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Appeals dismissed, 6 of 7 to face recall

Don Howard
Staff Writer

A ruling by Wayne County Circuit Court Chief Judge Robert J. Colombo, Jr. last Friday has cleared the way for residents to proceed with a recall campaign to remove four Plymouth Township officials from office.

In a 10-minute hearing, Colombo tossed out the appeals of three of the four-targeted board members, Treasurer Ron Edwards, Clerk Nancy Conzelman and Trustee Kay Arnold. Township Supervisor Richard Reaume conceded the language on the petitions against him was clear and opted not to appeal the Oct. 6 decision of the Wayne County Elections Commission. In dismissing the three appeals, Colombo said there was no reason to pursue further action and validated the recall petitions. The targeted officials were represented by

Miller Canfield, law firm often retained by the township for official business matters.

The three targeted township official, alleged in their court motion filed against Wayne County that the petitions submitted to county elections commission were flawed as they failed to list political party affiliation and did not comply with the respective law.

Wayne County Assistant Corporate Counsel Janet Anderson Davis asked the court for a summary disposition stating the appellants exceeded the statute of limitations for an allowable appeal, 10 days, and the secretary of state prescribes the forms to be used to conduct elections. The secretary of state serves as the chief elections official for Michigan. The appeal for the three was filed one day late through their attorneys.

Anderson Davis argued to the court in her brief that recall petitions must be "in a form pre-



scribed by the secretary of state," saying, "Neither the County Clerk nor the Election Commission has the authority to include (appellants) political party affiliation on the recall petition form..."

"The filings are not timely and the clerk has no subject matter jurisdiction, and all claims are dismissed." Colombo said.

Attorney Christopher Trebick appeared on behalf the township officials. Conzelman appeared near the end of the hearing and left immediately.

The activist group now has 60 days in which to collect the signatures of 4,000 registered township voters before a scheduled May election can proceed.

Board denies school boundary change

Only RESA, which denied the request

last Wednesday morning,

has the authority to grant the school border change.

Members of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education were evenly divided on a request by members of the Woodside Village subdivision to join their school district.

Both the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA) and the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Board of Education denied the request of residents of the subdivision to leave the Plymouth-Canton district for Northville.

Northville school board members voted 3-3 on the question last week, allowing the residents the opportunity to now appeal the decision to the state school board.

The request came from the 115-home neighborhood located on the west side of Haggerty Road, north of Five Mile Road in Northville Township. The Northville Public Schools boundary is on the southeast corner of the neighborhood and is adjacent to the attendance areas for Winchester

Elementary School, Meads Mill Middle School and Northville High School, although students living in the subdivision attend Plymouth Canton schools.

Only RESA, which denied the request last Wednesday morning, has the authority to grant the school border change. The two local districts involved are considered informational and have no authority to make the actual change from one district to another.

Acting School Board President Ken Roth, Secretary Cyndy Jankowski and Trustee Ann Kalass voted to oppose the transfer into the Northville district while acting Vice President Scott Craig, Treasurer Matt Wilk and Trustee Adam Phelps support-

ed the move. Board President Jim Mazurek was not at the meeting but expressed his opposition to the transfer in a statement read to the board by Roth.

Northville school administrators did not support the transfer of students into the district, either.

In a statement from school administrators presented to the board of education members prior to the vote they said, "Given the elementary capacity considerations across the district, the messaging to the Northville community of the boundary adjustment, the opportunity for greater control of available space that could be exercised through limited Schools of Choice if necessary,

as well as the potential impact on future property transfer requests and neighboring school districts, it is Administration's recommendations that it is not in the best interests of Northville Public Schools to act in support of the Property Transfer request."

Northville currently receives a per-pupil allotment of about \$8,100 from the state.

Wayne RESA Superintendent Chris Wigent said the denial was "based on the legal factors that we were required to consider; as well as the results of the Plymouth Canton Board of Education's position of unanimously not supporting the request and the Northville Board of Education not taking a formal position on the request."

A spokesman for the residents making the request said the group will appeal the decision to the Michigan State Superintendent of Schools within the 10-day window allowed by law.

Land use permit OK'd for new mosque

Members of the Plymouth Township Planning Commission last week unanimously approved a plan for an 18,000 square-foot mosque.

The approval of the plan came as hundreds of supporters, many of them Muslims, along with supporters from other religious groups crowded Plymouth Township Hall for the required land use hearing on the project. The Rayyan Center mosque is planned for 12 acres of vacant land south of

Five Mile Road and east of Pilot Drive. The property is currently zoned for industrial use, requiring a special land use permit from the township for the construction of any building outside that designated use.

"Look around the room, what you see are your neighbors, doctors, lawyers, my kid's basketball coach," said one man at the meeting. "The Muslim community is here already and that's a good

thing."

Another resident who said he lives in the area told the commissioners, "Traffic on Five Mile, when you try to turn left right now, is horrendous and it's not going to get any better after this."

Public comment lasted 90 minutes before the official vote of the commissioners.

Plymouth Township ordinances and building regulations require approval of the planning commission special

land use for the construction of the proposed mosque.

"Once we have the center, I think you'll see that we have thriving community that can contribute to the area," said a Muslim woman at the meeting.

Yellow pages.com lists 29 Detroit area mosques, the nearest in Canton Township.

The developers must now submit a site plan which will ultimately go before the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees for consideration.

Waste well investors could be limited by law

Proposed state legislation to put an end to speculative investments in a controversial hazardous waste injection well facility in Romulus is now being considered in the state senate

Senate Bill 1105, sponsored by Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor), introduced the legislation in response to the grave environmental and health risks associated with injecting hazardous waste underground,

according to a prepared statement. The Romulus facility has been at the center of a failed investment scheme involving the Detroit Police and Fire Retirement System.

"Misguided investments in this dangerous project have jeopardized the financial stability of many local workers and retirees, and that's simply shameful," Hopgood said. "We

must take action to prevent this type of harm from occurring in the future, and I am pleased that my colleagues in the Senate took a step in that direction today by supporting this important piece of legislation."

The Romulus facility, previously owned by Environmental Disposal Systems (EDS), began injecting hazardous waste into

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CANTON - NORTHVILLE

Northville named 15th best suburb in America

Northville is the 15th best suburb in American in which to live. The designation was announced last month by Business Insider which compiled a list of the 50 best Suburbs in America after reviewing and evaluating data on about 300 suburbs across the county.

“For this list, we considered suburbs with populations between 5,000 and 100,000 within 40 kilometers of the nearest metropolitan area. We also factored in average commute times, median household income, poverty and crime rates, public school ratings from GreatSchools.org, and a measure of housing affordability,” the published article detailed.

The article went on to refer to Northville as, “the Switzerland of Wayne County” because of the location atop rolling hills in an otherwise flat and sandy area. The Detroit-Warren-Dearborn area is just a short 21-minute drive away and the median household income is \$88,237.”

Man who stabbed police is officer sentenced to prison

Wayne County Circuit Judge Deborah Thomas sentenced Nicholas Gregory Schumann, 24, of Canton Township, to spend 2-10 years in prison earlier this month.

Schumann had been accused of assault with intent to do great bodily harm, less than murder; assault with a dangerous weapon; assaulting, resisting and obstructing a police officer causing injury and aggravated domestic violence. In exchange for his guilty plea to the most serious charge, assault with intent to do great bodily, harm less than murder, prosecutors agreed to drop the remaining charges. Schumann was also given credit for the 77 days he had already served in jail awaiting sentencing, according to court records, but the judge charged him with court fines and fees totaling \$1,998, along with his prison term.

The charges stemmed from an altercation reported to Canton Township Police at about 4 a.m. Aug. 21 at College Park Estates, a mobile home community. When officers arrived on the scene, according to police reports, they forced open the door of the mobile home in response to the sounds of a physical altercation. One officer, a 22-year veteran of the force, was stabbed in the face near his eye with what police described as a sharp piece of wood that came from a broken door jamb.

The officers subdued Schumann who was physically attacking his girlfriend, according to police. She suffered a swollen face and injuries to her eyes that required medical attention. Police said there was a 2-year-old boy and a 3-month-old girl in the mobile home when the assault took place. The children were not injured, according to reports.

Halloween robbery ‘victim’ now facing embezzlement charge

An Ann Arbor man who lied to Canton Police about being robbed by a knife-wielding bandit will face embezzlement charges in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Jeramy Harrison Matthews, 39, of Ann Arbor, now faces charges he embezzled \$1,000 to \$20,000, larceny in a building and making a false report involving a felony. Matthews voluntarily waived his preliminary court examination last week and was bound over for trial by 35th District Court Judge James Plakas.

Canton Township Police were called to the Halloween City store on Ford Road near Lotz on the afternoon of Oct. 30 in response t a 911 call reporting that an employee had been robbed. According to police reports of the incident, Matthews told officers that he was leaving the store to make a bank deposit when he was confronted by a knife-wielding man wearing a bandana across his face driving a black sport utility vehicle. Matthews told responding officers that the man robbed him of \$9,108, part of \$31,000 in receipts from the store that day.

According to police, Matthews came to the Canton Police Station the next day, and told officers that he was mistaken about the robbery and that he had left the deposit money at home. Police reports indicated that Matthews said he took the money home to keep it safe overnight so he could make the bank deposit the next day.

He reportedly told investigating officers that he didn't trust a fellow employee, prompting him to take the money home.

No explanation for the reported robbery has been offered, according to reports.

Matthews is free on bond. If convicted of the embezzlement charge, Matthews could face up to five years in prison. The larceny in a building charge and the charge of making a false report involving a felony carry penalties of up to four years imprisonment.

Canton seniors set to ‘frolic’

Area residents are invited to the Canton Club 55+ Senior Center's Annual St. Nick Frolic at the Summit on the Park Grand Ballroom from noon until 4 p.m. Dec. 10.

This special event will include prizes, entertainment and a holiday meal prepared by Katherine's Catering at the Summit. A vegetarian entree option will also be available. Sounds of the season will be provided by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Choir.

Register at the Summit Front Desk or the Canton Club 55+. Ticket prices are \$16 for residents and \$21 for non-residents. Invited guests (55 and under) are welcome to register.

No refunds will be issued for cancellations made within 24 hours of the event. New or gently used items for our “Pick a Prize” activity are being accepted until Dec. 5. All proceeds from the “Pick a Prize” event will benefit Canton Goodfellows' “No Child Without a Christmas.”

Suicide suspected in train accident

Canton Township Police are continuing the investigation into the apparent suicide of a St. Clair man last Thursday, Nov. 20.

According to reports from the police department, the 38-year-old man stepped in front of a train in the area of Hannan south of Michigan Avenue. Police reports indicated the man stepped in front of the train several hundred feet to the west of the railroad crossing in the area. The man was pronounced dead at the scene.

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Romulus wins honors for economic development

Romulus has been recognized for its work to foster entrepreneurial growth and economic development in the annual eCities study conducted by researchers at iLabs, University of Michigan-Dearborn Center for Innovation Research. Romulus was honored as a four-star community along with 32 other municipalities across the state.

“We value the importance of completing a project on time and on budget,” said Mayor LeRoy D. Burcroff. “To that end, the city has pledged to work with business to bring certainty to the development process.”

The eCities research surveyed 83 communities from 30 counties in Michigan that are home to 26 percent of Michigan residents and 33 percent of state college graduates. These communities count for nearly one quarter of the state entrepreneurs with over \$2.6 billion in self-employed income as residents. These communities also had more than \$12.3 billion in 2013 commercial construction and account for more than 31 percent of Michigan commercial property, according to statistics provided by the city.

“We are seeing the nature of economic development evolving, and eCities is a tool to help local governments demonstrate their role in the changing economy. These governments are supporting unique and innovative efforts locally, while collaborating regionally to help Michigan business compete in an ever-changing business climate,” said Tim Davis, director at iLabs.

The communities were honored Thursday, Nov. 13, at UMDearborn. Support for eCities is provided in part by the DTE Energy Foundation, Miller Canfield, Oakland County Economic Development and Community Affairs and UMDearborn College of Business.

The annual eCities research project, which began in 2007, uses data supplied by the participants, as well as other public records to assemble a six-factor, 32-item index of entrepreneurial activity, looking at such factors as clustering, incentives, growth, policies, community and education. The study focuses on entrepreneurship because of its importance to expansion and diversification of Michigan's regional economies and the impact small businesses have on job creation, according to a spokesman. To date, 197 communities across Michigan have participated in the study.

Energy education

Wick Elementary fourth grade students recently enjoyed being a part of the "Think! Energy" program sponsored by the National Energy Foundation and DTE Energy. The interactive, hands-on, 60-minute presentation helped teach students the importance of energy, natural and environmental resources, while giving them many ideas on how to conserve energy around their homes. Each fourth grader was also presented with a package of energy-efficient technologies that may be installed at home. Fourth grade teachers received instructional materials and lessons that they may use in the classroom. Enjoying the presentation are, left, back row, Fran Smith (National Energy Foundation), Wick Principal ShaVonna Johnson, Cheryl Klee (National Energy Foundation). In the front row are Wick students Laron Booth, Johanna Todos, Leah Burks and Isaiah Ransom.



Library offers indoor programs

The Leanna Hicks Inkster Public library has planned several indoor events and activities for children and teens as the cold rolls in and winter weather approaches, according Youth Services Librarian Angela Scott.

The library is hosting a new book club called The Pizza Reading Robots for those 8-12-years-old. The club members will meet at 6 p.m. every third Wednesday of the month and include book talks, snacks and games.

The regular library programs for children will also continue including a Starfish-run playgroup for those ages 5 and younger from 10:30 a.m. until noon every Monday, LEGO Nights from 4-5 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 5-6 p.m. on Thursdays. Storytimes take place from 5-6 p.m. every Tuesday and from 6-7 p.m. every Thursday for children 10 and younger.

There will also be a Baby Rhyme Time for babies and their parents ages birth to walking at 10:30 a.m. every fourth Saturday of the month.

“This is a language development where the focus is on rhymes, repetition and learning early literacy skills,” Scott said.

The library will be closed Nov. 27-30 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Fall hours are: 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. Mondays; noon until 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; closed on Fridays and from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The library is also closed on Sundays.

“Like us on Facebook to see photos or stay up to date on library programs and events or check out our website at <http://www.inksterlib.mi.us/events.html>” Scott said.

The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road in Inkster. For more information, call (313) 563-2822.

Garage fire cancels classes in school district

An early morning fire at the Van Buren Public Schools bus yard in Belleville last Thursday remains under investigation and an accounting of the financial loss remains incomplete due to the severity of the damage, according to district officials.

Belleville Police were alerted by a motion detector at the bus yard maintenance garage at about 3:30 a.m. Nov. 20 and responding officers immediately notified the fire department. Responding firefighters reported seeing flames shooting from the building when they arrived at the scene. Witnesses in the area of Henry and Davis streets in Belleville reported hearing several small explosions, which firefighters later confirmed. Belleville Fire Chief Brian Loranger said the explosions forced firefighters to battle the blaze from outside the building.

Both Van Buren Township and Belleville fire departments responded to the scene, as did Sumpter Township fire personnel.

A new dump truck, a lawn mower, and other several other vehicles were destroyed inside the building although Superintendent of Schools Michael Van Tassel said that no school buses were lost to the blaze. Van Tassel canceled classes throughout the district on Thursday as a safety precaution, he said. “In the interest of safety, I did not want our employees in the area.”

“While we sustained a great deal of damage to the building and several maintenance vehicles, no buses were lost. The damage is substantial, but we will move forward with continuing to provide a quality educational experience for the over 5,000 students and families we serve,” Van Tassel told reporters.

Classes resumed in the district on

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Friday, although firefighters were called back to the maintenance yard when smoke was reported coming from the roof. The “smoke” was determined to be steam from the roof by responding firefighters on Friday. A minor injury to one firefighter was reported but she is back on the job, Loranger said.

The State Fire Marshal began an investigation into the cause of the blaze Thursday afternoon. He will coordinate the losses with the school district insurance carrier regarding the amount of damage to the building and equipment.

“There was a lot of loss,” Chief Loranger said, adding he pried open a tool box that had been melted shut and saw a lot of damaged tools.

According to a media report, a mechanic who was not scheduled to work the day of the blaze called someone at the scene of the fire, asking him to find his tool box and open it to see if his Christmas money was still inside. The melted box was pried open and the money found intact, according to reports.

Well

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mile-deep disposal wells in 2006, but was shut down by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) within the first year of operation due to above-ground leaks. The pension board of the Detroit Police and Fire Retirement System invested in the project by issuing multi-million dollar loans to the operator of the facility, but the loans were eventually defaulted on, resulting in approximately \$40 million in losses. In recent years, Environmental Geo-Technologies, which is owned by Greektown businessman Jim Papas, has received permits to resume operations at the facility.

Senate Bill 1105 would seek to stop future investments in the failed project and protect pensioners from further harm. The bill would provide that an investment fiduciary of a large sponsored system that has invested in a hazardous waste disposal well facility would be prohibited.

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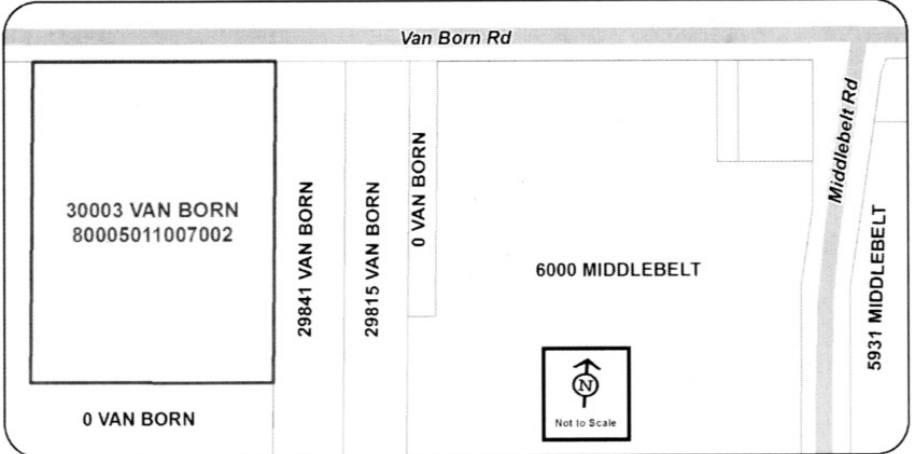
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Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 15, 2014** for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use proposal. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Planning Commission has set the public hearing to consider a request from Great Lakes Tire LLC for a proposed tire retreading facility greater than 80,000 square feet located on a 10.02+-acre parcel on VanBorn Road. Parcel# 82-80-005-01-1007-002. Zoning: M-1 Light Industrial District. Manufacturing facilities greater than 80,000 square feet are permitted in the M-1 Light Industrial District, subject to Special Land Use Approval. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.



All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, December 15, 2014 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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Plymouth

Trustee’s request for ethics probe rejected

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Staff Writer

There will be no ethics investigation of Plymouth Township Trustee Bob Doroshewitz, who is currently facing the threat of a recall petition filed by Township Supervisor Richard Reaume.

The question of the ethics probe prompted jeers, scoffs and public outcry from audience members during the regular township board meeting last week along with shouted warnings regarding decorum from Reaume. Despite the 270-page meeting informational packet and 15 items listed under new business on the agenda, the ethics probe of Doroshewitz, which he personally requested, occupied the majority of the meeting discussion.

Doroshewitz wanted the board to conduct an independent ethics investigation of himself along with “any other trustee or township employee” that led to Reaume filing a recall petition naming him as a target. Pending recalls of six of the seven current board members was the impetus for Doroshewitz’ request for an

ethics probe. Reaume filed recall petitions against Doroshewitz, Mike Kelly and Chuck Curmi after a grassroots political activist group filed recall petitions against him, Treasurer Ron Edwards, Clerk Nancy Conzelman and Trustee Kay Arnold. Reaume’s petition against Curmi was denied due to unclear language by the Wayne County Elections Committee, while the other two were approved. Reaume conceded to the propriety of the language in the petitions against him, although Edwards, Conzelman and Arnold appealed the decision. That appeal was denied by Circuit Court Judge Robert Columbo last Friday.

Doroshewitz’ motion for the ethics probe was defeated by a 6 to 1 vote, after much heated discussion.

Reaume called for township attorney Kevin Bennett to render advice and asking him to dictate how to correctly state verbiage to amend the motion language “...so as to postpone it indefinitely.”

“With respect to ethics considerations in general, the board

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All I wanted was some answers and the truth to come out.

does have the policy to order an investigation in ethics. However it would have to be for a proper purpose from a public perspective not for a proper purpose from an individual perspective,” Bennett said. Doroshewitz said he crafted the motion to explore the issues surrounding another cantankerous board meeting which took place last May 13 when Treasurer Ron Edwards accused him of unlawfully collecting unemployment compensation funds being paid by the township. State officials later stated Doroshewitz’ actions lacked any evidence of wrongdoing.

“What I’m trying to focus on is that May 2014 meeting, said Doroshewitz. There were things said about me. I took exception. I considered them slanderous.”

At that raucous meeting, Edwards stated vehemently that

he had access to Doroshewitz’ Linked-In account and found he filed for unemployment causing the township to pay out \$720 on his behalf. Doroshewitz angrily denied the allegation.

“You’re accusing me of a crime,” he heatedly retorted and threatened to file a civil lawsuit naming Edwards and the township as defendants.

“I’m going to sue you and I’m going to sue this township...you slandered me.” Doroshewitz said repeatedly after the allegations at the May meeting.

At the meeting last week, Reaume, after regaining his composure, said it appeared Doroshewitz was trying to use township resources to conduct an ethics probe.

“I should ask for an ethics investigation?” Reaume exclaimed. Reaume appeared upset after resident, Mary Ann

MacLaren, questioned his conduct earlier in the meeting.

MacLaren said she wanted to know whether township assets were being used to compensate Miller Canfield for the legal defense of the trustees facing recall by the citizens group. MacLaren said she thought the use of the Miller Canfield firm to defend the personal issues of the four officials in the recall appeal was a conflict of interest and a misuse of township funds. Miller Canfield has been retained in the past to provide legal representation for the township.

“All I wanted was some answers and the truth to come out,” MacLaren said after the meeting.

Other business at the meeting included the approval by a 6-1 vote of the \$13.9 million 2015 general fund budget and a 45-minute slide presentation by Patrick Fellrath, township engineer describing in great detail a new \$233,000 street sweeper. The board unanimously approved the purchase. The funds for the new vehicle will come from the recently approved \$1.9 million recreation bond sale.

Honored Rotary Club presents annual safety awards

Members of the Noon Rotary Club in Plymouth had lunch with several heroes last Friday and showed their appreciation to each of them.

The event was the annual public safety awards presentation that the club hosts to salute area first responders and recognize the work they do in the community. Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock, a long-time Rotary Club member, acted as the master of ceremonies at the luncheon.

"Being a first responder is not a job, it's a calling," Sincock said about the men who were honored for their performance during the past year. Sincock said that it is the first responders at the scene who bring comfort and compassion to people when they are suffering.

Each of the honorees was introduced by his department supervisor, one of whom

received a standing ovation for his 35 years of service.

Plymouth Township Fire Chief Mark Wendel, who will formally retire at the end of December, was introduced to the audience by Dan Phillips, a captain in the Plymouth Township Fire Department. The audience members stood and applauded Wendel as a gesture of respect and appreciation for his more than three decades of service.

The public service honorees this year were Senior Paramedic Erik Arlen from Huron Valley Ambulance; Northville Firefighter/ Emergency Medical Technician Christopher Fey who is assigned to the Plymouth station; Plymouth Township firefighter/ paramedic Jeff Mallari; City of Plymouth Police Ofc. David Edwards and Plymouth Township Police Ofc. Bryan Rupard.

Plymouth Police Chief Al Cox



Honored by the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club with the 2014 Public Safety Awards were, front row from left, Plymouth Police Ofc. David Edwards; Huron Valley Ambulance Paramedic Erik Arlen; Plymouth Township Police Ofc. Bryan Rupard; Plymouth Community Fire Department Firefighter Jeff Mallari and Northville City Fire Department Firefighter Chris Fey. Each was introduced by his department supervisor, from left, back row, Plymouth Police Chief Al Cox, Paul Hood, president of eastern operations of Huron Valley Ambulance, Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington, Plymouth Township Fire Chief Mark Wendel, Plymouth Township Fire Lt. Dan Phillips and Northville City Fire Chief Stephen Ott. Photo by Dave Willett

said that public safety workers are not accustomed to recognition and honors.

"You don't really hear a lot of fanfare for the routine work that keeps a community safe," he said.

Plymouth Township Police

Chief Tom Tiderington noted that while the award went to Rupard, a detective credited with solving several high profile cases recently, the award is shared by the entire department.

"Each person plays an impor-

tant role in protecting our community," he said.

Rotary Club program organizers said the event is a way to recognize and thank the people who play such an important role in the Plymouth community.

Recall organizers plan 2 informational meetings

Organizers of the Plymouth Township United Citizens Recall 4 campaign will host a fundraiser and petition signing event at EG Nicks Restaurant, 500 Forest Ave, in Plymouth from 5:30-7:30

on Thursday, Dec. 4.

A percentage of the proceeds from all food sales will go to the committee to help fund advertising and printing costs for the recall campaign. "Recall 4" but-

tons will be on sale for \$5 at the event.

Organizers will be recruiting volunteers to circulate petitions and to help in various ways. Group members will be avail-

able to answer questions and provide information regarding the recall effort.

A second informational event is planned at Honey Tree Grille, 15440 Sheldon Road (near Five

Mile) in Northville, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Dec. 11.

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Westland welcomes new officer to police force

The first police officer taking the oath of office at the new Westland City Hall brings nearly two decades of law enforcement experience to the department.

Anthony Javonovich, a United States Marine Corps veteran, who was officially welcomed to the police force last week, served in the Marines from 1991 until 1995, and was stationed in Japan and on the east coast during his service. He served with the Inkster Police Department for 14 years and began his public safety career with Highland Park.

A Livonia-native and Churchill High

School graduate, Javonovich studied Criminal Justice at Schoolcraft College, and graduated from the Wayne County Regional Police Academy and the Oakland County Fire Academy.

“We welcome Officer Javonovich to our community and our police department, and we thank him for his service to our country,” said Mayor William Wild. “It’s great when Westland can bring in new officers who already have a wealth of experience, and that’s what we have with Officer Javonovich. We look forward to his dedication to serving our residents.”



Deputy Mayor Thelma Kubitskey, left, Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik, Ofc. Anthony Javonovich, and Council President Jim Godbout celebrate the first official swearing in at the new Westland City Hall last week.

Shopping spree is prize in Shop & Dine Contest

How much can you spend in 1000 seconds? You may have a chance to find out.

The 6th Annual Shop and Dine Westland Holiday Campaign is now under way and includes a chance to win a 1,000-second shopping spree at

Westland Shopping Center: The six-week multifaceted marketing campaign is designed to promote the Westland shopping district as a location to find, "Everything you want. Everything you need" for the holiday season.

Again this year, the city has partnered with the Westland Shopping Center for the 'Enter to Win Contest', now under way. Entries will be accepted through noon Dec 15 at the city Facebook page, www.facebook.com/cityofwestland

land.

Three lucky finalists will be chosen to participate in the grand prize celebration at Westland Shopping Center at noon Monday, Dec. 22. Two of the finalists will walk away with a \$100 gift card to Westland

Shopping Center while the grand prize winner will receive a \$1,000 shopping spree which will continue for only 1,000 seconds. All finalists must be present at the mall on the day of the event to participate. No purchase is necessary.

Holiday parade is Dec. 6

The 39th Annual Holiday Parade in Wayne will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 5 throughout the downtown area.

This will be the second year the Wayne Rotary Club will sponsor the Parade of Lights which will require that all the entries be decorated with lights. Entries into the parade are still being accepted, according to a spokesperson, and participants are asking to donate canned food for the John Bolde Food Depot as part of the event. The canned foods can be dropped off at the parade line-up check in area.

The parade will travel north on

Second Street to Glenwood, west to Wayne Road and then proceed down Michigan Avenue West to the State Wayne Theatre, where Santa will be available to greet families and help present trophies to the winning parade entries.

According to a statement from the Rotary Club, entry forms can be downloaded at www.waynerotary.com and businesses, individual, service and school groups are all invited to get creative with lighting and “use this opportunity to shine.”

Entries will be accepted through Dec. 1, according to a spokesman.

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Mayor to 'play Santa'

In an effort to keep dollars in the local economy, Mayor Bill Wild will give gift cards to winning residents at local businesses in Westland's Shop and Dine District.

Wild is among leaders across the country promoting local shopping this holiday season.

From noon until 2 p.m. Nov. 29, Small Business Saturday, Wild will visit various businesses and raffle off a variety of gift cards ranging from \$10 to \$50.

“Statistics show that for every \$100 you spend locally, \$66 stays in the local community,” said Wild. “That means

your dollars are helping to build parks, libraries and improve fire and police departments.”

Small Business Saturday is an American shopping holiday planned for the Saturday after Thanksgiving during one of the busiest shopping periods of the year.

Wild will hand out gift cards at the following locations: Noon - Leo's Coney Island 36595 Warren Road; 12:30 p.m. - Arcade Cuts 34700 Warren Road; 1:15 p.m. Saranda's 35135 Warren Road; 2 p.m. Tim Horton's 7126 N. Wayne Road; 2:30 p.m. Ashley's 7525 N. Wayne Road.



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