillo, who has been in the U.S. 42 years and is a U.S. citizen. "I "You guys are making history," Escobar told Mike and Julie Gaubatz of Canton Township, who were among the Canton church members who helped

A member of the Plymouth-Canton Interfaith Community Outreach,

Escobar is also a church member and suggested the opportunity
Unrest has rocked the northern South
American country since April, with

reports of at least 100 Venezuelans killed and some 1,500 injured. Escobar said Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, "wants to take power of pretty much everything. He has commit-

ed a lot of crimes against humanity. My own family has been attacked in their Escaper was the main organizer at the

Canton referendum site with others in Grand Rapids, Bloomfield Hills and the Grosse Pointe area. She noted the elect-ed National Assembly similar to the U.S. Congress, was Congress, was elected by the people.

" T h e Congress is trying to uphold the constitution," Escobar said.



u.s. 42 years and is a u.s. citizen.' w they are having a really har time."

Morillo noted resources like oil, min Morillo noted resources like oil, min-erals and jewels have been degleted in Venezuela. "Now it's the poorest (coun-try) in South America because of the communists," she said. "No democracy looks like that, ever." "I want to beln. I want my voice

spread," she said. She said she appreci-ates the Canton church help and her hometown, "and people are very friend-I sum Gonzalos 27 of Ann Arb

Laura Gorzalez, 27, of Ann Arbor vo-unteered and voted. "I think it's a demonstration of the change we want to see in our country," she said. She's been

see in our country," she said. She's been here 13 years and studied at the University of Michigan. "It is our right and also our duty as Venezuelans," said Gonzalez. She favors use of "all democratic venues we have to find a resolution to the problems that Venezuela is facing right now. It was real ly important to me to volunteer and be a

part. I'm really happy to see so many Venezuelans."

Voting began 11 a.m. with voters arriv ing two hours early. One such man told Escobar, "Tve been waiting 18 years. I can wait another hour."

Escobar first came to the U.S. for her master's degree in Chicago, and has been in Canton 12 years. Her family, with the exception of one brother, remains in

"They have thousands in jail. They are being persecuted in military coarts. It's a dictatorship, that's what it is," Escobar said. "We are so grateful to Geneva Presbyterian Church. It goes beyond just giving you chairs and

mezuela, prompted her and others to sit Washington, D.C., to talk to U.S. senbut washingour, D.C., to lank to U.S. Sen-tors and Congress members. To vote in he referendum, no affiliation with a tenezuelan political party was needed.

Ballots were in Spanish. Charles Ten Broeck of Canton is a

these rights," Ten Broeck said of voting He and his wife visited Cuba this past May on an educational trip; he noted Cuban doctors are paid \$27 a month. "They have to drive cabs to support

They fliving," he said.

Ten Broeck added, "Human rights violations against women in the world are unbelievable. That's half the world.

dual mambers of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Toronchip of on June 27, 2017, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IF RESOLVI Records Management System or a participating agency, with a 2017 annual C-S. Marcel to Graveral Calendar Issus G-II GENDRAL CALENDAR! Securities Death Additionary Task Force, (Clark) Marice by Securit, our

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Romulus

New voting machines ensure accuracy, speed

last week at new voting equipment that will expedite the voting process and make

monstrated the new Dominion Voting System units for the council at a study session last week. The system, provided sion last week. The system, provided through one of three state-approved ven-does, will be used for the first time at the Aug. 8 special election, when Romulus voters will decided two school funding

said Craig Bragg.
The new machines tabulate the votes

and will transmit them to the clerk's office and Wayne County wirelessly at the end of election night. The system will only be accessible to the precinct chairman who will have a special key and password to right from those precincts."

In addition to the tradition

in addition to the traditional banot tab-ulator, the new system has a touch-screen tabulator that voters can use if they desire; it is also easier for handicapped people to use. That system uses special ballot cards that can be used on ection and then reprogrammed for the ext, much like a hotel room card key. Because of the built in safeguards,

Craig-Bragg said the new machines are much more reliable than older voter sys-tems and less likely to malfunction or be susceptible to tampering

She will conduct a public accuracy test that anyone can attend at 3 p.m. today Aug. 3, in council chambers to test the accuracy of the equipment and process some sample hallots. There will also be a nublic open house at 5 nm when a

City program identifies lead in water pipes

gram to examine the piping material of residential service lines during water main construction. The program will remove any lead in the city lines and pro-vide homeowners the opportunity to use the city contractor to remove the lead serv-ice line at the residence. The program has been very successful and a majority of the residents take advantage of the reduced pricing and proceed with removal of their private service line, city officials said.

When homeowners choose not to remove the lead service lines, testing is conducted to ensure the lead residual in the water is below the established EPA Action Level of 15 parts per billion (pob). In June of 2017, the city tested one v the private lead water service line At this es laboratory test regults show iduals of 120 parts p

than the EPA threshold City personnel also conducted seven other routine lead and copper monitoring

samples elsewhere in Romulus, all of which were analyzed at the Great Lakes Water Authority laboratory. Results at each of the other seven locations were all below the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Action Level for contaminants.

Water in Romulus comes from the Great Lakes Water Authority, and treat-ment of the water has been very successful at mitigating lead leaching from plumbing. officials said. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality assesses the effectiveness of the corrosion control measures based on the 90th percentile of all lead and copper results collected

The lead 90th percentile for Romulus 41.6 ppb, which exceeds the Action Lev of 15 ppb. The Action Level is not a health based standard, but a level that triggers quality and requires educational outreach to customers, according to a city the results will show that the high lead les on though only one loc

eight tested was more than 15 ppb, lead can cause serious health problems if too much enters the human system through drinking water or other sources. There are some simple ways to reduce exposure to lead including always using the cold water tap for drinking, cooking or preparing baby formula and allowing the water to run for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using, as recommended by the EPA. Do not boil the

water to avoid lead, as boiling will not reduce the amount of lead in the water. Romulus officials will conduct additional monitoring of the water quality during the next year, using 120 samples collected

els were isolated to the one vacant home on the northeast corner of the city as a result of their individual water service line result of their individual water service line being disturbed during construction Additional information regarding lead in water can be found at www.romulus-gov.com, on the Department of Public Works page

http://www.romushosony.com/dengrtp ublic_services/public_works/, and at ti MDEQ websi www.michigan.gov/deqleadpublicadvisory

To view the most recent city water qualit report, visit www.romulusgov.com/ccr: More information regarding water qual ity is available from the director of Public Works office, (734) 942-7579.

Ballot

EDOM DAGE 1

m as 31a grant funding, for at risk students," McLachlan explained. He said that opponents of this proposal are misrepresenting the facts in this case and that last year, again, the levy was 1.3137

ns. He said there is no indication that the sount of the levy will change and that

state law requires that a maximum levy be in the hallot language.

"The Romulus Board of Education chose the lower maximum to protect our taxpayers from any large shift in taxation should the state change the formula," he

The Sinking Fund proposal is critical for the district, McLachlan said, as the district has identified more than \$20 mil-lion dollars in necessary repairs, replace-ments, and upgrades to facilities, including the athletic stadium, building roofs, norking lots plumbing systems fire suppression systems and technology infra-

McLachlan said the claim that the Romulus Community Schools received

\$1.5 million from the recent Wayne County "Enhancement Millage" is a myth. "We have, to date, received \$929,628 om the levy. All of this year's levy, and most of next year's, have been allocated to most of next years, have been allocated to the purchase of 17 replacement buses and upgrading our video security system from analog to digital equipment, improv-ing the safety and welfare of our students and facilities," he said.

The millage advocate said that the ol district has always maintain sparency with financial reporti which is posted on the district website

ww.romulus.net), and audited annual independent auditors. "We remain committed to providing open, honest, and direct dialogue with our entire community," he said.

"I encourage all of our community to educational opportunities for all of our

children" he concluded

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, Ill11 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174 meeting wax called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Mayor Pre-Tom John Bardon.

Metion Carried Unanimously network accept an against a sail 17-224 2A. Maved by Wadeworth, seconded by Roscee to approve Romahn City Council held on July 3, 2017. Bell Call Vote: Ayes - Il. Nays - None. Abstala - Abdo, Malowski. Metion Carried.

17-226 SA. M

ment. Roll Call Vote: Ayes -Metion Carried Unanimous 17-225 SC. Moved by Make

CURRENT ACCOUNT NO. ACCOUNT NAME LIBRARY FUND

CITY OF ROMULUS ALONG WITH THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS AND PARTICIPATING MITN MEMBERS SFQ-RH-17-044 - ICE MELT AND WATER SOFTENER COMPOUNDS SOLICITATION FOR QUOTATION

Quotes for one (1) year pricing for ice melt and water softener compounds, with an option to reserve the two (2) additional one year terms, for the CE₂ of Rechester Hills and Participating MITT CE₂ of Markines Height, CE₂ of Winner, Macroch Cent Department of Reads, Southful Public Schools, County of Livingston, County of Onkland) shall to be received by the CE₂ of Rechest Hills until Thandway, August 24, 2017 (2-64) pm. Iscal lains.

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Belleville - Inkster

Committee adds basement to library plan

The new Belleville Area District Library will have a par-

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Lineaux. Lineauy was nave a par-tial basement, following a change approved last month by original library plan did not the library board.

Board members opted to allocate \$312,000 for the confor the facility and did not informed of the change and include space for the Friends of that she felt. "This is a founda-

Sharon Peters, chairwoman of the library board, said that the full board would need to be

Whisler outlined other changes made to the plans for the building, including a move of the administrative offices to the main floor; a move of the fireplace; the addition of a con-

shelves and a door and small tutoring room added. In addi-tion, the local history room was moved inside the building and the water fountains upgraded to allow the refilling of water bottles. Other changes have

Hearing set on medical marijuana zoning

The City of liabeler has schod members will consider proposed juana processing facility and mirijiaann are being considered deed a public housing believe his menchances to the nearing with mobility of the proposed proposed proposed processing facility and mirijiaann are being considered being members to be a near good of the proposed to local zoning regulations the sale and trans regarding medical marijuana medical marijuana.

regarding medical marijuants facilities within the community. The hearing before the city planning commission is planned for 630 pm. Aug. 14 in the council chambers at city hall, 28215 "rowstvidae in Inikster" in the construction of the commission of the construction of t

ing facilities and medical mari-juana testing facilities would now require zoning as a Special Land Uses, as would the other classifications. nomenations. New special land use stan-

amendments is now available for review in the Inkster City Clerk's office located in city hall. Proposed changes will be prosented to members of the city
council for approval.

The planning commission

able from the planning and

ments in writing to the attention of the city of Inlester City Planner 26215 Trowbridge in Inkster, 48141 Written comments will be accepted until noon Aug. 14. More information about the

dards for the processing, testing,
meeting is open to the public and development department, (3133)
cultivation and selling of medical
those unable to attend the public

Civil War soldiers are honored

Members of the Belleville City Council voted unanimously to add the names of 19 local servicemen who were killed in action during the Civil War. The request to add the names, in a place reserved for them on the monupases reserved for them on the monu-ment, was presented to the council members by Cornell Anton, who repre-sented the Veterans of Foreign Wars 4434 and the Polish League of American Veteran 167.

Anton reminded the council mem-ers that no public funds were used in

Veteran's Day ceremonies at Horizon building or installing the memorial, but Park in Belleville may include 19 new that it was funding by \$60,000 in contri-names engraved on the Veteran's butions and then rebuilt using funds that it was funding by \$90,000 in contri-butions and then rebuilt using funds from the Belleville Downtown

Development Authority.

Currently, there are 51 names on the memorial. Anton and Councilman Tom memorial. Anton and Councilman Toen Fielder are relating the stories of these servicemen, two at a time, during Memorial Day events at the park. The cost for engraving the names was estimated at \$3,500 and Anton said

he had personally paid a down payment of \$1,500 for the project. To donate to the project, make checks payable to VFW 4434 and mail them to 376 Light Tower Court, Belleville, MI 48111.

Oueen of Queens crowned

Stuckey of Van Buren Township, was crowned 2017 Queen of Queens last month in New Orleans where she com-

pleted against 35 women. She achieved the highest scores in the international pageant which included evening gown, glam wear and interviews. In addition to the crown, Stuckey won a prize package valued at more than \$10,000 including each and modeling con-

Stuckey was Mrs. Michigan America in 2015 and was recently Classy Mrs. Michigan. She will be on the cover of Julimac Magazine this month and her first solo recording, Covered, is available

lor's degree in business manage ment and is publishing a She is the r of two and has

been married for 23 years. She works with the National Association of

Association, NorthRidge Church and with the Belleville National Strawberry Festival Queen Pag

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Friends" featuring Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone, Learn American industry. Although highly authoric, this show is also resented with a

ets: Contact Katie Dallos at: 734-697-1944 or kdallos@provide.net.



NORTHVILLE

Supreme Court overturns drunk driving verdict

Staff Writer

The unusual arrest of a ing drunk in his own driveway has drawn national attention after a surprising ruling last week by the Michigan Supreme

In this latest decision indees on the high court have reversed the ruling of the Michigan Court of Appeals and sent the case back down to the lower courts. The case began when Gino Robert Rea, 47-years-old at the time of his arrest in 2014, was charged with operating while intoxicated under MCL 257.625 (1), which reads in part, "A person . . . shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles . . . if the person is operating while intoxi-

ented" Police reports and court o Northville records show that two Northville police officers found Rea seated in his car, in the driveway next to ajar listening to loud music after a neighbor had objected to the noise and called officers to the scene. The officers instructed Rea to turn down the music.

When the same neighbor called police for the second time to Rea's residence but found no Delano parked on the street near Rea's home and began walking up his driveway. According to police reports of the incident, the door to the detached garage at Rea's residence opened and his vehicle backed out for "about 25 feet" before stopping. At that point the car was still in Rea's

side or back yard Court records state the officer shined his flashlight to alert Rea that he was in the driveway; Rea stopped his car in the driveway; next to the house then put his car in drive and pulled for

erred by affirming the trial court dismissal of the operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated (OWI)...

hol and his speech was slurred and was arrested for Operating a vehicle While Intoxicated (OWI) after he refused to take field sobriety tests. Rea's blood alcohol level was later determined to be three times the legal limit.

After his arraignment on the charge. Rea's attorney moved to quash that information. The lower court granted the motion and dismissed the charge, finding that the upper portion of defen-dant's driveway, closest to the garage, was not a place generally accessible to motor vehicles for purposes of criminal liability or MCL 257 (25(1)

Prosecutors pursued the charges, taking the matter to the Michigan Court of Appeals. Justice Richard Bernstein, joined by Chief Justice Steven J.

The Michigan Court of Appeals

Last April. Court Justice Elizabeth L. Gleicher wrote in the opinion for a divided three-judge panel of the Michigan Court of Appeals, that since Rea drove but only in this private area after consuming alcohol the

"charges were not supportable." The Supreme Court jurists disagreed, however, and on Monday, July 24, issued an opinion that stated, "The Michigan Court of stated, "The Michigan Court of Appeals erred by affirming the trial court dismissal of the oper-ating a motor vehicle while into-icated (OWI) charge against defendant, Gino Rea, in violation of MCL297.625(1).
In an unusual opinion by Zahra and Kurtis T Wilder, the Michigan Supreme Court held that the Northville Police Department could charge Rea with drunken driving, even if his car never left the driveway. Dissenting Justices Bridget McCormack and David Viviano cautioned that the Court went to far to assume that the Michigan Legislature intended to extend the scope of the statute prohibit-ing OWI to include the private property of individual homeown-

Bernstein in his opinion sum-mation wrote: "We hold that defendant's driveway is an area renerally accessible to motor chicles' for numoses of MCI 257.625(1). Because defendant allegedly operated a motor vehi-cle in his driveway while intoxicated, the prosecution estab lished probable cause that defen dant violated MCL 257.625 "Accordingly, we reverse the judg-ment of the Court of Appeals, vacate the trial court's disof the case, and remand to the trial court for further proceed

Art House features exhibit of 'Color Wash' work

present The Graded Wash Juried Watercolor Exhibition, featuring 29 artists' work in watercolor,

ouache, and other media to cre-te 44 colorful works. The exhibit includes landscapes, seascapes, and portraits, as well as, animal, plant and abstract motifs. Juror Jill Stefani Wagner selected the works from 86 diverse entries. An opening entation and juror's talk at 7 p.m. to celebrate participating artists: Joyce Bailey (Ypsilanti),

Barbara Baker (West Bloomfield), Marchelle Brotz (Northville), Jean Canavan (Saline), Janice Dumas (Milford), Carol Evert (Saline), Espacia Fotiu (Ferndale), Sandra Hanert (Brighton), Jennifer Helner (Lowell), Christine Ingersoll

(Ypsilanti), Janet Kondziela (Dearborn), Rosemary Lee (Howell), Lisa Mull (Grand Rapids), Barbara Eko Murphy (Northville), Linda Onderko (Commerce), Patrick O'Rourke (Northville), Julia Pangborn-Harley (Gross Pointe Park). Cindy Rashid (Milford), Julia Rohde (Saginaw), Tom Ryan (Lemont), Nancy Savage Rohde (Saginaw), Tom Ryan (Lemont), Nancy Savage (Northville), James Velthoven

(White Lake), Harry Villalonga (Rochester), Carrie 'Care' Wheeler (Plymouth), Denise Willing-Booher (Fenton), Susan Wolocko Hassenrik (Northville) and Julie Woodard (Northville). Painting in watercolor has

been one of the true loves of my life. I have worked in this medi-Northville Art House is located at 215 W Cady St. Admission is um for over 30 years and it never fails to fascinate me. There is a certain serendipity in watercolor: you con't always control every

most wonderful surprises ha pen,"Wagner said. The exhibition is open duri Art House hours, noon until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon until 4 p.m. Saturday. The

www.northvillearthouse.org







Calendar of events

ience experiments at the library The Romulus Public Library will host a hands-on program which includes tie-dving a shirt

and making ice cream beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. The projects are part of a Science Experiments program and are designed for students 11 to 17 years of age. This is a free

program.
The Romulus Public Library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus. More information is available at (734) 942-7589.

The Buy Michigan Now Festival will take place in down-town Northville this weekend for the ninth year, as part of the annual Buy Michigan Week. This family-friendly event food vendor and street vendors, live music and children's activities, all high lighting Michigan-based busi sses and Michigan-made prod

on and park free. Main and Center streets are closed in the middle of downtown to make it easy to shop and dine, while enjoying live enter-tainment from Michigan per-

sent to JeffNoble@house.mi.go The event will be open from 4-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5 and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Sunday,

mers market now open The Canton Farmers Market

will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 12 at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton. This open-air-market featu a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-craft-ed items. The Farmers Market

will take place rain or shine Find the latest market infor-mation on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/cantonfarm-

Concert series confinues
The Northville Summer
Friday Night Concert Series presented by Tom Holzer Ford - brings the music of some of the finest local musicians to down town Northville Town Square from 7-9 p.m. every Friday night

from jazz to blues to rock 'n' roll For more information including et the No of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or isit www.northville.org

essay contest now open
State Rep. Jeff Noble of
Plymouth announced his essay

Prymouth announced his essay contest for students in Plymouth, Canton and Northville. The contest is open to students in grades six through 12. Students in grades six through 12. Stadents are asked to write a minimum of 250 words and no more than 500 on the topic 'Why do you like liv-ing in Michigan?" Essays should be submitted by mail or email by

Sept. 1 and must include stu dent's name, address, email or phone number, school and grade on Sept. 18 and invited to Lansing to be a state representative for a day this fall. Essays should be

or N-699 House Office Buildi PO Box 30014, Lansing, MI 489

Woodstock Revisited Family Festival is set for 3-10 p.m. Saturday Aug. 5 at Van Buren Eagles 3996 located at 9961 Beck Road in Belleville. Admission is \$10 if purchased

in advance or \$15 if purchased at the gate. Children 15 and young admitted free There will be three bands entertaining on the lawn, The Classics, Second Wind and

Repeat Offenders alternating sets all day. There will also be a bounce house for children, and Joelene from Cat's Meow Face Painting will be on site during

There will be a cash prize for e best hippie outfit. Visitors must be 21 to consume

alcohol and no outside food drinks or coolers will be allowed. For tickets or more informa m. call (734) 788-4410 or (734)

The Romulus Public Library will host a pool party at the Romulus Athletic Center from

noon until 2 p.m. Aug. 8. The recreation center is located at 35765 Northline Road in omulus. Participants must have signed parental waiver to attend. For more information, contact

the library at (734) 942,7589 The Westland Farmers and

The Westland Farmers and Artisans Market will welcome senior citizens for some special activities during Senior's Day from 3-7 p.m. Aug. 10. Along with more than 30 vendors and artisans, there will be special veteran's health and fit-ness exercises and local experts on nutrition. The Market Bounty Raffle will award one backy sen ior a basket full of market good-ies donated by vendors. The mar-ket takes place at 1901 N. Carlson, south of Ford Road in

Central City Park. Vendors will be selling produce, plants, fresh foods and crafts. There is live music every week and ERT cards are accepted.

For more information, call (734) 326-7222 or westlandcham-

Lifeline screenings offered Residents living in and around the Wayne area can learn about their risk for cardiovascu-

ber@yahoo.com

lar disease, osteoporosis, dia-betes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings Aug. 10 by Life Line Screening. Hype Recreation Center will host the community event at 4635 Howe Road in

convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trou-ble walking. Free parking is also available

Meth lab raided

mine lab in a garage on the 34000 block of Decatur Court

According to police reports, officers were called to the location, near Glenwood Road and South Wildwood Avenue at about 3:15 p.m. July Avenue at about 3:15 pm July 30 after receiving a report of suspicious activity in the area. Personnel in HAZMAT saits from the Michigan State Police Methamphetamine Response Team dismantled

the laboratory and assured local officials that the scene was no longer a danger to the surrounding community. Witnesses reported seeing officers remove what police Packages start at \$149, but con-

sultants will be available to design personalized test pack-ages based on the age and risk factors of individual patients. For more information or registra tion, call 1-877-237-1287 or visit Lucky Duckys to race The Rotary Club of Belleville

will sponsor the annual Lucky Ducky Rubber Duck Race on Belleville Lake at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 17, as part of the Annua Belleville Bridge Walk and Tast Entries in the Lucky Ducky race will cost \$5 each, or five for

\$20 and all proceeds from ticket sales are used to help fund proj-ects in the local community. Prizes for the winning ducks will include a \$1,000 cash award to the first-place duck; \$250 to the second place duck and \$100 to the third place duck. Each ticket purchased pu

one lucky duck into the race of 1,100 rubber ducks in the lake at Horizon Park and winners need not be present to claim their

and "Ham.... from the garage. --11-ce interviewed neighbors and witnesses at the scene, a person of interest in the investigation was arrested on an outstanding warrant he had from a nearby community, according to While police authorities

provided no further informa-tion at press time, it was described by officers as a "dangerous operation." The investigation is ongo-ing, police said, and the per-son of interest arrested is not being named at this time. No other information was made available.

For Lucky Ducky race tickets, ntact a Belleville Rotarian. Tickets will also be sold on the day of the race. y or use race. Sales of fewer than 500 ticks will result in a 5050 payout

Information about the Rotary Club is available at BelievilleRotary.org.

Bridge Walk, Taste of Believille set The annual Believille Bridge Walk will begin at Doane's Landing at Main and Liberty Landing at Main and Liberty streets at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 17. After the walk, the Taste of Belleville will take place on High Street from 6-8 p.m. Belleville restau-rants will offer samples of their wares during the event which will also feature a Kids Activity Tent manned by the Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation staff. There will also be a special-ty game for kids provided by the Belleville Kiwanis. The Design The Bridge Walk and Tas

Belleville are sponsored by The City of Belleville, the Belleville Downtown Developm Authority, Tucker Agency



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