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Wayne alters city election years

"If we don't make a decision today, someone else will make it later down the road."

Members of the Wayne City Council have approved a change in the election cycle that will extend their individual terms by one year.

The measure, proposed as a cost savings to the city, will move the local elections into the same years as federal and state elections, estimated to save the city a minimum of \$20,000 in each election year. The next city election will take place in 2018. Councilmen Ryan Gabriel and Richard Sutton, both appointed to fill vacancies on the council, will have their terms along with those of Councilman Anthony Miller and Mayor Susan Rowe extended until 2018. The terms of Councilmen Tom Porter, John Rhaesa and Christopher Sanders will be extended by one year until the election in 2020.

During discussion of the proposal during the regular city council meeting last week, residents noted that with the ward voting system adopted in 2015, the extension of the terms of Gabriel, Miller and Sutton deprives them of the opportunity to fill a vacancy on the council or ward for several years. Residents suggested the city delay the implementation of the new election cycle to even-numbered years to correct that deficiency. Residents said this measure circumvented the ward system approved by voters.

Councilman John Rhaesa, who had opposed the ward system, said that this would put the local city elections at the bottom of the ballot which could be overlooked by voters. He suggested that the new system would be for the convenience of city staff rather than the most efficient system for local voters and is not "an afterthought."

Porter said he would like to find a compromise that provided the election savings, but said that he refused to vote for an extension of his own term.

He and Rhaesa cast the two

no votes on the plan.

The City of Wayne faces a \$1.5 million budget deficit this year and has been told by auditors that it will completely run out of cash at the end of next year.

Miller said the city needed to make decisions to cut spending. He said that should an emergency financial manager be appointed in the community, the election consolidation would be one of the first cost-cutting measures implemented.

"If we don't make a decision today, someone else will make it later down the road. I'd rather do it today," Miller said. "A lot more cuts will have to be made. We are hanging by a rope. Is another 12 months that important? I don't think so. I'd like to have staff focus on more important things."



Many of those involved gathered in front of the screen presentation of the new pavilion and improvements at the Miracle League ball fields to be named for Lou and Gail LaRiche. Photos by Dave Willett

Miracle workers New pavilion at ball field to be named for Lou and Gail LaRiche

It takes a lot to surprise Lou LaRiche.

The longtime Plymouth car dealer has a wealth of life experience and isn't easily misled.

Just ask his son, Scott, who had been secretly maneuvering a special tribute to his dad and late mother for several months.

"It wasn't easy," Scott LaRiche said, "but we managed to pull it off."

What LaRiche and Deb Madonna of the Miracle League of Plymouth, managed was the surprise announcement recently during a regular meeting of the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club, that there was about to be another miracle in the community that would be named in honor of his parents.

Not nearly the size or scope of the current Miracle League athletic field located behind the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex, the former Central Middle School, but a new, covered pavilion, attached to the current building, with a concrete pad for picnic tables that will accommodate rolling devices.

And, the younger LaRiche announced, looking directly at his father during the meeting, the covered pavilion now under construction at the fields will be named for Lou and the late Gail LaRiche, as a tribute for all the couple has generously contributed to the community for decades.

Scott LaRiche, as a past president of the North American International Auto Show, was able to use funding from the Chairman's Choice fund of the NAIAS, an opportunity for each individual chairman to designate funding to a local charity project. LaRiche



Lou LaRiche, sitting with daughter-in-law, Dawn, was taken by surprise at the announcement of the new pavilion named for him and his late wife, Gail.

chose the Miracle Network field.

LaRiche said a real issue was keeping the surprise from his father: "I was so excited. My wife, Dawn, and I kept the secret for months. A couple of times I had the plans out on my desk and had to quickly hide them from him when he came in."

"It was all worth it to see his reaction. He just stared, shocked," LaRiche said.

"We are just honored and humbled to be able to do things for this community that means

so much to us," LaRiche said.

The covered pavilion and an accompanying canopy at the bleacher area where the players await their turns at bat are improvements of more than \$100,000 at the fields. LaRiche, along with Madonna, who was instrumental in the original development of the field which provides children with physical and mental disabilities the opportunity to play organized baseball, displayed the plans for the improvements

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Death of Sam Corrado 'Mr. Westland' mourned

Westland residents continue to mourn the death of Sam "Mr. Westland" Corrado who died Oct. 15 after a long illness.

Mr. Corrado, 82, was the publisher of a well-known shopper in the area, a small circular that was distributed throughout the city. He was active with nearly every community group and club and was almost constantly working for one charity or

another in the community.

Former Westland Councilman Glenn Shaw remembered that Corrado was always a showman, bringing attention to whatever charity or collection effort he was working on at the time.

"He always had a way of making whatever he was doing big than life," Shaw said. "I've known him for a long, long time

and worked with him on many projects."

Shaw said that Mr. Corrado was active with the Westland Community Foundation Board of Directors and donated many hours to the group before his health battles limited his involvement.

"As Sam's health failed, so did his ability to take care of his business which was such a

shame after he spent so many hours helping so many other people," Shaw added. "Many of us in the community joined to offer him whatever advice and help we were able to get him back on track."

Shaw recalled that his first meeting with Mr. Corrado was in 1976 when Shaw was new to the

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BELLEVILLE - INKSTER - ROMULUS



Hands-on education

Romulus High School students attended the first annual Construction Academy at Eastlark Market Oct. 18. Sachse Construction and Junior Achievement teamed up to encourage students to explore careers in construction trades. The one-day event featured training and demonstrations from subcontractors across the state. Students were exposed to different careers and were able to interact with professionals. This unique learning experience allowed students to gain a hands-on approach, which included subjects from fiber optics to masonry. Margaret Trimmer-Hartley, president of Junior Achievement, with students above, spoke to students about the need for a younger skilled trade workforce. "The average age of the construction workforce is 55 years old. There will be many opportunities for high school graduates to enter the skilled trades," said Trimmer-Hartley. Junior Achievement has been a strong partner of Romulus Community Schools providing programs that focus on financial responsibility, workforce readiness and entrepreneurial thinking, a spokesman noted.

Parents charged in death

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Aurelio R. Smith, 41, and his girlfriend, Andrea A. Bracy, 31, both of Inkster, in connection with the death of Smith's 3-year-old son, Tyne Smith.

According to reports from the prosecutor's office, Inkster police officers were called to a local hospital at about 10:14 a.m. Oct. 13 in response to a report of suspected child abuse. Smith and Bracy were taken into custody at the hospital and interviewed by detectives.

Worthy alleges in the charges that the pair of defendants assaulted the boy, who turned 3 in January, at about 2 a.m. Oct. 13 in an apartment located in the 1500 block of Inkster Road. The couple allegedly then took the child to the hospital for treatment several hours later

when police were called by medical officials.

The child died in the hospital at about 11:10 a.m. the same day and an autopsy performed Oct. 14 by the Wayne County Medical Examiner ruled the death a homicide. The autopsy revealed that the child died from blunt force trauma to his body.

Smith and Bracy were each arraigned last week on charges of Felony Murder, Torture, and Child Abuse First Degree before Judge Sabrina Johnson at the 22nd District Court in Inkster.

Smith was assigned a \$1 million cash bond and Bracy's bond was set at \$1 million cash or surety.

A preliminary examination on the charges is set for Nov. 2 at the Inkster court.

Auditor finds extra funds

The Van Buren Community Schools District has \$350,000 that belongs to the State of Michigan officials hope to return.

During a report from Thomas M. Taylor of Taylor and Morgan, the firm that acts as the financial auditor for the school district at the regular meeting of the board of education members earlier this month, Taylor said that while the district received the highest level of assurance possible of the accuracy of the financial reporting, he found that some captured taxes were not reported correctly by Van Buren Township. The township erroneously sent about \$350,000 to the school district which should have gone to the state for disbursement to the schools. The state treasury sent the same amount to the schools as a

due from the township tax capture, which should have been sent to them rather than directly to the school district.

School Finance Director Shaheen Barker said that Van Buren Township Deputy Treasurer Sean Bellingham is aware of the situation and she is concerned that it is happening again during the current fiscal year.

"To correct the error, the state must now invoice the township for the funds, which Barker said can take time.

Auditors reported that the 2015-16 student that population had dropped by 5,000 students and is now at 4,988. The state foundation per pupil allowance last year was \$7,554 while this year it is \$7,667, according to the auditor's report.

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF ROMULUS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accounting Test for the November 8, 2016 State General Election has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in the Romulus City Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI.

The Public Accounting Test is conducted to demonstrate that the program and computer that will be used to tabulate the results of the election counts the votes in the manner prescribed by law. Elin L. Craig-Bracy, City Clerk.

Public: -10-27-16

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9515 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48178, on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider the transfer of Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate No. 2012-240 issued to Wharton Fuel Systems, Inc., on December 13, 2012, for real and personal property improvements at 16000 Colfax Ct. The request is available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Clerk's Office. During the public hearing which begins at 7:00 p.m., any resident of Plymouth Township who is a member of the Legislative Board of the Township shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments addressed to the Clerk will be considered. Following the public hearing, the Board may decide on the request by resolution.

Public: October 27, 2016

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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

ITB 16-17-11 2016-2017 SNOW REMOVAL/MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR ROMULUS ATHLETIC CENTER/INKSTER MANAGEMENT

- (1) The City of Romulus, Tax Increment Finance Authority, a Michigan Tax Increment Finance Authority on behalf of the facility's management firm, Risk Management is seeking bids from qualified and experienced companies for snow removal and ice management services for the 2016-2017 snow season for the Romulus Athletic Center, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48178.
- (2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the [MTU website](http://www.mtu.edu) (<http://www.mtu.edu>) or by email.
- (3) Two (2) copies of the bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Monday, 11/14/2016. Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed using the bid package label provided in the ITB documents.
- (4) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.
- (5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive irregularities.
- (6) For additional information contact: Lyle A. Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@romulusmi.gov.

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Art entries accepted

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is now accepting entry forms for the Seventh Annual Community Art Show planned for Nov. 4 at the Belleville Yacht Club (BYC), 831 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville.

The Community Art Show is open to everyone, ages 6 and older in all mediums.

Artwork will be judged by local judges with a background in art and cash prizes will be awarded. Artists may enter up to three pieces of artwork each for ages 6 through 17. Young artist entry fees are \$10 and adult entry fees are \$15.

Entry fees are waived for members of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts.

Complete guidelines, categories, prizes, and membership information are included with entry form packages available at the Belleville Area District Library, Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, Flotsy Bog, Garden Fantasy on Main, the Professional Building, Sumpter Ace Hardware, Sumpter Township Hall, Twisted Rooter and Van Buren Township Hall. Entry forms can be downloaded from www.BacaArtShow.org. Artwork may be dropped off Thursday, Nov. 3 and Friday, Nov. 4.

The arts council will be hosting a reception from 7:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4. For more details visit www.BacaArtShow.org or call (734) 347-0430.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

City of Romulus, Michigan

November 8, 2016 State General Election

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF ROMULUS ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following offices will appear on the ballot: President and Vice-President of the United States, Representative in Congress (13th District); Representative in the Legislature (12th District); Representative in the State Legislature (District 11 - partial term ending 11/01/2017); State Board of Education; Regent University of Michigan; trustee Michigan State University; Wayne State University Governance; County: Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, County Commissioner (11th District), Justice of the Peace (1st District), Judge of the Supreme Court-Incumbent Position (partial term ending 01/01/2019) Judge of Court of Appeals, 1st District Incumbent Position; Judge of Circuit Court (3rd Circuit) - Incumbent Position; Judge of Circuit Court (3rd Circuit) Incumbent Position (partial term ending 01/01/2019); Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit Non-Incumbent Position; Judge of Probate Court-Incumbent Position; Judge of District Court-34th District Incumbent Position, Wayne County Community College Districts 4, 6, and 7; Board Member Romulus Community Schools and Local School District Incumbent Position (Sharon-Brownwood School District).

The following proposals will appear on the ballot:

WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSALS

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

PROPOSAL AUTHORIZING THE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN (RTA) TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT

The proposal would authorize the Regional Transit Authority of Southeast Michigan (RTA) to levy within Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties a property tax assessment:

* at a rate of 12 mills (1.2% on over \$1,000,000 of taxable value);

* for 20 years beginning in 2016 and ending in 2035;

* that may not be increased, renewed, or used for other purposes without direct voter approval; and

* to be used upon the affirmative vote of an RTA board member from each RTA member jurisdiction for the purpose of construction and operation of a public transportation system connecting Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties, including rapid transit bus routes across county lines, specialized service for senior citizens, REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN people with disabilities, commuter and carpooling express service, and other public transportation purposes permitted by law, consistent with RTA bylaws and subject to the limitations of the Regional Transit Authority Act.

If this new additional assessment is approved and levied, revenue will be disbursed to the RTA. It is estimated that \$560,907.245 will be collected in the first year.

Should this assessment be approved? YES () NO ()

WAYNE RESA PROPOSAL

REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed enhancement millage will be collected by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and distributed to local public school districts within the boundaries of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency based on equal membership cost.

Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, Michigan, be increased by 2.00 mills (\$2.00 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of six (6) years, 2016 to 2021, inclusive, in new additional millage to provide operating funds for the Wayne County and local funding for local district operating purposes? It is estimated that 2 mills would raise approximately \$80,000,000 when first levied in 2016.

The revenue from this millage will be disbursed to the following school districts:

All Park School District, Greenwood School District, Dearborn City School District, Dearborn Heights School District, Detroit Public Schools Community District, Ecorse Public School District, Flat Rock Community Schools, School District of the City of Garden City, Gibraltar School District, Grosse Ile Township Schools, The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Hamtramck Public Schools, City of Harper Woods Schools, School District of the City of Highland Park, Huron School District, School District of the City of Lincoln Park, Livonia Public Schools, Melvindale - Northern Allen Park Schools, Northville Public Schools, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Redford Union School District, River Rouge School District, River Rouge Community School District, Romulus Community Schools, Southeast Community School District, Southfield School District, Taylor School District, Trenton Public Schools, Van Buren Public Schools, Wayne-Westland Community School District, Westwood Community Schools, Woodhaven-Herndonville School District, Wyandante City School District.

YES () NO ()

Full text of the ballot public proposal may be obtained at the office of Wayne County Clerk, Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, Room 582, Detroit, Michigan, phone: 313-224-6424.

All elections which are registered with the City of Romulus Clerk are eligible to vote at this election.

To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available on audio tape and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the Election Clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

Voters with Disabilities	1, 7 & 10	Romulus Middle School, 37300 Wick Road	1 mill	2019
2 & 4	Halesworth Elementary School, 16200 Harwood Road	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	
8, & 9	Romulus Elementary School, 12200 Beverly Road	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	
5	Romulus Senior Center, 36525 Bibbins Street	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	
6	West Village Estates, 7040 Shawnee Drive	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	
11	North Elementary School, 38207 Northway Road	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	
12	Romulus Athletic Center, 35765 Northline Road	1 mill <td>2021</td>	2021	

(All located in Romulus, MI)

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964

Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act.

I, Eric R. Sabree, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 20, 2016 the total of all voted increases in excess of the rate limit established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years

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NORTHVILLE - WESTLAND

Holiday Home Tour tickets are now on sale

There are designers right now hanging bows, trimming boughs and decorating holiday trees in five Northville Township homes, getting ready for the annual Northville Holiday Home Tour.

Each year, the Northville Community Foundation sponsors the tour which includes five privately-owned homes in the community decorated for the holidays by designers with clever ideas and unusual ornaments. This year, the tour will

take place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Nov. 18 and 19. Executive Director of the Northville Community Foundation Jessica Strieggle said that the style of each home is different and there is something for every taste.

"This year's tour is an exceptional blend of traditional, cozy, a warm and inviting condo, and modern-Victorian. Each home is beautiful on its own but with our talented team of decorators the homes come to life with ideas on

"*This year's tour is an exceptional blend of traditional, cozy, a warm and inviting condo, and modern-Victorian.*"

top of ideas for decorating your home for the holidays," Strieggle said.

Tickets for the Holiday Home Tour are \$25 in advance and \$30 the day of the event. Tickets are on sale now at Haven in

Northville, Gardenviews, Maybury Farm, or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Tickets may also be purchased on Visa or MasterCard by calling (248)374-0200. Tickets are limited and the tour does sell out

each year, Strieggle said.

Proceeds from the Holiday Home Tour help fund the work of the Northville Community Foundation in the community including holiday gifts for senior citizens confined to assisted living facilities, grants for nonprofits and community programs, scholarships for students, coordinating the Northville Independence Day Parade and the operation of Maybury Farm. For more information, call the number listed above.

Corrado

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Westland City Council.

"He walks into the meeting up on the second floor of the old city hall with all these grocery carts, maybe six or seven of them, filled with cans of food he was donating to a charity," Shaw said. "He must have hauled them all into the elevator and hauled them into the council chambers."

"You just had to admire the guy. He just went from one effort to another. I remember one time he showed me these bags of shoes. He said that everybody was collecting food and clothing but people needed shoes."

"I went home shaking my head, but I did bring him a couple of bags of shoes and I had to admit, there were people who really needed them."

Mr. Corrado referred to himself as "a peddler" who was always selling his wares, whether it was advertising in his publication or helping a charity, he said he was "always selling something."

Among the many tributes, letters and awards bestowed on Mr. Corrado during the decades, the City of Westland named a park for him and he was selected as the First Citizen and given the title to the city, all as tribute to his charitable work. He was, for many years, dubbed "Mr. Westland."

In addition to his wife of 46 years, Gale, Mr. Corrado is survived by nieces Patti Jo (Michael) Houston and Theresa (Larry) Varro; great nephews Anthony, Shane and Evan and a brother-in-law, Victor O'Brien. He was predeceased by his parents Salvatore and Josephine Calderone Corrado and his sister, Patricia O'Brien.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Uff Funeral Home in Westland where Fr. Jack Baker officiated at a special service. Cremation rites were accorded.

Shaw said that memorial donations to help the family with expenses are being accepted through the Westland Community Foundation. More information is available at (734) 356-7727.

3 named to authority board

Robert Kelly, Viktor Barisaj and James Raptapoulos have been appointed to the Westland Downtown Development Authority (DDA).

Their appointments were confirmed by a vote of the members of city council during the regular meeting last week.

Currently, the Westland DDA is governed by an 11 member board appointed by Mayor William Wild and confirmed by the city council. The DDA implements an improvement and business development plan in the commercial district along Ford Road and Wayne Road south of Ford. The authority helps local business by providing design assistance for redevelopment of commercial properties. The board meets at 8 p.m. the fourth Thursday of every month and the meeting are open to the public. Meetings take place at Westland City Hall, 6300 Warren Road.

Kelly is the owner of Cuda Automotive Services, Inc., located on Wayne Road. He opened



Robert Kelly



Viktor Barisaj



James Raptapoulos

his business in 2014 and services all types of vehicles.

Barisaj has been a business owner in Westland for more than 20 years and owns and operates two businesses within the DDA district. He owns the new Pirovite Grill, located at 501 S. Wayne Road and Village Gourmet Hot Dogs, located at 4409 N. Wayne Road.

Raptapoulos has been an avid restaurateur for the majority of his career. He has owned and operated numerous businesses and franchises. Most recently, he

turned the former Beaver Creek into the new GrindStone Smokehouse, which has been featured on local news outlets for their barbecue. Raptapoulos says GrindStone Smokehouse has been a dream he has worked toward for 20 years.

"These three gentlemen will be an excellent addition to the DDA," commented Wild. "They bring with them years of business experience within the city of Westland and will provide great insight from their respective enterprises."

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58. Garage and Yard Sales

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Murder defendant sent to mental hospital

The man charged with murdering his step-grandfather with an ax has been committed to a mental institution by the courts.

Jess Wayne Gunderson, 27, entered a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity to charges of first-degree murder in the death Sept. 26 of Danny Dart, 58. Mr. Dart was bludgeoned and slashed

with an ax in the back yard of his Chamberlain Street home in Wayne. Mr. Dart suffered five slashes from an ax and sustained three head wounds, a wound to his neck and another to his shoulder.

Following Gunderson's arrest at the scene, he was remanded to the Michigan Center for Forensic

Psychiatry where doctors determined that he was mentally ill.

The Wayne County office of the prosecutor agreed with the determination of the medical professionals and the agreed to the sentence of an indefinite confinement at the mental health care facility in the custody of the Michigan Department of Mental

Health.

According to a statement from Maria Miller of the prosecutor's office, medical experts agreed that Gunderson lacked the substantial capacity to conform his conduct to the requirements of the law and under the law this supports a claim of legal insanity. Gunderson is the grandson of

Mary Dart and the step-grandson of the deceased. During court testimony, Mary Dart said that Gunderson arrived unannounced at the Wayne home of the couple about three weeks prior to the incident. She said that her husband of 25 years had spent time with Gunderson and attempted to involve him in activities.

Good neighbor

Plymouth Township resident Richard Sharland, at right, was recently honored by the City of Detroit with a formal resolution of appreciation. Sharland notified the city that land in the township was the subject of erroneous foreclosure and subsequent tax sale. His efforts led to protracted legal wrangling and the eventual return of the land to Detroit, once on the tax rolls in Plymouth Township at more than \$15 million. Sharland's efforts were aided by Wayne County Legislative Assistant Beverly Kindel-Walker, who was also honored and appreciated by Detroit City attorney Timothy Beckert, at left. Honored with Sharland and Kindel-Walker by the city was township resident and Eagle staff writer Don Howard for his reporting and help in the situation.



Miracle

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on a large projection screen during the meeting. The Miracle League is non-competitive, and all players getting to bat and circle the bases each inning.

The field is not restricted to Plymouth residents, but disabled children from throughout the area can experience baseball at the fields. Each has a 'buddy' who helps ensure the players make it safely from base to base, all of whom are volunteers.

The Plymouth Rotary Club was a partner in the development of the playing

field which features a rubberized ground cover suitable for children with special needs. The initial construction of the field was estimated at \$1.1 million, all of which came from private and community group donations to the effort.

A partner in the improvements at the field is Kelly's Kidz, another non-profit group dedicated to the improvement of life and help for disabled children.

"Kelly's Kidz is proud to be a partner and assist athletes with this shading and partition project," said Kelly Hermann, the co-founder of Kelly's Kidz.

"The Miracle League of Plymouth provides such an amazing outlet for special needs kids and we are happy to continue our support of their efforts," she added.

Volunteer help is needed

Plymouth Community United Way looking for volunteers to clean yards and do light chores in Plymouth, and Canton townships on Saturday, Nov. 12. Volunteers will meet on the day of the event at Plymouth First United Methodist Church for a continental breakfast and instructions.

Check in time is 8 a.m. Volunteers are asked to bring rakes, garden tools and gloves, and have their own transportation to travel between homes. Yard waste bags will be supplied and distributed at the church. Leaf blowers are a great help with

larger yards, a spokesman said.

All ages are welcome, but those under 18 need to be accompanied by an adult. To volunteer call Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org by Friday, Nov. 4.

Low-income seniors, 65 and older, who feel they may qualify for service should also contact Randi at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7. Income and age verification will be required.

For more information and an application, visit www.plymouthunitedway.org.

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Calendar of events

Congregation meets Sunday

Redeemer Lutheran Church offers worship services at 11 a.m. Sunday at Tyler Elementary School, 42200 Taylor Road in Belleville.
For more information call (734)749-4230 or access www.redeemeralutheranchurchmi.com.

Spooky stories to be told

The Spookfinder is set to appear again this year with a whole new repertoire of creepy, scary ghost stories for those brave enough to attend the evening of spine-tangling tales.

The Canton Historical Society will present the 4th Annual Evening of Ghost Stories told by 35th District Court Judge Ronald Lowe from 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 29 at the Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park.

Lowe, known in his avocation as The Spookfinder, has been telling scary stories his entire life and comes from a family of storytellers. Lowe has been a long-time featured storyteller at this annual event.

The tales, full of ghosts, goblins and all things spooky are suitable for ages 8 and older.

Cider and two donuts are included with the ticket and will be available while supplies last.

Tickets are \$4 per individual and can be purchased at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway and at the door. All proceeds benefit the Canton Historical Society. Children must be accompanied by an adult and parents are responsible for the direct supervision of their children during this special event. For additional information, visit www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org. Preservation Park is located at 500 North Ridge Road in Canton.

Fish Dinner to be served

Detroit Second City alum, Quintin Hicks, stretches the limits of character performance and improvisation to introduce audiences to a world of unique and unforgettable characters in his show, Fish Dinner.

Directed by Tipping Point Theatres very own Dave Davies, this side-splitting by hysterical show will audiences with plenty of hilarious memories.

Performances are set for 6 and 8 p.m. Oct. 29 and 7 p.m. Oct. 30 at the Tipping Point Theater, 361 E. Cady St. Northville. Tickets for each show are priced at \$25 and available now by calling the TPT box office at (248) 347-0003 or purchase them online at www.tippingpointtheatre.com.

Inkster Boo Bash planned

Ghosts and goblins are expected to fill the Inkster Recreation Complex Oct. 31.

The City of Inkster will host the Annual Boo Bash from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 31 and provide a fun-filled, safe alternative to traditional door-to-door trick or treating activities.

There will be games, prize trick or treat bags and refreshments for children in the 6th grade and younger.

The event is free and open to all chil-

dren with the age limit.

Also planned for the evening is Trucks with Treats from 7-9 p.m. with set up beginning in the parking lot of the complex beginning at 6:30. No unwrapped candy or fruit will be allowed at the event when children can go from "truck to truck" in the lot for treats to celebrate the holiday.

The Dozer House of Horror will also be available for children.

The events are made possible by private donations and sponsors including TRM and 2Bite Entertainment.

For more information, call (734)728-7330.

The Dozer Complex is located at 2025 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

Skeletons Are Alive in Northville

The Fifth Annual Skeletons Are Alive display is in full view on downtown Northville streets, with more than 100 skeletons depicted in unique situations from taking care of business to walking the dogs, and everything in between.

These bare bones characters are sure to provide amusement and amazement. The skeletons will be on display throughout downtown through Oct. 31.

Winter Wonderland planned

The annual Plymouth Chamber of Commerce Gala Auction will have a Winter Wonderland theme this year.

The event is planned for 6 p.m. Nov. 4 at Laurel Manor on Schoolcraft Road in Livonia.

More than 500 items were donated for the auctions last year and more than 500 people attended the event. Organizers plan to have the room decorated to reflect a winter evening in Michigan.

Sponsorships and auction items are now being accepted. For more information, contact Wes Graff at www.plymouthmich.org or Doug Wallace at Douglas@plymouthmich.org.

Student pottery day set

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will host a School Day Off Pottery Workshop from 10 a.m. until noon with lunch from noon until 12:45 on Tuesday, Nov. 8 when Plymouth Canton Community Schools District students will not have class.

The workshop will begin with pottery basics and then students can make their choice of two projects. The workshop is for ages 6-14.

The fee for the workshop only, which includes glaze, kiln time and instructions, is \$32 per student or \$30 for arts council members. The fee for the workshop and lunch is \$38 per students or \$36 for arts council members. Lunch includes two slices of pizza, salad and dessert.

Registrations are now being accept at (734)416-4278.

The arts council is located at 774 North Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

Person of the Year sought

The Romulus Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the

2017 Romulus Person of the Year

Completed forms, available at the chamber website, must be returned to the chamber office by 4 p.m. Dec. 16. The office is located at 11189 Shook Road, St. 200, Romulus, MI 48174.

Later nominations will not be considered.

A committee will review the nominations and make the selection of the winning candidate. This is the 32nd year for the award in the city.

More information is available at (734) 893-0694 or admin@romuluschamber.org.

Veterans invited to free movie

State Senator Hoon-Yung Hoggood (D-Taylor) will host his 2nd Annual Free Veterans Day Movie Event planned to begin at noon Friday, Nov. 11, 2016, in acknowledgment of the tremendous sacrifice and service of America's military veterans.

In cooperation with MTR Westland Grand Cinema 16 and John Glenn High School Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC), the third movie in the Da Vinci Code series, Inferno, (PG-13) will be shown at the MTR Westland Grand Cinema 16 located at 6900 North Wayne Road in Westland. Tickets are limited to two per veteran and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is required.

Hoggood represents the 6th Senate District, which includes Belleville, Brownstown Township, Flat Rock, Huron Township, Rockwood, Romulus, Sumpter Township, Taylor, Van Buren Township, and Westland.

For additional information or to register for free tickets, contact Hoggood's office at (517) 373-7800 or by emailing SenHoggood@senate.mi.gov.

Holiday tree lighting planned

The seventh annual Main Street Boulevard Tree Lighting and Salvation Army Red Kettle Kick Off in downtown Plymouth is planned for Friday, Nov. 11. During the event, the decorated trees on the boulevard are illuminated and the Plymouth Salvation Army partners begin the Red Kettle drive. Non-perishable food for the Salvation Army pantry is also collected and a small gift is presented to the first 100 people who attend the event.

Gift certificates are being sought for the event from local businesses. For more information, contact Tony

Bruscato, director of the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, (734) 425-1453.

Coffee to be served

State Sen. Hoon-Yung Hoggood has set his November Coffee Hour for 3 p.m. Nov. 11 at Romulus House, 9130 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

For additional information regarding the meeting, contact Hoggood's office by calling (517) 373-7800, by emailing SenHoggood@senate.mi.gov or visiting his Facebook page at facebook.com/SenHoggood.

First Ladies' Fashion exhibit

The Plymouth Historical Museum First Ladies Fashion Setter Exhibit is set to open Nov. 6 at the museum.

For more information, call (734) 425-8940 or visit www.plymouthhistory.org.

Tea is served

The Wayne Public Library is hosting an Afternoon Tea at 1 p.m. Nov. 12.

A wide sampling of teas, scones, desserts and tea sandwiches from Victoria's Tea Salon will be served.

Tickets, priced at \$55, are on sale now at the Wayne Public Library. The cost is \$35 per individual or celebrate as a group with a table of eight for \$240. All proceeds go to benefit the Friends of the Wayne Public Library. Tickets can be purchased at the Circulation Desk.

The Wayne Library is located at 3737 South Wayne Road in Wayne.

Award nominations needed

Nominations for some of the most prestigious awards in the community are now being accepted by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Leona Van Buhler, Chamber Member of the Year, Ted Kuckelman Community Service and Business of the Year awards will be accepted through Nov. 21.

Nominations can be emailed to info@bellevilleareachamber.org or mailed to 248 Main St., Belleville, MI 48111.

Members of the committee will be evaluating the nominees' involvement in the community, the chamber, the schools, area non-profits, continued capital investment in the business and an overall community presence.

For more information or nomination forms, contact the chamber offices at (734) 697-7151.



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