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Crash claims 2 lives in Canton

Police have asked anyone who witnessed the incident or who may have any information as to the identity of the driver... call the Canton Township Police Department at (734) 394-5400.

Canton Township police continue to investigate the Sunday afternoon car crash which killed two pedestrians.

According to police reports, officers were dispatched to Lotz Road and Michigan Avenue at about 5:43 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13 following reports of a three-car, two pedestrian crash.

Preliminary investigation indicated that a 54-year-old Westland resident and a 45-year-old Inkster resident had been struck as they were crossing the eastbound lanes of Michigan Avenue at Lotz. Witnesses said the two were attempting to get from the south to the north side of the road when the Westland resident was struck by a 2013-2016 dark blue or black Dodge

Caravan or similar vehicle, which then left the scene. The victim was then subsequently struck again by a Buick LaCrosse which did stop at the scene, police said. The Inkster resident was struck by a Ford Expedition, which also stopped at the scene of the incident, according to police.

The 54-year-old pedestrian from Westland was pronounced dead at the scene by medical personnel. The 45-year-old Inkster resident was transported

to St. Mary Hospital in Livonia in critical condition where he later succumbed to his injuries, police reports said. No injuries were reported by the drivers or passengers of the vehicles which stopped.

The driver of the dark blue or black 2013-2016 Dodge Caravan was described as a Middle Eastern male, approximately 36-40 years old, clean-shaven with short black hair. He was wearing a dark, possibly black suit with a red tie, wit-

nesses told officers who said the driver stopped briefly exited the vehicle and then immediately left the scene.

Police have asked anyone who witnessed the incident or who may have any information as to the identity of the driver or the owner of the vehicle to call the Canton Township Police Department at (734) 394-5400. The Dodge Caravan or similar type vehicle should have significant front-end damage, police said.

Speed, alcohol and distracted driving do not appear to be factors in the crash with the two drivers who remained on scene, police said.

The Canton Police Department Accident Investigation Team was called in to investigate the fatal crash.



Special celebration

Last week, the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club hosted the annual Officers of the Year presentation for both the city and township. Chosen for honors this year were City of Plymouth Police Officer Tony Angelosanto, from left, seated, Plymouth Township Police Officer Jeff McFarland, Huron Valley Ambulance Paramedic Scott Morel, City of Plymouth Firefighter MFR David Tabaka and Plymouth Township Firefighter Paramedic Jeff Mallari. Proudly supporting their officers were City of Plymouth Police Chief Al Cox, standing at left, Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiddington, Huron Valley Ambulance Supervisor Andy Savage, City of Northville Fire Chief Stephen J. Ot and Plymouth Township Fire Chief Dan Phillips. The officers are selected annually for the honors based on their outstanding performance of their public service duties during the year. The presentation is an annual tradition of the Rotary Club to celebrate and thank the police and fire personnel in the community. Photo by Dawn Willett

City OK's lease of closed fire station

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could hinder response times from other stations. "We need to have a fire station on this side of town open. I don't agree with renting it out."

Located at 3220 Northline Road, the fire station will keep the name of former Fire Chief Joe Crova. The city voted 4-3 to approve the lease, with council members Kathy Abdo, Harry Croust and William Wadsworth voting against the proposal.

"We need to get this fire station open," Abdo said, voicing concerns that railroad traffic

value to the fire service," said Mayor Leroy Burcroft. "You have my word that what revenue we get we're going to try to enhance it through people, through equipment training and resources. Our residents deserve more; we want to do more, we just have to have the revenue to do it."

Councilwoman Celeste Roscoe said she thought it was a good idea, too.

"The monies are going to go back into our fire department. If after one year, it looks like we

can put our own fire department in there, the building will still be in good condition and we can do that," she said. "In the meantime, it's going to be revenue we can use to improve our fire department right now."

Councilwoman Linda Choate pointed out that renting the vacant building out was a good way to protect the money. Romulus had already spent on the building, which dates back to 1980.

"The city has a lot of money invested in that building. We built it new, we bought that large parcel of property. As long as it's occupied, our investment is taken care of. If it just sits vacant, it continues to rot. What's going to happen then? We're not going to have anything."

Gas line replacement set in Westland

A failing gas line in Westland will be replaced by Consumers Energy.

A series of inspections by the utility provider determined that a section of natural gas pipeline along Middlebelt and Joy Road in Westland needs to be replaced "in order to ensure future reliability for the large number of residential, commercial and industrial customers who receive gas service in the

area," according to a prepared statement from the office of Mayor William Wild.

The first phase of the project will replace approximately 8,000 feet of 10-inch pipeline along Joy and Middlebelt roads to Elmira Street. Construction is being expedited to enhance the pipeline in time for the winter heating season, according to Wild. Work will be performed by Consumers Energy employees

and should be completed by mid-December.

The new pipeline will be installed using both boring and trenching methods. In general, boring will be used to install the pipeline underneath major roads, while trenching will be used alongside street right-of-ways. Lane closures on both Joy and Middlebelt will be necessary at times, but typically will be from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday. Restoration of affected areas will follow construction; however, due to cold weather full restoration may take place in 2017.

Construction questions should be referred to Kyle Howell at (248) 794-0903 while all other project questions can be addressed to John Turk at (517) 262-8338 between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

CANTON

International festival set

Experience music, dance, and drama from around the world when the Canton International Festival returns to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in 11:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19. This annual cultural and educational festival celebrates the diversity of Canton and surrounding communities.

Countries represented this year through dance, music and vocal performances, include: China, India, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, New Zealand, Poland, Polynesia, Tahiti, and the United States. Featured performers this year include: Bollywood Fusion with Chinmayee Kulkarni; New Century Choir; The Tim O'Hare School of Traditional Irish Dance of Ann Arbor and Plymouth; Ann Hua Clivia Dance Group; Jade Dance School; Ann Arbor; Canton Q Pao Team; Sitar featuring Charvik Vaidhyanar; a studio featuring Manjula Verma; Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan featuring Soprano Ciodagh Earls and Tenor Tyrone Bouque with Piano Collaborator John Pavik; Team Blossom

and Ann Hua Dance; Yangtze Melody Group; Hoaloah with Melanee Hirvela; Anna Ballet & Dance; Ann Hua Waist Drum Team; Joyas de Mexico Ballet under the direction of Lucy Del Real; Skylark of Novi; Troy Chinese Classic Music Guzheng Team; Julie Gravel; Polish Centennial Dancers; Sunshine Children's Choir; Dance the Life Mantra Academy; Asian Indian Dance Group of Canton featuring dance choreography by Parul Shah; Plymouth-Canton Chinese Learning Center; Michigan Non-Curry Chinese School and the Bollywood Dancers.

Numerous cultural exhibits will be featured in theater lobby and cultural items from around the world will also be available for purchase during the event. Visitors will be treated to an International Streets Table where foreign International desserts from Metro Detroit area bakeries will be available for purchase.

The event is presented by the all-volunteer Multicultural Committee of the



Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage.

stage production is general admission. The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. For more information about the Canton International Festival, call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION 2017 Meeting Schedule

At the Meeting of November 14, 2016, the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton adopted the following meeting schedule for 2017:

January 9, February 6, March 6, April 5, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 7, September 11, October 2, November 6, December 4.

The meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide 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 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 welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and procedures 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 welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where 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 Kaitlyn Conley, Human Resources Manager, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48103 (734) 394-5300 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 Kaitlyn Conley, Human Resources Manager, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48103 (734) 394-5300.

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

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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 5, 2016 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 7.1.1 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

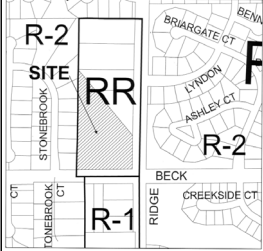
FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH SPECIAL LAND USE. - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH AS SHOWN IN SECTION 12.25(4) FOR PARCEL NO. 420-09-000-080. Property is located on the northwest corner of Buck and Warren Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center, prior to Thursday, December 1, 2016, to allow to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

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Faith Baptist Church 020-SLU-3754



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA

DECEMBER 8, 2016

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) on Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 4:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48103.

7:00 PM -

Call to Order

Prayer of Appreciation

Roll Call: Jim Clark, Vicki White, Craig Engel, Catherine Colburn and Greg Grante. Absent: Gregory Thompson.

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes: October 13, 2016 Minutes.

General Comments

1. Applicant Ash Buckles and Project Representative Thomas Diamond for vacant property located on the north side of Michigan Avenue between Haggerty and Little Rock. Appearing Article 2.00 - General Provisions Section 2.24 setbacks from wetland areas and watercourses. Parcel ID 71-137-09-000-000 and 71-017-09-000-001 (Planning).

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48103, Phone 734-394-5120.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend participants at the meeting/hearing should contact Kaitlyn Conley, Human Resources Manager at 734-394-5300.

Reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice.

A complete copy of the Access to Public Meetings Policy is available at www.cantonmi.org. BC111770-1020 2.0 x 4.0 1.00

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 5, 2016 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A - ZONING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING ARTICLE R06 - AMENDING THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES ON THE ZONING MAP AS FOLLOWS:

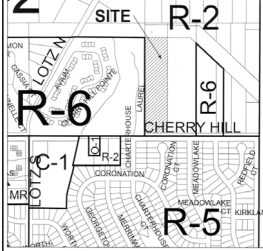
APPROXIMATE REZONING: - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 852-09-003-000 FROM R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-4, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located north of Cherry Hill Road and east of Lot 16.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center, prior to Thursday, December 1, 2016, to allow to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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Guzzo-Bruni Rezone 052-RZ-3813



BELLEVILLE - WAYNE - WESTLAND

Wayne receives \$100,000 grant for ball fields repair

The City of Wayne is \$100,000 closer to a sports complex thanks to a \$100,000 grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corp.

State Rep. Robert Kosowski (D-Westland) presented the state check for \$100,000 to city officials recently.

"I am proud that I was able to bring home this money to my district," Kosowski said. "By working across the aisle in a bi-partisan manner, residents in my district will benefit from having improvements done to our parks and recreation department."

The funds are a special legislative grant designated for a sports complex in the city. Wayne officials met with representatives of the Wayne Baseball Association earlier this year when the grant was initially announced by the state to discuss the best use of the funding. The money will be used, officials said, for improvements at the Forest and Walnut ball fields.

Officials said that the fields have fallen

into disrepair and renovations and upgrades are necessary to continue to bring tournaments to the city. Specific improvements will be recommended by an engineering firm to be hired by the city to determine the necessary improvements at the field. The engineering contract will be a bid process, officials said. Kosowski said that he is aware that the fields need new dirt, fencing and dugouts and a total resump of the area is probably necessary.

"I look forward to seeing the projects as they unfold," Kosowski, the former parks and recreation director for the City of Westland, said. "One of the greatest things about being a legislator is being able to have a direct impact on your constituents' lives. Hopefully the residents of Wayne will enjoy these improvements to our recreational areas."

Currently, the Wayne Baseball Association oversees organized baseball for youths through adults at the fields.



Kim Mandrelle in the Dodge Viper with Stevenson Middle School students.

Students meet Viper engineer

Whatever you think, Think Bigger: That was the challenge posed to students at Franklin and Stevenson middle schools recently during the Young Inventors Contest.

Wayne-Westland Community Schools partnered with AlphaUSA to sponsor the Young Inventors Contest, an effort to inspire young people to develop a passion for building things. Middle school students who are in the Education Technology classes at Franklin and Stevenson were invited to the inaugural program, which featured keynote speaker PCA Engineer David Bailey, the engineer for the Dodge Viper.

After the presentation, the viper was shown to the students as an example of what can be created when you "think bigger."

As part of the project, students will think of something they want to create and present the concept to their teacher. Teachers will select five finalists from each school and the top finalists will be invited to the Young Inventors Showcase in January at Schoolcraft College. Students will explain their invention to an audience.

For more information on the contest, contact Kim Mandrelle at MandrelleK@wvcsd.net.

Marijuana zoning considered

Belleville City Council members agreed only to put revising current zoning for medical marijuana dispensaries on a "yellow up" list.

At a recent meeting, attorney Steve Hitecheck made a presentation to the council members suggesting that removing the special zoning in the city requiring the dispensaries to be located in an industrial district. Hitecheck explained the intricacies of new the Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act approved by the state Legislature in September.

The legislation has been signed by Gov. Rick Snyder and will become effective Dec. 20. Licenses will not be available for one year following that effective date, Hitecheck said.

Hitecheck said the council could remove the current zoning requirements and not have specific zoning for marijuana dispensaries in the city.

He noted that the new state legislation dramatically changes the rules for marijuana in the state and is considered a step toward legalization of recreational marijuana in Michigan. He added that he expects that issue to appear on an upcoming ballot.

Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conkey told Hitecheck that city officials would take some action on the issue after they had the opportunity to hear from residents at a public meeting. She said the meeting and action would take place within the next year and placed the issue on the council follow-up list.

Veterans' meals available

Members of the Wayne-Ford Civic League will be participating with Mayor William Wild and State Rep. Robert Kosowski to help local veterans in need on Thanksgiving. The partnership will work to ensure veterans in need have a Thanksgiving meal.

Vic Barra, president of the Wayne-Ford Civic League, Wild and Kosowski will be providing frozen turkeys, along with mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, cranberry sauce and choice of corn or green beans to veterans in need for their Thanksgiving dinner. Westland Veterans should call Wild's office at (734) 467-3200 or Kosowski's office (517) 373-2576, to register for the groceries through Monday, Nov. 21.

The turkeys will be distributed from 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22.

"As a veteran, I was proud to begin this tradition with Mayor Wild and State Representative Kosowski 3 years ago," commented Barra. "To see it grow as more veterans become aware of the effort is extremely rewarding and I appreciate the continued support of our local elected officials to help our veterans in need."

"This is the third year that we have partnered on this cause that is very important to us," commented Kosowski. "We want to ensure that every veteran in our district has everything they need for a delicious Thanksgiving meal to show our thanks for their service."

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All specials require purchase of a beverage and are subject to change. Please call for details.

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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 Tyler Road in Belleville.

For more information call (734) 740-4230 or access www.redeemerlutheranchurch.com.

Candy Corn Contest continues

Those 18 and younger have until Nov. 30 to guess how many candy corn pieces are in the jar at the Romulus Public Library.

There will be only one winner who will take home the jar and the candy by guessing closest to the exact number of candies in the container. If more than one entry has the correct number, library staff members will randomly select a winner from those entries.

The winner will be contacted the first week of December and will have one week to collect the prize.

The Romulus Public Library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589.

Free balance workshops offered

A free award-winning workshop designed to manage falls and increase activity levels for seniors will be offered from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays through Dec. 5. There will be no class on Nov. 23.

The classes are beneficial for those concerned about falls, interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength. The Matter of Balance workshop is also beneficial for individuals who have fallen in the past and who restricts their activities because of falling concerns.

Participants must pre-register by calling the Wayne Senior Services office (734) 723-7400 and leaving a message. Class size is limited.

All sessions take place at the HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road in Wayne.

Family Story Time continues

Family Story Time continues at the Romulus Public Library at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays through Nov. 29.

Story Time includes different aspects of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) depending on the weekly theme.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne

Road.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589 or access www.romulus.lib.mi.us.

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) 880-0094 or admin@romuluschamber.org.

Library sets used books

Friends of the William P. Faust Library in Westland are planning the Winter Used Book Sale.

The event will begin with a preview sale for members of the Friends of the Library from 3-6 p.m. Nov. 17.

The public sale will take place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Nov. 18 and 19. Sunday, Nov. 20 will be bag day when an entire bag of books, CDs, DVDs will be priced at \$4.

The library is located at 6123 Central City Pkwy, Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-6123.

Interactive Story Time under way

The Romulus Public Library offers interactive Parent/Child Story Time for children 4 and younger and parents at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday. The program is free and no registration is required. Story time helps prepare children for success in school and beyond and is presented in partnership with the Guidance Center.

For more information, contact the library at (734) 942-7589 or visit www.romulus.lib.mi.us. The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road.

Warm hats needed

Plymouth Community United Way (PCUW) is looking for community members to donate new, warm winter items for the Hats for the Homeless drive which will continue through the month of December.

Donors are asked to drop off new hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, blankets, and socks at Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth, during business hours 7-4:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday and from 7-4:45 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. on Friday. All adult and children sizes are welcome.

Plymouth Yoga Room (474 Forest, Plymouth) will also be collecting from Thursday, Nov. 24 through the end of December.

For more information, call Randi Williams at (734) 453-6879, ext. 7 or e-mail randi.williams@pcuw.org.

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 240 Main St., Belleville, MI 48111.

Members of the committee will be evaluating the nominee's 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 office at (734) 697-7151.

Seniors celebrate Thanksgiving

Romulus seniors can sign up now for the Thanksgiving luncheon planned for 11 a.m. Nov. 24.

The dinner will include turkey, stuffing, Rice's rice, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole and cranberry sauce. Dessert will include pies donated by the Romulus High School Culinary Arts Program students.

Entertainment will be provided by Tom Slatten playing live music. The cost is \$5 per person and early sign-up is encouraged. The senior center is located at 36325 Ribbins in Romulus. For more information, call (734) 955-4120.

Turkey Trot takes off

Work up an appetite for a good cause Thanksgiving morning by running or walking in Canton Leisure Services 14th

annual Turkey Trot for a Cause on Thursday, Nov. 24.

All ages are encouraged to join in the fight against epilepsy by taking part in this chip-timed 5K event that will benefit the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan. The race is set to start at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, and will cover a picturesque, flat course that winds through Heritage Park and Pleasant Run Golf Course ending.

For registration or information, call Canton Sports Center at (734) 453-5600.

Thanksgiving concert planned

The combined adult choirs of several Plymouth churches will present a Thanksgiving Choir Festival at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth at 4 p.m. Nov. 28.

The choirs will celebrate Thanksgiving with a music festival featuring anthems sung by a 75-voice community choir accompanied by handbells, organ and piano, as well as an audience sing-along of familiar Thanksgiving hymns.

Admission is free; an offering will be requested to benefit the Salvation Army.

First United Methodist Church is located at 47301 North Territorial Road, east of Beck Road, and offers ample parking and barrier-free entrance.

The concert is open to the public. For more information, call (734) 453-6290.

Free holiday meal served

For the fifth year, the members of Living By Faith Church in Romulus will serve free Thanksgiving dinners.

The traditional dinner with turkey and stuffing along with side dishes will be served from noon until 3 p.m. Nov. 24 at the church, 7065 Wayneone Road. The dinner is open to the public at no charge.

For more information about the event, call (734) 776-5431.

Anime Club meets

The Romulus Public Library Anime Club meets from 3:30-4:30 p.m. the last Wednesday of the month to enjoy refreshments, a craft, movies and discussions of Manga and Anime. Cosplay is welcome.

The final meeting of the month is planned for Nov. 30.

The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus. For more information call (734) 942-7589 or visit www.romulus.lib.mi.us



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