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Legacy costs cut by \$27 million

"Today, I am proud of the collective effort undertaken by so many to reduce this liability here in the All American City."

Westland has reduced legacy costs in the city by more than \$27 million during the past seven years, according to official reports.

The Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) costs facing the city also known as legacy costs, for funding retiree healthcare benefits, have been reduced through several steps, officials said. OPEB refers to the benefits employees receive in retirement including healthcare, dental, optical coverage and life insurance.

Since 2010, Westland officials have taken a methodical and steady approach to reducing retiree costs including downsizing staff through attrition and

retirement incentives that reduced the city workforce from a high of 405 full-time employees in 2009 to 320 employees in 2017.

Changes have also been negotiated with the city union bargaining units to retiree benefits including: Eliminating healthcare in retirement for new hires in some employee groups; offering other new hires

health care savings plans as their retiree "healthcare." These plans provide funding the future retiree may use to purchase healthcare or pay for unreimbursed medical expenses and eliminating retiree healthcare at age 65 for all current employees hired prior to 2010.

At age 65, these retirees will instead receive a health reim-

bursement account. Funds may be used to purchase Medicare Advantage plans or otherwise pay for unreimbursed medical expenses.

Beginning in 2016, 230 existing retirees, roughly half the current city retirees and those over age 65, were transitioned from the city PPO health plans to customized Medicare Advantage plans. These plans mirrored the coverage these Medicare-eligible retirees had been receiving but with less costly plans that better coordinate with Medicare, officials said. Today, this change alone saves the city roughly \$600,000.

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Attention Annual Salute to Service set in Canton

Canton will once again honor hero area service men and women in a special "Salute to Service" ceremony Saturday, Nov. 11, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

This special Veterans Day celebration will recognize military personnel currently in active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard, and Reserves, as well as veterans of the armed services for their exceptional commitment and dedication.

The free event is open to the public and is presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts, and Heritage and The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for the public to view military memorabilia displays and a cookie and punch pre-show reception. The formal stage

presentation will begin at 7 p.m.

Featured speaker will be Richard Keenan, a local advocate and supporter of the Wounded Warrior Project. For many years, Keenan has worked to raise funds and awareness for the Wounded Warrior Project, which serves veterans and service members who incurred a physical or mental injury, illness, or wound, co-incident to their military service on or after Sept. 11, 2001.

Keenan also helps share and promote the organizational mission of honoring and empowering Wounded Warriors through a variety of programs and services which serve individuals with every type of injury - from the physical to the invisible wounds of war. Keenan's Annual Old Glory Golf Outings, Yoga in the Park Programs featuring Dan Nevins, and other

philanthropic efforts have helped raise tens of thousands of dollars to benefit injured veterans through the Wounded Warrior Project.

The program will also feature musical tributes by the Canton Concert Band, under the direction of Jim Elough.

In addition to the formal presentation, items for service men and women will be collected by the Michigan Military Moms, including individual size or travel size: disposable hand and foot warmers; Beef Jerky; new socks and monetary donations to offset postage. Please note that all items must be small enough to fit a 12-inch by 12-inch by 8-inch U.S. Priority box.

For more information about the free event at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

Romulus land sale means 100 jobs

More than 100 new jobs are expected at the planned first phase of a multi-tenant industrial park in Romulus.

Revitalizing Auto Communities Environmental Response Trust (RACER) officials announced last week that 69.5 acres off Ecorse Road in Romulus had been sold to Ecorse Commons LLC. The company plans to develop the land, which is located adjacent to the GM Romulus Powertrain plant, into an industrial park with a focus on transportation, warehousing and distribution.

The development is expected to include \$1.5 million in infrastructure improvements, a 416,000-square-foot building to be designed for air cargo, logistics distribution, freight forwarding and manufacturing along with a 23,000-square-foot building.

"We are excited to welcome Ecorse Commons to our home of opportunity and thank RACER Trust for working collaboratively to make it possible," said Romulus Mayor LeRoy Barendt. "This development will bring new jobs to a former industrial site and provide a boost to the surrounding area. My team and I are committed to the success of the project and we look forward to helping bring it to fruition."

Elliott Laws, administrative trustee of the trust, said the property is well-positioned to capture significant investment and jobs for both Romulus and

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2 schools removed from 'priority' list

Hoover Elementary School in Wayne and American International Academy, an elementary charter school with buildings in both Inkster and Westland, are among those rated as some of the worst performing in the state.

The Michigan Department of Education identified the schools last week and the Superintendent of Michigan Schools Brian Whitson will negotiate partnership agreements with the schools to help improve grades and student learning at the schools.

The Wayne Westland district also received good news last week when Superintendent of Schools Dr. Shelly Holt was notified that both Hicks Elementary School in Westland and Hamilton Elementary School in Inkster have been released from priority school status.

Holt was notified that the performance of the two schools had been upgraded with a personal phone call from Whitson.

The upgrade and removal from priority school status is based on increases in student achievement at the two facilities. The schools, both in the Wayne-Westland district, were notified of the achievement on

Oct. 27. The only school in the Wayne Westland district to remain on priority status is Hoover Elementary School in Wayne.

"Our district focus for all buildings is social emotional learning support, redefining climate and culture in our educational environment, providing a balanced literacy

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INKSTER - ROMULUS

Inkster officer shoots, kills homicide suspect

A homicide suspect was shot and killed by an Inkster police officer when he opened fire at police last week.

According to Michigan State Police First Lt. Mike Shaw, troopers and Inkster officers were called to 3200 block of Fredrick Court at about 5 p.m. following a report of a body on the ground. Responding officers discovered the reported body which appeared to have a fatal gunshot wound.

Following descriptions of witnesses, officers began searching the area for the suspect in the shooting. An officer observed a

man fitting the description provided by witnesses walking away from the scene at Colgate and Wellington, about a block from Fredrick Court, according to police reports. When the officer attempted to make contact with the individual to identify him, the man drew a handgun and fired shots at the law enforcement officers. Officers returned fire striking and killing the suspect, Shaw said.

The suspect was transported to Oakwood Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Police said that no one else was

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injured in the gunfire.

No identification of the suspect or the shooting victim have been released by police.

All evidence collected at both scenes was taken to the Michigan State Police Crime Laboratory in Northville. Shaw said that the

investigation into the relationship between the suspect and homicide victim remains under investigation.

State Police interviewed the officer involved in the shooting. Inkster is part of the Secure Cities Partnership, a State Police

program in which Troopers work alongside local law enforcement officers providing added investigative resources, Shaw said.

Following the officer-involved shooting, residents who believed the suspect was unarmed threatened police, Shaw said.

"We did receive some threats against law enforcement, both to our 911 center in Detroit and also to the Inkster Police Department, feeling that this was an unarmed individual that was shot by law enforcement, which is (as) far from the truth as it could possibly be," Shaw said.

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Wayne County:

"We are pleased to have come to terms with a buyer who is poised to maximize its economic development potential," Laws said. "RACER's goal in all of its transactions is to work with a buyer who is poised to maximize its economic development potential."

Steve Kalahat, the managing member of Ecorse Commons, called the endeavor an important project for the community and said he looks forward to breaking ground.

This property is ideally suited for the type of development and reuse that we envision, and we expect it to sustain hundreds of good-paying jobs that will support local families for years to come," Kalahat said.

Students attend STEM conference

More than 100 students from Romulus Middle School and Romulus High School were among the attendees at the Women of Color STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Conference last month in downtown Detroit.

Top female experts in science, technology, engineering and math spoke to the audiences providing career insight during Student Day 2017.

The experience provided hands-on exploration for students through team-focused break-out sessions, led by industry professionals. Students were exposed to interactive workshops, working hand-in-hand with employees of Fortune 500 companies including Boeing, Ford Motor

Co., General Motors, Huntington Ingalls, NASA, and several others. Not only did students hear from experts, they also participated in group competitions.

Students worked on projects including airplane propulsion, cost efficient toy manufacturing, and the designing of fragile shipment devices.

"The field trip was the best I've ever been on, I was able to learn about some amazing careers," said Romulus Middle School 7th grade student Matthew Jackson.

The conference is in its 20th year, and is designed to provide insight and opportunities for individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in STEM.



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BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Canton joins in 'Giving Tuesday' event

Canton Leisure Services will be participating in #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration.

The day of giving will take place Tuesday, Nov. 28 following Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events, Black Friday and Cyber Monday. #GivingTuesday is celebrated as the beginning of the charitable season, when many focus on giving and tax-deductible, end-of-year giving.

Canton programs include: Lead #LikeAGirl Scholarship Fund - A leadership program hosted by The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center that aims to empower at-risk young women, ages 11-16, to rethink what it means to lead and live #LikeAGirl. This scholarship fund helps provide college scholarships for graduated participants; Canton Youth Advisory Council Fund - This fund supports an influential group of high school students who truly make a difference in their community. Members participate in

community service projects, lead special events, and participate in local decision making in the Canton community. The fund allows youth members to annually grant money to organizations that benefit Canton youth and Camp A.B.L.E. Fund - This fund provides an award-winning adaptive, summer camp experience for children with special needs between the ages of 8-15. Campers are able to participate in traditional camp activities modified to best meet their needs.

Donations will be accepted on #GivingTuesday or at any time online at: <https://go.g/UT2U9>. Any and all support is greatly appreciated.

This donation drive is made possible by the Canton Community Foundation, which has helped to enhance philanthropy in Canton and the surrounding communities since 1989 by working with donors to build endowment funds that benefit the community and charitable interests, create personal legacies, and serve as catalysts for positive change.



After studying a program curriculum that was developed to promote positive behavior, enhance social skills and encourage improved academic performance, these 2017 Lead #LikeAGirl graduates pose for a post-ceremony class photo on The Village Theater at Cherry Hill stage.

according to the website. For additional information about the Canton Community Foundation, visit www.cantonfoundation.org.

For more information about Canton Leisure Services' #GivingTuesday campaign, call (734) 394-5376 or email leisure@canton-mi.org.

Winners of annual art exhibition are named

Judges chose the winning artworks in the 8th Annual Community Art Show in Belleville last month.

The show, organized by the Belleville Arts Council for the Arts, awarded prizes to several of the 100 artworks entered in the show which took place at the Belleville Yacht Club.

Winners included a first place award to Rhonda Dutton, a second place award to Liz Dobbs and a third place award to

Sharonne Walton. In the Adult 3 category, Diane Kissinger was awarded first place, second place went to Loei Gnat and a third place award went to Tim Elden.

In the photography category, Paul Elden was awarded first prize, Emily Marsh won second place and third place went to Gwendolyn Roth.

In the teens from 13-18 category, Katie Russell won first place, Leslie Stypelski won second and Allison Bowen won

third place. In the children 6-12 of age, Olivia Dobbs won first place, second place went to Naimi Yarbrough and third place went to Ellie Russell.

The people's choice award went to Tim Elden for his work, Life Without Roundup and to Naimi Yarbrough for Crochet.

Judges this year included David Parrot, Tom Smith, Mary Jo Suty, Kevin MacNamara and Barbara Rogalle Miller.

Sponsors of the art show this year were: Barbara Rogalle Miller; David C. Brown Funeral Home, Sumpter Collision, Belleville Bariatrics, Mike & Charlene Renaud, Shelby Brown Chudinski and Jim Chudinski, Jean Morris, and Kerry Morris. Other participants in the show included the Belleville Yacht Club, A Design Line Embroidery, Garden Fantasy on Main, Twisted Rooster, Equus Pub and The Bake Shoppe.

Accused priest to enter diversion program

The retired priest accused of larceny from a Canton Township church has entered the diversion program offered by the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor.

The Rev. Eugene Katcher, 71, the former priest at Resurrection Parish, will have no criminal record if he successfully completes specific court orders under the provisions of the program.

Katcher was charged with three counts of larceny which alleged he had taken money from collection plates in the

church, stolen votive candle donations and illegally taken church property including a television and wine.

Katcher, 71, qualified for the diversion program because he had no prior record and was charged with a non-violent offense, according to Maria Miller, a spokeswoman for the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor. Miller said that the law prohibited any further comment or disclosures regarding the program or the court stipulations Katcher is required to com-

plete. Should he fail to satisfy those court orders, criminal charges against him could be re-instated.

Katcher served at Resurrection Parish

from 2014 until the allegations surfaced in July. His retirement from active priesthood was already planned, according to Archdiocese officials.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, November 28, 2017 for the following:

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Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.cantonmi.org, or you may contact Mike Skogstad at (734) 394-5375. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Fuel".

Sealed bids must be received at the office of the Clerk no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 28, 2017. A copy of the proposed bid is available for public inspection at the above address in the Clerk's Office week days from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. This budget may be adjusted after the public hearing.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be the subject of this hearing.

Amy Veria
Plymouth Township Clerk

Public
Thursday, November 2, 2017
Thursday, November 9, 2017

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

The Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township budget for the fiscal year of 2018 during their regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Charter Township of Plymouth, Town Hall Meeting Room, 9055 S. Saginaw Road, Plymouth, MI. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the above address in the Clerk's Office week days from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. This budget may be adjusted after the public hearing.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications in Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcome in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even when pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Beth Broadbent, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48103, (734) 394-5200 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Beth Broadbent, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48103, (734) 394-5200.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a charge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids or reasonable modifications of policy, such as removing items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who are unable to use them.

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Rotary speaker urges papilloma vaccinations

Julie Brown
Special Writer

Jennifer Nagy of the American Cancer Society (ACS) is a woman on a mission.

"If we had a vaccine for breast cancer, moms and daughters would be lined up," said Nagy, a Belleville resident and health systems manager/hospitals for the ACS. She visited a Westland Rotary meeting last month to urge vaccination of young people for the human papilloma virus.

The vaccine has been proven, including by the ACS and the federal government Centers for Disease Control, to be safe and effective, she said. Its early focus was on female cervical cancer, although it's also crucial for other cancer prevention, including penile, anal and head and throat.

Only one in three girls and

one in five U.S. boys are currently vaccinated, Nagy told the Rotarians. States, the CDC and the American Cancer Society are working hard to get the message out, with a focus on people through their mid-20s.

"So we're not getting the shots," she said. "We have a barrier because we don't have a provider talking to the moms and dads, educating."

She and others from the ACS are working with the health care community, including physicians, to boost awareness. That day the Rotarians were purple in honor of World Polio Day, a crippling disease now nearly cured through vaccination, research and public awareness. Polio remains in parts of Asia and Africa, although warring is often stopped to allow childhood immunization against it.

Of the human papilloma virus

"We have a fear because we don't have a provider talking to the moms and dads, educating."

vaccine, Nagy said. "It got launched in a really odd way." There were misadventures 10 to 15 years ago it would somehow lead to premature sexual activity.

Close human contact, including sexual intercourse, is how the virus is spread, although its sexual focus wasn't correct in education efforts, Nagy said. "This isn't a conversation about sex. This is a discussion about cancer prevention," she noted.

Pre-adolescent start to the vaccine is ideal, she said, and it's now vital for both genders as some eight cancers are tied to

the virus, not only cervical in females. Insurance companies now cover it, she said, and the ACS would love to see it filter into a requirement for school enrollment.

"We are working many avenues," Nagy said. Its only side effects are short-term burning sensations at the shot site and some redness. Over 200 million doses have been given worldwide following years of testing, Nagy emphasized.

She's a 59-year-old cervical cancer survivor. "I'm coming to you with my heart and saying get

your kids vaccinated. There's nothing sexy about cancer," Nagy said.

Colleague Megan Schaper is the ACS community development manager and lives in Royal Oak. "We want to do it before we get to that point," she said of cancer prevention being better than after-the-fact treatment.

Schaper is often asked about when cancer will be cured. After the Rotary talk, she noted it's likely not going to be a single shot in the arm.

"We have a lot of work to do with providers," Nagy added. "I'm not here to preach; I just want to educate."

The message that day was serious but there was also a bit of levity. "My dad is a barber here in Westland," said Nagy of her father who works at Dick's Barber Shop. "I feel like it's home."

Schools

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approach, and ensuring all district resources are aligned to support these focus areas," Holt said in a prepared statement.

The partnership agreements with the poor-performing schools is an alternative to closing them, which is currently a provision in state law. Rather, the state education department helps the individual schools devise a plan for improvements.

The State School Reform Office identified the schools previously on the list as priority schools when they continued to

lag in the percentage of students who test as proficient in math and English skills.

The affected schools now have 90 days to reach an agreement with the state. The district is also expected to identify any partner agencies with which they will work to improve student performance at the schools. Those designated agencies must include the local school board.

"The district will be working closely with the Michigan Department of Education in the coming weeks to continue our efforts to improve student achievement, student outcomes, and the social emotional learning of students," the prepared statement from Holt concluded.

St. Mary school serves pancakes

St. Mary Catholic School will host a free pancake breakfast and open house from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Nov. 12.

Visitors can tour the Pre-K-8th grade school, meet teachers and

see the newest technology updates in action as students perform in-class demonstrations.

The middle school drama class will be performing a skit and there will be a free pancake

breakfast at the faith-based school.

There will also be masses at 9 and 11 a.m. and a Spanish mass at 2 p.m. The school is located at 34316 Michigan Ave. in Wayne.

Costs

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annually in retiree health care costs.

"This year's OPEB valuation, something all municipalities must undertake every two years, was the first to fully reflect the scope of all changes the city has made over the past eight years," commented Mayor William R.

Wild. "Strategically, we knew reducing liabilities related to legacy costs could not happen overnight."

"It was with the support of city council, partnering with all of our unions through many years of negotiations, and the trust placed in us by current retirees that these changes that will reduce liability and increase sustainability for years to come this has 2017 million dollar reduction possible," Wild added.

Wild praised the work of Plante Moran Employee Benefits Consultants, a division of the independent public accounting firm, members of his administration including the Finance and Personnel department and the employee groups represented by AFSCME, UAW, IAFF and the POAII.

"Today, I am proud of the collective effort undertaken by so many to reduce this liability here in the All American City."

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1. Obituaries



William Richard Love
William Richard Love, 65, of Belleville, died peacefully at Beaumont Hospital in Wayne, on Monday, Oct. 30, 2017. Mr. Love was the beloved husband of Denise Love for 36 wonderful years; loving father of David (Kris) Swada of Roscompton and Julie (John Kapach) Love of Florida; cherished grandfather of Scorpio (Lindsay) Swada of Virginia, Layla Swada of Plymouth, Hayley Love of Florida, Jani Swada of Roscompton and Meadow Love of Florida. Mr. Love is also survived by his loving, great-granddaughter, Emma; siblings, Susan (Joseph) Grubik of Cadillac and Harry Love also of Cadillac and his best friend, his dog, "Bear". Mr. Love was born Sept. 29, 1952 in McKeessport, Pa. to Freeman and Agnes Love. Mr. Love was a minister with Heavenly Light Church. He enjoyed fish by maintaining an impressive aquarium and computer gaming. He was a champion on arcade player and truly loved his family and friends. In keeping with Mr. Love's wishes, cremation has been arranged by David C. Brown, Funeral Home, Belleville, (313) 597-4500. www.davidc.brown.com A memorial dinner is planned from 5 until 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, 2017 at Belleville Moose Lodge #934, 45476 Harris Road, Sumpter Township. Those who wish to make a memorial tribute, may do so to the charity of their choice.

59. Auctions

On Wednesday, November 15th 2017, at 11:00 am, Great Lakes Towing, Impound and Recovery Division located at 42300 Van Born Rd, Belleville, MI, County of Wayne, will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles for multiple police agencies. The following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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On Wednesday, November 15th 2017, at 11:00 am, Great Lakes Towing, Impound and Recovery Division located at 42300 Van Born Rd, Belleville, MI, County of Wayne, will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles for multiple police agencies. The following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

2002 KIA AD
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2002 Cadillac 2C
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2000 Volvo 2D
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The above vehicles are all impounded through the Canton Township Public Safety Department. Days 6 to 8: \$300 per vehicle above the make available to the Canton Township Public Safety Department. Bidding on this is to be picked up from City of Canton, 10000 E. Lincoln, Canton, MI 48105. Questions within 48 hours of the sale.

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Swiped

Westland police investigators are attempting to identify the suspects shown in this surveillance photo due to their involvement in multiple credit fraud and larceny from auto complaints. The suspects have been recorded on video at multiple locations attempting to use stolen credit cards that were taken from vehicles. Anyone who can identify the suspects is asked to contact the Westland Police Detective Bureau, (734) 467-7914.

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NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

'StoryVille' celebrates holiday season

The annual Holiday Lighted Parade through downtown Northville will again open the Christmas season and this year local merchants will be offering a special showcase throughout the city.

Twenty four participating businesses will have their front windows dressed in holiday style depicting a popular holiday story. With the push of a button the story will be narrated, often by a recognizable celebrity voice.

Prosty the Snowman will come

alive at Starring 'The Gallery' as the story is shown through paintings on the store front window.

Santa and a few of his celebrity friends from Northville will 'open the book' on StoryVille at noon Saturday Nov. 18 in Town Square.

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This free, family-friendly event runs through the end of December.

the newest stories like James Patterson's just released, 'The Candles Save Christmas'. Visitors will be able to listen to local celebrities reading the stories on speakers provided by AC/TVnews outside the stores - or - on their personal devices by visiting enjoynorthville.com. Listeners will hear Northville

Mayor Ken Roth read an excerpt from A Christmas Carol in front of Brown Dog Parlor. Chuck Galicia reads 'The Grinch for Edwards'. Blaine Fowler from WVDU, tells the story of Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree in front of Northville Nail Salon. Former Miss Michigan and new Northville resident Angela Corsi Leon reads

Fancy Nancy for Dear Prudence. The Mouse That Saved Christmas will be read in English and Spanish in the window of Dr. Robert Paulsen.

The soundtrack is sponsored by Preservation Dental, the office of Dr. William Denary - whose windows will tell the story 'Twelve Night Before Christmas', read by Tipping Point's Producing Artistic Director James Kuhl.

This free, family-friendly event runs through the end of December.

Genealogists set monthly meeting

Area residents who have wondered where they came from or who their ancestors were can use their DNA to determine their genetic story.

The next meeting of the Northville Genealogical Society will feature Dr. James Sims discussing "Venturing into Genetic Genealogy" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12.

The public is invited to attend, free of charge. The meeting will take place at the Northville District Library located at 212 West Cady St. in Northville. The roundtable discussion, "Toys & Tools for Genealogists", will begin at 1:15 p.m. At this time, members will discuss their favorite toys and tools for researching and making information easier to find. A business meeting will begin at 2:30 p.m., open

to the public, prior to Sims' presentation.

Since his retirement, Sims often speaks on the topic of genetic genealogy in which he has more than 15 years of experience. This is an introductory level talk on genetic genealogy focusing on how DNA is inherited. Sims will explain how to understand the inheritance pattern of DNA in order to help choose the correct test to address genealogical questions.

Autosomal DNA and Y-DNA testing will also be discussed. Sims will talk about his own personal experience as a customer of 23AndMe, Ancestry DNA and FamilyTree DNA.

Sims' talk in April next year will be titled "I have a DNA Test Result. What comes next?"

There is no cost to attend the meeting.

Difference volunteers sought

Plymouth Community United Way is seeking volunteers for the annual Make a Difference Day set for Saturday, Nov. 18.

Volunteers will be helping to provide full clean-up for low-income and disabled community members in Plymouth and Canton. The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast at Plymouth First United Methodist Church. After breakfast, teams will head out to two selected homes in the community.

Volunteers are asked to register with Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879 ext. 5. This event is perfect for families, youth groups, local companies, or just about anyone. Come with friends, or alone, we will match you with a great group of hard-working team members, Williams said.

Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Volunteers should be prepared to bring rakes, and other yard tools if possible. Plymouth Community United Way will supply lawn bags secured through grants and donations.

Any company or group that would like to participate but cannot come on Saturday can schedule another volunteer clean-up day by contacting Williams.

For more information, visit www.plymouthcommunityunitedway.org Serving the Plymouth, Canton and Western Wayne County area since 1944, Plymouth Community United Way addresses human service needs of individuals and families.



Celebrity visit

Plymouth's favorite Bernese Mountain Dog, Stella, will appear at the Plymouth District Library for a book launch from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12. She is the focus of a new children's book, written by Helena and Bob Ostendorf, co-authors of Stella's Black Dog Tavern. Bob Ostendorf will read from the book with Stella by his side. Photo opportunities with Stella will be available and copies of the book will be on hand for purchase. The book is illustrated by regional artist Michael Mullen, who will share his process of creating the illustrations for the book. Proceeds from the book sale will be shared with the library and a non-profit veterans support group. Stella is certified as a service dog for Ostendorf, a Vietnam veteran. She is a frequent visitor at area VA hospitals, where she lends emotional support to fellow veterans. For more information, contact the library at (734) 453-0750, ext. 242.



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Calendar of events

\$25,000 raffle under way

Tickets for the second annual Northville Educational Foundation \$25,000 Cash For College Raffle are now available.

Tickets are priced at \$50 each, or three for \$100. Proceeds from the raffle benefit the Northville Educational Foundation and the 7,300 students in the district. If ticket sales total less than \$50,000, the prize will revert to a 50/50 drawing with a minimum of a \$10,000 prize.

The drawing will take place at about 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at the Northville Tree Lighting Ceremony in the town square just after the Holiday Lighted Parade. Ticket holders need not be present to win.

Tickets will be sold until the start of the parade Nov. 17, or until all 1500 tickets are sold, whichever comes first. Purchasers must be 18 or older.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.SupportNEF.org or in person at the Northville Educational Foundation office at 501 West Main St. in Northville.

Parade entries sought

Entries for the Winter Fest Parade Dec. 2 are now being accepted at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, 240 Main St., Belleville, 48111.

Rules for parade entries require that the vehicle must be decorated with working lights. Vehicles with headlights that remain closed over them during participation as headlights distract other participants and judges. Music, however, is welcome.

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

Veterans concert planned

The Michigan Philharmonic will present *Hail to the Veterans* at 8 p.m. Nov. 10 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial Road.

The musical salute to military veterans will feature the Detroit Children's Choir; Main Street Opera Theatre Children's Chorus; Plymouth Counselors Youth Chorus and the Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra Sinfonia.

For more information call (734) 451-2112 or visit michiganphil.org.

Girls Night Out tomorrow

Tall Girls Night Out is set to begin at 5 p.m. tomorrow in downtown Northville.

Fifty retail stores, including art galleries, boutiques and home decor will stay open late and offer discounts, special gifts and drawings. Some downtown restaurants are also participating. Merchants say there's something for women of all ages and styles.

For more information visit <http://www.girlsnorthville.com/girls-night-out/>

Post photos with Santa set

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue will host Pet Pictures With Santa from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Nov. 11.

Photos will be snapped by Kris Greenfield of Kri Creative Photography, LLC and will require a donation to the rescue group.

The fundraiser will take place at 51299 Arkona Road in Belleville.

For more information, call (734) 461-9450 or access@miar.org.

Veterans post needs new home

The American Legion Westland Post 251 is in need of a temporary building or home the veterans could maintain including minor repair work, if needed, painting, maintenance of a parking lot and/or yard work.

The group would also pay utility bills at the home or building.

Anyone who may be able to help the veterans group is asked to contact Post Commander Bill Acton at (734) 776-5491.

Acton noted that the veterans are in need of assistance in finding a location for the post operations.

Core Cross Training offered

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer a six-week Core Cross Training course presented by Mercy Elite Sports Performance from 7-8 p.m. on Mondays, starting Nov. 13 through Dec. 18 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Students can learn to properly strengthen their core with the help of a certified athletic trainer from Mercy Elite Sports Performance and Physical Therapy. Students should bring a mat and towel. This class is open to participants ages 18 and up. Cost is \$100 for city of Plymouth residents and \$115 for non-residents.

Registration can be found online at www.plymouthmi.us or by calling (734) 455-6620, from 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Fundraising lunch served

The Family Resource Center will serve a buffet lunch at Café Marquette in the William D. Ford Career Technical Center from 11:15 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14.

The minimum donation is \$10 per person payable at the door.

All donations received will be used to fund the Family Resource Center which assists students and families in need who are attending the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

For more information, contact Amanda Dybus at (734) 419-2709 or ajbus@wvcsd.net.

The center is located at 36455 Marquette Road in Westland. Cash donations to the center can be made payable to WWC's Family Resource Center and mailed to 36745 Marquette, Westland, 48185.

Choicework school forums scheduled

Wayne-Westland Community Schools administrators are looking for some help.

The district officials are asking residents of the district to participate in a process that will allow students, staff, parents and community members to provide perspectives on how to best invest in the district facilities.

Community meetings to discuss the future investments are planned from 5:15 until 7 p.m. Nov. 14 at the Dyer Senior Adult Center, 36745 Marquette in Westland or at 6 p.m. Nov. 16 at the same location.

Input from residents is also being accepted through an online survey which can be accessed and completed at www.wvcsd.net.

Questions about this Choicework process, contact Jim Larson-Shidler at (734) 419-2042 or Larson-shidlerj@wvcsd.net.

Slow Flow Yoga classes set

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer Adult Slow Flow Yoga classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The seven-week class will take place from 6:30 until 7:45 p.m. on Tuesdays, Nov. 14 - Dec. 26 or Thursdays, Nov. 9 through Dec. 28 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The class will incorporate a gentle flow of movement and breath, with a focus on form and body awareness. Each class will end with a guided meditation and relaxation. Cost for this class is \$89 for city of Plymouth residents and \$104 for non-residents.

Registration can be found online at www.plymouthmi.us or by calling (734) 455-6620, 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Annual potters sale set

The Village Potters Guild will host the Holiday Pottery Sale Nov. 16, 17 and 18. The sale will feature original handmade pottery from more than 20 artists all crafted in Plymouth. Hours for the sale from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16 and from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. both Friday, Nov. 18 and Saturday, Nov. 18. Items include a large variety of ceramic pieces including mugs, bowls, decorative items and sculpture. The Potters Guild is located at 326 N. Main in Plymouth. For more information (734) 207-8807 or www.villagepottersguild.org.

Kung Fu classes offered

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer a six-week Kung Fu class designed for children and adults. The classes will take place from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays Nov. 14 through Dec. 19 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The class is taught in a traditional environment that allows students to learn at their own pace. Students are required to wear black uniforms that can be purchased in class. Cost for this class is \$47 for city of Plymouth residents and \$62 for non-residents.

Registration can be found online at www.plymouthmi.us or by calling (734) 455-6620, 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Christmas Tea is served

A Christmas Tea will be served at the Wayne Public Library at 1-3 p.m. Nov. 18. The tea, catered by Victoria's Tea Salon, is a fundraiser for the Friends of the Wayne Public Library.

Cost is \$35 per person, or \$349 for a table of 8.

Tickets are available at the library circulation desk. For more information, call (734) 723-7832.

The library is located at 3737 S. Wayne Road in Wayne.

Thanksgiving celebration planned

Servive Builder Foundation, Inc. the 501 © 3 Affiliate of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Eta Iota Omega Chapter will host a Thanksgiving Dinner from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19 at the Booker T. Dozier Recreation Center, 2325 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

For more information, contact Margaret William at (734) 325-5454.

Holiday Bell concert set

The combined bell choirs of Plymouth churches will present a Handbell Festival Concert at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth at 4 p.m. Nov. 18.

More than 40 handbell ringers will join in celebrating the Thanksgiving season with a program featuring music performed by all of the choirs ringing together, and by each bell choir individually. The concert will also include audience singing along of familiar Thanksgiving hymns.

Admission is free; an offering will be received to benefit the Salvation Army. First United Methodist Church is located at 43201 North Territorial Road, a mile east of Bock Road, and offers ample parking and barrier-free entrances.

The concert is open to the public. For more information, call (734) 453-7280.

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