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Van Tassel announces 'Rapid Turnaround' sessions for district staff

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

School Supt. Michael Van Tassel has set up two days of work sessions for the ten members of the District Turnaround Network team of the Van Buren Public Schools.

The team will work with Dr. Grant A. Chandler and his team on a "Rapid Turnaround" program for the district.

Dr. Chandler is with the Calhoun Intermediate School District and is the State of Michigan MI Excel Project Director. There is no cost to the district except for the mileage for the staff to get to and from the sessions. The retreat will be held Oct. 13 and 14, possibly in Novi.

Dr. Chandler will be scheduled to speak to the school board and the public at a meeting in the near future, said Jeff Moore, director of curriculum.

The state has named two schools as Focus Schools in the Van Buren District – Tyler Elementary and McBride Middle School – because the gap between their 30% top and 30% bottom students is too large. Ten percent of the schools in Michigan are Focus Schools. If the district can't get this "Z gap" decreased, the state may have to intervene, Supt. Van Tassel said at the Aug. 17 work/study session.

He also said, "For our district that gap is huge" and "our gap is wider than most."

"We're behind the game and we have to catch up," he said. "The bottom 30 are doing very, very poorly," Van Tassel said.

At the Sept. 21 work/study session of the school board, Van Tassel discussed the "Blueprint for Rapid Turn Around."

He said the sessions are necessary because students are not getting the education they deserve for today.

"Retroactively, the model was the Industrial Age model," he said. "We educated 20-30% for white-collar decision makers and the rest got a job in production."

"Now we need occupational readiness," he said. "Michigan has made the decision

that education is about getting a job and in Van Buren 51% of our student body goes on to college or some other education or training.

"And this blueprint for a rapid turnaround is about the other 49%."

"We have a lack of district systems in which to place support and there's a sense of urgency... 'Sally cannot wait!'"

He said in the middle of this is a fight about retention. He said research says retention does not work.

"So, the urgency places pressure on tracking the teaching staff. Blueprint is system-wide and building-wide, based on research."

Board vice-president Martha Toth is the board's representative to the blueprint staff retreat.

Van Tassel said research shows that every individual will have as many as eight completely different jobs in his/her career.

Barbara Miller said from the audience that if the goal is training for employment only, what about citizenship and whose obligation it is to teach citizenship since informed voters are essential to preserving the country. If they change jobs eight times, they will be voting right along no matter what jobs they have.

"Your question is inappropriate at this time," said board president Brent Mikulski.

District Board Procedures

At the beginning of the Sept. 21 work/study session, Mikulski led a discussion on board procedures, referring consistently to a document that members of the audience were not offered.

He said 14 months ago the board adopted "District Board Procedures," which is "a great tool for us to remind ourselves, refresh ourselves as to how we conduct ourselves as a board."

Trustee Sherry Frazier said partnerships with the community should be a goal. She

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Eric Osaer, 13, of Sumpter Township shows his new treehouse to friends on Saturday. The treehouse was provided to him by the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Saturday celebration centers around Eric's Make-A-Wish tree house

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

On Saturday a large crowd of supporters attended a picnic at the home of Eric Osaer, 13, in Sumpter Township.

The focus of the event was the huge tree house in the backyard given to Eric by the Make-a-Wish foundation and constructed by Pro Home Improvement.

Eric has eosinophilic disease, a very complex disease that attacks the digestive system and blood. It depletes the body of iron and essential nutrients necessary for proper development and physical growth.

In addition, the symptoms associated with this disease are painful cramping, bleeding, vomiting, and polyps.

Due to lack of nourishment caused from multiple food allergies or intolerance to so many foods, Eric must rely on a feeding tube for his nutrition. There is no cure for the disorder.

His mother Renee Osaer said Eric has just completed the worst eight months of his life and has been in and out of the hospital. She said in March he didn't want to live, but he started watching the tree house construction and that changed him.

He turned 13 on June 13. Because of his illness he doesn't have many friends, his mother said, so the Pro Home Improvement crew and their families attended his birthday party and it was a great celebration.

He recently also was diagnosed with ulcerative colitis, asthma, inoperable tumors on his back, having a hole in his heart, and connective tissue disorder.

He has to go back to the Cincinnati Hospital Oct. 16 for his next scope and then to the University of Michigan Hospital for another MRI.

But also this summer Eric was adopted by his stepfather, Junior Osaer, although it wasn't easy. Renee said they are in the process of changing Michigan law to make it easier for others.

Also, this summer, Eric took part in the Wayne County 4-H Fair as part of the 4-H Critters Club. He won four trophies, one medal, 17 ribbons (11 were first places) and

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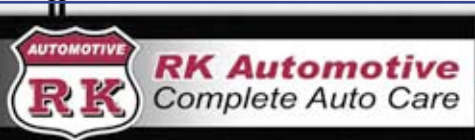
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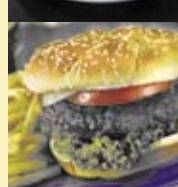
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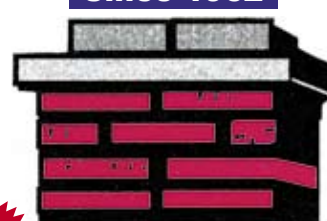
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Sumpter Twp. honors family of late fire fighter Edward Wisniewski

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

At its Sept. 22 meeting, the Sumpter Township Board and the Sumpter Fire Department honored the memory of Edward Wisniewski, Sr. by presenting awards to his family.

First, Fire Chief Joe Januszyk called Michael Wayne Wisniewski, Jr. up to the front of the meeting room and told him they were giving him his grandfather's retirement badge, encased in a large, clear acrylic casing, so he would remember how much the community thought of his grandfather.

Then, the rest of the family was called to the front and a plaque was presented. Present were his widow Janice, son Michael Wayne Wisniewski, Sr. and Michael's wife Amanda and their daughter Shyla.

Mr. Wisniewski died of lung cancer on May 25 at his Sumpter home after serving on the Sumpter Township Fire Department for 32 years. He was 65.

In other business at the Sept. 22 meeting, the board:

- Approved, subject to the paperwork being in order, granting an easement over township property so Mr. Jackson of Bohn Road can have access to a Detroit Edison pole to build a house. Township attorney Rob Young said there will be no harm to the township and he will make sure all the documents in order;
- Approved the reappointment of Sheila Pedersen as chairperson of the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term to expire March 11, 2018;
- Approved the appointments to the

Parks and Recreation Commission of Jim Posegay, Joan Posegay, Cheryl Toms, Jim Chudzinski, Alan Bates, Jay Bardell, and Selena Swinson with terms to expire October 2018;

- Approved having five Parks and Recreation members go to the Michigan Festival and Events Association convention Nov. 5-8 at Boyne Mountain Resort at a registration cost of \$800 to be paid from the Parks and Recreation fund;

- Approved paying \$993.51 for three rooms for three nights at the MFEA convention in Boyne Mountain Resort paid by Parks and Recreation money;

- Approved the Standard Operating Procedures for the fire department. Motion was by Trustee William Hamm, a fire fighter, seconded by Trustee Matthew Oddy;

- Approved paying \$303 to send Chief Januszyk, Tim Armstrong, and Collin Lynch to a one-day seminar for "Emerging Issues in Emergency Services" on Oct. 14;

- Approved the retirement of Scott Spoonamore from the fire department effective immediately. Motion was by Trustee Hamm, seconded by Trustee Peg Morgan;

- Approved paying warrants totaling \$2,383,385.68; and

- Heard resident Mary Ban ask why it took so long to serve the chicken dinners at the fire department broil this year? She was told they believed it was the wind that affected the coals. They started cooking 45 minutes earlier than usual this year and still there was a delay. She was told there is a plan in place for next year so people will not have to wait.



Sumpter Township Trustee Peg Morgan, left, and Fire Chief Joe Januszyk presented the retirement badge and a plaque to the family of Edward Wisniewski, who died in May after serving 32 years as a fire fighter. Accepting the awards were his son Edward W. Wisniewski, Sr. and wife Amanda, grandson Edward W. Jr., granddaughter Shyla and his widow Janice.



Independent photo by James Otzman

Eric's treehouse

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was named Prince of the Fair. He also won the People's Choice award of \$100 for the Build a Bird contest. Because of problems with fowls this summer, 4-Hers couldn't bring real birds to the fair. Eric built his bird out of medical supplies.

Eric said he has slept over in the loft of his tree house twice already. His mother said she slept there, too. She said Eric is an enthusiastic University of Michigan fan and allows no Michigan State University colors in his tree house. However, his mother said, when she slept in the loft with him, she wore her MSU shirt.

On Sunday the Bikers for Christ were at the celebration, along with other biker friends and relatives from Arkansas. Many other supporters of Eric and his family attended. They all brought a dish to share and enjoyed the sunny day in the country. Because of a Make A Wish policy, the

tree house could not be an extension of their home so it couldn't be connected to the house for electricity. So, the tree house has many solar collectors that provide light to each step on the stairs up to the tree house and inside the rooms and deck.

Saturday's event also was Renee's chance to alert everyone to their second fund raiser for the new Guided Steps foundation Aug. 20, next summer, at Wild Willey's Bar in Romulus.

She explained Guided Steps is a not-for-profit foundation, 501 (c)(3) dedicated to families facing difficulties due to childhood illness, chronic disease, homelessness, and other hardships that hit working families. She said they have already helped three families.

For more information, write to Renee Osaer at 22270 Sumpter Road, Belleville 48111. Or she can be reached by email at reneeguidedsteps@yahoo.com. Or contact Kevin Cavanaugh at kevinguidedsteps@yahoo.com.

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, a large, lighted, wooden cross made of Western red cedar was erected at Hayward's party store at the entrance to the city of Belleville. The cross, crafted by James Forrest Chapman, figured in the trespassing charge against him that put him in jail for five and a half months. He is appealing that conviction. Owners of the store, who are Catholics, say the Christian cross placement was important, since the sculpture the city placed next door to their parking lot looks like a "Muslim monument." Chapman said he used his sawmill to cut a former utility pole, given to him by a DTE subcontractor, into an 8"x8" by 24' piece that he cut again and formed into an 18' tall and 6' wide cross. Chapman said when he got out of jail he went to Hayward's to get his jail check cashed and was asked for his cross.

O P I N I O N S

Editorial

Booville? Yes, it is a scary time in this neck of the woods

Booville in Belleville is for face painting, scarecrow decorating, diving for coins in straw, pumpkin cutting, pub crawls, and dressing up like witches.

It's for fun and games in hopes of bringing people downtown to see what the city has to offer.

But the really scary part of October in these parts is the school district in panic mode trying to stay out of state control; the budget sessions in Van Buren Township, trying to stay out of state control when Visteon's bonds are due; and Belleville's election for mayor and council, with city residents seeking respect for those who go into harm's way to fight their fires.

We have no problem with playtime for adults, but the quality of life for residents of the tri-community is at stake now and we just can't keep dancing around and turning our heads.

A handful of people attend the infrequent school board meetings. Few speak up. People are too busy to care about how our future leaders are being educated or too hesitant to speak up because of the chilling rules the board has put in place.

VBT board meetings now have an armed police officer in attendance in case someone offends the board by speaking up too exuberantly and needs to be escorted from the building.

These are scary times, indeed. Look around. Boo!

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

A reader, Cheryl Sherman, said every time she is in the Belleville Road/I-94 area a thought runs through her mind about the library.

"I wonder if the new library could be located in the old Farmer Jack's building? Sure, it needs updating and a facelift, but it would still be cheaper than additions, etc. and plenty of space inside, I would think. Maybe there would be too much construction necessary, but I just had to mention it."

We can pass on the idea to the architect and library building committee who are considering all kinds of ideas these days.

A Belleville resident says the annoying phone calls are, "Still at it and getting worse." She said over the past few weeks she's been advised she has won three free cruises, and, of course, the IRS is going to sue her. All scams.

My son, Bill, had to go to the credit union to straighten out his account since someone had stolen his ATM information and depleted his funds. It seems the information was taken electronically by one of those tricky devices that can read information from a card in your pocket. He was told to get a card carrier that keeps the card safe from prying eyes.

And here's yet another complaint about the federal government. A Belleville senior citizen received a thick survey from the U.S. Census Bureau saying she has been selected for in-depth questioning. She has no desire to answer the questions about her finances, her personal life, her ethnicity, and other details of her life. She won't do it, period. We'll see what happens when they come out



and knock on her door, which they threaten to do.

A defendant at the 34th District Court was immediately released by Judge David Parrott and his family broke into applause in the courtroom during the Sept. 23 court session. The man, Marvin Weaver, had been incarcerated for 54 days because he had been unable to make bond on a misdemeanor charge.

Judge Parrott pointed out that they can hold a person a maximum of 28 days on a misdemeanor and he didn't know why the sheriff hadn't released him. Judge Parrott gave Weaver a \$5,000 personal recognizance bond (no money needed) and told him to have no contact with the victim. Weaver's case was adjourned until Oct. 14 and his family happily took him home.

One of Belleville attorney Tom White's victims said she had applied to the State Bar and was told two more victims applied for funds just before the deadline, so the process will take a little longer while they are processed. The state person didn't say how many victims had filed.

She said after all the victims are validated, there will be a letter sent to Tom White in prison. If there is no answer there will be another letter sent to White.

There is \$350,000 set aside to give to victims and the total amount in White's case amounts to more than that. There are many

steps and several boards that have to approve the settlements. It looks like it should take until next summer to settle everything.

The lady at the State Bar said she hoped the victim wasn't planning on using the amount she may get for Christmas shopping because she won't get anything for quite a while.

She also mentioned they are working on another case in the state where an attorney bilked many of his clients. She didn't give that attorney's name.

At about 4 p.m. on Sept. 22, a group representing the district library and Sumpter Township met at the hexagonal building across the road from the township hall to see if it might be a good site for a media center.

The building was constructed in the 1980s and has steel beams and "a robust structure," according to library architect Dan Whisler, who reported to the library building committee later that evening. He said the insulation probably isn't great, but it has a solid floor. The toilets aren't ADA and the furnace is 30 years old. But, it looks like it could be used, if the township wants to provide the structure for its library use. The township is looking for the original plans for the building so money doesn't have to be spent to have it measured.



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Letters**Schools need to pay
attention to abatements**

To the Editor:

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education needs to start working cooperatively with Van Buren Township.

By law, when the township meets to talk about abatements, all taxing jurisdictions are notified via certified mail. This includes the schools. No one from VBPS has ever attended the abatement meetings or sent any correspondence that was read at a meeting.

Recently GE repaid personal property taxes to the township because they could not meet their obligation of hiring 200 employees as agreed in their 2012 tax-abatement agreement.

According to the Treasurer's Office, the township recovered \$24,480.89, but nothing was repaid to the schools because they did not send a representative to a VBT meeting to update the abatement policy. This was a \$19,501.95 loss to Van Buren Schools.

GE is not alone on the list of manufacturing companies whose tax burdens have been excused or reduced through tax abatements. The schools can't ignore agreements that reduce their resources, thereby shifting a larger tax burden to the residents of VBT.

The BIG question here is: How much school tax repayment was lost during Visteon's bankruptcy settlement?

Diane Madigan

Van Buren Township

**VBT Fire Dept. sets
training burn on Sat.**

To the Editor:

I just wanted to let you know that we will be conducting a training burn this Saturday (Oct. 3) at 42333 Van Born Road from 7 a.m. until approximately 3 p.m. I would anticipate we will start the live fire training at about 8:15-ish and we will be running about six different scenarios inside the home before the final burn.

Romulus FD will have a crew out there

training with us as well.

The house was donated to us by Ashley Capitol.

We will be doing additional training burns on Oct. 24 and Nov. 3, FYI.

Just wanted to let you know in the event you get any calls. Sorry, for the late notice. We wanted to make sure the permits, utility shutoffs, and so forth were done in time.

Daniel C. Besson

Deputy Director of Public Safety – Fire
Van Buren Township

**VBT Police Officers on
new public safety effort**

To the Editor:

The Van Buren Township Police Department is engaged in a renewed community policing effort. This new policing style consists of patrol officers being assigned to permanent zone assignments for four months at a time in the township.

Our officers are encouraged to have a more personal, one-on-one relationship with the businesses, residents, schools, and churches.

Besides handling emergency calls, completing criminal reports and accident reports, dealing with civil matters and enforcing the law, officers are spending time stopping by our schools and are monitoring our school crossings for safety. At night officers are pulling on business doors and checking the rear of businesses to make sure all is secure and pro-actively patrolling the neighborhoods day and night in an effort to provide high visibility to deter crime.

We are attending homeowner association meetings to answer questions and partner with our residents, as we are all stakeholders in public safety.

As your Director of Public Safety, I thank you for your support and partnership and look forward to continuing to provide you with premier public safety services.

Sincerely,

Gregory M. Laurain
Public Safety Director
Van Buren Township

**BHS counselor gets
training in preparing
students for college**

More than 130 Michigan school counselors returned to their schools in September armed with new strategies to help students navigate the college-going process, thanks to the School Counselor Postsecondary Training Course offered by Michigan College Access Network and Michigan Virtual University.

The counselor from Belleville High School completing the course was Shahna Currie.

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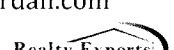
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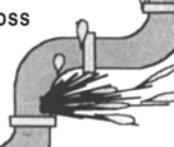
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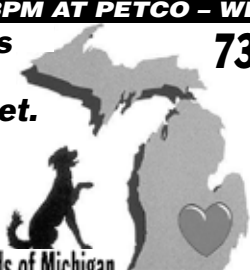
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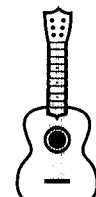
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H. John Bryan, Jr.

H. JOHN BRYAN, JR.

(May 4, 1940 – September 27, 2015)

Mr. H. John Bryan, Jr. passed away Sunday, September 27, 2015 at his home in Sumpter Township. He was born May 4, 1940 in Hackensack, New Jersey, a son of Harry John and Lillian Elsbeth (Friedlaender) Bryan.

On May 8, 1965 he was married to Carolyn Marie Rossi at St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, Michigan. Mr. Bryan was a long-time Belleville resident. Mrs. Bryan preceded him in death on April 29, 2009.

Mr. Bryan was a member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church and a member of the Union of Operating Engineers International, Local 324. Mr. Bryan spent most of his youth in Aschaffenburg, Germany, where his father, Harry John Bryan, Sr. was stationed as a United States Army officer. He enjoyed traveling in his motor home and working in his yard. He was an avid golfer. For a number of years Mr. Bryan was known around town as the "tax man." Mr. Bryan retired from the Union in 2003.

Mr. Bryan was the loving father of Jack (Heidi) Bryan and Rina Bryan. Fond grandfather of Vance Beck and step-grandfather of Dylan Skvarek. Brother of Joan Davis.

The family will receive friends at St. Aloysius Church, 37200 Neville St., Romulus on Saturday, October 3, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of the mass at 11:00 A.M. with the Rev. Fr. Gerry Morelli celebrating.

The family has suggested memorial contributions to the American Liver Foundation, 39 Broadway, Suite 2700, New York, New York 10006 in lieu of flowers.



Kay Ann Kozlowski

KAY ANN KOZLOWSKI

(May 12, 1944 – September 26, 2015)

Kay Ann Kozlowski, age 71, of Sumpter Township, MI, passed away Saturday, September 26, 2015 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born May 12, 1944 in Fort Dodge, Iowa, daughter of Ernest and Magel (Ford) Blaha.

Kay lived in Belleville since 1964. She enjoyed watching television, cooking, and flower gardening. She is survived by her loving husband of 51 years, Kenneth Bernard Kozlowski, Sr., daughter Robin, son Kenneth B. Kozlowski, Jr., also her cherished dog "Bear". She was preceded in death by her parents. According to her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.



Emily Suzann Poore

EMILY S. POORE

(May 11, 1950 – September 24, 2015)

Mrs. Emily Suzann Poore passed away Thursday, September 24, 2015 at Camelot Hall, Livonia, Michigan. She was born May 11, 1950 in Ecorse, Michigan, a daughter of Zolton Michael and Mary (Nordai) Nagy. On December 22, 1965 she was married to Ronald Brandon Poore in Detroit, moving to Belleville from Romulus in 1975. Mr. Poore preceded her in death on January 23, 2013.

Mrs. Poore enjoyed camping on their property in Mancelona along with canoeing and campfires. She loved having backyard get-togethers with family and friends. No one ever left her house hungry!

Prior to her retirement in 2012 she had been employed by Sam's Club as a demonstrator.

Mrs. Poore was the loving mother of 4 children: Ronald (Rebecca) Poore, Gary Poore, Rochelle (Ronald) Bray and Ricky Poore. Fond grandmother of seven grandchildren and one great-grandson. Sister of Carol Magiera, Bill Nagy, and Kenny Nagy.

Visitation was held on Monday, September 28, 2015 from 2 – 8 P.M. at the Higgeson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville. Funeral services were Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at the funeral home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Cremation followed the services.



Ethelann Estermyer Smith

ETHELANN ESTERMYER SMITH

(December 1, 1942 – September 9, 2015)

Ethelann Estermyer Smith, formerly of Ypsilanti, resided in Roseville, MI. Born 12/1/1942. Lived in Gastonia, NC with husband James Monroe Smith, who preceded her in death. Graduate of Lincoln Schools, class of 1961, and Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, IL. Survived by children Kathy Sue (Darryl) Towrey and 4 grandchildren in Gaston, NC and Timothy James Earl (Leann) Smith of Roseville. Also, survived by brother Richard Estermyer of Belleville. Joined her Savior on 9/9/2015. Memorial service held at Evangelical Friends Church on 9/13/2015.

Upcoming Meetings

• Monday, Oct. 5 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, Oct. 6 – Van Buren Township regular board meeting, 7 p.m.

• Thursday, Oct. 8 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m., required meeting.

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Thank you, Gabby, for getting my money back

To the Editor:

About two weeks ago, I was a victim of credit card fraud that nearly emptied my checking account. I have been a member of Unified Communities Federal Credit Union in Belleville for a few years and have never experienced any problems.

I had checked my account balance at an ATM and noticed discrepancies that didn't make any sense. A quick phone call to Unified Communities and I was instructed to come in for further evaluation of my situation.

A very knowledgeable teller named Gabby assessed my problem and deduced that indeed unauthorized purchases were made with my debit card.

Gabby's ability to bring resolution to this "cyber crime" amazed me with her knowledge and eagerness to fix what happened. My deepest thank you to her for getting my money back and quickly addressing my issue.

Thank you, Gabby, for taking a professional response to resolve my banking needs.

Sincerely,

William Otzman

Van Buren Township resident

Betty Fleming wins quilt honoring Willow Run

To the Editor:

On Aug. 15, my husband and I attended the festivities in Ypsilanti Township to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. Ypsilanti Township held a wonderful parade and following the parade the Ypsilanti community Chorus sang and a senior group of dancers performed.

Sen. John Dingell spoke as well as one of the original Rosie the Riveters. At this celebration I purchased a raffle ticket and won this beautiful, king-size, handmade pictorial quilt. This quilt was being raffled off by the Ypsilanti Township Senior Center.



The quilt tells the story of Willow Run Bomber Plant through pictures and the historic significance it played in winning the war. The quilt was made by John Cox and donated to Ypsilanti Township Senior Center to be raffled.

The picture is of John Cox, quilt maker, and Betty Fleming, winner of the beautiful quilt.

During the war, Willow Run Bomber Plant built one bomber every hour and sent them off to fight the war. This area played a vital role in winning that war.

Betty Fleming
Belleville

Join us for an afternoon at Greektown Casino

To the Editor:

Leave the driving and parking to us and enjoy an afternoon at Greektown Casino as CAF5 sponsors a Casino Trip to Greektown Casino on Saturday, Oct. 10. Buses leave the 34th District Court at 1:30 p.m. and will leave the Greektown Casino at 10:15 p.m.

The cost is \$25 and includes \$20 in Bonus Play upon arrival at Greektown Casino. Raffles, beer, and a lot fun on each bus. For tickets, call (734) 941-3510 or Karen at (734) 635-1208.

CAF5 is a charity organization that helps families with children in the five communities: Belleville, Van Buren,

Romulus, New Boston, and Sumpter. CAF5 has provided thousands of dollars purchasing eyeglasses for children in need, providing housing for families who are temporarily homeless due to a catastrophe, and assistance with funeral expenses for families with children in need.

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Karen Skszek-Mida
Community Assistance Fund (CAF5)

"Now and then an innocent man is sent to the legislature."

— Kin Hubbard

Booville event needs donated pumpkins

To the Editor:

We need your help with appealing to the community to donate pie pumpkins for our Children's Halloween Party on Sunday, Oct. 25. In addition, we are looking for vintage cars and their drivers who wish to volunteer their time to transport Cemetery Tour guests to/from the The BAM on Saturday, Oct. 17, 12 p.m.-3 p.m. Thank you for your help! Hauntingly yours,
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Pastor William and Martha Hill of Body of Christ Church of God in Sumpter Township will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary today with members of their family.

They were married in Detroit on Oct. 1, 1955 in Detroit and have lived in Sumpter Township for 44 years.

Their sons are Jeffrey D. (Mary), William B. (Angela), and Brent T. (Deanne). They have 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"We praise God for all of our Blessings," said the Pastor and Martha Hill.



Pastor William and Martha Hill

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Entertainment provided by members of the Central Business Community.

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- 12-3pm Music by Joyous Noise in the Belleville Area Museum
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• **Thursday, Oct. 8** – Casserole Luncheon for Missions at noon at St. John's Lutheran Church, 28320 Waltz Road, Waltz. \$7 donation includes dessert and door prize.

• **Friday, Oct. 9** – Friends Family Theater FREE Movie Night, 7 p.m., Fine Family Films, Fun, Food ALL for FREE! Movies will be shown in the white framed building, 7890 Tuttle Hill Road (at Bemis Road) Ypsilanti. Featuring, on the 25-foot screen: a film about a land of tomorrow (2015, 120 minutes). Questions: (734) 482-5074.

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Thinking about Booville on South Street...

Sept. 24, 2015

To the Editor:

Hi, Folks. It's me again, Kay Atkins at Threads 'N' Treasures Quilt Shop on South Street. Been thinking about Booville on South Street. I am looking for any people and businesses interested in doing some fun and innovative decorating on South Street to bring visitors to this end of town. Anyone interested can call me and we will have a planning meeting on what to do to

have a successful display on South Street. I am not asking for money or donations – just suggestions and innovative ideas for the project and help with doing it. Oct. 1 is not far off, so we must get busy. Interested? Please call me at the Quilt Shop at (734) 697-9376 Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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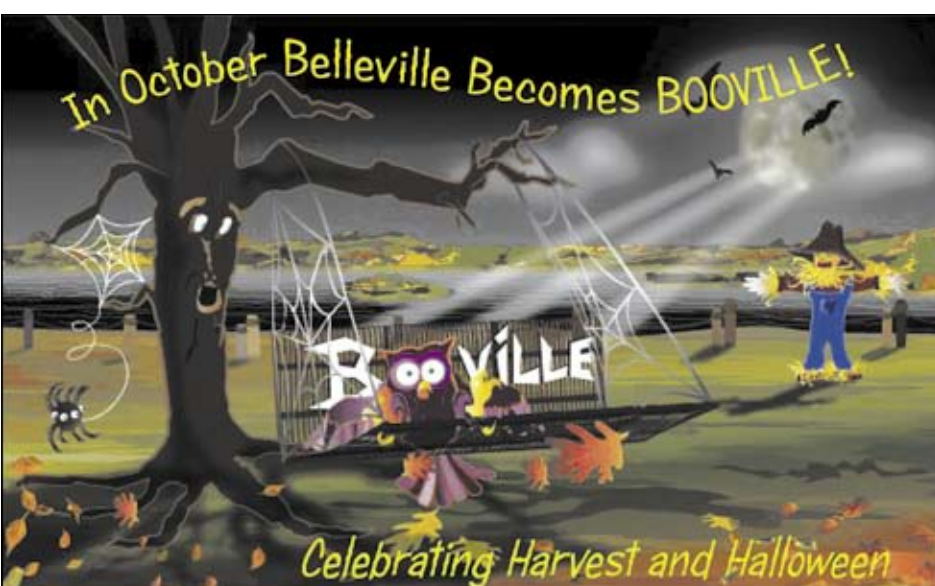
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- **Month of October** – Booville in Belleville. Scarecrows along Main
- **Saturday, Oct. 3** – Pumpkin Chuckin at Touch-a-Truck at Van Buren Park. Bring your own pumpkin to chuck.
- **Monday, Oct. 5** – Pumpkin Patch Car Bash at The Lunchbox, 562 Main.
- **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Annual Harvest Fest in Belleville, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., between library and museum on Fourth Street.
- **Tuesday, Oct. 13** – Free cider and donuts on the Fourth Street Square, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., courtesy Tucker Insurance.
- **Friday, Oct. 16** – Paranormal tours at the Belleville Area Museum, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – BHS New Tech Zombie 5K Run/Walk, begins and ends at Horizon Park Gazebo. Check in 9 a.m., race at 10 a.m. \$ Register at Active.com .
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Tour of Hillside Cemetery, noon – 3 p.m. Shuttle service available from museum. \$

- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Pumpkin Carving at Fourth Street Square, noon-2 p.m. Rotary and Chamber. Help us build a wall of lighted pumpkins. Bring your own pumpkin to carve or bring a carved pumpkin.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – “Frankenweenie” (PG) at 3 p.m. at the library. Free.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Community Harvest Party starts at 4 p.m. at Belleville Lighthouse Church, 16650 Sumpter Road. Face painting, crafts and games, food and candy, hayrides and bonfire.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – St. Anthony’s Annual Autumn Dinner/Dance, 6:30 p.m.-midnight \$, at Father Folta Building, 409 W. Columbia Ave.
- **Sunday, Oct. 18** – A&W Doggie Costume Fun Day at 148 W. Columbia Ave., 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Free. Complimentary doggie hotdogs and treats, plus prizes for costume winners. Costumes not necessary for doggie treats.
- **Tuesday, Oct. 20** – Double feature movie at 7 p.m. at the library: “Frankenstein” (1910 silent film) and classic “Frankenstein” with Boris Karloff (1931). Free.

- **Thursday, Oct. 22** – The Big Reveal: Paranormal Investigations Findings at 7 p.m. at the museum. \$
- **Thursday, Oct. 22** – Pumpkin Carving and Craft Workshop at Garden Fantasy on Main, 201 Main Street, 6 p.m. \$. Take home a carved pumpkin fall arrangement. Registration required.
- **Friday, Oct. 23** – Witch’s Ball in Booville Tent on Fourth Street Square, starts at 7:30 p.m. Music, food, drinks. Witch costume required for the ladies. \$ For gentleman: an evening downtown pub crawl, finishing up at Booville Tent at 10 p.m. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Pancakes & Pumpkins Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Booville Tent, by Community Assistance Fund – CAF5. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Dash in Disguise Family Fun Run 1K, 9 a.m., \$5 per person. Start at Horizon Park, up to 5 Points, finish at Fourth Street Square. Discount for runners at pancake breakfast. Put on by Plymouth YMCA. Prizes for best costumes.
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Booville Kids’

activities, noon-3 p.m. in the Booville Tent on Fourth Street Square. Face painting, photo cut-outs, games, pumpkin painting and spiders, cookie walk. \$5 family entry. Central Business Community. Food by Twisted Rooster.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Boo-Tech Cauldron Cook-off under the Booville Tent in the Fourth Street Square. Taste and vote for the winners, 6-8 p.m. Music by BHS bands. Put on by BHS New Tech and Chamber of Commerce.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Candy Loop at Quirk Park, off Tyler Road in Van Buren Township, 5-7 p.m. VBT Parks and Recreation.

• **Sunday, Oct. 25** – Kids Costume Dance Party at museum, 3-6 p.m.

• **Sunday, Oct. 25** – Black Magic Ball, Big Band concert, 4-7 p.m. under the Booville Tent on the Fourth Street Square, donations appreciated. Put on by Belleville Community Chorus, Blue Steel Jazz Band, with Egan’s Pub.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 27** – Frankenstein Scary Movies Series, “Young Frankenstein” (PG) 7 p.m. at library. Dress as Frankenstein and win a prize.

• **Friday, Oct. 30** – Halloween Trick or Treating in downtown Belleville, 5-7 p.m., plus Costume Contest at Fourth Street Square. City of Belleville and Central Business Community.

State Rep. Kristy Pagan to host town hall forum on education in VBT

State Rep. Kristy Pagan will be holding her second town hall forum on education in Michigan at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Van Buren Township Hall Board Room, 46425 Tyler Road.

Her first education forum was held Sept. 21 in at the Canton Township Hall.

Rep. Pagan said these town halls are free and open to the public. For more information or to submit a question, email her at kristypagan@house.mi.gov.

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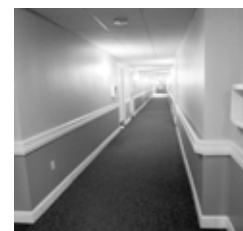


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Rebecka Caudill, Dustin Newstrom marry Sept. 19 in Victory Park

Rebecka Caudill, 23, and Dustin Newstrom, 30, both of Belleville, exchanged wedding vows at 2:59 p.m. Sept. 19 in the gazebo at Victory Park in Belleville.

The ceremony was performed by minister Gary Souva of Hubbard Lake.

Rebecka is the daughter of Denise James and Rick Caudill. Dustin is the son of Vaughn Newstrom of Belleville and Debra Madrak of Pennsylvania.

Last year on July 2 at Horizon Park in



Rebecka and Dustin Newstrom

Belleville, Dustin got down on one knee and proposed to Rebecka.

The bride was given away by her father. Also attending were the bride's mother, Nannie Carol Gubacci and Helen, the groom's mother and his father.

Leanne Lezotte of Belleville served as maid of honor and Ryan Caudill of Belleville as best man.

Bridesmaids were Shannon McLachlin, Rachel Fox, Kaitlyn Norton, and Tanya Lankford, all of Belleville, and Charlene Souva of Westland. Groomsmen were William Lukas and Dietrich Beitler, both of Belleville, and Frank Anderson III of Ypsilanti, Jason Souva of Westland, and Randy Neely of Pennsylvania.

Flower girls were Marie Caudill, 1, of Belleville and Hailey Souva, 7, and Natalie Souva, 3, both of Westland.

The reception was held at the Romulus VFW where the couple danced and celebrated with family and friends. Rebecka and Dustin are taking a quick pre-honeymoon trip to the California west coast which was given as one of their wedding gifts.

The newlyweds plan on making Belleville their home. Rebecka works as a Registered Nurse in the local area and Dustin works at Angstrom Inc. in Belleville.

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Sumpter Parks & Recreation's Turkey Shoot starts this Sunday, Oct. 4 at the gun range, beginning at noon, with registration at 11:30 a.m. Prizes include turkeys, hams, and bacon. The event will also take place Oct. 11, 18, and 25. Call **Don Swinson** at **(734) 674-4980**.

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The **Huron Sportsman's Club** of New Boston is inviting the Belleville community to join in its celebration of Applefest 2015 this weekend in downtown New Boston. There will be free shuttle service to the venue, a beer tent, steak fry and other food, and live music, featuring **Kari Holmes** and the **Modern Day Drifters** on Friday at 6 p.m., and the **Spectrum Project** on Saturday at 6 p.m. The Applefest venue itself will feature arts and crafts, apple pies, and other festival foods along a closed off portion of Huron River Drive, just east of

the gas station/Subway.

Belleville Presbyterian Church on Belleville Road will be holding its annual **Fall Rummage Sale** Oct. 2-3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The event will feature lots of collectibles, bedding, books, craft items, jewelry, cookware, small appliances, and much more. Sorry, no clothing this year. Call **(734) 697-8687**.

October is here and that means Belleville becomes Booville once again, with all kind of activities planned, highlighted by the city's Harvest Fest on Oct. 10, and Trick or Treat Main Street on Friday, Oct. 30. We'll do our best keeping up with listing them. The electronic reader board sign at High Street does an awesome job scrolling events, too.

Crosswinds Marsh sets Michigan Owls session

Wayne County Parks will hold a session on Michigan Owls, from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Oct. 17 at Crosswinds Marsh in Sumpter Township.

The 1,000-acre wetland/wildlife preserve is located at 27600 Haggerty Road.

Michigan is home to 11 species of owls and participants will learn about these birds using bird mounts and listening to their calls. Participants will also dissect owl pellets to find out what they have been eating.

This program is recommended for children ages seven to adult. The cost is \$6 per child and \$2 per adult and pre-registration is required by calling (734) 654-1220.



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Notice of Special Meeting of the Charter Township Board of Trustees For the purpose of: 2015 Amended and 2016 Proposed Budget Review

October 22, 2015

Starting at 8:30 a.m. - Board discussion
concluding at 4:30 p.m.

October 23, 2015

Starting at 8:30 a.m. - Board discussion
concluding at 3:30 p.m.

Van Buren Township Hall
Board of Trustees Room

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**Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Showing present: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk C. Hoffman, Treasurer Bates, Trustees: P. Morgan, Hamm, Oddy and Swinson. Also present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk J. Hoffman and approx. 30 residents.

3. Agenda: Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Swinson to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public comments on agenda items only

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Hamm, supported by Swinson to approve minutes for Regular Board Meeting of August 25, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Warrants: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to approve warrants totaling \$631,106.75. Roll call vote: Yes: J. Morgan, C. Hoffman, Bates, Hamm, Swinson, P. Morgan, Oddy. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Water and Sewer Report-Bates: Motion by Swinson, supported by P. Morgan to receive and file Water and Sewer Report. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Police Report-Pierce: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to accept Police Report. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Building/Ordinance Report-J. Morgan: Motion C. Hoffman, supported by P. Morgan to accept Building/Ordinance Report. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Fire Report-Januszyk: Motion by Swinson, supported by P. Morgan to accept Fire Report. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Senior Report-Hamm: No Report.

12. Treasurer's Report-Bates: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to accept Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Supervisor's Report-J. Morgan: Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Oddy to accept Supervisor's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Attorney's Report-Young: No Report

15. Board Response

16. New Business:

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hamm for Sumpter Collision to paint old police car (VIN # ending in 8178) for the Fire Department at the cost of \$1,900.00. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Motion by Hamm, supported by P. Morgan for Priority One Emergency to mount lights and siren onto old police car (VIN # ending in 8178) for Fire Department at the cost of \$1,082.00. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson the promotion of Sergeant Patrick Gannon to the position of Lieutenant, contingent upon his successful completion of a one-year probationary period. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Announcements:

18. Open Floor:

19. Adjournment: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to adjourn at 7:16 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of minutes taken at a Regular Board Meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on September 8, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be available as required by said act.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

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School Board

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said the board needs to do a better job of responding to questions from the audience, instead of skirting them.

"Don't give the impression we don't care about what is brought to the board, we're oblivious to it... We need a larger group supporting us" since the millage vote is coming up.

Mikulski said that was part of Section 1.32, which is important and will be discussed when they get to it. It's about making sure the administration responds to the person asking the question and fills the board in.

He went on to Section 1.14 about the annual agenda which is so board members can remind themselves of what's coming up. For example in September there is the enrollment update. He said they have the numbers now and the audit report on the numbers has to be done by November.

Van Tassel said he would have the numbers, "hopefully at the next meeting."

Mikulski said the administration brings to the board information on what's happening.

Then he went on to the next item which was board member conduct during the meetings. He said it was respecting "our fellow board members" and "expressing our opinions ... some we share and some

we don't."

Section 1.32 is about persons addressing the board and all can do a better job, he said. He said they should understand the issue and [later] correctly respond back to the audience member and advise the board.

"Our breakdown in the past is when we engage in topics ... our administrators the same way," Mikulski said.

Toth said the rationale for halting discussion is that it's not on the agenda. She said if it was on the agenda people who wanted input could attend and speak.

"But if it wasn't on the agenda, it's unfair to the public," Toth said.

"Repeat," urged Miller from the audience, seeking clarification of Toth's comments.

Toth said the presiding officer keeps the discussion on the agenda so they don't veer off.

"Non-agenda items are at the end of the agenda and people can talk about whatever they want," Frazier said.

"Board member comments go afield," Toth replied. "That discussion should be cut short."

Mikulski said the board members and administration prepare for the agenda items. He said they can engage with a speaker after the meeting to get an understanding of what the issue is before any answer is given.

Frazier said there have been several issues brought to the board and it was said that Van Tassel would get back to the speakers.

"I asked if they were contacted by Van Tassel and their answer was no," Frazier said.

"At two board meetings, I've brought up the necessary participation to reach out to our local newspaper. Two board meetings," Frazier said. "I suggested Mr. Van Tassel contact the paper. Why don't we have it in the buildings and Ad Building? I was in Owen school and it's not there."

Toth said she has seen it many times in the school and when Frazier asked what school, Toth said it was Tyler.

"When people come to the Administration Building they are provided with all the other information..." Frazier said. "At the Public Safety event, I asked the individual from the local paper if she's been reached out to, she said no. When we ask the superintendent ... We are the board."

"We don't have any powers as individuals," Toth said.

Closed Session

At the end of the work/study session the board went into closed-door session pursuant to 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act: "To consider the dismissal, suspension, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, or to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, if the named person requests a closed hearing. A person requesting a closed hearing may rescind the request at any time, in which case the matter at issue shall be considered after the rescission only in open sessions."

Barbara Rogalle Miller contributed information for this story.

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Classification: Regular, Full-time

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Union Affiliation: AFSCME

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Closing Date: Open Until Filled

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18 Month Hourly Wage: \$17.45

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"Anyone who doesn't take truth seriously in small matters cannot be trusted in large ones either."
— Albert Einstein

Van Buren Township
Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 799 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police this week, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Sept. 20:
0002 – disturbance, Belleville Rd.
0008 – juvenile complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0045 – loitering, W. Huron River Dr.
0103 – suicide or attempt, Oak Ln.
0110 – disturbance, Denton Rd.
0121 – disturbance, Oak Ln.
0246 – private property incident, Industrial
0303 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1233 – disturbance, Dollar General
1301 – larceny from auto, Buchanan St.
1437 – assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1555 – agency assist, Tyler Rd.
1714 – indecent exposure, Rawsonville Rd.
1810 – agency assist, E. I-94/Belleville Rd.
2208 – larceny, Denton Rd.
2235 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Monday, Sept. 21:
0037 – juvenile complaint, N. Ponderosa Trl.
0335 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0930 – assault & battery, Louisa Dr.
0954 – fraud, E. Sadie Ln.
1108 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1232 – breaking & entering, Morton Taylor Rd.
1321 – harassment call, W. Huron River Dr.
1342 – fraud, Parkwood Dr.
1640 – assault & battery, Anna Dr./Sadie Ln.
1713 – private property accident, Parkwood Dr.
1831 – weapons violation, Buchanan St.

Tuesday, Sept. 22:
0024 – suicide or attempt, Park Estates
0110 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
0811 – harassment call, Dellor St.
0851 – agency assist, W. Columbia
0920 – malicious destruction of property, Denton
0923 – larceny, Rolan Meadows Dr.
1056 – fraud, Oak Ln.
1108 – agency assist, Light Tower
1259 – assault & battery, Westlake Cir.
1317 – fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
1323 – larceny, Quirk Rd.
1408 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1426 – agency assist, Bookside
1431 – private property incident, Van Born Rd.
1555 – personal injury accident, Tyler Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
1805 – assault & battery, Lake Pointe Pass
1819 – suicide or attempt, I-94 Mobil/Haggerty
1833 – larceny from auto, Belleville Rd.
1903 – personal injury accident, Ecorse Rd. / Denton Rd.
1904 – operating while intoxicated, Haggerty Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1944 – missing person, Venetian Ave.
2232 – assault & battery, Arthur St.
2343 – disorderly conduct, Van Buren Ln.

Wednesday, Sept. 23:
0755 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.
0839 – missing person, Parkside Dr.
1134 – intimidation threat, Madison Dr.
1510 – larceny, Michigan Ave.
1559 – suicide or attempt, S. Bellridge Dr.
1658 – malicious destruction of property, Tyler / Beck
1950 – disturbance, Farm Rd.
2119 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

Thursday, Sept. 24:
0916 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
0930 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
0946 – larceny, Morton Taylor Rd.
1409 – fraud, Quirk Rd.
1442 – fraud, Ecorse Rd.
1456 – vehicle repossession, Village Green Ln.
1702 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Richard Run
1731 – assault & battery, Parkwood Dr.
1740 – larceny, W. Archwood Dr.
1932 – mental, Bradley Dr.
2127 – assault & battery, Sumpter Rd.
2158 – suicide or attempt, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Friday, Sept. 25:
0808 – abandoned auto, Huron River Dr./Hannan

0940 – ordinance violation, Tyler Rd.
0945 – hold-up alarm, Belleville Rd.
1443 – breaking & entering, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1459 – larceny, McBride Ave.
1536 – malicious destruction of property, E. Archwood Dr.
1725 – ATV/ORV complaint, Wildbrook/Country Pond
1804 – neighbor trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1812 – assault & battery, Pine Dr.
1912 – trespassing, Michigan Ave.
1920 – noise complaint, Ash Dr.
2005 – shots fired, Brandi
2348 – vehicle repossession, E. Archwood Dr.

Saturday, Sept. 26:
0055 – harassment call, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1151 – lake complaint, Harmony Ln.
1503 – agency assist, Rose Blvd.
1940 – disturbance, Westlake Clubhouse
2022 – shots fired, Bemis Rd.
2028 – trespassing, Hannan Rd.
2036 – disturbance, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2216 – noise complaint, Haggerty Rd.
2219 – PPO violation, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2230 – breaking & entering, Tyler Rd.
2302 – disorderly conduct, Belleville Rd.
2325 – suspicious situation, Lancaster Dr.

Also on this week’s log are 349 traffic stops, 102 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police
Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 20:
0440 – suspicious person, Horizon Park
0620 – traffic complaint, Five Points

Monday, Sept. 21:
0720 – suspicious person, Estrada
0822 – disturbance, E. Thornhill Ct.
1435 – trespassing, W. Columbia Ave.
1452 – private property accident, W. Columbia
1529 – assist fire dept., E. Columbia Ave.
1726 – juvenile complaint, E. Huron River Dr.
1728 – fight, Loza Ln.
1833 – assist fire dept., South St.
2025 – assist fire dept., Second St.
2043 – agency assist, Rose
2045 – vehicle lockout, Sumpter
2133 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.
2135 – disturbance, N. Liberty St.

Tuesday, Sept. 22:
0851 – suspicious situation, W. Columbia Ave.
0912 – assist fire dept., Owen St.
0945 – intrusion alarm, E. Waterbury Ct.
0947 – vehicle lockout, Henry St.
1029 – intrusion alarm, Light Tower Ct.
1142 – missing person, Loza Ln.
1208 – parking complaint, Light Tower Ct.
1426 – agency assist, Brookside
1427 – assist citizen, Brookside
1557 – juvenile complaint, A&W
1720 – domestic assault, Henry St.
1937 – disorderly conduct, South St.
1944 – assist fire dept., Victorian Ln.
2012 – domestic assault, Carmell St.
2014 – property check, Loza Ln.
2217 – assist fire dept., High St.

Wednesday, Sept. 23:
0340 – assist fire dept., Santa Clara St.
0438 – noise complaint, Menlo Park Dr.
1225 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.
1328 – traffic complaint, Savage/South
1450 – assault & battery, W. Columbia Ave.
1713 – domestic assault, Loza Ln.

Thursday, Sept. 24:
1124 – larceny, Biggs Ave.
1129 – private property accident, S. Liberty St.
1144 – civil matter, S. Edgemont Ave.
1259 – breaking & entering, Menlo Park Dr.
1431 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
1537 – disorderly conduct, Carmell St.
1830 – juvenile complaint, Loza Ln./E. Huron River Dr.
1901 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1924 – civil matter, Carmell St.
2108 – disturbance, Sumpter Rd.

Friday, Sept. 25:
1048 – larceny, Owen
1426 – assist fire dept., Third St.
1501 – sexual assault, Loza Ln.

1953 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.
2050 – civil matter, High St.
2231 – domestic assault, Victorian Ln.

Saturday, Sept. 26:
1338 – suspicious person, W. Columbia Ave.
1434 – welfare check, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1536 – welfare check, Loza Ln.
1839 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1913 – disturbance, S. Liberty St.
2019 – juvenile complaint, Carmell St.
2031 – family trouble, S. Liberty St.
2302 – suspicious vehicle, W. Columbia Ave.

Also on this week’s log are 38 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township
Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 20:
0118 – shots fired, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1115 – fraud complaint, 19000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1531 – civil dispute, E. Arizona
1641 – larceny, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1718 – suspicious incident, 8100 bl. Rawsonville
1745 – assist other agency, California
2047 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Wilmot Rd.
2131 – well-being check, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.
2153 – alarm, 9100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2206 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.

Monday, Sept. 21:
0038 – suspicious vehicle, 28000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0258 – fire dept. assist, E. Arizona
0614 – death investigation, 19000 bl. Lohr Rd.
0747 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood
0907 – suspicious vehicle, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
0948 – suspicious person, 19000 bl. Karr Rd.
1138 – suspicious incident, 27000 bl. Sherwood
1313 – fraud complaint, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1504 – suspicious incident, Redwood
1618 – fire dept. assist, W. Arizona
1646 – threats complaint, 21000 bl. Fenster
2205 – citizen assist, Harris/Martinsville

Tuesday, Sept. 22:
0745 – suspicious vehicle, Sherwood/Wear
0800 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
0950 – found property, Rustic Ln.
1300 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1319 – suspicious person, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1334 – assault, Nevada
1418 – suspicious incident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1448 – suspicious incident, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
1452 – fire dept. assist, W. Arizona
1532 – suspicious vehicle, 27000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2116 – animal complaint, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
2124 – disorderly person, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Wednesday, Sept. 23:
0000 – death investigation, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
0218 – fire dept. assist, California
0620 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1034 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
1345 – fire dept. assist, Iowa
1650 – animal complaint, Oakville Waltz / Sherwood
1711 – fraud complaint, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
1740 – threats complaint, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1802 – civil dispute, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.
1930 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.

Thursday, Sept. 24:
0055 – fire dept. assist, Creekside Dr.
1102 – civil dispute, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1156 – animal complaint, 47000 bl. Judd Rd.
1201 – reckless driver complaint, Willow / Rawsonville
1242 – suspicious incident, First St.
1310 – suspicious incident, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1343 – breaking & entering, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.
1703 – fraud complaint, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
1737 – civil dispute, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
1827 – personal injury accident, Willis/Elwell
2328 – subpoena service, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Friday, Sept. 25:
0251 – fire dept. assist, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0513 – suspicious vehicle, Karr/Judd
0756 – property damage accident, Bemis/Elwell
0959 – ordinance violation, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1214 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1524 – ordinance violation, 24000 bl. Sherwood
1813 – suspicious incident, Georgia
2028 – well-being check, 49000 bl. Judd Rd.
2126 – warrant pick up, Judd/Sumpter

Saturday, Sept. 26:
0149 – suspicious incident, Judd/Sherwood
0313 – suspicious incident, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.
0846 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1014 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1100 – trespassing complaint, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.
1138 – child abuse/neglect, 8100 bl. Rawsonville
1341 – found property, 47000 bl. Executive Dr.
1505 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1514 – threats complaint, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
1825 – animal complaint, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1900 – reckless driver complaint, Bemis/Sumpter
1944 – animal complaint, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2016 – shots fired, 17000 bl. Odyssey Dr.
2323 – property damage accident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Also on this week’s log are 19 follow-up investigations, 34 miscellaneous details, 108 patrol checks, and 29 traffic stops.

Court Watching:
Robert Charles Zumbro
sentenced to 4-15 years
for sex with teenager

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Robert Charles Zumbro, 34, of Sumpter Township was sentenced to 4 years, 3 months to 15 years in prison on Sept. 21 after pleading guilty to three counts of criminal sexual conduct with a 14 year-old female acquaintance that began in April.

Sentencing him was Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Vonda Evans. Zumbro has been in the Wayne County Jail since June 26, held on \$250,000/10% bond.

He now is in the Charles Egeler Reception and Guidance Center in Jackson where officials will determine in which prison he will serve his sentence.

Zumbro was arrested on June 11 following an investigation by Sumpter police, which started on June 2 after a complaint to the department by the juvenile’s mother upon her learning of the sexual encounters between Zumbro and her daughter.

Melissa Huziak

Melissa Ashley Huziak, 20, of Sumpter Township, pled guilty to one felony count of criminal sexual conduct - third degree (with a person aged 13-15) and is serving a term of 1-15 years in the Michigan Department of Corrections’ Huron Valley Complex for Women on Bemis Road in Ypsilanti.

She was sentenced by Circuit Court Judge Gregory D. Bill on July 23 and was given 44 days credit for time served.

Her earliest release date is June 8, 2016 and the maximum release date is June 8, 2030.

Huziak had been held on a \$50,000/10% bond in the Wayne County Jail after her arrest in Sumpter Township.

Huziak was alleged to have had individual sexual encounters with two juvenile males, ages 14 and 15, on separate occasions in and around February of this year.

The investigation started after a complaint to police by the father of the 15-year-old after he learned of a sexual encounter between Huziak and his son.

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– Groucho Marx

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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

On Saturday, a special community-wide canoe event was based at a dock on property owned by Scott Jones on North Liberty Street in Belleville. Waiting for the next round of paddlers were, from left, Carol Thompson, coordinator of the Belleville Downtown Development Authority who helped put on the event; Ryan Youmans, who won \$500 at the Soup Project competition last spring with his detailed idea for a canoe day on Belleville Lake; Alex Knoch; John Blevin of Motor City Canoe Rental; Aaron Glenn and Hannah Karoub, members of the Scouts' Venture Crew; and Andrea Sprague, teacher at Belleville High School's New Tech program which put on the Soup Project.



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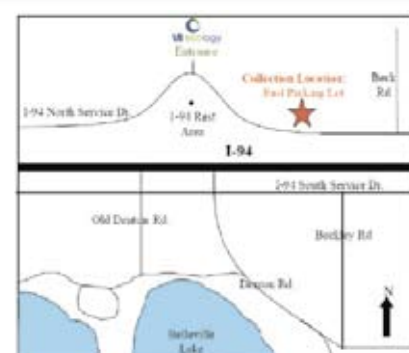
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