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## Grant to fund 3 township firefighters

Don Howard  
Staff Writer

Good news for the Plymouth Township Fire Department came last week in the form of a federal grant to provide funding for three additional firefighters for a period of 3 years.

Fire Chief Dan Phillips told members of the township board of trustees that the grant application for \$448,825 was approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Assistance to Firefighters (FEMA) grant program. This competitive grant process helps fire departments across the nation maintain the team they need to

prepare for and respond to fire hazards, Phillips explained.

The program, called SAFER: Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response, was created to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to help increase or maintain the number of trained firefighters available in communities and comply with staffing, response and operation standards estab-

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lished by the National Fire Protection Association codes and standards.

Phillips applied for the funding in 2017 and was turned down. His re-application filed in April was a winner.

Under the terms of the grant, the government will provide a specific, dedicated amount equal to 75 percent of the pay and benefits for the three, yet-to-be hired, firefighters for the first and sec-

ond years and 35 percent in the third and final year of the program. The SAFER grant does not pay legacy costs as new hires since 2012 are not paid benefits, but have defined retirement benefit contribution plans in their contract.

Phillips said while he's enthused about the grant he knows well the burden facing the fire department within the next five years, citing the need to upgrade a broken-down fleet which included three fire engines and three ambulances.

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## Sign of the season Annual Pumpkin Festival begins tomorrow

The 21st Romulus DDA Pumpkin Festival - the largest family celebration in the city - features something for everyone and is expected to draw thousands of participants from Romulus and southeast Michigan beginning with the annual Rotary Club Parade of Lights at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

The weekend festival will also offer 60 vendors on hand, many featuring food and crafts.

The Downtown Development Authority organizes the festival annually and Director Merrie Drury said that since the festival has something for everyone, the

event brings the community together in celebration.

Live band performances are planned following the Rotary parade and will continue through 11:30 p.m. Friday.

Saturday morning begins with the Cub Scouts pancake breakfast. The Annual Spaghetti Dinner will take place at Community United Methodist Church beginning at 5:30 p.m.

An afternoon of entertainment is planned on Saturday as well at the Freight House Stage area. There will be puppet shows featuring ventriloquist Richard Paul, a karate demonstration and "Step In

Line."

Saturday night will also feature musical performances until 1 a.m. Sunday.

Sunday will begin with Romulus Ministerial Alliance Ecumenical Services at 9:30 a.m.

Romulus residents will display their local talent on stage from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

And, of course, the Pumpkin Pub will be open both Friday and Saturday nights, with proceeds going to the Romulus Arts Council, which provides scholarships to Romulus residents who are continuing their

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## Hepatitis A infection is reported

Exposure to Hepatitis A has been confirmed in the City of Plymouth by investigators from the Wayne County Health Department.

According to Wayne County Health Department officials, the exposure occurred at Omelette and Waffle Cafe located at 580 Forest Ave. The city assisted with a vaccination clinic last week at Plymouth City Hall at the request of health department officials. All questions related to this incident should be forwarded to the Wayne County Health Department at (734) 727-7049.

The case of Hepatitis A was confirmed in a food service worker at Omelette and Waffle Cafe, health officials said. The facility was inspected on Sept. 11, is open for business, and is working with health officials during the investigation.

Hepatitis A is a vaccine preventable disease. If given within 14 days of exposure, Hepatitis A vaccine or immunoglobulin can prevent illness. Patrons who consumed food or beverages from the Omelette and Waffle Cafe in Plymouth between Aug. 17, and Sept. 4, should get vaccinated, health officials said.

Some individuals, including people who have a weakened immune system or liver disease, should talk with their doctor about getting immunoglobulin, health officials advised.

Wayne County health off-

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## Sex-website teacher is 'separated' from district

Linda Janack will no longer be teaching reading at Edgemont Elementary School. The teacher, who performed with her husband on a pornographic website, Hot For Teachers, and her attorney accepted a separation agreement with the school district earlier this month.

Terms of the agreement with the tenured teacher, referred to as highly respected and well-liked by students and colleagues, were not disclosed.

Members of the Van Buren Public School Board of Education discussed the separation agreement in a closed ses-

sion following the regular meeting.

Following the closed meeting, the board members voted on a resolution which stated: "Tenured teacher Linda Janack has agreed to resign her position subject to a separation agreement. The Board has reviewed the agreement and believes that its terms are in the District's best

interest. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to execute the agreement as presented."

The resolution was accepted by a unanimous vote of the board members.

Board President Keith Johnston commented that the decision to accept the provisions of the agreement were financial. He noted that the agreement

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was in line of a tenure hearing. He added that he believed that her actions were in violation of her employment contract with the district and with the state code of conduct for educators.

Janack has been on paid, non-disciplinary leave of absence since Aug. 27 when her performance with her husband, Scott, a Dearborn Heights teacher, on the website the couple allegedly owns, was made public. Conditions of her leave, imposed by the board members, prohibited her from teaching students or being on school property.

Janack will reportedly be eligible for retirement in January.

# BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS

## City to host health fair

Area residents of all ages are expected at the annual Romulus Health and Wellness Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Romulus Senior Center, 36325 Bibbins.

The event - which is expected to attract hundreds from around the region - will feature resources and helpful information from a variety of vendors.

There will be free blood-pressure checks, blood-sugar screenings, vision and hearing examinations and flu shots. Diabetic health information and shoes will be available.

Attendees will be able to take home information about health care, insurance coverage, recreation facilities, home care and much more.

Many of the offerings are free. Advance registration is requested for flu and shingles shots. Patients must provide medical information and an identification card.

There will be giveaways, raffles and prizes.

Vendors, organizations and agencies scheduled to attend include: Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Michigan; The Senior

Alliance; Copcare Sano (home care and hospice); Beltone Hearing Center; Romulus Athletic Center (RAC); Detroit Medical Center (DMC); Premier Care Home Health Care Solutions; AARP; MI Care; Bridge Cards; Veterans Haven; Oak Street Health; Beaumont Hospital of Wayne and Beaumont Health System; American House; ER Drugs; Beacon Hospice; CVS Pharmacy (will provide flu shots); Humana; PACE Southeast Michigan; Dr. Michael Hartman, Podiatrist and Crane Funeral Home.

"It's a wonderful day to get all the resources and information you need to better your life," said Rose Swidan, director of the Romulus Senior Center. "There will be a nice variety of vendors - all in one location. You can talk to specialists in home care, new prescription delivery, insurance coverage and so much more. Everyone is invited."

There is limited space for additional vendors.

Table space for the event is \$100, plus a gift donation for the raffle.

For more information, call Swidan at the Romulus Senior Center, (734) 955-4120.



## A special celebration

Sheldon Chandler and Romulus Mayor LeRoy D. Bucroft, above, unveil the new monument honoring Medal of Honor recipient Cpl. Charles Cawetzka in the Romulus Cemetery. The Romulus Cemetery Board members completed a fundraising campaign to pay for the monument, which honors Cpl. Cawetzka's life-saving heroics when he served in the military at the turn of the century. In attendance were several members of Cpl. Cawetzka's family, below. A grassroots effort that included fundraising with a spaghetti dinner led to the creation of the new monument after it was learned that Cpl. Cawetzka's existing headstone in the cemetery did not indicate he was a Medal of Honor recipient.

Photos by Roger Kadus



## Mutt Walk set in Belleville

Monsters of various sizes will be strolling the streets of downtown Belleville next month.

The costumed Monster Mutt Walk is planned for 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, organized by the Belleville Central Business Community and Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue.

Registration for the third annual event, which will take place on the sidewalks starting from Fourth Street Square, will take place from 1-1:30 p.m. in the Fourth Street Square between Bayou Grill and Egan's Pub. The entry fee is \$10 plus a can of dog or cat food. Advance registration is encouraged, organizers said.

Medals will be awarded to the first,

second and third place winners in three costume categories, scariest, cutest and best mutt and family. In the mutt and family category, the family must also be dressed in costume.

The Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue will have a kissing booth set up and visitors can enjoy a poochie smooch for only \$1.

There will be adoptable dogs on site. Applications to enter the parade are available at [www.bellevilleco-op.org](http://www.bellevilleco-op.org) or by calling (734) 528-3388 after 3:30 p.m. for information, email [jlayemilard@att.net](mailto:jlayemilard@att.net).

The event is sponsored by Willis Insurance Agency and Belleville Downtown on the Lake.

## Library to host storyteller

The Belleville Library will host LaRen Williams for an evening of storytelling beginning at 7 p.m. Sept. 25.

The evening is suitable for adults and children 11 and older.

Williams is a local performer whose stories focus on folk tales from African and African-American traditions, as well as tales from his own life. His storytelling

addresses race, society and the struggle to expand the American ideal of democratic inclusion. His interactive performance features music and singing.

The event is free.

The library is located at 167 4th St. in Belleville.

For more information, call (734) 699-3291.

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# NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

## Townships OK Brownfield Authority for corridor

Plymouth and Northville Township officials have approved resolutions authorizing the creation of a site-specific Brownfield Authority for the Five Mile Road Corridor, shared by both townships between Napier and Beck roads.

Known as the Michigan International Technology Corridor (MITC) Redevelopment Authority, the new entity will leverage tax increment revenue to clean up the former Detroit House of Corrections (DeHoCo) prison site in Plymouth Township, and other contaminated sites in Northville. The DeHoCo property is owned by the Michigan Land Bank.

The MITC Brownfield Authority and the Michigan Land

Bank will collaborate on needed infrastructure improvements, including the reconstruction of Five Mile Road, water mains, and sewer lines in the corridor.

"This is a historic moment for our communities," said Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix. "Thanks to the leadership of the Michigan Land Bank we will be creating an engine for economic growth and development for years to come."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise, who as state representative wrote legislation transferring the DeHoCo Prison to the Land Bank, added, "The MITC Redevelopment Authority builds on the shared vision for the long-term, undeveloped DeHoCo properties.

Our team is taking an eyesore property and making it a showplace for development."

The Michigan Land Bank works to create positive economic impact to communities across Michigan," said Michigan Land Bank Director Josh Burnett. "The former DeHoCo site will be a catalyst for continued growth in this region and we are proud to be a part of this partnership. We thank Supervisors Heise and Supervisor Nix and the community leaders who are helping to

bring this collaboration together."

Development of the MITC Corridor was initiated last year at the Robert Scott prison site at Beck and Five Mile with an upscale mixed-use project. The Village of Northville project includes single family houses, townhouses, lofts, retail, restaurants, and a hotel.

With the Village project under construction, economic development in the MITC Corridor is accelerating at a rapid pace,

Heise said. New companies include the Verita Company located in Plymouth Township at Five and Ridge and Thompson Sealing Parts (USA), Inc. located in Northville Township east of Five Mile and Ridge.

In addition, Plymouth Township recently signed a \$3.5 million purchase agreement with Hillside Investments for former DeHoCo farmland property on Five Mile west of Ridge. The corridor sites are zoned for office, research and development, with an emphasis on high-tech operations and companies seeking sites for a world headquarters.

For more information about the Michigan International Technology Center visit [www.mitc-usa.org](http://www.mitc-usa.org)



### Paying tribute

State Rep. Jeff Noble (left), of Plymouth, was joined by Plymouth Township Fire Department Chief Dan Phillips at the Michigan House of Representatives annual Sept. 11 Memorial Service at the Capitol. The service remembers first responders and members of the military from Michigan who died in the line of duty in the past year.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS THURSDAY OCTOBER 4, 2018 6:00 PM.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2018 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

- Application 1570, R79-02-05-001-000, 64805 Parkway, R-5-5 zoning district, is requesting one variance to allow the already installed 4 foot fence to remain in place and be allowed to stay in place. The fence was installed in 2016 without permits being pulled by the contractor. The original fence was installed in 1978 and was allowed to be 7' 5" in height. The variance requested is a two (2) foot fence height.
- Application 1580, R79-05-01-002-000, 67219 Burnham, R-1-H zoning district is requesting one variance to construct a detached garage. The proposed garage is 12.7 feet in height, the maximum allowed is 12 feet height. The applicant needs additional height for storage of personal material vehicles. The variance requested is 9" rounded to 12 feet in height.
- Application 1591, R79-01-07-001-002, 14834 Fairbrook, R-1 zoning district is requesting one variance with a light non-conforming lot that has a 48 foot setback from the house to the rear lot line. Per items (7) of (98) he meets special exceptions requirement to apply for a rear setback variance. This lot meets this requirement by having the front lot line have a 48 foot setback from the rear lot line and the rear lot line have a 48 foot setback from the rear lot line. The variance requested is a (104) ft setback. The variance requested is (10) feet of setback.
- Application 1592, R79-05-02-001-001, 9041 S Main St, R-1 zoning district is requesting one variance to allow a 6 foot fence to be installed around the rear yard. The variance requested is a (2) foot fence height.
- Application 1593, R79-02-05-001-000, 41306 Russell Ln, R-1 zoning district is requesting one variance to allow the already installed 4 foot fence to be allowed to stay in place. The fence was installed over 3 years ago without permits due to the owner not realizing permits were needed. The variance requested is a (2) foot fence height.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9555 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

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### CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID IB1819-09 QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

The City of Romulus is requesting formal bids for two (2) year pricing for the printing and mailing services of its newsletter to be mailed to all residents and businesses of the City of Romulus.

- Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MTN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (<http://www.bidnetdirect.com>). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
- Classifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MTN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MTN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form" supplied in the bid documents.
- Please be advised the response time for submitting a bid is very limited. Bids must be received in the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, October 2, 2018. A total of three copies (one marked "Original" and two marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
- At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids will be publicly opened and read.
- The successful bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.
- The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid to the lowest bidder. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
- For additional information, contact Lynn A. Correy, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, or Gary Harris, Purchasing Department Buyer by calling (734) 955-4588 or by emailing [Purchasing@romulusmi.gov](mailto:Purchasing@romulusmi.gov)

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## Hepatitis

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als are also advising people who consumed food from the establishment during the above time period to watch for symptoms of Hepatitis A which can include abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, dark urine, clay-colored stool, fever, chills, yellow skin and eyes (jaundice). Hepatitis A symptoms occur between 15 and 50 days after exposure.

With the ongoing outbreak of Hepatitis A, all residents have been advised by the Wayne County Health Department to get vaccinated for Hepatitis A. Individuals

who use injection and non-injection drugs, those in homeless and transient living conditions, men who have sex with men, and those with a history of Hepatitis C or other liver disease are at particular risk for the disease and should get vaccinated against Hepatitis A. Individuals should consult with their physician to determine if they are at high risk.

For those who do not have insurance coverage, Hepatitis A vaccine is available at the Wayne County HCVW Clinic located at 2820 Van Born Road in Wayne. Vaccine may also be available at many clinics and pharmacies. More information about Hepatitis A is available at [www.michigan.gov/hepatitisoutbreak](http://www.michigan.gov/hepatitisoutbreak) or call Wayne County at (734) 727-7078.

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### MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 4, 2018

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174  
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barker.

**Pledge of Allegiance**  
Roll Call: Kathy Abbs, John Barker, Colene Reese, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams.

**Administrative Officials in Attendance:**

LaRae D. Burchell, Mayor

Barb Vargason, Deputy Clerk

Stacy Payer, Treasurer

1. Moved by Abbs, seconded by Talley to accept the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

2. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Reese to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Romulus City Council held on August 27, 2018. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3. Moved by Abbs, seconded by Talley to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on August 27, 2018 - City Quarterly Investment Report and Midwest Recycling. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. **Petitioner**

4.1. **Chairperson's Report**

Councilman Wadsworth gave a reminder to members that school is on or phase close down.

4.2. **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Barker presented a video of upcoming City events.

4.3. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4.4. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4.5. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4.6. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

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# NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

## We Don't Want Them Housing discrimination to be topic of exhibit at library

The Know Our Neighbor series continues at the Plymouth District Library with the traveling exhibit, We Don't Want Them: Race and Housing in Metropolitan Detroit, 1903-1982.

The exhibit and an informative program will come to the library this month thanks to local committee, Know Our Neighbor, and the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion.

Having been viewed by more than 400,000 people, the exhibit will examine the regional history of segregation and discrimination and its effect on racial equity. The information is shared through historical

photographs, documents, and personal stories with display components on all three floors of the library, through Wednesday, Oct. 3.

The Michigan Roundtable will lead a panel discussion at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23 to examine how local and national policies, along with major events impacted all residents and shaped the region. Panelists include Peter Hammer, director of the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights and Wayne State University Law School professor; James Jordan, president of the Detroit Branch of the Association for the Study of African



American Life and History and Ellen Elliott, local historian and researcher.

Know Our Neighbor is a grass-roots organization of Plymouth area individuals who seek to help area residents become more familiar with the different customs and qualities of diverse cultures that reside within our communities, a spokesman said. The Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion is

a statewide organization, whose mission is

"Serving as a catalyst for change, we develop, organize and empower individuals and communities to advance equity and opportunity for all."

Registration is required for the Sept. 23 program - go to [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) and click on Events. The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 S. Main St. in downtown Plymouth.

## Armed Robbery suspect in custody of federal authorities

Don Howard  
Staff Writer

The U.S. Attorney's Office has confirmed the arrest of Lee Allan Phillips, Jr., 27, in connection with the armed robbery of two Northville CVS stores this month.

Phillips was arrested and turned over to the FBI Violent Crimes Unit by Northville Township Police less than 24 hours after an armed robbery at about 10 p.m. on Sept. 8, at the pharmacy located at 44300 Five Mile Road. Police have also said Phillips to a prior robbery of the CVS Haggerty-Six Mile Road store on Sept. 4. The suspect fled that scene on foot heading southbound. No injuries were reported in the incident.

The charging affidavit from the FBI indicates that the suspect took \$1,135.48 from the cash register in the Sept. 4 robbery and threatened the store clerk with a long gun which he pressed into the clerk's back, demanding, "I want all the money out of the tills now."

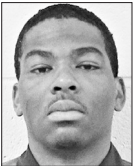
In the second robbery at about 9:41 p.m. Sept. 8, the suspect brandished a silver/black handgun.

The suspect fled the business toward a nearby wooded area. Several items were found by police in or around the wooded area including car keys, gloves, clothing items and a silver/black handgun, later determined to be a BB pistol, according to the charging document.

Law enforcement officers discovered a silver Chevy Impala in a subdivision near the store and observed a suspect matching the description of the perpetrator walk to the vehicle. When the man saw the law enforcement units in the area, he fled back into the wooded area, according to police reports.

Northville police obtained a search warrant for the Impala and discovered the suspect's driver's license and Michigan Department of Corrections parole identification.

Surveillance units observing the suspects Northville address observed a man disposing of what appeared to be a shot-



Lee Allan Phillips, Jr.

gun into a nearby dumpster. The gun was retrieved by Northville police and determined to be the gun used in the Sept. 4 robbery, according to FBI documents.

The man was identified as a relative of Phillips. Police discovered Phillips hiding inside a storage closet in a nearby unoccupied townhouse unit and he was arrested without incident at about 2:30 p.m. July 9, police said.

A subsequent search discovered a bolt action rifle, an Eastern Arms shotgun, a lever-action shot BB gun and a garbage bag of burr-covered black sweat pants and a white towel, police said.

Phillips is also a suspect in several other armed robberies including the July 18 robbery of a 7-11 in Canton, another 7-11 in Westland, a liquor store in Livonia and a 7-11 in Redford.

Michigan Department of Corrections records show Phillips received an early-supervised release from the Alger Correctional Facility on July 10. He had pleaded no contest in Sept. 2012 to two counts of armed robbery in Wayne County, and was sentenced to 6-15 years. His scheduled release date was July 6, 2020.

No court date had been set for Phillips at press time.

## Grant

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a long term problem," he said.

Although the board members recently approved the purchase of a new fire truck, the vehicle will not be delivered until May 2019. The \$660,000 fire-pumper apparatus will be partly paid for with state grant funds, with the township share being approximately \$300,000.

Phillips said the department is forced to use a 29-year-old fire truck and a 15-year-old ambulance every day for emergencies, vehicles that need constant maintenance. He said the other fire trucks are 25 and 18 years old.

"We're using equipment from the '80s," Phillips said.

The fire department currently has a total of 21 firefighter-paramedics to serve all shifts between the three fire stations. In July the board approved the hire of three additional personnel that will soon increase the department complement to 24.

Phillips said he is hopeful the recently

approved combined ballot proposal for a public safety millage is approved by voters in the Nov. 6 election. The proposal will impose a 12 mill tax levy for a period of 18 years to fund the township police and fire departments and address an unfunded \$25 million pension and health care liability inherited from the past administration. The millage is expected to raise about \$2.1 million in the first year.

Phillips says he's confident the additional millage will permit the fire department to achieve recommended staffing levels for the first time in years and give him the ability to establish a stable capital improvement plan to maintain funding for both vehicles and equipment.

In 2012, township officials cut fire department staffing in half, closed the Lake Pointe Fire Station and returned the only aerial ladder truck to the Northville-Plymouth City Fire Department.

The SAFER grant regulations allow the township 180 days to hire the new firefighters. If for any reason the township is not able to keep up with their share of the funding for the new hires, all SAFER grant funds would have to be returned to FEMA.

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### WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 224.18 of Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, seven or more freeholders have petitioned the County of Wayne ("County") to absolutely abandon and discontinue the following public road right-of-way:

All that portion of Yost Road (varying width) in the Northwest 1/4 and Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Town 3 South, Range 8 East, Van Buren Township, Wayne County, Michigan, and the Southeast 1/4 of Section 33 and Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 2 South, Range 8 East, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan, being more particularly described as:

Beginning at a point on the line common to said Sections, distant Easterly 225.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 3 along said common line, thence proceeding Easterly along said line to a point 43 feet West of the centerline of Sheldon Road (width varies), Containing approximately 2144.78 feet of roadway, more or less.

Therefore, it has been decided a Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. at Wayne County Department of Public Services, Engineering Division, 400 Monroe Street, Suite 300, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

A Hearing Examiner of the County shall hold said Hearing and obtain all necessary facts and information concerning the advisability of either granting or denying said Petition, and shall report all findings of fact to the Board of Wayne County Commissioners.

True copies of this notice are to be served, posted and published in accordance with the provisions of said Act No. 283 of 1909, as amended.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES  
Engineering Division, Real Estate, Attention: Paul A. Zook  
400 Monroe Street, Suite 300, Detroit, Michigan 48226  
313.224.7772





# INKSTER - WAYNE - WESTLAND

## Local talent Movie premieres benefit student scholarship program at high school

Two movies with talent from Wayne and Inkster will be screened at the State Wayne Phoenix Theatre in a benefit for the Champions of Wayne Memorial High School.

The world premiere of *Liz* and the Michigan premiere of *Rogers Park* will both be screened at the State Wayne Phoenix Theatre, and both films have ties to Wayne and Wayne Memorial High School. *Liz*, a short movie filmed locally, was written and directed by 2013 Wayne graduate Alec Gibson. *Rogers Park*, a full feature film that debuted at the Chicago International Film Festival, stars Inkster native and recent Wayne distinguished alumna Antoine McKay.

The premieres are Wednesday evening, Sept. 23 on all four screens and are presented by Champions of Wayne, an innovative academic program for Wayne Memorial students.

Gibson graduated from Wayne Memorial, attended Alma College and is finishing his graphic design degree at Eastern Michigan University. McKay grew up in Inkster and also graduated from

Wayne Memorial before heading to Eastern Michigan University. From there, McKay performed on Second City main stages in Detroit and Chicago before appearing on television shows such as *ER* (NBC), *Prison Break* and *Empire* (FOX).

*Liz* portrays a hopeless romantic who, over the course of a month, meets and falls in love with a shy and often nervous boy, James. *Rogers Park*, named after the Rogers Park neighborhood in Chicago, follows two middle-aged couples as they navigate a complex, dramatic, and sometimes humorous year in one of the most culturally diverse areas in the Windy City. Notoriety for *Rogers Park* includes a New York Times "Critics Pick," a 100 percent Fresh rating on Rotten Tomatoes, and an Official Selection at the 2017 Chicago International Film Festival.

*Rogers Park* which will be shown separately after *Liz* and associated events, is rated R (intense adult situations, sexual content, drug use) and attendance is strictly limited to those over 17 unless accompanied by parent or guardian. A separate admission ticket will be



required.

Champions of Wayne, which has combined mentoring, incentives, and goal setting to bolster culture and achievement at Wayne Memorial for nearly a decade, has a track record of academic success. Beginning as a grassroots program in 2009 with a trophy and a #2 pencil, Champions of Wayne has grown to a robust 501(c)3 nonprofit and serves as a beacon to other schools in the state.

Once measured as a below average high school, Wayne Memorial has now been recognized by US News and World Report as one of America's best high schools two years in a row and has recent graduates attending the likes of Stanford, Harvard, Georgetown as well as record

admissions to Michigan State University and the University of Michigan.

"Champions of Wayne has been an integral part of the changes to Wayne Memorial," said Principal Kevin Weber. "The program has been a cornerstone in shaping the student-oriented culture at Wayne Memorial."

A limited number of sponsorship packages are available and include reserved tickets, pre-party festivities, cast meet-and-greet photo session and more. Contact Debbie Vigliarolo at [debbieh@championsofwayne.org](mailto:debbieh@championsofwayne.org).

For complete information on Champions of Wayne, ways to help, and to purchase tickets for this event, visit [www.championsofwayne.org](http://www.championsofwayne.org).

## Midweek Praise Day begins

The oldest African-American church in Inkster will begin a weekly worship service and lunch on Wednesdays.

Smith Chapel A.M.E. will begin serving the free lunch at noon on Wednesday, Oct. 3, following a sermon by Pastor Cindy Radolph. The lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

The service and luncheon, Midweek Praise Day, are open to the public. The

church is located at 3505 Walnut St. on the corner of Beech St.

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are open to the public.*

The Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church has served Inkster residents for 94 years and was first organized by a small group of local residents on Oct. 5, 1924.

For more information, contact Michelle Puseyamore-Howse, director of outreach at (313) 561-2837 or email [admin@smithchapelchurch.org](mailto:admin@smithchapelchurch.org).

## Saturday is 'A Day For You'

The Westland Police Department is hosting an event aimed at children and young adults with special needs this Saturday at the Westland Police Department.

A Day For You will consist of several different activities including interacting with police vehicles, canine demonstrations, tactical officers and equipment, and a tour of the police department. The event will take place from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22.

The first tour will take place from 10 a.m. until noon and is by appointment only. This tour is geared toward individuals who are sensitive to sensory stimulation, no lights or sirens will be activated, and tour group sizes will be limited to a maximum of 20 at a time. To reserve a time for the tour, visit [WestlandPD.org/wldp.net](http://WestlandPD.org/wldp.net).

The second tour will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. and will be open to all children and young adults with special needs, but no sensory issues.



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# Calendar of events

## Behind the Scene meetings set

Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex (PARC) will host "Behind the Scene" sessions from 6-7 p.m. every Thursday through Nov. 1. These gatherings are meant to be question and answer sessions where regarding the PARC project.

"There is an opportunity for the Plymouth Community to get information regarding PARC first hand. I will be here every Thursday to answer all your questions so no one will leave misinformed," said Don Soenen, PARC board president. Sessions will take place in the PARC Model Room located on the first floor at the facility, located at 650 Church St. in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 927-4000.

PARC is a 501(c)(3) public charity, leading the effort to convert the historic Central Middle School and the 36.6 acres on which it stands, into an arts, education and recreation complex serving the greater Plymouth community.

## Police host Movie Night

The Inkster Police Department will host a free Movie Nights beginning at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21 in the parking lot of the Inkster police Department, 20279 Michigan Ave., Inkster.

The movie to be shown is *Trolls*. The movie will be shown outside so guests should dress for the weather and bring a chair or blanket on which to sit.

Citizens of all ages are welcome. In the event of rain, the movie will be rescheduled to October.

## Vision and hearing testing offered

The Belleville Area Lions Club members will provide Kidsight, free vision screening testing from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Belleville Area District Library.

Kidsight, a Lions Club community service program, provides a simple, noninvasive and cost-free vision screening test performed on young children. It requires no medication or preparation and is painless, a spokesman noted.

Newborn hearing screening identifies most children born with a hearing loss. But in some cases, the hearing loss is caused by things like infections, trauma, and damaging noise levels, and the problem doesn't emerge until later in childhood.

Also available will be representatives from the Michigan Mason Child ID Program distributing Child ID Kits that contain all the vital information necessary to expedite law enforcement efforts to locate a missing child. The program also helps to educate families about abduction prevention and safety.

Parking for the free testing will be available at Belleville First United Methodist Church on Charles Street.

The library is located at 167 Fourth St. in Belleville.

## Theatre classes being offered

Inspire School of Theatre Arts is offering Taking the Stage Theatre Classes for students ages 7-15 for 10 weeks, Sept. 22 through Dec. 8.

The cost for the 10-week program, divided into age categories, is \$175.

To register or for more information, access Inspire@inspiretheatre.com or call (734)753-7057.

Westland Center for the Arts is located

at 33455 Warren Road in Westland.

## Church hosts concert

The Paul Koller Orchestra, a 15-piece big band, will play a concert at the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23.

The Paul Koller Orchestra is one of the finest, most-respected and well-traveled jazz big bands in Michigan, a church spokesperson noted. This concert is part of the NOTeworthy "concerts with a cause" series of First United Methodist Church. Admission is free and a free-will offering will be received to benefit the music ministry. The church is located at 42301 North Territorial Road in Plymouth, 1 mile east of Beck Road.

For more information, call (734) 453-5293.

## Infant massage classes offered

The Westland Public Library will host a free, five-week series of infant massage classes from 6-7:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, Sept. 27. The series will take place at the library and is presented by a certified infant massage educator in partnership with Starfish Family Services.

The classes are designed for pre-encountering infants and their caregivers. Expectant parents are welcome to join as well. Parents will learn gentle and loving ways to comfort, relieve gas, deepen sleep, and stimulate brain development in infants.

For questions or to register, contact Claire Mueller@westlandlibrary.org or call (734) 335-6123, ext. 2947.

Limited space is available on a first-come, first-serve basis and participants are asked to attend all five sessions.

## School bond vote is topic

Members of the Wayne Westland Community Schools Board of Education have authorized a bond question on the Nov. 6 General Election ballot.

Information about the necessity for the bond and the improvements it will fund will be discussed by members of the Bond Advisory Committee at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 at the Dyer Senior Center.

The meetings are open to the public and Dr. Shelley Holt, superintendent of schools will present information about the proposal. Members of the Bond Action Team will be available to answer questions.

For more information, call Jenny Johnson at (734) 419-2001 or Maria Mitter at (734) 419-3036.

## Citywide garage sales set

The City of Romulus annual Fall Free City Wide Garage Yard Sales will take place from Sept. 27 through 30 this year.

Residents wishing to have a sale with no permit fee should register in the office of the city clerk no later than Friday, Sept. 21 to be included in the newspapers publication of garage sale sites.

For more information, call (734) 942-7540.

## Church hosts craft show, festival

St. Johns Episcopal Church will host a Fall Festival and Craft Show from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.

The craft show will be open until 4 p.m. There will also be a bounce house, beer tent, food, bake sale and silent auction and live entertainment from 2-10 p.m.

The church is located at 555 S. Wayne

# Inkster hosts 'Car-nival' Saturday

The Inkster Police Department will co-host the first annual fuel-injected Car-Nival, a car and motorcycle show from 3-7 p.m. this Saturday, Sept. 22. This event is co-hosted and sponsored by the Inkster Citizens Action Network (ICAN), 315 north, F&R Automotive, Frozen Momentz Photography, and the Inkster Police Department.

The event will take place on the southwest corner of Inkster Road and Michigan Avenue in the parking lot of the Dollar General, 27425 Michigan Ave. Early birds will receive a commemorative dash plaque when they register a vehicle as well as free t-shirts to the first 300 people in attendance. The shirts are on a first-come,

first-serve basis.

There will be three trophies awarded for "Best in Show - Mayor's choice", "Coolest Hot Rod - Child's Choice", "Coolest Custom - Kids Choice" and "Best in Show Motorcycle".

DJ Romeo will be there playing classic car hits and food trucks will be parked nearby with a variety of choices.

Vehicle pre-registration is encouraged but registrations will be accepted the day of the show.

Admission and vehicle registration is completely free!

To obtain a registration form, call Off. Andrea Lebo at (313) 400-5387, or visit the lobby of the Inkster Police Department.

Road, Westland. For more information, call (734) 721-5023

## Diabetes cooking workshop set

A six-week cooking workshop includes interactive sessions presented by trained culinary and nutrition instructors. Hands-on presentations demonstrate the link between nutrition and health, the affordability of healthy eating, healthy meal planning and cooking tips.

Free groceries and cookbooks are included to practice new skills at home. Registration is limited to one workshop and is open to adults who have not previously enrolled in a Cooking Matters course. The workshop is free. To register, visit [beaumont.org/classes-events](http://beaumont.org/classes-events) or call 1-800-833-7377.

## Mom2Mom Sale set

St. Edith & St. Colette Church will sponsor

or a Mom to Mom Sale from 8:30 until noon Saturday, Sept. 29.

There will be 74 tables of deals on gently used maternity, baby and children's items. Admission is \$2. The church is located at 12700 Newburgh Road near Five Mile, south of Five Mile Road in Livonia.

For more information email [m2mtables@stecomm.org](mailto:m2mtables@stecomm.org).

## Stroms bonfire at museum

The Belleville Area Historical Museum will host a Stroms Bonfire as a Bonville kick-off event from 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2.

Participants should bring a chair and whatever they prefer to roast over the bonfire. The museum will provide hot chocolate at the free event.

The Belleville Area Museum is located at 405 Main St. in Belleville.

For more information, call (734) 697-1944.

# CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

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The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified companies for the above item/items and/or services.

- Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Official bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (<http://www.mtn.net/bidnet>). Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.
- Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form" supplied in the bid documents.
- A total of three copies (one marked "Original" and two marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package and envelope and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, October 16, 2018. Bids should be addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
- At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids will be publicly opened and read.
- The successful bidder will be required to submit proof of all bonds and insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required documents.
- The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.
- For additional information contact Lynn A. Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, or Gary Harris, Purchasing Department Buyer by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing [Purchasing@romulusmi.gov](mailto:Purchasing@romulusmi.gov)

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