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VBPS receives Set Seg Safety Award

By Rosemary K. Otzman
 Independent Editor

On Monday, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education received a framed certificate, "Safety is No Accident Award," from the School Employees Trust/School Employers Group (SET SEG) in Lansing.

Darlene Wood of SET SEG said this is one of five awards given out in the state and praised Van Buren Public Schools for having an improved loss ratio.

Annually, SET SEG recognizes five members of its Property/ Casualty Pool and Self-Insurer Workers' Compensation Fund, Wood said. An awards committee considers claims history, minimal losses, safety measures and cooperation regarding safety recommendations when making its selections.

In other business at Monday's one-hour-and-20-minute meeting, the board:

- Approved an update to the policy on Wireless Communication Allowance and Staff Use of Wireless Communications Devices. Supt. Pete Kudlak said the district wants to change its current way of handling and maintaining staff cell phones in a way to make it simpler for everyone involved in the process. They currently bought devices and services. The policy was changed to a monthly stipend of \$50 for those required to have a wireless communication device as a condition of their employment, which are about 24;

- Approved the resignation of Kanika Spears as a teacher at Owen Intermediate School after two years of service as of Oct. 4;

- Approved hiring Kelli Suvada as a paraprofessional in Student Services as of Oct. 14;

- Heard presentations from Belleville
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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

The Board of Directors of Keystone Charter Academy is made up of, from left, Director Patricia Kirkpatrick, Secretary Connie Shull, President Vesta Losen, Vice-President Darren Hickonbottom, and Treasurer Charlene Derrick. Kirkpatrick and Hickonbottom were recently sworn into their new terms that run through June 30, 2022.

Keystone solves budget problem with agreement on invoice protocol

By Rosemary K. Otzman
 Independent Editor

At one point, it was expected that the disagreement between Keystone Charter Academy and its service provider National Heritage Academies was going to have to be solved with opposing attorneys hashing it out at the Oct. 10 Keystone board meeting.

But, on Oct. 10, Keystone Board President Vesta Losen announced that Keystone and NHA had reached an agreement and the attorneys will not be attending the meeting.

President Losen said the disagreement arose when the Keystone board had to wait months for NHA to get around to

reimbursing board members for funeral flowers, for not getting the check to a spring scholarship winner before she had to leave for college in the fall, four months wait for a PTO check, and other fund delays.

Losen pointed out the service contract with NHA was not being followed by NHA as far as access to funds was concerned.

"It was either fix the contract or fix this," Losen said. "There needs to be a protocol. I've been on the Keystone Board for 17 years, since it began. There's never been a good trail to follow."

She said they had been told to give invoices for board funds to the office, but to no one in particular, or to the principal, or to no one in particular at NHA, or the NHA board representative, "if he's here."

She said they never said give it to the treasurer, who really has nothing to do, "So I put together a protocol."

She said the Protocol for the Board
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Keystone Board passes resolution protesting state budget cuts

KEYSTONE ACADEMY, a PUBLIC SCHOOL under the Michigan Constitution of 1963, is authorized by Bay Mills Community College and subject to general supervision of the State Board of Education.

The Board of Directors of Keystone are public officials who are subject to the same rights and responsibilities as all other public school board members. We adopt an annual budget each July, expecting (by best possible information) that our school will receive the same per-pupil spending increase as all other public schools. (Of course, we know full well that each charter student would still be allotted hundreds below what other public students in Michigan are given.)

Still, we had SOMETHING on which to base a budget!

Now, four months into the budget year... and Governor Whitmer vetoed the \$240 per-pupil funding increase ... for CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL ONLY!

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Something is very wrong here!

We, as the Board of Directors of KEYSTONE ACADEMY hereby expresses its dismay and disappointment with state policymakers and the budgeting process, and

WE are calling on Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Legislature to take immediate action to restore the \$240 per-pupil increase for Michigan's public charter schools.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of KEYSTONE ACADEMY, of BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN at its meeting held on October 10, 2019 at which a quorum was present.

Vesta Losen, Board President
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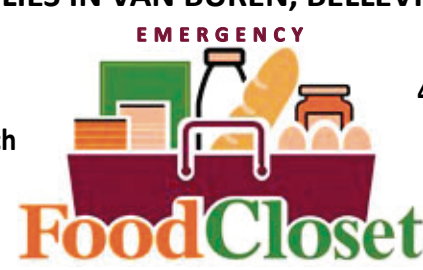
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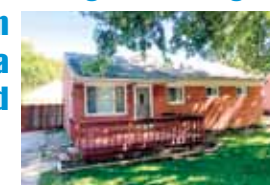
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

League of Women Voters offer candidate forum with light crowd

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Just two of the four candidates running for the Belleville City Council showed up for the League of Women Voters candidate forum at the Belleville High School mini-auditorium on Oct. 2 before an audience of five.

Paula Bowman, president of the League of Women Voters of Northwestern Wayne County, was moderator and she interviewed first-time candidate Ken Voigt and incumbent Councilman Jack Loria who is running for reelection.

The other two candidates, Kelly Bates and write-in candidate Aafrika Poole, did not attend the forum.

Bowman pointed out that also on the city ballot, Mayor Kerreen Conley is running for reelection without opposition. Also, there is a bond issue from the school district and a proposed assessment for public safety for the city.

Voigt said he decided to run because of the Scott Jones development and the new library downtown that gives an opportunity to improve things in the community. He is a longtime activist in the city, having lived there 40 years. He served on the Downtown Development Authority for 18 years, worked in the police department for 25 years and served on the Sign Committee and Planning Commission. He has a degree in public administration with a minor in urban planning.

Loria said he decided to run because, after serving two terms, he thought he could help the new city manager with his background. He said he had worked well with present

City Manager Diana Kollmeyer, but she is retiring. He said he worked on the development program 20 years ago and it is just now coming to fruition. He said he has been in the community for 70 years and was on the fire department for 27 years, 13 as fire chief. He and his wife Rosemary were named Belleville High School Distinguished Graduates.

Loria said both he and Voigt want the community to thrive, and Voigt agreed.

Bowman offered questions that had been sent in ahead of time and written out at the forum. She asked if now that Van Buren Township has a full-time fire department would Belleville will be able to have VBT fire fighters serve the city.

Voigt said it is up the council to make the decision, and ultimately the voters. "It needs to be studied," he said.

Loria said this has been discussed a number of times and what needs to be decided is, "what's going to be best for our community?"

Bowman asked another submitted question on whether Belleville has an opioid problem.

Loria responded there is a problem in the area and Councilman Tom Fielder has a handle on the subject from his meetings at the Detroit Wayne County Mental Health Authority. He regularly brings back reports and keeps the council up to date, Loria said.

Voigt said just about everywhere has an opioid problem right now and he doesn't know what the city council can do about it.

Bowman asked another submitted question on whether it is important to increase



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

There are four candidates running for two seats on the Belleville City Council and just two showed up for the League of Women Voters Candidate Forum on Oct. 2 at the Belleville High School mini-auditorium. Candidate Ken Voigt, left, and incumbent Councilman Jack Loria, who is seeking reelection, were present and gave statements and answered questions.

diversity in Belleville and how you would go about it.

Voigt said it's a good thing, but he doesn't know about how the council could do that, since the city is landlocked.

Loria said the city is unique, since it is surrounded by Van Buren Township. "People have the opportunity to come into the community, but can we get them?" he asked.

Bowman then asked about improving the city's infrastructure and how that would be funded.

"Our sewer system is old, but how to fund it?" Loria asked. He said he wished the city got more revenue sharing money from the state. "Maybe with a new city manager, we

could get grants," he said.

"It's a challenge to us," Voigt agreed. "The streets are not in good condition," he said, recalling that they were paved in the early 1970s and they have deteriorated. "It's not easy."

After the final comments, Bowman said the forum was filmed and the link is now available on the League's website (LWVnorthwestwayne.org).

Belleville voters can also access the League's non-partisan, on-line voter guide at VOTE411.org. By typing in their address, a voter can view and compare responses to questions. A print version of the voter guide is now available at the Belleville Area Library.

Keystone

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Spending Account would be that all invoices for payment go to the treasurer. The treasurer will give a signed copy to the NHA board representative at the meeting or it would be mailed to him. The record comes back with the board representative, now Andrew Roth.

The protocol was passed unanimously.

Then, the board passed a resolution on the Board Bank Account that takes off the signatories from NHA that were on the two accounts and puts the signatures of the board treasurer and board president on both accounts, as directed by the signed service agreement.

The resolution authorizes NHA to receive revenues deposited into the academy's primary bank account through payments made through the Automated Clearing House (ACH). ACH withdrawals are permitted immediately upon deposit.

NHA also has electronic access to open and view both accounts for account reconciliations.

The resolution authorizes NHA to use the

Keystone signatures in a signers' signature block to pay bills from the board spending account after approval by the board. Also, payments shall not contain any service fee or additional charge.

Losen said the payments should be handled more fluidly now. All invoices or receipts are to be given to the treasurer or put in a board mailbox, which will soon be set up in the Keystone office.

In other business at the one-hour-and-30-minute meeting on Oct. 10, the board:

- Approved rolling over \$3,237.33 unspent board funds into the board's available balance for future use;

- Approved the revised school safety and anti-bullying policy, with minor changes;

- Unanimously passed a resolution protesting the governor's cut of \$240 per pupil from charter school funding. Losen said she received letters from Bay Mills and several different organizations asking Keystone to pass a resolution. She said charter schools already have a funding gap of \$1,800 to \$2,400 per student less. "All Michigan students should get the same," Losen said. "I put together a resolution, if you would like to adopt it, or write your own

letter." Losen said she was asked to send it to Keystone's legislator, but, "We can't send it to State Rep. Kristy Pagan because she's behind it -- and she lives in Canton who has the best charter schools in the state." NHA representative Roth said he had worked in Diane Slavens' office and if they read five letters on an issue, they started action. "Five is the magic number," Roth said. Later, Losen said State Rep. Joe Bellino, who represents Sumpter Township and comes to visit Keystone, would be a better person to send the resolution to;

- Learned Keystone has two students who have declared themselves transgender and so these students use the teachers' bathrooms. Losen said the founder of NHA told her that NHA always will follow the law;

- Learned some middle school students took part in the Belleville Rotary Club's annual "Kids Against Hunger" event. The meals packaged will be sent to those impacted by Hurricane Dorian. Also, students raised \$360 for Breast Cancer Awareness with Jeans Day;

- Heard Principal Jorvonna Drain report that after the fall 2019 NWEA assessments, Keystone has 70% of its students who have

been at the school for three or more years at or above grade level on the reading assessment and 62% at or above grade level on the math assessment. Losen pointed out the seventh and eighth graders were 81% and 77%, respectively, at or above grade level in math and 87% and 88%, respectively, in reading. "The seventh and eighth grades SHINE," Losen said. Later she added that the seventh and eighth graders got the basics before Common Core and so they learned real math and learned to read;

- Heard Drain report on District and Historical Reports, noting Keystone outperformed Van Buren Schools overall for at least the last five years covered in the report; and

- Went into closed-door session to discuss the 80 pages of the new School Emergency Operations Plan. Then, it went back into regular session to table action on the plan until all board members have read all 80 pages. Losen said although the staff takes care of emergency operations with the students, the board should at least know what the plan is.

OPINIONS

Editorial

VBT needs to take closer look at employee security

On Friday, a disgruntled driver with a ticket he didn't like, tried to complain to Van Buren Township Police and when that didn't work, he came into the township hall and started yelling and screaming.

Reportedly, some employees fled the building. Many called 911. The man was in the parking lot when police arrived. Everyone was safe, but it could have ended differently.

The man was a former VBT resident who had a troubled childhood and served in the Marines. He was talked to by police and he went back home to Carleton.

In Monday's work/study session, in a seemingly un-related matter, the VBT board discussed moving the Human Resources office to a more secluded area so those going to HR had more privacy. But then Trustee Frazier said she was concerned with the HR Director's safety. Her new location was to be at the end of a hallway and HR would be alone with no secretary. Other board members agreed that safety should be a consideration.

Supervisor McNamara said he would talk with the police about it. It was noted in the active shooter simulation put on for employees at the township hall, the current HR location was found to be vulnerable because she had no place to go.

A police official told the *Independent* he's been promoting more security for the township hall for some time. "The world's different than it used to be," he said.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

At a recent meeting of the Belleville City Council, Councilman Tom Fielder noted that the Belleville DDA helped students at the high school put their ideas into reality and the Zombie Run on Oct. 19 is one of those ideas that took off. It's in its sixth year now. He said 50 people volunteered to be zombies early in the planning stages.

Also at that city council meeting, Councilman Jesse Marcotte was asked to guess when his first child would be born, since Melly's due date was getting near. He said he thought the birth would be between Oct. 15 and 18.

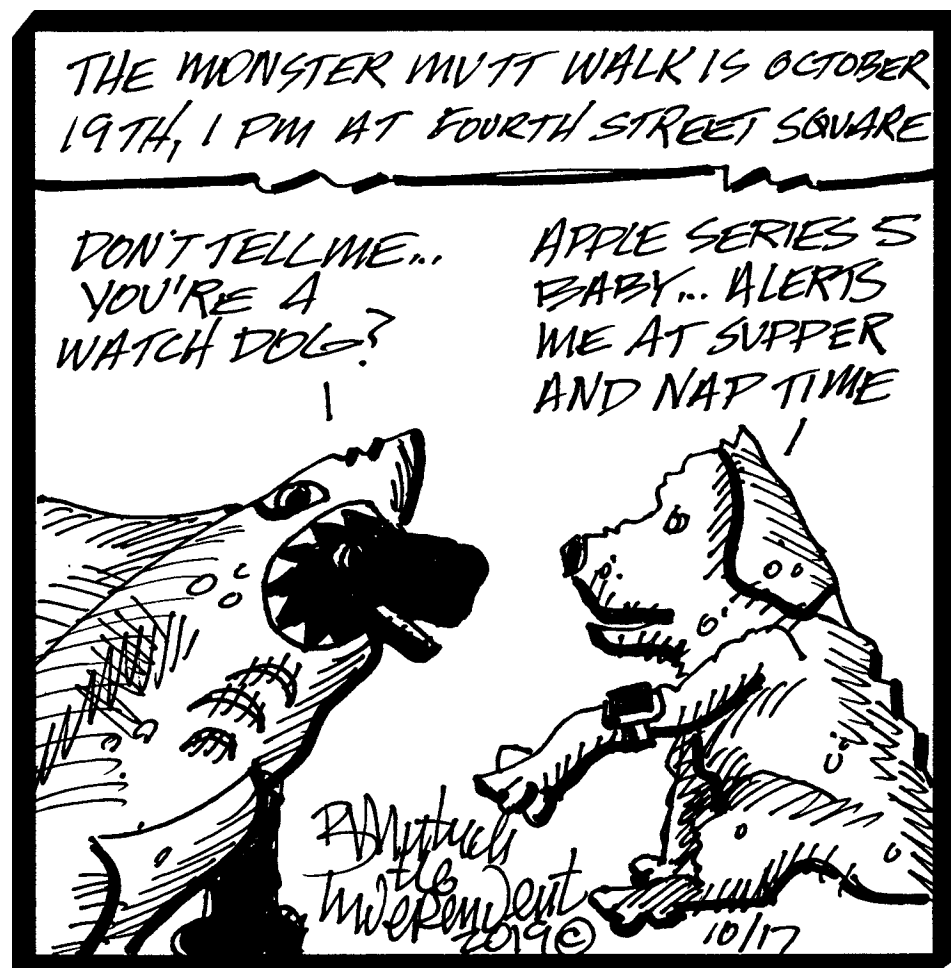
We received a news release last Thursday stating Ricardo Inc. has listed the sale of its building at 40000 Ricardo Dr. in Van Buren Township. Listing agent is CBRE. Ricardo is looking to sell the 76,363-square-foot property and relocate, or consider a sale-leaseback instead.

The property consists of about 52,000 square feet of office on two floors and 24,234 square feet of warehouse space.

At Monday's work/study session of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, board members discussed for one last time the proposed budget for next year that would be on the next day's agenda for approval. Supervisor Kevin McNamara said he put it on the work/study agenda because of questions by Trustee Reggie Miller.

Clerk Leon Wright said the board has talked about this budget many times and they just would argue about it if they brought it back for discussion. And, they did.

Trustee Paul White pointed to the \$4,000



merit pay raise for Human Resources Director Nicole Sumpter (actually \$2,997). He said he believes this causes angst for people who have been working faithfully for years for the township for just the 2% annual raise. He also said another employee, who hadn't been with the township long (Matthew Best), got a \$15,000 raise last year.

Supervisor McNamara said he's going off the Council of Western Wayne salary lists and often you bring people in for lower amounts to see how they work out. He said the work these people do allows the township to get rid of some consultants. "Others do an outstanding job and that's the case of Human Resources," McNamara said.

Trustee Sherry Frazier said the employees must be thinking, "I've got to get on McNamara's good side to get a raise." She said these raises are just arbitrary, not based on anything. She said Sumpter is going from \$69,003 to \$72,000.

Trustee White added that the township has hired employees who have no certifications and, "We bring them along," referring to the township paying for their education. He said there are those who have been at the township for 12 to 15 years and perform excellent work and just get the 2% raise everybody else gets. "You can't negate experience," White said.

Trustee Frazier said the DDA Deputy is getting a \$2,700 raise and the assessor \$4,000, along with the Human Resources

Director raise. "It's arbitrary," she said, also asking about how they are coming at getting someone to fill the vacancy left when Ron Akers resigned as Director of Planning and Economic Development some time ago. She said there is no salary on the budget list for that position.

McNamara said when they find a person for that position, the board will negotiate a salary.

White said board members will get \$350 raise for 2020 (on top of the \$16,531 annual pay in 2019) and the supervisor, clerk, and treasurer are getting raises of \$1,700 each. He said he puts in 20 hours a week on board work and, addressing McNamara, said, "You're not even in the office that much."

"You have no idea what I do," McNamara retorted.

Trustee Miller said she and other board members were in McNamara's office for two hours and she got her questions answered. "Do I agree with everything? No," she said.

"I'm not going to butter your toast," Frazier said to McNamara. She said she asked for notations on the salary list and although McNamara told her he would add the information, he did not.

"Trustees' basic responsibility is to follow the money," White said, referring to the questions on the salaries.



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Letters

Barber Bob retires after 45 years as barber

To the editor:

Most people know me as Barber Bob!

I was born in Southern Illinois and my parents moved me up here to Belleville when I was just three weeks old. I have lived in Belleville ever since.

I met my wife-to-be in the fourth grade over a checker game. I won and she said I cheated.

I asked her (Janet) out on our first date when she was in the tenth grade. I graduated in 1971 and we got married when Janet graduated in 1972.

I started barbering in 1974 in Belleville, then opened my own barber shop in 1987.

Three and a half years ago Janet retired from Ford's and we built our new home in Hillsdale County, selling our Belleville home this past May.

Recently, on Sept. 28, my wife's arm felt funny and her lymph nodes were swollen. After several tests and doctors at U of M, my wife called me at work at 10 a.m. on Oct. 10 to tell me she was diagnosed with cancer. By noon that day I closed my shop and retired.

I was married to my shop for almost 32 years, but I've been married to my wife for over 47 years.

I'm sorry I didn't get to say good-bye to everyone, but I would like to say thanks for the memories.

God bless everyone.

Bob Brown
Jerome, MI

Thank you to Carolyn Daniels at Walmart

To the editor:

My husband and I were at Walmart on Belleville Road this a.m. (Oct. 14) and our car wouldn't start. A gentleman next to us went in to buy a jug to buy some gas and when he went in, he told me a customer host would help us.

Our battery needed a boost and a tire on the rear of the car was in trouble. Well, folks, guess what? A wonderful lady came out of the store and helped us to get rid of all our car problems.

Carolyn Daniels lives in Westland and works in Belleville. She was so wonderful to us and all our problems. She is an excellent host to everyone and doesn't expect anything from anyone. We are so lucky to have a wonderful host.

Kay Atkins
Belleville

I don't hate the Republican Party

To the editor:

Foremost in today's news is the Impeachment Inquiry of President Trump. No matter which party we are affiliated with, we should be concerned with allegations of Presidential abuse of power.

We are a nation of many political parties. An affiliation with a particular party demonstrates our perspective on how government should work, how it should focus its efforts on specific goals. This multi-party system fosters a diversity of viewpoints and promotes a balancing of programs and finances. When our multi-party system cooperates, it creates significant solutions. This collaboration gives our country its breadth, resilience and strength.

The Republican Party promotes the development of business (small and large), less government involvement, financial stability and entrepreneurial enterprise. These are laudable goals and ideals.

The Democratic Party prioritizes the needs of the middle class, the poor and disadvantaged, advocating for a decent income so Americans can support their families. Its progressive wing focuses on conditions perpetuating the "cycle of poverty." Democrats believe democracy is only as strong as the country's commitment to the weakest and under-represented members of society. These, too, are laudable goals.

Our country is exceptional BECAUSE OF our political parties - BUT ONLY when they collaborate. Americans lose when government doesn't get the business of governing done, or when the government doesn't function in the interests of ALL Americans. When the President and Members of Congress act as if staying in power is more important than the principles and ideals set down in our Constitution that should not be allowed to happen. A political party should not ignore the misconduct of its legislators, let alone those of a President.

The Impeachment Inquiry should be supported by ALL political parties. The Democratic Party made the difficult decision to begin an Impeachment Inquiry. The search for the facts should be allowed to unfold unhindered.

Republicans have much to lose, more than the other parties. But when Republican legislators support a rogue president, they lose their personal integrity, as well, and risk the integrity of the Republican Party. I don't hate the Republican Party, but I do dislike what's being done to it.

We Americans may very well be loosening our grip on something precious during this unfolding drama. If we don't hold our leaders accountable, as a nation we may be throwing out the principles on which our country was founded. And, as neighbors and friends, we may be misplacing something else precious to us -- trust in each other.

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Americans will always have differing opinions. That's what makes us unique individuals and a unique nation. But let's not intimidate each other into silence, and let's not allow our leaders to do it either. Does that sound idealistic? Yes, it certainly does! But if we Americans do our jobs and we tell Congress to do theirs, our democratic nation remains just that. A democracy.

Barbara Zysk-Berman
Sumpter Township

We are working hard to stop London water lines

To the editor:

This is in response to a letter from the London Township Water Committee about the proposed municipal water project in London Township.

Yes, a lot of people in London Township have lousy water. But the estimated \$26,000 per parcel is just beyond many people's pocketbook.

That assessment becomes a lien on your property whether you use the water or not. Then there are out-of-pocket expenses for the tap-in fee and running the lines to your house. On top of that we would have a monthly water bill that we do not have now.

Many citizens have invested thousands in filtering systems to make their water better. Many in London Township have water tanks and get their water delivered at a much cheaper rate than having an estimated \$26,000 assessment.

They are telling us the lien can be paid over 40 years, but that adds \$1,500-\$1,800 a year to our taxes that some already struggle to pay now.

When we gather NO WATER petition signatures, several have told us they will

literally lose their homes if this project really comes true.

They are working hard to make this project happen. We are working even harder to stop it.

Aretta Schils
London Township

Correction: Kelly Bates said she was misquoted

Kelly Bates states she was misquoted in the Oct. 10 issue of the *Independent* on her comments to the Belleville City Council at its Oct. 7 meeting.

Bates said the damaged fence in Village Park she asked about should have read: "bench in Village Park by the basketball courts (looked like it had been hit by a car)."

Also, she said her comment on the "island at Victoria Commons" was incorrect. She said she referred to the "island at Five Points, not Victoria Commons." Kollmeyer said Davenport Construction will look into the problem with the damaged streetscape when it can. Bates said this damage was not in Victoria Commons, "as the Davenports have nothing to do with our sub."

We regret misunderstanding her comments.
Rosemary Otzman, editor



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Obituaries



Holly Lynn Grace
Napoletano

HOLLY LYNN GRACE NAPOLETANO

(July 26, 2019 – October 7, 2019)

Holly Lynn Grace Napoletano was born to Alex and Heather Napoletano, along with her twin brother Jensen, on July 26, 2019 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. After the loss of her sweet brother, Holly powered through, smiling, and touched everyone's heart that she came into contact with. With her beautiful big blue eyes and sweet little coos she was affectionately known as "buggy" by mommy and "little pierogi" by daddy. Unfortunately, missing the bond with her "little big" brother, at 2 months and 11 days old, she went to go cuddle and be with him and her other angel sibling in heaven on October 7, 2019.

Left to cherish the memory of Holly are her parents, Alex and Heather; sisters, Jasmine and Laiyanna; grandparents, Angela (Debra), Melode, Krista (Phil), and Jason (Jenn); great-grandparents, Lottie (James), Deborah (Roy), Michael, Jim and Connie (Don); uncle, Scott; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her twin brother, Jensen; grandparents, Papa Butch, Meama Kay, and Grandma Joyce; one angel sibling.

Arrangements were entrusted to David R. Jasin-Hoening Funeral Home, Toledo, Ohio.

Memorial donations may be made in Holly's name to Molly Bears at mollybears.org.

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Jensen Butch Alexander
Napoletano

JENSEN BUTCH ALEXANDER NAPOLETANO

(July 26, 2019 – October 7, 2019)

Jensen Butch Alexander Napoletano, age 2 weeks, passed away Friday, August 9, 2019. He was born July 26, 2019 with his twin in Ann Arbor, Michigan to parents, Alexander and Heather Napoletano.

Left to cherish the memory of Jensen are his parents, Alex and Heather; sisters, Jasmine and Laiyanna; twin sister, Holly; grandparents, Angela (Debra), Melode, Krista (Phil), and Jason (Jenn); great-grandparents, Lottie (James), Deborah (Roy), Michael, Jim and Connie (Don); uncle, Scott; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Papa Butch, Meama Kay, and Grandma Joyce; and one angel sibling.

Arrangements were entrusted to David R. Jasin-Hoening Funeral Home, Toledo, Ohio. Memorial donations may be made in Jensen's name to Twinless Twins.

DIANA LYNN SPAULDING

(July 9, 1961 – October 14, 2019)

Age 58, of Ypsilanti, formerly of Royal Oak. Survived by sons Glenn Jones Jr., Allen Jones, and Jimmy Jones; and eight grandchildren. Cremation arranged. Celebration of Life will be held in the near future. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. www.davidcbrownfh.com

JENNIE STALMACK

(November 3, 1926 – October 12, 2019)

Age 92, longtime resident of Sumpter Township. Survived by children Jane, Sharon, Cynthia, and John; grandchildren; great-grandchildren. Service 11 a.m. Friday, David C. Brown Funeral Home. Viewing Thursday. 4-8 p.m. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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John Katona

JOHN KATONA

(May 8, 1928 – October 10, 2019)

Age 91, of Belleville, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, October 10, 2019 surrounded by his loving family. He was born on May 8, 1928 in Montgomery, Michigan to Ignace and Elizabeth (Papp) Katona. John served in the U.S. army during the Korean conflict. Upon returning home he continued his employment with Ford Motor Company until his retirement.

John, having grown up in a family who loved and respected horses, began to raise horses for show. He started with POA ponies and gradually home-bred Appaloosa horses, which he proudly entered into competition. John's love for horses was evident by his care and breeding, which won him multiple state champions. He also raised German Shepherds. Encouraged by his granddaughter, he attended dog-obedient classes with her and his daughter-in-law. Together they showed their dogs in which they won many medals. He enjoyed the outdoors and has a passion for cultivating flowers. He spent endless hours attending to his lawn and garden. Those who passed by were in awe of how beautiful and immaculate his lawn was kept. John lived his life honest, happy and with no regrets.

John is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Tim and Cindy Katona, his daughter and son-in-law Pam and Mike Melton, all of Belleville; a granddaughter Melissa Colwell; a grandson Matt (Victoria) Melton; four great-grandchildren Brian and Luke Colwell and twins Alina and Mira Melton; and two sisters Bertha Hartmann and Margaret Katona. He was preceded in death his parents; four brothers Ignace "Iggy", Peter, Kelly and Anton "Tony" Katona; and three sisters Helen Kondor, Theresa Shaw and Anna Hansen.

Visitation was held at Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home, Milan where funeral services with full military honors were 11 a.m. Monday, October 14, 2019. Burial at Marble Park Cemetery. Those desiring may make contributions to the Milan Garden Club or the Belleville Garden Club.

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EVANGELINA ESQUEJO-CAPILI, M.D.

Evangelina Esquejo-Capili, M.D. passed away on September 26, 2019 at her home in California.

Evangelina was born in 1927 and immigrated to the U.S. in the early 1950s when she met and married Arolinario M. Capili, M.D. As one of the few female physicians at the time, she enjoyed a thriving OBGYN practice for over 40 years. Evangelina was a woman devoted to family, faith, and community.

Dr Capili donated a carved depiction of the Last Supper that now hangs where the community gathers for meals at St. Anthony Catholic Church. The carving is emblematic of Dr. Capili's love of the Eucharist and her abiding faith in God's goodness.

She is survived by her three children Albert, Stella, and Christine; eight grandchildren; and two sisters.

A memorial mass was held Saturday, October 12, 2019 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Belleville, with a gathering after the service. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Alzheimer's Society in her name.

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SHARON LEE DUBISKY

(July 11, 1939 – October 12, 2019)

Age 80 of Onsted, formerly of Belleville. Graduated with Belleville High School class of 1957. Survived by husband Edward G. Dubisky. Funeral arrangements pending at Brown-Van Hemert Funeral Home in Onsted. Full obituary in next week's edition.

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Man missing from VBT group home found in Ann Arbor intoxicated

A man missing after walking away from a group home in Van Buren Township last week was found in Ann Arbor, intoxicated, according to Van Buren Police.

On Oct. 10, Michigan State Police issued an Endangered Missing Advisory for Richard Manning, 56. Manning left his group home in the 44000 block of Ecorse Road around 8 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, and didn't return, according to authorities.

Police said Manning had last been seen in the area of Belleville and Ecorse roads around noon Oct. 9 by the cashier at a convenience store.

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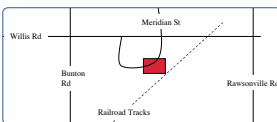
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High School and McBride Middle School staffs. Supt. Kulak asked the buildings to present to the board one of their school improvement initiatives that they will be working on this year. BHS representatives spoke about what they are doing to solve problems for ninth graders, including those ninth graders reclassified as ninth graders at the end of the school year for not passing enough credits (in 2016-17 it was 61, in 2017-18 it was 39, and in 2018-19 it was 58), behavior problems, and 63% responding in a survey that they did not have an adult looking out for them. McBride staff spoke of the Reading/Writing Workshop that is showing great results;

• Heard student Kenneth Farr tell the board he failed a test and although he got 100% on all his homework, he got an E in the class. He said that wasn't fair. Angela Mears said from the audience that there is a new marking policy and he will be able to

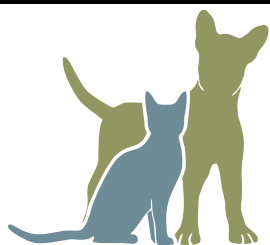
take the test as many times as he wants until he passes it or gets an A, whatever his goal is. Supt. Kudlak congratulated Kenneth for standing up for what he believes and urged him to talk with his principal at McBride on the situation. Kudlak referred to Kenneth as one of his chess champions;

• Heard Director of Instruction Jeff Moore and Human Resources Director Abdul Madyun talk about the health competition put in place for employees by Human Resources. They spoke of a basketball competition on Wednesdays, just getting started; and

• Heard Kudlak say he has been out and around telling the story of the proposed bond issue that will be on the Nov. 5 ballot. He said he has talked to those both in favor of and against the proposal. Kudlak said the most important thing is to be sure to vote.

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Winners of the Belleville Area Lions Club 2019-20 Peace Poster contest are from left, Jade Brabo, third place; Samantha Radtka, second; and Ryleigh Fallon, first. These students are from Owen Intermediate School and are taught art by teacher Virginia Falk. Next to them, from left, are Kayla McConnell, first place; Haven Green, second place; and Destynnee Buchanan, third place, all from McBride Middle School and are taught art by Catherine Kaczmar.

Belleville Area Lions Club selects winners in Peace Poster contest

The Peace Poster contest was created in 1988 to give young people the opportunity to creatively express their feelings for world peace and to share their visions with the world.

Approximately 600,000 children from 75 countries participate in the contest annually. Lions Clubs sponsor the contest, open to children ages 11-13, in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups, such as Scouts and Boys & Girls Clubs. The contest provides Lions with the chance to interact with young people in their communities, introducing the youth to international understanding.

For each contest a club sponsors, one winner is chosen to advance to the district competition. At the district level, one poster is chosen to advance to the multiple district council chairperson.

The first-place winners in each school will compete in Belleville's district, which encompasses Wayne and Monroe counties. The winners move on to the international judging.

The International Association of Lions Clubs today is the largest service organization in the world with more than 1.4 million members in more than 43,300 clubs in 714 districts covering 182

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This is the second year that Belleville Area Lions worked with Owens Intermediate School and McBride Middle School artists. The theme for 2019-20 was Journey of Peace. No words or numbers are allowed on the posters. Belleville Lions had more than 200 artists compete in the Journey of Peace contest. The 2020-21, theme will be released in mid-February.

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• **Thursday, Oct. 17** – Bunco, 6-9 p.m. at the Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd. Open to public.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – “It’s Okay to Not Be Okay!” from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Belleville Freewill Baptist church, 750 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Will include psychology professionals, round-table discussions, personal testimonies, and resources to help. Event is free, but would like RSVP by Oct. 15 to 734-828-4613.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – Monster Mutt Walk, 1-3 p.m., at Fourth Street Square. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – Belleville Area Museum’s Cemetery History Tour Fund Raiser featuring Tyler Cemetery, 3-5 p.m. Historical Society members, \$10; non-members, \$15.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – St. Anthony Men’s Club 50th-annual raffle and Halloween Dinner-Dance offers dinner tickets at \$20 each and raffle tickets for \$50 each or three for \$100. Tickets available at Garden Fantasy on Main St., Belleville.

• **Saturday, Oct. 19** – VBT Coffee with a Cop, 8:30-11 a.m., Tim Horton’s on Belleville Road.

• **Sunday, Oct. 20** – Free Sunday Music from 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Rd., Van Buren Township. Today the music is by 18 Strings.

• **Sunday, Oct. 20** – Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser at the Belleville Moose Lodge, Sumpter Rd. at the corner of Harris Rd., 4-7 p.m., to benefit Paul Cischke of Sumpter Township who is fighting Stage 3 esophageal cancer. He is receiving radiation

five days a week and chemo once a week. He cannot work now and medical bills and expenses are mounting up. Adults \$10; 12 and younger, \$5. Contact Cyndi at 752-5071.

• **Monday, Oct. 21** – Red Cross Blood Drive from 1 to 6:45 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St., Belleville.

• **Monday, Oct. 21** – Corn Hole Tournament at Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., 6-9:30 p.m. Open to public.

• **Monday, Oct. 21** – Coffee Hour with State Senator Erika Geiss, D-Taylor, is at 6:45 p.m. at Flat Rock Public Library, 25200 Gibraltar Rd., Flat Rock. Senator Geiss’ district is partially in Van Buren Township.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 22** – Caregiver Cafe is set from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Head Start Library at Haggerty School, 13770 Haggerty Rd. Bring questions on foster grandparenting vs. guardianship, financial options for seniors/relatives, support services for families, legal issues, medical assistance, utility assistance, pre-education assistance. All welcome. Light refreshments provided. Info: Monica Bancroft (734) 785-7708.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 22** – Free legal aid services available to seniors 60 and older in the community from noon to 4 p.m. at Belleville Preschool Library, Haggerty School, 13770 Haggerty Rd. Presented by Neighborhood Legal Services of Michigan and the Guidance Center. Attorney will be on site to answer any general legal questions and support services for grandparents raising kids, regarding guardianship, fostering, financial options, etc. Info: Anita Rothert (734) 785-7705, ext. 7035.

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Belleville resident Doris Spigner, sitting in the middle, ended the summer with a cruise to Hawaii. She said she read her *Independent* on the very long flight to Hawaii. Family and friends celebrated the 50th wedding anniversary of her brother Rev. Harry Spigner and his beautiful wife Alecia of Indianapolis, IN. The beautiful landscape at a luau in Kaua'i, Hawaii was well worth the trip, Doris said. "As you can see from the smiles on our faces, it was a moment to remember," she said. "Aloha."

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A Clone is Born I

Saturday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m.

Belleville Library Program Room

Participants will take cuttings from the mother tree and learn how to "root" the cuttings to preserve the tree's identical

genetics. Attendees may also collect crab apples to sow at home.

A Clone is Born II

Saturday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m.

Belleville Library Program Room

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City of Belleville Public Notice

City of Belleville PUBLIC NOTICE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



The Belleville City Council will hold a Public Information Meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commons at Belleville High School, 501 W. Columbia Ave. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and receive comments on the ballot proposal for a Public Safety Special Assessment.

Sherri Scharf,
City Clerk/Treasurer
Publish: October 10 & 17, 2019

City of Belleville Public Notice

Hillside Cemetery Advisory Committee

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Flag Placement for Veterans' Day 2019
8:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 26th
(Rain date: November 9th)



The Cemetery Advisory Committee will be placing American Flags on the graves of all veterans who are buried at Hillside Cemetery on Denton Road.

We will begin placing flags on Saturday, October 26th at 8:30 a.m. and need volunteers to help. Each Cemetery section takes only about one hour of work.

Please consider this small sacrifice of time and join us to honor our veterans who fought to keep us free.



Sherri Scharf
City Clerk/Treasurer

PUBLISH: Oct 10, 17 & 24, 2019

Man upset over ticket for reckless driving causes turmoil at VBT

A man who was upset over a reckless driving ticket he got from Van Buren Township Police last week, went into the police department to complain and then entered the main area of the township hall and started screaming and yelling on Friday afternoon.

Employees were frightened, with some calling 911 and others fleeing from the

building. When police arrived he was in the parking lot and they talked to him.

Dennis Thick, who used to live in VBT, returned to his Carleton home and then had a tumultuous weekend.

On Sunday he showed up at the home of a VBT police official. His family was convinced to put him in the University of Michigan hospital for psychiatric evaluation.

City of Belleville Public Notice

City of Belleville REQUEST FOR BIDS Refuse & Recycling Services



The City of Belleville is requesting bids from qualified contractors for municipal refuse and recycling services.

Bids must be submitted to the City Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2019.

Bid instructions, service specifications and official bid forms are available at the officer of the City Clerk, 6 Main Street, Belleville MI 48111 (phone 734-697-9323).

Sherri Scharf
City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: 10/17-10/24/19

City of Belleville Public Notice

CITY OF BELLEVILLE Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Monday, September 16, 2019

A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order by Mayor Conley at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Fielder Present

Council Member Marcotte Present

Council Member Smith Absent

Mayor Pro Tem Loria Present

Mayor Conley Present

3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

Presentations None

Council follow up list None

Citizen Comments None

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Fielder, Second by Marcotte to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Loria, Second by Marcotte to approve the City Council meeting minutes from September 3, 2019 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS None

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - None

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Zombie Run/Walk - Belleville High School NEW TECH/DDA

Motion by Marcotte, Second by Loria to approve Resolution No. 19-064, a request from the Belleville H.S. NEW TECH/DDA for the annual Zombie Run/Walk on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. as presented. Event will start and end

at Horizon Park along High Street.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Call Public Information Meeting for Public Safety Special Assessment

City Manager Kollmeyer stated that it would be necessary for Council to determine a new date for a public information meeting as the Belleville High School Commons would not be available on October 14th as previously decided.

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve Resolution No. 19-065, calling for a public information meeting on the public safety special assessment to be held on October 21st at 6 p.m. at the Belleville High School Commons.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Fielder, Second by Marcotte to approve Resolution No. 19-066, to change the venue of the October 21st City Council meeting from City Hall, Council Chambers, to the Belleville High School Commons. Meeting to be held at regularly scheduled time of 7:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Motion by Loria, Second by Marcotte to approve Resolution No. 19-067, for accounts payable and purchases over \$500.00 totaling \$1,873,425.41 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Loria, Second by Smith to adjourn meeting at 7:38 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherri Scharf, City Clerk

Approved: October 7, 2019

Published: October 17, 2019

Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



Crafted Modern Gift Shop at 381 Main St. is celebrating its fifth-year anniversary on Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a free gift with every purchase of \$50 or more. Owner Carmen Stovall will be offering free appetizers and sips, raffles, and other giveaways. Get 20% off everything in the store during the event. Call (734) 363-3531.

The Belleville Central Business Community and Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue of Sumpter will be hosting the annual Mutt Walk this Saturday, Oct. 19, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Fourth Street Square. Each dog entered will receive a

goody bag and gift. Award medals will be given in three categories: Scariest, Cutest, and Best Mutt & Family, (family must dress, also). Registration fee is \$10 per dog plus a can of dog or cat food. For information, call Janet Millard, event coordinator at (734) 558-5368 after 3:30 p.m. or email jfayemillard@att.net. Be on the lookout for Zombies on the run earlier in the morning, beginning at 10 a.m., starting and finishing at Horizon Park. Runners can still register in person or at www.active.com. Events include the 5K Run/Walk. Check-in starts at 9 a.m. The event is sponsored by BHS New Tech.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue of Sumpter is holding their monthly pet adoption clinic this Saturday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Petco Pet Store in Westland on Warren Avenue across from the mall. Call (734) 461-9458.

Threads & Treasures Quilt Shop at 129 South St. near Five Points is offering over 50% off everything in the store, including fabric, patterns, books, quilts, samples, shelving, and more. Call owner Kay Atkins at (734) 697-9376.

The deadline to enter the Belleville Area Council for the Arts Community Art Show has been extended to Oct. 25. The 10th-annual show will take place Nov. 1-3 at the BYC on East Huron River Drive. See their ad in today's paper. The art itself isn't due Oct. 25, just the application, which is available at the Belleville Area District Library, Van Buren Township Hall, Garden Fantasy Main Street, and the Independent office at 152 Main St. in the Professional Building. Forms can also be found on BACA's Facebook page. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Bonecutters Tree Experts, LLC, are licensed and insured and are offering 50% off if you keep the wood/brush. Owner Mark Bonecutter offers free estimates on

storm clean-up, tree trimming, tree and shrub removal, stump removal and bucket service. See their ad in today's paper and call (734) 431-4202.

Today's paper features an insert by Ace Hardware, Inc., on Sumpter Road just north of Willis Road. Ace is celebrating its 95th birthday this Saturday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with specials, promotions and savings on its line of Valspar, Clark & Kensington, and Royal Paints, LED lighting, furnace air filters, Dewalt and Craftsman tools, Stihl outdoor power equipment, and fall fertilizers. There are also deals on bird seed and suet cakes. See its insert for other items and visit www.acehardware.com. Call (734) 697-9363. Sale dates are now through Oct. 28. To learn more on how you can have your advertisement or flyer inserted into this newspaper, call me at (734) 699-9020.

Winter is coming. Need heating work in

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

On October 30th, 2019, the Van Buren Township Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at **J&T Towing and Storage**, 287 Industrial Dr. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2010	FORD	4D	1FAHP3GN0AW181073	19-14177
2003	FORD	SW	1FMYU03113KA51586	19-14735
2007	PONTIAC	4D	5Y2SL65857Z405701	19-15048
2011	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WA5EKXB1144122	19-15352
2010	KIA	SW	KNDJT2A26A7165101	19-15761
2008	FORD	SW	1FMCU931X8KE47280	19-15761
2008	DODGE	4D	1B3LC46K88N189761	19-15906
1998	GMC	SW	1GDFG15R1W1088008	19-16003
2003	MERCURY	4D	1MEFM55S33G603024	19-16512
2004	FORD	SW	2FMZA58254BA93900	19-16992
2008	FORD	SW	1FMDK02W88GA42203	19-17550
1999	PONTIAC	4D	1G2NW52E7XM867008	19-17957
1998	BUICK	2D	1G4GD2212W4701995	19-18559
UNK	COOLSTER	ATV	L6ZSCKLA2G1000075	19-17098

At 11:30am, the auction will move to **Great Lakes Towing** and storage, 42350 Van Born Rd. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2014	TOYOTA	4D	2T3BFREV6EW134286	19-11650
2002	MAZDA	SW	4F2YU08112KM03903	19-15784
2000	GMC	PU	1GTCS1959Y8279537	19-15831
2005	CHEVROLET	SW	1GNDV33L35D234649	19-14033
1978	FORD	TK	F60DVAE000	19-16098
2000	PONTIAC	SW	1GMDU23E3YD293580	19-16991
2007	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1WT58K479318426	19-17260
1997	CHEVROLET	2D	1G1JC1247V7333465	19-18146

All vehicles are sold in "as is condition." Bidding on all impounded vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,
Published: October 17th, 2019



Sumpter Township Public Notice



**Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 24, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111**

Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Morgan at 6:30 pm. Roll call: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk E. Hurst, Treasurer K. Bednark, Trustees: Rush, LaPorte, Oddy and Swinson. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Fire Chief Januszyk, Public Safety Director/Chief of Police Luke and approximately 14 residents.

Presentation to the Board of Trustees by Rana Emmons, PSLZ LLP on the Audited Financial Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019.

3. Agenda: Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only: No Comments.

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Hurst, supported by Rush to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2019. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to accept the Parks & Recreation Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2019. Motion carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Oddy, supported LaPorte to approve the warrant total of \$2,410,848.19. Roll call vote: Yes: Rush, LaPorte, Oddy, Bednark, Swinson, Hurst and J. Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Parks & Recreation/Chamber Report-Swinson:

• Chamber of Commerce currently restructuring staff and hours. Recent mixer.

• Turkey Shoot each Sunday in October 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th

Motion by LaPorte, supported Rush to approve the Parks & Recreation/Chamber report. Motion carried.

8. Planning/Zoning Report-Oddy: No activity to Report.

Motion by Hurst, supported LaPorte to approve the Planning/Zoning report. Motion carried.

9. Senior Report-Hurst:

• Cardio Drumming Classes on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm with Michelle and Thursdays at 9:30am with Nancy. Come check out this fun class great for Heart Health

• Stay Flexible with Virginia. Arthritis Foundation Exercise Tuesday & Thursday 10:30am

• Upholstery class is on Wednesday afternoons from 3pm to 6pm. All is welcome for the eight-week sessions. Wanda Watkins has over forty years of experience to assist with any furniture endeavor even car/boat seats. Call Senior Center for class prices

• Rummage Treasure Sale went okay more signs are needed

• Come join us for lunch Monday through Friday

11:30am. Call 734-461-1186 to RSVP \$3.00 suggested donation.

Motion by Rush, supported Swinson to approve the Senior report. Motion carried.

10. Board Response:

A. Trustee Oddy reported that the Seniors put on a wonderful Rummage Sale and he admitted to spending measurable time "picking" through the items and that the Don Rochon Auto Show was very enjoyable.

B. Trustee Oddy shared his experience with the VFW event, the Howitzer Dedication and the Veteran Presentation by the last surviving POW at the event.

C. Supervisor Morgan shared his VFW event experience as well, indicating the moving, emotional presentation by the Viet Nam Veteran and the overall event.

12. New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bednark to accept and approve the Audited Financial Report by PSLZ LLP for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Hurst to approve the Resolution No.: 2019 – 16, Building Department Fee(s) Schedule to be effective October 1, 2019. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the assignment of the Deputy Clerk and Clerk's Assistant as administrators of the Sumpter Township Website. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve of (9) Parks & Recreation Members to attend the MFEA Convention from October 31, 2019 to November 3, 2019. Costs not to exceed \$3,500. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve of MOU between Sumpter Township and AFSCME Local 1882.14. Motion carried.

13. Announcements:

A. Trustee Rush announced that the National Weather Service Winter Awareness Class is set for Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 6:30 pm. The one-hour class will be conducted at Fire Station # 1 on Sumpter Rd. All are encouraged to attend.

B. Clerk Hurst gave a big Thank You to Zywicki Greenhouse for the beautiful Mums located at the Township Hall front door.

14. Open Floor: Three (3) people spoke.

15. Adjournment: Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to adjourn at 7:17 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by:

Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk

Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk

John Morgan, Supervisor

Published: October 17, 2019

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 580 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for these past seven days, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Oct. 6:

0125 – traffic offense, Ecorse Rd./Belleville Rd.
0228 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0250 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse/Haggerty
0942 – animal complaint, Morton Taylor Rd.
1134 – malicious destruction of property, Westlake Cir.
1224 – malicious destruction of property, N. Woodbury Dr.
1446 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1535 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. I-94/N. Haggerty I-94 ramp W.
1618 – assist other dept., High St.
1645 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1801 – harassment call, Morton Taylor Rd.
1855 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1856 – missing person, Savage Rd./Haggerty Rd.
2002 – disorderly, Rose Blvd.
2031 – domestic, Lighthouse Dr.
2056 – suspicious person/vehicle, Meadows Ln.
2109 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Fay Dr.
2213 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.

Monday, Oct. 7:

0418 – assist other dept., Quirk Rd.
0522 – larceny, Oak Ln.
0946 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lighthouse Dr.
1116 – threat, Doree Ave.
1305 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Rd.
1550 – lost property/child, Tyler Rd.
1607 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1612 – noise complaint, Fret Rd.
1727 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
1820 – neighbor trouble, Tompkins St.
1829 – harassment call, Haggerty Rd.
1936 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2104 – noise complaint, Maple Dr.
2151 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
2159 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2209 – noise complaint, E. Huron River Dr. / Martinsville Rd.
2309 – fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
2324 – suicidal person, Sylvia Dr.
2356 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Haggerty Rd.

Tuesday, Oct. 8:

0119 – suspicious person/vehicle, Van Born
0445 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
0740 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Haggerty Rd.
0810 – road hazard, Ecorse Service A Drive
0829 – domestic, Rawsonville
0844 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.
0941 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1110 – 911 welfare check, Maple Dr.
1207 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd.
1309 – animal complaint, Gilmore St.
1324 – 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1638 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Westlake Cir.

1701 – trespassing, E. Huron River Dr.
1824 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1937 – animal complaint, W. Huron River Dr.
2142 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
2235 – mental subject, Bentley Dr.

Wednesday, Oct. 9:

0252 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0301 – assist other dept., Elwell Rd.
0327 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0728 – traffic offense, Greenbriar Dr./Briarwood
0824 – property damage accident, Bemis Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
1130 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
1201 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1216 – missing person, Ecorse Rd.
1341 – trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1606 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1606 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
1613 – breaking & entering, Hannan Rd.
1700 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1710 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.

1852 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Ponderosa Trl. / Belleville Rd.
2112 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
2210 – domestic, Van Buren St.

Thursday, Oct. 10:

0127 – domestic, E. Huron River Dr.
0346 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0458 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. Ponderosa Trl
0526 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
0725 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
0838 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1115 – suspicious person/vehicle, Marlowe Ave. / Ecorse Service B Dr.
1127 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oak Blvd.
1155 – property damage accident, Van Born
1507 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.

1511 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
1609 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
1612 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1638 – fraud, Westlake Cir.
1652 – road hazard, Renton Rd./Riggs Rd.
1657 – neighbor trouble, Van Buren Ln.
1807 – traffic offense, Montague Ave.
1837 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2054 – family trouble, E. Huron River Dr.
2138 – traffic offense, Ecorse/SB I-275 ramp
2230 – mental subject, Lake Point Blvd.
2301 – family trouble, Brookside Dr.
2309 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sheldon Rd. / Van Born Rd.

Friday, Oct. 11:

0146 – suicidal person, Michigan Ave.
0230 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0412 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
0803 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ironwood Dr.
0910 – trespassing, Beck/Tyler
0923 – fraud, Peachtree Ln.
1001 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1107 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd.
1136 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belmont Dr.
1148 – family trouble, Bemis Rd.
1221 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
1234 – domestic, S. Bellridge Dr.
1259 – fraud, Laguna Dr.
1348 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
1406 – motorist assist, Yost
1424 – disorderly, Tyler Rd.
1559 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ormond Dr. / Dora Ct.

1601 – private property impound, Haggerty Rd. / Independence Ln.
1603 – larceny, Mansfield Ct.
1613 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
1655 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Denton Rd.
1700 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1719 – breaking & entering, W. Archwood Dr.
1818 – private property impound, Fay Dr.
1828 – animal complaint, Anna Dr.
1833 – family trouble, Bemis Rd.
1919 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
2000 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd.
2009 – property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275
2012 – suspicious person/vehicle, Capitol Dr.
2139 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2345 – suicidal person, N. Ponderosa Trl.

Saturday, Oct. 12:

0121 – suspicious person/vehicle, Western St.
0229 – suspicious person/vehicle, Outer Dr.
0951 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
1256 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1416 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1426 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd. / Spencer St.
1503 – hospice death, E. Huron River Dr.
1720 – threat, Hayes St.
1800 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd.
1914 – family trouble, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1838 – suspicious person/vehicle, DNR Boat Launch/Rawsonville
2027 – suspicious person/vehicle, Alba Ct.
2158 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.
2253 – noise complaint, Maple Dr.
2318 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.

2334 – missing person, Quirk Rd.
Also on this week’s log are 250 traffic stops, with 80 of those being on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 6:

0305 – civil dispute, Timberlane
1452 – well-being check, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1628 – alarm, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1642 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1942 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.
2051 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2358 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.

Monday, Oct. 7:

0045 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico
0821 – suspicious incident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1151 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1239 – abandoned vehicle, 25000 bl. Martinsville
1257 – threats complaint, 24000 bl. Martinsville
1319 – alarm, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
1404 – subpoena service, 45000 bl. Paris Rd.
1441 – threats complaint, 20000 bl. Griffin Ct.
1514 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
1721 – trespassing complaint, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1810 – fire dept. assist, Redwood
1902 – suspicious incident, 24000 bl. Sherwood
2047 – assist other agency, out of township
2229 – 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
2300 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.

Tuesday, Oct. 8:

0942 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1226 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Willis
1428 – runaway juvenile, 45000 bl. Victoria Ave.
1452 – fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1507 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1618 – ORV complaint, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.
1730 – warrant arrest pick up, Claxton/Wilmot
1843 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
1930 – assist other agency, out of township
2231 – alarm, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Wednesday, Oct. 9:

0059 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Rawsonville / Bemis
0719 – fraud complaint, 46000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1038 – larceny, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1212 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
1248 – animal complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1424 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1539 – larceny, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1555 – 911 hang up, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1727 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.

Thursday, Oct. 10:

0806 – suspicious incident, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0833 – suspicious person, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
1049 – personal injury accident, 49000 bl. Willis
1246 – death investigation, 44000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1255 – larceny, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1310 – well-being check, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1632 – harassment complaint, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1918 – well-being check, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1949 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2134 – noise complaint, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.

Friday, Oct. 11:

0535 – assault, 48000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1001 – death investigation, 48000 bl. Timberpark Ct.
1049 – suspicious incident, Rustic Ln.
1124 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.
1409 – fraud complaint, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
1419 – warrant arrest pick up, Willow/Sumpter
1506 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1522 – animal complaint, 25000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1744 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry
1753 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
1928 – property damage accident, 48000 bl. Bemis

Saturday, Oct. 12:

0000 – suspicious incident, Stonecrest
1046 – alarm, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1149 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
1533 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
1657 – animal bite, Birch
1742 – well-being check, Carriage Ln.
1849 – suspicious incident, Stonecrest
2236 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.

Also on this week’s log are five follow-up investigations, 21 miscellaneous details, 39 patrol checks, and 53 traffic stops.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 6:

1246 – larceny, W. Wabash Ave.
1306 – parking complaint, W. Wabash
1534 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
1547 – malicious destruction of property, Church
1600 – assist fire dept., High St.
1933 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.
2235 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
2248 – found property/child, South St.

Monday, Oct. 7:

1055 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
1212 – assault & battery, W. Columbia Ave.
1247 – intrusion alarm, Church St.
1345 – warrant arrest, Main St.
1755 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.

Tuesday, Oct. 8:

0551 – intrusion alarm, S. Industrial Park Dr.
1039 – juvenile complaint, Owen St.
1117 – disorderly, Owen St.
1215 – domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.
1336 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

Wednesday, Oct. 9:

0911 – found property/child, Belle Plaza
1302 – assault & battery, Carmell St.
1339 – civil matter, Belle Villa Blvd.
1707 – family trouble, Belle Villa Blvd.
1912 – traffic offense, W. Columbia Ave.

Thursday, Oct. 10:

0401 – warrant arrest, Main St.
0908 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
1209 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1635 – assist fire dept., Main St.
1701 – found property/child, Main St.
1808 – welfare check, Carmell St.
2037 – assist fire dept., High/Brain
2337 – warrant arrest, Main St.
2341 – assist citizen, W. Columbia Apt.

Friday, Oct. 11:

0921 – court detail, 34th District Court
1525 – intrusion alarm, N. Liberty St.
1601 – private property/property damage accident, Main St.
1845 – civil matter, Church St.
2131 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.
2206 – property damage accident, W. Columbia

Saturday, Oct. 12:

0115 – larceny, Main St.
0319 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oxford Ct.
0600 – disorderly, Loza Ln.
1501 – property damage accident, Main St.
1810 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd. / Industrial Park Dr.
1846 – assist fire dept., Brain St.
1903 – traffic offense, Main St./High St.
2031 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sumpter Rd.
2208 – animal complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.
2354 – threat, W. Columbia Ave.

Also on this week’s log are 29 traffic stops.

BHS at-home games

• **Thursday, Oct. 17:** Freshman Football vs Franklin HS, 4:30 p.m.; JV Football vs Franklin HS, 6:30 p.m.; Freshman Volleyball vs Hartland HS, 5 p.m.; JV Volleyball vs Hartland HS, 5 p.m.; Varsity Volleyball vs Hartland, 7 p.m.

Diane Kiessel
BHS Athletic Secretary

BHS Homecoming King is Chandler Wilson, Queen is Audrianne Cunningham

As a follow-up to last week’s front-page picture of the Belleville High School Homecoming Court, at half-time on Friday, Chandler Wilson was crowned king and Audrianne Cunningham crowned queen.

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Congratulations to Chandler Wilson and Audriane Cunningham who were named Homecoming King and Queen, respectively, at last Friday's varsity football game, where the Tigers improved to 7-0 with a 56-7 victory over Livonia Stevenson. Friday Belleville travels to Livonia Franklin at 7 p.m.

Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020 with your suggestion. There is no charge to be in this column.

Haggerty Road, north of E. Huron River Dr., closed at railroad tracks

Van Buren Township Public Safety Department announced Monday that it has been brought to its attention that there will be a road closure at Haggerty Road and the railroad train tracks (north of E. Huron River Drive) from Oct. 14 through next week. Drivers are asked to avoid the area.

Upcoming Meetings

• Monday, Oct. 21 – Belleville City Council, 6 p.m. special meeting at Belleville High School Commons to discuss public safety assessment. Regular council meeting follows at 7:30 p.m. in the same place.

• Tuesday, Oct. 22 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Water and Sewer Commission, 5:30 p.m.

• Wednesday, Oct. 23 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, Oct. 28 – Belleville Parks and Recreation Commission, 4 p.m. Also, Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons

• Monday, Nov. 4 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, Nov. 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons

• Tuesday, Nov. 12 – September Days Senior Center Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

• Wednesday, Nov. 13 – Van Buren Township Local Development Financing Authority meets at 2 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

SUMPTER TWP. PARKS & RECREATION

TURKEY SHOOT

STARTS AT NOON **AT GUN RANGE**

FIRST FOUR SUNDAYS OF OCTOBER

Questions,
Call Don Swinson @
734-674-4980

SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

Registration Starts
@ 11:30 a.m.

October 20th, 27th

Police Firing Range at Old Landfill
on W. Willow Rd. (Between Sumpter & Elwell Road)

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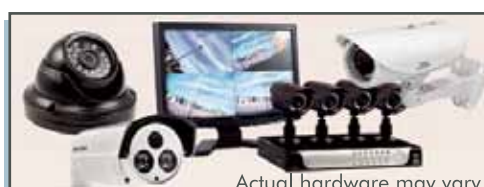
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