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## ENTERPRISE

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# Community Achieves ... to her long list of honors. See page 2.

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Michigan State Police
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vacant term on the Wayne City Council from a field of 15 candidates who as candidates who expressed interest in the

#### EAGLE Vol. 70, No. 31

back in court today on charges he was operating a methamphetamine manu-facturing laboratory in the See page 4.

## **Payouts to past officials questioned**

Plymouth Township Clerk Jerry Vorva has discovered records showing unauthorized payouts made by former Township Treasurer Ron Edwards that officials say

undermine the township health care compensation commitment and could be illegal. Vorva said the payments totaling nearly \$20,000 were authorized by Edwards and the funds were deposited into four individuals' respective health There has been no

"Retiree Health Care entributions."

According to accounting ecords and check receipts

obtained by The Eagle under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), former Supervisor Shannon Price, Clerk Nancy Conzelman, Deputy Clerk Michelle Lozier and current

orization for this (enrollment) and we can't find any justification.

> Amy Hammye were recipients of the questionable benefits. The township practice of offering health insurance bene fits to eligible retired full-time elected officials is based in par on their respective years of serv-ice, Vorva explained. In addi-

accounts (HSA), governed by Benefit VantagePoint Benefit
Administrators, is also available to employees and subject to eli gibility rules. According to Vorva, the sub

ject transactions were posted Nov. 18, 2016 after the General Election in which both Price and Conzelman were defeated. Township records reveal a check issued by Edwards payable to Vantagepoint Transfer Agents, LLC, dated Nov. 17, 2016, was dispersed just

See Payouts name 5

## 6-month probe ends in arrests

A six-month criminal investi-gation by Canton Township Police into a high-end retail fraud operation ended in the arrest and arraignment last week of a Detroit pawn shop owner and one of his employees.

owner and one of his employees.

The investigation was a cooperative effort between the Canton department, Michigan State Police and the Wayne County Prosecutor's office, County Prosecutor's office, according to police. A search according to police. A search warrant was executed at the IPsow 150p or Eight Mile Road in Detroit on June 12, along with another warrant at the Commerce Township home of Gasswan Usama Gargis, 38, the owner of the shop. Police said that more than \$100,000 in new, inbox merchandise, including high-end electronics, kitchen appliances, gan-erators and nower tools were

erators and power tools were recovered, merchandise allegedrecovered, merchandise alleged-ly stolen from stores in southeast Michigan, including Canton. "The defendants are alleged-

ly responsible for thwarting approximately \$300,000 from major big box retailers in the metro Detroit area. These charges today are the result of months of tedious and exhaus-tive work by the Canton Police Department and the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office," said Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy in a prepared statement. "This case should serve as notice

that these wide-scale sales of stolen mods to nawn shon oners sman goods to pawn snop opena-tions will be vigorously investi-gated and prosecuted in Wayne County."

Gargis was arraigned on mul-

tiple felony charges on Aug. 1. He is facing one count of conducting a criminal enterprise; seven counts of organized retail crime and six counts of receiving and concealing stolen property over \$1,000. He also faces two misde-meamor charges. Gargis could face up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

An associate in the pawn shop, Trisha-Lynette Viado Razon, 20, of Orchard Lake, was also arraigned App 1 on two mis demeanor charges and felony charges including five counts of organized retail crime and two counts of receiving and conceal ing stolen property over \$1,000 She is facing five years imprison ment if convicted on the charges. Judge Kenneth J. King of 36th

District Court set both defer

ints' a \$5,000 persi

Removal of the Wayne Road Dam was a priority project for the Rouge River Advisory Council, which is committed to restoring the Rouge River The See Senator, page 4



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## Senator visits Wayne dam project

received a very special visitor last week as U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow dropped in to touch

Stabenow came to the City of Wayne last week to take a look at how more than a \$1 million she fought for in Washington, D.C. was spent and dropped in at IKON Computer Solutions and Karma Coffee and Kitchen while she was in town

2010 which provided just over \$1 million in funding for the Wayne Road Dam Removal and Habitat Improvement Project in the Rouge River near Wayne Road. The project, completed in 2013, miles of river and tributaries to the Great Lakes system for the first time in more than a century The dam removal opened nev opportunities for canoeing and kayaking and restored passage for a variety of fish, including trout smallmouth bass northern pike and walleye, according to

ecologists.
Stabenow is now leading the bipartisan effort to stop proposals to eliminate funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative next year

She joined representatives om the Alliance of Rouge Communities the City of Wayne and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) last Friday at the site of the completed Wayne Road Dam Removal and Habitat Improvement Project.

"One in five Michigan jobs is tied to water It is more important than ever to continue invest-ing in the health of our Great



U.S. Senator Debbie Staber ed in to talk with Brian owner of ICON Cor nd Kitchen where sh



Stabenow, co-chair of the biparti-san Senate Great Lakes Task Force. "This successful project is an excellent example of how Great Lakes funding is helping more Michigan families and visi-tors enjoy fishing, kayaking, and moeing in the Rouge River" The Wayne Road Dam was

built in the early 1900s along the Lower Branch of the Rouge River in the City of Wayne to provide water for firefichting. The 3

promoted the accumulation of sediment and debris behind the dam officials sold in an annilica.

ture.

# CANTON - NORTHVILLE

## Athlete of the Year continues winning streak

she decided to take the advice of a dear friend she met during her 10-year employment at Canton volunteer at the senior center and Brady had become fast friends and she suggested that Brady participate in local senior athletic competitions, something she had been doing at the local

Brady took her advice and now, at 59, she is one of the newest members of the Canton Township Hall of Fame and is no stranger to winning. The 25-year township resident also won the Canton Community Achiever

award this year National Congress of State Games Adult Female Athlete of the Year and was the first Michigan adult to receive the award. She won the 2016 Meijer State Games of Michigan Adult Female Athlete of the Year and

in eight years participated in

She was the Michigan Senior She was the Michigan Senior Olympics record helder for ham-mer throw for two years and is currently a Michigan Senior Olympics record holder for dead-lift for her weight and age class. She qualified for National Senior George in Pluminghem, M. and

Games in Birmingham, AL and the State Games of America in Grand Rapids in 2017. Her family, she said, is sup-portive of her competitive endeavors. She and her husband endeavors. She and her husband of 32 years, Kevin, are the par-ents of three adult children. Kelly is a pediatries physician in Troy; Sean is a chef at Picasso restaurant group, and Colin is an

Engineer for Ford Motor Co. The family also includes a black Labrador mix named Tilly This month, Brady will be in the opening ceremony for the State Games of America. In 2016 and 2015, she received the All-Michigan Athlete for Meijer State Games in track and field

Community Support Award for all of her volunteer work in the Canton Community. At the 2016 National United States of America Track and Field in Grand Rapids, she received 7th place in hammer throw event.

When this Canton resident turned 50 in 2008, she said she wanted to challenge herself in many ways by adding different sports and different venues. She won 19 gold, six silver, and two bronze so far in Michigan Senior Olympics. She participated in track and field events (hammer throw, discus, shot put, javelin Olympies She wan 8th place in Javelin 9th place in Shot Put and 9th place in discus in the 2011 National Senior Olympics in Houston, TX. She won 3rd place in the 2013 National Senior

Games in Horseshoes and 9th in Hammer Throw in Cleveland, OH. She competed in the 2015

"It is a tremendous honor to be award-ed the Lighthouse milestone," Bennett said. "Thornton Creek Elementary has a

to do better she added

and won a silver medal. She has received 128 medals; 80 gold, 34 silver, 14 bronze from Canton Western Wayne County Senior Olympics Olympies (WWCSO), MSO, USATF, Meijer State Games, Canton State Game and National Senior Olympies.

orts and uses ner known id skills to help others. Brady has organized sev

sporting events for the Western Wayne County Senior Olympics for Canton. She represented Canton Township in the WWCSO Canton Township in the WWCSO committee for many years and supervised various sporting ents. She has lent other se her equipment so they can par ticipate in activities. If she does n't have any competition in her age group, she said she competes against herself to do better. Every year, she learns new things about herself and how to push herself

Brady has received lette special tributes, and certificate of recognition for all of her accom-plishments in sports from Gov Rick Snyder, U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, Michigan State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, U.S. Congressman David Trott, and Michigan State Ren Kristy

## National Senior Olympic in 2 Northville schools win 'Lighthouse' honors

Winchester and Thornton Creek ele-

ntary schools have earned the hthouse School designation, based on sed on Stephen Covey's 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.

Of the more than 3,300 The Leader in Me schools worldwide, Winchester is the 289th and Thornton Creek is the 342nd to achieve Lighthouse School status. There are 298 Lighthouse Schools in the United are 288 Lighthouse Schools in the United States, and just 18 in Michigan, including five in Northville - Moraine, Silver Springs, Ridge Wood, and now Thornton Creek and Winchester. The Leader in Me is a whole-school

transformational framework - developed in partnership with educators - that empowers students with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in the 21st century. It is based on the principles and practices of personal, interpersonal and organizational effectiveness. March 22 interviewing Winchester stu-dents, teachers, staff and parents; toured the school: visited classmons; and reviewed data with students. Just 19 days later, Principal Kelly Lindsay got the call that Winchester is a The Leader in Me

gatnouse School. "We are honored to become a The Leader in Me Lighthouse School," Lindsay said. "We have seen such amaz-ing results from implementing The Leader in Me at our school, such as an enhanced school culture, and an increase in student self-confidence and leadership

initiative The Lighthouse Review Team visited Thornton Creek May 24, and Principal Jemifer Bennett got the news that they are a The Leader in Me Lighthouse School on June 6. Students were surprised with the news at a special asser bly on the last day of school, where st dents were showered with beach bal

rich history of community service, edu-cating the whole child, and a belief that everyone has genius that we were able to build on to achieve the Lighthouse status. The synergy that exists between our stu-dents, staff and families has created an environment of student empoy and opportunities for students to reach their full potential. Although we are celebrating th is work we know that we will

We applaud the Winchester and

Schools," said Northville Superintendent of Schools Mary Kay Gallagher: "This is nowerful work that brings students powerful work that orings students, teachers, parents and families together with a collective focus on learning in a way that unleashes the leadership capac ity and potential within every learner This work aligns with our district goals to foster a culture of learning and leader ship in every school that empowers ners, develops leaders and fosters each of our element this powerful frame their work. intellectual curiosity. We are pleased that



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#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

# Belleville - Inkster - Romulus

## **Local business faces discrimination lawsuit**

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explaining why she could not

Commission (EEOC) filed a fedwear pants, management

eral lawsuit last week naming

refused to accept the letter and em Enterprise, LLC as the

The operator of a Time charged that employee Anumah. Title VIII of the Cvil Rights Act to Critical Case and Emile Rogar in Color years a latir to work of a 1986 which requires employee. The critical control of the Cvil Rights Act violating federal law when he violating federal law when he violating federal law when he ton instead of the standard uniperated to years a dark instead of passis. She did so pursuants before the control of the critical control of the critical control of the critical control of passis to her Pentecental Apostolic (Time No. 2.17-ev-1287 in U.S.). When she attemptoped in District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan) after first intion process. The EEOC is seeking injunctive relief pro-hibiting Sleneem from discrimi-nating against other employees

wages, compensatory and puni-tive damages and other affirmative relief for Corley, according to a prepared statement. "Sleneem's refusal to accommodate Corley and the decision to instead fire her were com-pletely unjustified and unlaw-ful," said EEOC Indianapolis

not have negatively imp provide these types of reason able religious accommodations and when they fail to, the EEO

Office is part of the Indianapolis

## Police seek witnesses in homicide

come forward. Second District Special estigation Section officers continuing their investigation into the fatal shooting which occurred at approxi-mately 6:30 p.m. Aug 3. at Fast Frank's Party Store. on Inkster Road near New York Street

may have information about an Aug. 3 homicide in Inkster to ing an altercation inside the store with a man described by witnesses as African

> in that neighborhood and especially to regular customers of the party store," said State the party store," said State Police First Lt. Michael Shaw. "He suffered from some mental disabilities and was known to

The victim lived in a group home near the store, located on Inkster Road near New

York Street. It is believed that the sus pect was involved in a verbal altercation with Tanana, left the store and returned later confronting the victim in the

victim was transported to Beaumont Hospital Dearborn where he later died of his

police reports.

"The suspect is also known to be a regular customer at the store," Shaw said. "We are hop-

ing that the public will help us identify the suspect from the surveillance tape, before he hurts someone else" tigators are asking anyone who recognizes the suspect, suspect vehicle or witnessed the inci-

dent o call the tip line 642-4847 (855-MICH-TIP)

Michigan State Police are hoping the public can identify the ne at 855-

## **Art entries accepted**

The exhibit will take place Oct. 27 rough 29 at the Belleville Yacht Club (YC) and is organized by the Belleville

Belleville Area District Library, the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, when Belleville Yacht Club, Garden Fantasy on Main, the Professional Building. Fo Sumpter Ace Hardware, Twisted Rooster

There are adult, teen and children categories and cash prizes are available. There is an opening reception for the show planned for 7-9 p.m. Oct. 27. Public viewing of the entries and winners will take place from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Oct. 28 and from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Oct. 29.

Entry forms can also be downloaded at www.bacaartshow.org artshow@bacaart.org.

## Area Council for the Arts. Entry forms are available at the

Battle for Belleville planned

The Battle for Belleville Military vehicles and re-enactors will Sent 2.3 at the Vankee Air Mu

which takes place. Saturday and Sunday

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID ITB 17/18-03 CDBG Project 16-24-03F -PARKING AREA ASPHALT WORK - WEST SIDE HUNT STREET

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#### CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP 17/18-91 COPIER/PRIÑTER STANDARDIZATIO & MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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7. All bids should be clearly addressed: ITB 17/18-02 - Project #0155-17-0040 Fire S City of Romulus Clerk's Office HIII Wayne Road Romulus, MI 48174

# Wayne - Westland

## Suspect arrested in **Meth lab operation**

A 35-year-old man is due back in court today on charges he was operating a methamphetamine manufacturing laboratory in Westland

Chad David Welser, 35, was arrested by Westland police July 30, during an investi-gation of a suspicious activity at a garage ear Glenwood Road and South

ear Glenwood Road and South lidwood Avenue. Police arrived at the location in the 34000 block of Decatur Court and discov-ered the suspected meth lab in the garage. Personnel in HAZMAT suits from the Michigan State Police Methamphetamine Response Team dismantled the laborato-ry and assured local officials that the e was no longer a danger to the sur

tnesses reported seeing officers seeing officers remove what p o l i c e described as "highly toxic" and "flamma-ble" evidence

lives," Worthy said.

Wicker was arraigned by video Aug. 2
before 18h District Court Magistrate David
Wiacek. He was due back in court today described at the time by police as a "person of d Wicker interest" in the

ing warrant he had with a nearby commu-nity. Further investigation by Westland police led to Wicker's arrest in connection ith the drug operation. While Wi as initially identified as a Garden resident court documents refer to him as

charged Wicker with operatingmaintain ing a methamphetamine lab, attempted possession with intent to deliver methamphetamine and breaking and entering of a building with intent to commit a felony "Methamphetamine is a very danger-ous and highly addictive drug. The possi-

hilities for large explosions are a great risk - especially in urban areas. The alleged activities of this defendant that were thwarted by witnesses and law enforcement potentially saved many

before Judge Sandra Cleirelli for a probe ble cause hearing. His preliminary court examination is scheduled for Aug. 17, before Judge Mark McConnell in 18th District Court. Wiacek set his bond at \$250,000 cash or surety bond.



Commits Network receives congratulations from beyor Sucre Row after below commits the time of the present the service of the commits of the service of the condition of the service of the condition of the service of

### **Diamond of Community sought**

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Wayne City Hall in the front vestibale. A plaque and cash award of \$75 will be presented on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017 at the HYPE Recreation Center. The sponsor of the award this year is Wayne Dairy Queen.

#### Senator

Rouge River is one of 14 "Areas of char Concern" in Michigan that were identified in the 1980s by the Com United States and Canadian governments as having severe, longterm environmental problem Program Office grant and con-

project was completed under GLRI funding through a NOAA grant of \$1,033,536. The project also restored the river's natural

channel and river banks.
"The Alliance for Rouge Communities and its 41 members truly appreciate the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and Senator Stahenow's continued support GLRI funding provided through EPA and NOAA allowed us to restore the habitat in six

areas within the Rouge River; said John OMeern, principal engi-neer, Alliance of Rouge Communities

"The Wayne Road Dam Removal and Habitat Improvement project is an excel-lent example of river restoration when federal, state, and local communities work together ARC communities have worked togeth-er for over 20 years to restore the Rouge River Senator Stabenow,

and improve the quality of life throughout Southeast Michigan," he added. "Habitat restoration creates a

big return on investment," said Julie Sims, Great Lakes regional coordinator, NOAA Restoration Center: "It's more than just better fishing-restoration projects can improve local property values, aid in flood control, improve access for recreation and add jobs to the economy."

According to the University

According to the University Research Corridor, more than 700,000 Michigan jobs, one in five in the state, are tied to water Michigan projects have received more than \$400 million in funding from the GLR silnce its establishment. Michigan has an extinuted 2, 950 miles of courts! estimated 2,850 miles of coastal water trails as well as an estimated 1 280 miles of inland water trails. The canoe and kayak indus-try annually contributes \$140 mil-lion to the state economy.

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# CANTON - PLYMOUTH

## **Field Day and Movie Night is tomorrow**

joy and friendly competition during the Third Annual Family Field Day and Movie in the Park. This family friendly event will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11 in Heritage Park, located west of Canton Center Road

Park, secased west of Cameri Center Posso between Cherry Hill and Palmer Roads. Featured activities on the north side of Heritage Park will include classic favorites rieringe rurk will include classic avortus such as: potato sack ruces, shoe kicks, and distance throw. Families can also learn about fitness opportunities that take place throughout the year through the Fit Family

"If you're looking for some friendly co petition and summer-time fun, this is a great event to take part in," said Laura Mortier, Canton Youth Recreation Specialist. "Each year everyone looks forages team spirit, and then follows it all up with a free movie in the park. What says summer more than that?" Presented by Canton Leisure Services,

the event is a great photo opportunity; so attendees are reminded to bring a camera capture these fun memories. No pre-gistration is required. Registration fees are \$11 per family for Canton residents are \$11 per family for Canton residents and \$13 per family for non-residents and can be paid on-site; cash only, please. Food, snacks, and popcorn will also be available for purchase. The event is open to the public and all ages are encouraged

Following the Family Field Day events, a special showing of the DC Entertainment animated movie "The LEGO® Batman Mosto" (rated PG) will take place



ipants at the Annual Family Field Day and Movie in the Park settion in the Potato Sack Race.

uusa. muividuais wno are not able to For more information about Family attend the Family Field Day activities are Field Day and Movie in the Park, visit

### Superintendent gets high marks

Students in the Plymouth weren't alone in having their performance graded. Superintendent of Schools Monica Merritt also received an evaluation of her performance by members of the Plymouth-Canton Community ools Board of Education.

They gave Merritt a total score of 89.4 percent for her first year on the job. The eval-**Payouts** 

combined deposit of \$7,550.00 while Lozier and Hammye received a combined total of

\$11,850. The plan, allows employees to accumulate assets

free for medical needs when by retire. The township con-butes a set amount monthly

and employees are also allowed

to make deposits.

"There has been no authorization for this (enrollment) and we can't find any justification.

This program is for only quali-

fied employees, and they also made it retroactive to their eligi-bility participation dates," Verva

Township Supervisor Kurt Heise said the distributions made in Edwards' final two days in office did not meet estab-

lished protocols and did not

have board of trustees' approval.

Heise added he believes past
practices likely allow for the

deputies to accept the distribu-tion benefits in accord with the

union employees -but said there was no policy or approval in

place to entitle Price and

nelman to receive the funds. The township has been

FROM PAGE 1 days before his required exit Price and Conzelman received a

uation was performed using a template provided by the Michigan Association of School Administrators and School Administrators and rated Merritt in five areas of professional performance: gov-ernance and board relations; community relations; staff relations; business and finance and instructional leadership.

Merritt was named to the top job during the 2015-2016

stand if any further action is required and should the funds

required and should the funds be returned or are they legally entitled," Heise said. Just months earlier, in September 2016 after his loss in the primary election, Edwards nushed the heard of trustees to lower the retirement age and revise the current vesting period for officials' participation in the defined contribution plan. osal called for

His proposal called for employees with 5 years of senior-ity to be considered 100-percent vested or eligible for full pension benefits calculated on contributions during

Edwards around the munici nal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Defined Benefit Plan had a 10-year vesting schedule and used the used the Police, Dispatchers and Fire officers'

contracts as an example.

If the board members had approved Edwards' proposal, it would have rewarded him by reducing the retirement age in the township to 60 from 65 and early retirement would be per-mitted at age 55. Under Edwards proposed plan, Conzelman with rs seniority would have red \$60,846 and Price \$33,416 upon leaving office. The trustees postponed his motion indefinitely without a set date

action, if any, would be taken

#### Special solar eclipse viewing set - - -

dark for a while Aug. 21, and the Plymouth District Library will ake the n

A total solar eclipse v on Monday, Aug. 21 and will be completely visible only within a ble in the area of southeastern Michigan. The last time a total solar orlinse was visible armss ne entire contiguous United tates was during the June 8,

1918 eclipse A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between Earth and the sun, thereby totally or partly obscuring the image of the sun for a viewer on Earth. A total eclipse occurs when the apparent diameter of the moon is larger than the sun's, blocking all direct sunlight turning day into darkness Totality occurs in a nar

A group viewing of the eclipse is planned at Plymouth Township Park from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. Aug. 21.

cording to astronomers. This eclipse is the 22nd of the 77 member Saros series 145 which also produced the solar eclipse of Aug. 11, 1999. The longest eclipse in this series will cur on June 25, 2522 and last r7 minutes and 12 seconds. This upcoming eclipse is the

first visible solar eclipse from the contiguous United States in 40 years. Thanks to the support of the Bosch Community Fund, there are free eclipse safety glasses available for pick up at the front desk of the Plymouth Library officials said. Library staff me

Saturday, Aug. 12 and have the free eclipse glasses available There will also be hands on activ ities for all ages that day.

A group viewing of the eclipse is planned at Plymouth Township

Park from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. Aug. 21. Free safety glasses will be available while supplies last at the 4-Seasons Pavilion. Attendees are encouraged to Attendees are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket. Plymouth Township officials and the Bosch Community Fund are making this event, hosted by the Plymouth Library, possible.

plymouthlibrary.org, The library is located at 223 Main St. in down-Market from 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### Armed gunman robs Plymouth CVS

Physicath Township Police are armed robbery of a CVS store which took place at about 10 p.m. last Saturday. According to police re

officers were called to the CVS at 40900 Ann Arbor Road near Haggerty at 9:58 p.m. Ang. 5 following a report of an armed rob-

officers that a man had entered the store just prior to closing and ordered the manger to lock the doors. The suspect then had the manager empty the cash registers into a plastic grocery bag while he restrained a second employee hing a handgun in The suspect then ordered the anager and employee to walk to



the office where he ordered the bag, according to police reports of A witness who was narked The vehicle left the parking lot traveling on Haggerty Road in an unknown direction, according to police reports.
Witnesses described the

Witnesses described the sus-pect as a black male, 6 feet tall and weighing about 190 pounds. He is further described as having a dark complexion, and medium build. At the time of the robbery, the suspect was wearing a green Michigan State University hood ed sweatshirt with the hood pulled over his head, a white surgical mask, sunglasses and a

baseball cap. Police said the man took an undetermined amount of money from the store. Anyone who has information about the robbery is asked to call police at (734) 354



#### Calendar of events

Station 885 on Starkweather in Old Village in Plymouth will e to serve \$10 prime rib dinners though the end of the

The din ers are a celebra tion of the 36 years the restau-rant has served the community, said owner Rob Costanza.

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.

at 500 N. Ringe Road, Canton. This open-air-market fea-tures a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-crafted items

rs Market will take place Find the late mation on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/cantonfarm-

The Northville Summer

Friday Night Concert Series presented by Tom Holzer Ford -prings the music of some of the finest local musicians to down-town Northville Town Square

from 7-9 p.m. every Friday night through Aug 25. The schedule features music from jazz to blues to rock 'n' roll none informat ing a full schedule of perform-ances, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640

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say contest now open State Rep. Jeff Noble of Plymouth announced his essay contest for students in Plymouth, Canton and

The contest is open to stu ents in grades six through 12 Students are asked to write a minimum of 250 words and no more than 500 on the topic
"Why do you like living in
Michigan?" Essays should be
submitted by mail or email by

930 am until 2 pm.

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Sept. 1 and must include stu-dent's name, address, email or phone number, school and rade level

announced on Sept. 18 and invited to Lansing to be a state representative for a day this fall. Essays should be sent to JeffNoble@house.mi.gov or N-699 House Office Building, PO. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909.

Plymouth has scheduled a con cation event on iden tity theft at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug

, in partnership with the ichigan Attorney General office The pr The presentation will teature information on how to protect against identity theft and what

steps to take in the event you me a victim of this crin "Identity theft is a serious ue that can negatively impac ur credit and pocketbook, Noble said "I want to provide

this opportunity for residents to learn how to protect their per-sonal information, both on and offline. The presentation will focus on best practices, how to recognize common warning signs of identity theft scams, and offer helpful resources should von nood assistance

There is no charge to attend the meeting at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St. in Plymouth. Individuals looking for more information may contact Noble's office at (517) 373-3816 or by emailing jeffi

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The Romulus Senior Center nnual Health Fair is nov accepting vendors for the event lanned for Oct. 10. Health professionals can ighlight their companies with

the senior community. Table space rental is \$100. Gifts to be raffled off are also being sought.

Set up will begin at 9 a.m.
and the fair will be open from

For more information, con tact Senior Services Director Rose Swidan, (734) 955-4120 or email rswidan@romulusgov

Lucky Duckys to race

The Rotary Club of Belleville
will spensor the annual Lucky
Ducky Rubber Duck Race on
Belleville Lake at 630 pm. Aug.
17, as part of the Annual
Belleville Bridge Walk and

Betteville Bridge wark and Taste of Belleville. 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 cosh award to the first-place duck; \$250 to the second place duck and \$100 to the third place duck.

Each ticket purchased po e lucky duck into the race 1,100 rubber ducks in the lake at Horizon Park and winners no not be present to claim th

contact a Belleville Rotarian. Tickets will also be sold on the day of the race. Sales of fewer than 500 tickets will result in a 50/50 payout Information about the Rota Club is available RelievilleReturvere

Bridge Walk, laste of Helicelle Strige Walk will begin at Doane's Landing at Main and Liberty streets at 5:30 pm. Aug. 17. After the walk, the Taste of Belleville will take place on High Street from 6:8 pm. Belleville restaurants 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 spe cialty game for kids provided by

the Belleville Kiwanis. The Bridge Walk and Taste of Belleville are sponsored by The City of Belleville, the Belleville Downtown Development Authority Tucker Agency and

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Ride for Red Shield Satu al Ride for the Re Shield, a fundraiser for The Salvation Army will begin with sign-in at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 19 at 1258 Biddle Ave. in Wyandotte. Riders will depart from the Wyandotte Salvation Army at 11 a.m. and stop at the at Bagger Dave's.

Registration cost is \$30 pe ide and \$25 per passenge which includes a continer breakfast and lunch. For more informati

For more information con-tact Sandy Kollinger at (734) 453-5464, Sandra\_kollinger@usc.sal-vationarmy.org or Janice Quick 202.0020 armyorg.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is now accepting entries for the 25th Annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition For Lucky Ducky mee tickets which will be on display Oct 6. Nov. 4. Entries for the exhibi-tion will be accepted through Aug. 21. Michigan artists can enter their work online at www.cantonvillagetheater.org. Interested artists may also request entry form copies by calling The Village Th oater at Cherry Hill at (734) 394-5300 ext.

exhibition. Only digital image files on CDs or USB drives will be accepted for review. Work submitted on CDs/USB drives must be in JPEG format and 300 dpi. No slides will be accepted for consideration. Paintings and hangings should not exceed 5 feet wide or 6 feet high, 40 pounds in weight and must be pounds in weight and must be properly and appropriately framed and prepared for hang-ing. Sculpture dimensions must not exceed 5-feet by 5-feet by 6 feet and 200 pounds in weight. Original works of art must have fee of \$15 for each submitt

The competition will award \$1,950 in cash prizes: Best of Show \$750; Second Place \$500; Third Place \$300; two Honorable Mentions of \$100 each and four Merit Awards of \$50 each. The Postmark/Hand Delivery deadline for entries is Aug. 21. Juried result notification will be mailed by Sept. 8. For additional information

about the 25th Annual Canton about the 25th Annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call (734) 394-5300.

Belleville High School alum-ni have only until Aug. 26 to pur-chased tickets for the reunion planned for Saturday, Sept. 16 in the Belleville High School

A social gathering is set for 2-4:45 p.m. and dinner from 5-8 p.m.
Tickets are priced at \$20 per person until Aug. 26 and will be \$30 per person after that date.

S30 per person after that date.
Registration information is available on Facebook at Belleville HS Alumni Reunion.
For more information, email bellevilleallelass@gmail.com or

### phone (734) 787-4601.

Nathalie Gaulthier's award-inning Le PeTiT CiRqUe, one of the most unique and inspira-tional shows available in North America, will visit The Village Theater in Cant n at 7 p.m Aug. 26. Le PeTiT CiRqUe the only all-kid humanitari cirque company in the world, comprising of eye-popping prolevel children 6., 14 years of Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased online at www.vil-lagetheatercanton.com, in person from 10 a.m. until 2 p Monday through Friday or phone at (734) 394-5484.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. For more information, call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonvil-



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