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City to prepare applications for pot shops

By Rosemary K. Oztman
 Independent Editor

At Monday's regular meeting of the Belleville City Council, via Zoom, council members were given a report by city attorney Jeff Clark on the two proposals passed by voters in the Nov. 3 election.

"The people have spoken. Both passed," Clark said, concerning the two proposals welcoming medical marijuana dispensaries and facilities into the city.

"Amending the charter provides the ability to make an ordinance, but you don't have to because Proposition One is the ordinance," Clark said.

He said the effective date of the ordinance would be when the election is certified, which will be sometime this month. Then, the city has to follow the ordinance.

He said it starts with the application. He said the clerk sets an opening date for applications within ten days after certification and there is a 30-day window for applications. After that, no further applications are accepted.

Then the applications go into review. He said 30 days after the close of the window for applications, the city has to provide the licenses.

He said if the city doesn't give someone an application, people can apply on their own, following the rules in the ordinance.

Clark said the application fee is \$100 and after the state approves it the additional is not to exceed \$4,900 annually.

He said the city has 30 days to accept an application and otherwise the applicant has to go to court. If successful the applicant would only have to pay \$500 annually for 10 years. This is an incentive to get the applications, Clark said.

He said there are automatic renewals in compliance with the ordinance.

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Photo courtesy BHS Athletic Department

The Belleville High School varsity football team poses for a picture after defeating Canton, 53-29, to capture the district championship last Friday at BHS. The remaining schedule was put on hold this week after Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced the state's latest restrictions and guidelines which will be in effect for the next three weeks, until Dec. 8, at least. The Tigers were set to host Cass Tech this Friday in the Michigan High School Athletic Association state Division 1 Quarterfinals. Both teams are 9-0.

VBT Planning Commission OKs new Jiffy Lube on Meijer lot

By Rosemary K. Oztman
 Independent Editor

A new Jiffy Lube business is coming to an outlot at Meijer after action by the Van Buren Township Planning Commission at its regular Nov. 11 meeting via Zoom.

After a public hearing at which no public comments were offered, the commission unanimously approved sending a request for Minor Vehicle Service Special

Land Use to the township board with a recommendation for approval.

The commission also approved the Jiffy Lube preliminary site plan.

The 3,064-square-foot, single-story building will be located on the south side of Tyler Road just east of the Meijer gas station and Belleville Road. The .71-acre outparcel is to be divided and created from portions of the 39.4-acre parcel at 9701 Belleville Rd. and a vacant 1.33-acre parcel.

The property is zoned C-2 – Extensive Highway Business District and also is in the Belleville Road Overlay District.

Jim Kratz of Jiffy Lube said customers

will be at the business from 30 minutes to two hours max. They will pull up to a bay, pull into a bay, and customers will wait in

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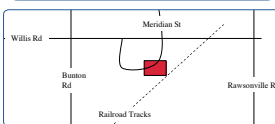
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Sup. McNamara: Aerotropolis LDFA will not cost VBT taxpayers

By Rosemary K. Oztman
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At the Nov. 10 regular meeting of the Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority, via zoom, LDFA member Chuck Covington said he read that the Aerotropolis LDFA is coming into the VBT area.

He asked if the township can piggyback on the Aerotropolis LDFA.

VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara said he represents VBT to Aerotropolis. There are three LDFAs available in the state and Aerotropolis was granted one of the three zones.

They can drop an LDFA on any community that is a part of Aerotropolis and this LDFA goes across all the communities in Aerotropolis: townships of Van Buren and Huron and cities of Romulus and Taylor.

Supervisor McNamara said VBT is not doing any more LDFAs since it lost out so much on the Visteon project.

McNamara said the Aerotropolis LDFA will capture six mills of school funds levied and the state will make the schools whole. "I've asked the state to put an LDFA on Grace Lake," McNamara said, adding the state won't do that.

"That LDFA can capture what our LDFA can't," said LDFA member David Schreiber, referring to school funds.

McNamara said he told the state, "You took us down the yellow brick road ... and left us holding the bag," referring to the Visteon bonds. VBT does not have enough LDFA tax capture for the bond payments and the township is loaning the LDFA money for bond payments while fighting it out in court.

LDFA member Doug Peters suggested putting an information packet together to send to commercial realtors as a way to promote development at Grace Lake, the former Visteon Village.

LDFA member Scott Medlen, of Sovereign Investments which now owns Grace Lake, said the goal is to bring more tenants or build more buildings there. He said JLL represents Sovereign as its realty.

Medlen said currently the buildings are 100% leased, although some are vacant. He said before the pandemic there were 1,600 to 1,700 people working at Grace Lake and now that is down to 100 to 200.

Medlen said there is no demand for building a building at this time. He said some tenants are working to sublease.

He said the GE floor was empty and JJP Morgan Chase wanted space, so they swapped GE out for Morgan Chase.

Peters said he wants the LDFA to know the plan for Grace Lake so they don't

conflict with Sovereign.

LDFA chairman Mike Dotson suggested having a LDFA subgtoup meet with Sovereign's realstate group to discuss the plans. He suggested Medlen could set something up so the LDFA can help them.

LDFA member John Delaney said the LDFA has already broached that idea with them a couple of times and, "They don't want to grow."

"Do we have evidence Sovereign doesn't want to build on its 40 acres?" Peters asked.

"They're not listing it," Delaney said.

Peters made a motion, supported by Delaney to have a small LDFA committee make direct contact ... in a Zoom meeting ... to discuss the landlocked 40 acres and what the LDFA can do to help.

The LDFA had been discussing how to help early this year and then got stopped by COVID-19. The subcommittee had been made up of Covington, Delaney, and Dotson.

Covington said he would like to get somebody else to take his place on the committee. He explained a lot of things are going on for him right now and he asked to be replaced.

McNamara said he talks to the head of Sovereign regularly and what he wants is the landfill not to expand.

Dotson appointed Medlen to the committee.

Medlen said the landfill is a problem, with smells that linger 5-10 days of the month, seagulls, coyotes, and dead animals on the property. He said those at Grace Lake look out the upper windows and see the landfill.

"Does the Master Plan address the concerns of Grace Lake?" asked Peters and McNamara said it didn't.

Medlen said it's hard to lease out next to the landfill.

Covington asked if they could do a casino and Delaney said a casino couldn't be in a LDFA.

"They are not successful in selling a stinky sublease," Peters said.

McNamara said Haggerty Road is a hot property right now, but office space isn't going because of COVID.

Dotson said there are a lot of questions and the subcommittee will meet with them this week or next week to discuss the issues.

In other business at the Nov. 10 meeting, the LDFA unanimously approved the 2020 Amended and 2021 Proposed LDFA Budget that was already approved by the township board. Also approved was the 2021 LDFA meeting schedule.



During the Nov. 11 event, School Supt. Pete Kudlak unveiled the pictures and stories of ten Belleville High School graduates who fought for their country and paid the ultimate price with their lives. Their plaques are on the new Wall of Honor in the hallway to the Commons across from the Distinguished Graduates pictures. Honored on the Wall of Honor are: Edwin Baggott, Edward Bies, Gerald Bird, James Davis, Gary Kirchner, Aubrey "Red" Mills, Robert Petrimoux, Walter Reinhackel, Sanford Schultert, and James Stacy. Also, another plaque of appreciation honors Cornell Anton and Tom Fielder who did the research on the students and their fates.



Members of the Belleville High School NJROTC served as the color guard for the Veterans Day ceremony at BHS on Nov. 11. At left is Marine Gunny Sgt. Matthew Barr who leads the NJROTC class at BHS



Cornell Anton of the Veterans of Foreign Wars made comments during the brief ceremony concerning the boys, then men, who once walked these halls and then gave their lives for freedom. He finished off with a poem that ended, "We have died. Remember us." The small group of people invited then went outside for a gun salute and "Taps" played by BHS senior Nick Rafferty.

OPINIONS

Editorial

City Council meeting gets 'Zoom Bombed'

At Monday's Zoom meeting of the Belleville City Council, just before the council started discussing the two marijuana proposals that passed in the Nov. 3 election, the meeting was besieged with disgusting, racist comments. The comments were yelled over the comments of those speaking in the meeting, as well as yelling over each other.

The regulars at the council meeting were shocked and City Manager Tracey Schultz Kobylarz worked feverously to get the disgusting outsiders off the virtual meeting.

About ten names were given when they entered the Zoom meeting, but it is believed those names were fictitious.

"We've been Zoom Bombed," Kobylarz announced. "That was repulsive," she said after they were cleared from the meeting.

"That's the world I live in," said the city's new Clerk/Treasurer Verna Chapman, an African American.

All the members of the council voiced their revulsion at the comments made.

Police Chief Dave Robinson asked Kobylarz if they could track the phone numbers of those who did the attack and she said she would check it out. "I'd like a list," Chief Robinson said.

Kobylarz said she would research ways to make sure that doesn't happen again.

"The people who did that have no morals and no character," said Councilwoman Kelly Bates.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

When 34th District Court Judge Brian Oakley arraigned Joe Stafford on bank robbery charges on Nov. 10, he asked him a few questions. Stafford has a Powder Springs, GA, home address so Judge Oakley asked him where he works. Stafford said he works for AD Transport and hauls GM cars. He's been in Michigan for four months, he said, and worked for another trucking company in Georgia before that.

Judge Oakley asked him where he stays when he is in Michigan and he said he stays in his truck. When Judge Oakley set bond at \$10,000/10% and a GPS tether if bonded out, Stafford told the judge he has no family here.

He was scheduled for his probable cause conference on the charge at 11:10 a.m., Nov. 18.

As you recall, Stafford is the man arrested for robbing the Belleville branch of Chase bank the morning of Saturday, Nov. 7.

At Monday's regular meeting of the Belleville City Council, Councilman Ken Voigt, a retired Belleville police officer, said the last bank robbery in the city was in 2004. He said it was a man from out of state then, too. He said local people know that Belleville isn't a good place to rob a bank.

City Manager Tracey Schultz Kobylarz said, "Officer Wickham got the bad guy."

The windstorm over the weekend displaced some more of the veterans' banners hanging on lamp posts in the City of Belleville.

Councilman Ken Voigt, who was one of the volunteers putting up the banners, said "a bunch of pennants blew down over the weekend" and they lost one and don't know

...By Rosemary K. Oztzman



where it went.

He said the light poles at Horizon Park, where the winds are especially strong, don't have a bottom extension, so they have added extra grommets at the top and they are holding better.

At Monday's city council meeting, there were some comments about how it was too bad that the BHS football team wouldn't get to play in their playoff game on Friday. Councilman Tom Fielder, who is active in the high school sports program, said, "Whenever they can play, they're going to play us."

Mayor Kerreen Conley said she would stay tuned on the schools to see if the state changes the rules about high school sports not being allowed.

On Monday, a voter from Van Buren Township dropped by while I was at lunch and left a message. He said when he was voting at Belleville High School on Nov. 3, a person kept announcing very loudly each time there was a first-time voter, and there were a lot.

He said this was quite distracting and bothersome when he was trying to fill out the ballot.

It's hard to get a final date on when the Huron River Drive bridge will be done, but it wasn't done last weekend the time reportedly announced by the county

commissioner. Last week, Andy at the Metro Park Party Store said he was talking to bridge workers and they told him it would be done by Christmas. What a nice gift that would be for his store, as well as the rest of us who have had to travel through the Lower Huron Metropark every week.

A drive through the Metropark is very nice and we got to watch the leaves change colors and fall and blow around. Now we're ready for the bridge to be back.

We've been informed by a good source that the Huron Township Police officer who was first on the scene at the fatal stabbing in the parking lot of Chapps Landing Travel Center on Nov. 7 near I-275 was retired Van Buren Township Sgt. Fred Yono.

According to reports, there was a domestic dispute going on in a car in the parking lot and the man had a knife. Yono reportedly arrived in 30 seconds, after someone called 911 and police were dispatched, since he had been doing traffic enforcement for Huron PD on I-275.

According to reports, the unnamed officer was slightly cut by the knife and another officer tried to get the man into custody, but the man stabbed himself repeatedly in the chest area and died.



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Letters**Guest Editorial****Transparency counts, now more than ever**

By Dirk Milliman
 Public Policy Committee Chairman
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Once again, the leaders of the Republican Caucus in the Michigan House of Representatives want to pull public notices from newspapers and allow governmental entities (cities, villages, townships, counties, etc.) to satisfy notice requirements by putting them on their websites. This is an unprecedented blow to governmental transparency and due process.

A version of this legislation has been introduced in each legislative session for the past 12 years and has failed. Why? Because then, as now, it is a bad idea.

From the very start, Michigan law has required that notices of governmental actions be provided to citizens by publication in newspapers, an independent source of information about the actions of government. Now, legislators are proposing to end this important check on governmental power.

The Michigan Press Association has been told that this issue is in the top five priorities of the Speaker of the House for the 2020 Lame Duck Session. In the midst of a pandemic this seems like an unusual waste of taxpayer time and money.

The legislators in support of this movement say that this will save money... but how? Is this the one exception to the Republican's embrace of privatization? It defies logic that government can do this better and cheaper than newspapers, who have provided this valuable check and balance for more than 150 years. The last few months have proven that local governments have enough on their plates while seriously lacking the technology to do something like this.

Many governmental entities struggled to hold open meetings during the early days of the pandemic and didn't have the capability to do them virtually. At least one county in Michigan was unable to put election results online last week. Technologically it seems now is not the time to trust government to provide this information to the taxpayers. Many Clerks have stated that they don't have the ability, time or staff to do this important function.

A quick glance at some local government websites doesn't give one comfort that things will be done well under this new scheme. A couple of shining examples: one township website lists among its elected officials a Congressman who has been deceased for several years. Another has not updated meeting agendas since 2014.

We have long advocated that these notices belong in newspapers and protect due process in Michigan. We do however acknowledge that they also need to be distributed digitally and are working hard

with our members to make sure that they are accessible on a computer, mobile device AND in print. This increases transparency and protects your right to know what government officials are doing with your taxpayer dollars.

Even if the lack of security is not considered, the lack of connectivity should be. Michigan ranks 30th in the nation for broadband connectivity. Rural areas still pose a challenge for those trying to use the internet.

Public notices belong in a public place, like a local newspaper, not on a government website, which can also disenfranchise certain users like low-income individuals who do not have access to the Internet, or the elderly who are not comfortable using the Internet. Having to look for notices on each individual government site would be laborious at best and a good way to conceal information at worst.

As you have seen during the worst of this year, we at Michigan newspapers take the responsibility of keeping you informed very seriously. That's why we were deemed "essential" during this pandemic. Whether it be making sure Freedom of Information and Open Meetings laws are being followed or proper notice of things like zoning that might put a landfill in your neighborhood is happening, we remain the vital watchdogs we always have been in our communities.

If knowing that an independent, reliable source is watching what elected officials are doing with your taxpayer dollars is important to you please consider contacting your state Representative and Senator and letting them know you want to keep seeing your public notices where you notice ... in a newspaper.

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Let us ALL, Democrats and Republicans alike, take a deep breath, Pray and seek the factual evidence and truth!

Personally, I am anxious to learn ALL facts relating to the "machinery" used to calculate and tabulate the election returns.

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Obituaries



**Ruth Mary Mohowitsch
Feagles**

RUTH MARY MOHOWITSCH FEAGLES
(June 4, 1943 – November 8, 2020)

Ruth Mary Mohowitsch Feagles, age 77, of Van Buren Township, MI, formerly of Lake Worth, Florida and Midland, MI, passed away suddenly on Sunday, November 8, 2020 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born June 4, 1943 in Flint, MI, daughter of Charles Francis & Marja Agnes (Campbell) Feagles.

She graduated from Birch Run high school, class of 1962. She retired from Dow Chemical Employees' Credit Union in 2000 after more than 20 loyal years as a loan officer. She then went on to earn her Certified Nursing Assistant license and did what she loved...caring for people. During her retirement, Ruthie enjoyed volunteering and being the Captain of Palm Beach County Sheriff Department. She also enjoyed singing in her church in Florida. Ruthie had a huge heart and would cook and deliver meals to anyone in need. Most of all, she loved taking care of her family and being with them. She kept herself busy with sewing, crafts, canning, cooking traveling and baking. She was the life of the party for every gathering and will be deeply missed.

Ruthie is survived by her three daughters: Lynn (Rick) Webster of Midland, MI, Rhonda (John) Cerone of Belleville, MI and Stacie (Craig) Zotkovich of Commerce, MI; 10 grandchildren: Christopher, Brandon, Joshua, Nathan, Casey, Adam, Ryan, Lee, Samantha and Zachary; one great-granddaughter Charlee; several siblings -- including newly found brother Michael Burden from Port Angeles, Washington; and numerous extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, son Eric Mohowitsch, also a few siblings.

Ruthie's celebration of life was on Friday, November 13, 2020 followed by a Service at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734)697-4500. Rev. Mary Loring officiated. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the First United Methodist Church, Belleville, Food Pantry would be appreciated.



JOHN TROY SMALLMAN

(May 8, 1961 – November 14, 2020)

Age 59. Long-time Belleville area resident. Survived by son Jack, best friend Rocky, daughter Monica, 7 grandchildren, brother Bill. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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LOUANNA JOY MCKELVEY

(September 15, 1937 – November 14, 2020)

Louanna Joy McKelvey, age 83, long-time resident of Van Buren Township, MI, passed away Saturday, November 14, 2020 at her home, surrounded by her family. She was born September 15, 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of Cecil & Harriett (Anderson) Pitman. Louanna retired from Ford Motor Company, Rawsonville Road plant, after 19 years of loyal service as a Registered Nurse. She was a member of Bethany Bible Church since the early 1980s where she enjoyed singing in the choir. She enjoyed attending numerous Southern Gospel Music Concerts and thoroughly enjoyed spending time in their winter home in Tennessee from 2004-2015. Most of all, she loved being a caregiver and spending time with her family and friends.

Mrs. McKelvey is survived by her devoted husband of 63 years, Gerald E. McKelvey; daughter Cheryll Moran of Central Lake, MI; three sons: Kevin McKelvey of West Chester, Pennsylvania, Brian McKelvey and Timothy McKelvey, both of Belleville, MI; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter London; a brother Pastor Corbin (Jane) Pitman of Cleveland, Ohio; niece Kimberly (Steven) Vezilic; also numerous extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, grandson Michael McKelvey, great-grandson Timothy Richard Moran, son-in-law Matthew Moran, also daughter-in-law Nancy McKelvey.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Thursday at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. Visitation will be 12 Noon until 1 p.m. Friday at Bethany Bible Church, 810 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, with a 1 p.m. Funeral Service. Pastors John Losen, Jr. and Corbin Pitman will co-officiate. A Private interment will be in Denton Cemetery, Van Buren Township, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bethany Bible Church, and would be appreciated.

CRAIG ALLAN GEPPERT

(October 16, 1955 – November 13, 2020)

Age 65, of Van Buren Township. Avid Civil War reenactor. Survived by children Ethan Geppert and Emma Frederick, 3 grandchildren, 4 siblings. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home. www.davidcbrownfh.com

COVID-19 death total in 48111 area remains 33, positive tests rising

The number of people who have died from COVID-19 in the 48111 zip code has remained at 33 since Oct. 17.

The positive tests for COVID-19 in 48111 were 974 on Sunday, Nov. 15, up from 841 the previous Sunday, Nov. 8.

On Sunday, Nov. 15, the separate numbers released by the Wayne County Health Department for the tri-community were: Van Buren Township, 626 positive cases, 18 deaths; City of Belleville, 204 positive cases, 14 deaths; and Sumpter Township 144 positive cases, 1 death.

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More Letters

Thank you to the Voters of Van Buren Township

To the voters of Van Buren Township:

Thank you!

Let me begin by thanking the voters of Van Buren Township for honoring me with the privilege to serve as your Township Clerk for another four years. I'm optimistic and excited for the future of Van Buren Township and what accomplishments this newly elected board will bring.

On Nov. 3, 2020, 70.7% of the registered voters in the township made their voices heard by casting their absentee ballot or by going to the polls. Never before in the history of this country has turnout been so high. Personally, I am most impressed by our young people. I have always been passionate about educating our youth on elections and encouraging the youth to participate. This election brought out 69.3% of the registered voters between the ages of 18-21.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to thank my Clerk's Office staff, the DPW staff, H.R. Director Sumpter, Van Buren Public Schools and the election workers. This election was one of the most difficult elections my staff has ever faced, yet they showed up day after day working non-stop until each and every voter was served and each and every ballot was counted. Our DPW staff handled set-up and tear-down of all the equipment within a very limited time window due to Covid-19 restrictions in our schools. H.R. Director Sumpter stood in the lobby day after day directing traffic so over a thousand voters could enter and exit the building safely. The Van Buren School Public School District graciously opened their doors to the Clerk's Office and the community. A special thank you goes out to our election workers. We had an overwhelming interest in working the polls this year and there were first-time election inspectors. They did an outstanding job. I'm proud to report that the hard work and preparation of that entire team paid off. Van Buren Township was the first Wayne County municipality to report 100% of their results to the county on election night.

In conclusion, I would like to take a second to reassure our voters on the integrity of the process. You may have all heard or seen rumors floating around in the news and social media that may leave you with questions. There is no validity to these claims. Elections are organized and held by each municipality individually. The equipment is tested and prepared by one group while software programming is done by another. These are just some of the many checks and balances required when conducting elections in the State of Michigan. Finally, the election results are canvassed and certified at both the County and State levels.

The pens that were used on election

day were tested and certified by the manufacturer of the election equipment and the State of Michigan. There was no credible evidence of issues due to these pens or any pens used to mark ballots.

Any voter interested in seeing if their ballot was tabulated is welcome to find out. Absentee voters can check to see if their ballot was received by going to www.mi.gov/vote. Voters who voted at the polls and fed their ballots into the tabulator may contact the Clerk's Office for a copy of their voting history.

Leon Wright, Clerk
Van Buren Township



A BIG 'Thank You' goes to Boy Scout Troop 231

To the editor:

On Saturday, Nov. 14, Boy Scout Troop 231 held a food drive in Van Buren Township. Two carloads of food were donated to the Emergency Food Closet housed at the Belleville First United Methodist Church.

Another thank you goes out to Lori Summer, a food closet volunteer who, on short notice, donated her time to help sort, check dates, and store the food. This donation will help feed many in our community.

Marilyn Wood
Emergency Food Closet Coordinator

Sumpter Goodfellows accepting applications

To the editor:

Sumpter Township Goodfellows are accepting applications for Christmas 2020. Applications are available at: Sumpter ACE Hardware, Sumpter Township Hall and Sumpter Township Police. Applications must be returned no later than Monday, Dec. 7, 2020.

Merry Christmas
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• **Tuesday, Dec. 1** – Forgotten Harvest and Van Buren Township Pop-Up Food Pantry Partnership has changed hours. Today it's from 9 a.m. until noon at the VBT Senior Center. Free food. Pick up for your neighbors.

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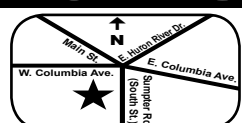
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On Nov. 10, Belleville Rotary Club President Deb Green, left, presented a check for \$200 to Linda Luke to help the work of the no-kill Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue in Sumpter Township. FMAR was invited to send a representative to the Rotary meeting to speak about the history of the organization and its current needs. Board of Directors member Luke supplied Rotary members with tri-fold FMAR brochures and information on how the animal rescue has managed over the years.

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Jiffy Lube

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the waiting room. When the car is pulled out, customers will get back into their cars.

Kratz said the business will do oil changes, battery service, fluids, and quick repairs and they expect 50 to 60 cars a day.

"We are working with Meijer in an unofficial partnership," Kratz said, noting they just opened a Jiffy Lube in Lenox Township. He said it is one national franchise operating in all these locations.

He said the overlay district encouraged natural preservation of mature trees, so they relocated their building to preserve a mature tree.

Paul Kammer of Fishbeck, the township's engineering consultant, said the Jiffy Lube plans a bioretention area and will have an underground, onsite detention storage which will drain on the south side of Tyler Road to the Wayne County drain. The business will tap into an 8" water main running around the Meijer building in an agreement with Meijer and have sanitary service through the 10" line running north and south along the east side of Belleville Road.

Commission vice-chairman Donald Boynton, in his last meeting on the commission after being elected a township trustee, asked about the drainage. He asked how it would affect the flooding reported to the east, or was it too soon to ask that with this being just the preliminary site plan.

Kammer said there are concerns about the county drain that goes to Morton Taylor and then heads northeast. He said the ultimate goal is for the underground storage to hold back drainage. He said if it is properly designed the system will

reduce flooding, but not to zero. It would minimize excess runoff, he said.

"How do we get the county to clean them?" Kammer asked of the drains. He said it was better to tie into the Tyler system than the Meijer system to the southeast.

Commissioner Boynton also questioned the thin brick proposed.

"If I heard it correctly, veneer brick face is not acceptable," he said. "Do they have to change to a more durable brick?"

Vidya Krishnan, principal planner and planning consultant from McKenna Associates, said the veneer brick is not an option and because of that and other issues the first elevation proposed was rejected by the township. The applicant redesigned the building, she said.

"We did agree to modular bricks, not thin bricks," Kratz said. "We did agree."

Commissioner Jeff Jahr asked if it was a four-bay or an eight-bay and Kratz said it was a four-bay with one-way movement.

Commissioner Medina Atchinson asked if they will have hoists or a pit for the oil change and Kratz said it's a pit because that's fast-moving.

Atchinson asked if it would be open on Sunday and Kratz said it would be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Dan Power, director of planning and economic development, pointed out in a memo that if the preliminary site plan and special land use approvals are granted, the project will undergo final site plan review. The final site plan review process will involve a detailed review of compliance with applicable township and Wayne County stormwater, soil erosion, and other engineering regulations as well as township zoning regulations. The planning commission would act on a potential final site plan review at a future date, he said.

In other business at the Nov. 11 meeting, the commission approved the required formal resolution of adoption of the 2020 Van Buren Township Master Plan. The Michigan Planning and Enabling Act requires a resolution to be forwarded to the township board. Director Power said this formalizes the approval of the Master Plan, which was done at the last planning commission meeting.

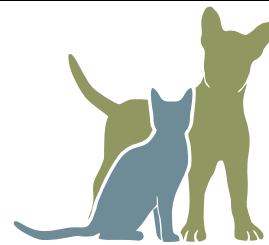
Power said this was the last meeting in November and there will be just one meeting in December. He expects a couple of preliminary site plans and a couple final site plans at the December meeting, plus approval of meetings for 2021.

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Pot shops

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Clark said the new, eight-page ordinance is a "long, cumbersome ordinance."

When asked by Mayor Pro Tem Jesse Marcotte about the planning commission being involved, Clark said the city can enforce its zoning ordinance.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said there were two acres in the Industrial Park provided for medical marijuana in the zoning ordinance in the past, and that has been repealed.

"What now?" Mayor Conley asked. "We wait for the election to be certified and the clerk moves forward."

Clerk/Treasurer Verna Chapman said the city has had a lot of inquiries on marijuana sales and once the ballots were printed interest soared. She said they have asked for applications because everyone wants to get into the action.

Attorney Clark said he would help get the application in shape.

In other business at Monday's regular meeting, the council:

- Unanimously approved a three-year user agreement for "The Bora Bora" district to allow businesses to utilize the district for outdoor seating. City Manager Tracey Schultz Kobylarz said it is similar to the outdoor café ordinance. Clark said the best thing is to change the ordinance to work it out so the LCC will be satisfied. He said it is not permanent and is letting the business use the city's property with a review every year. John Winter of Egan's Pub said they want to put up igloos next to their business for cold-weather dining and they need 22' more room on the Fourth Street Square. He said they are buying two igloos for \$16,000 and it will be something classy for the

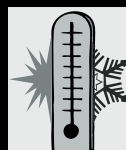
downtown. He said they thought they could be used from mid October to mid March. He said during the warm months, if others need that space on the square for their events, they could pull back their outdoor dining temporarily. Winter said he hoped the Bayou and Johnny's would get on board and apply for the outside dining /alcohol state permit;

- Approved accounts payable of \$127,003.56 and the following purchases in excess of \$500: to Hennessey Engineers, \$3,498 for testing and inspection of the Main St. development from the escrow account; to Mueller Co., LLC, \$655 for water reading/billing equipment and \$1,464.54 for water meters; and to Osborne Cement, \$592 for concrete in the cemetery;

- Heard DPW Director Rick Rutherford say the city will be talking with the Downtown Development Authority about getting help with the cost of an embedded railing along the top of the wall at Doane's Landing. When asked about the large section of rocks and boulders there, Rutherford said soil erosion and drainage were problems there, with the vegetation going right up to the wall, holding water. He said the rocks were purposely left in place for erosion and drainage. Renaud asked about the gap in the fencing at the border with the condos next door and Rutherford said that is on the condo property;

- Heard DDA Coordinator Carol Thompson say the stamped concrete in place at the Fourth Street project is for parking of vehicles. She said the asphalt in the rest of the project was expected to be laid the next day, Nov. 17; and

- Heard Rutherford announce the city had been informed by DTE that they will be at more than 20 locations in the city to trim trees and work to keep the electricity secure.



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Small Business Saturday in our community will take place on Nov. 28, a day dedicated to helping small businesses and the community. Now more than ever, we're asked to support the stores, shops,

and services locally. A new round of state-ordered guidelines and restrictions are in place for the next three weeks as restaurants closed their indoor dining, so be sure to check if they're offering curbside pickup and delivery. Visit Jingle Belleville on Facebook and on the web at www.buyitinbelleville.com.

Johnny's on the Lake restaurant on High Street will remain open during the three-week indoor closure, however, they

will offer carry-out and pick-up service, featuring their full menu, daily specials, and family-sized package meals, like broasted chicken and roasted turkey. They'll be open daily, from 12 noon to 9 p.m. Call (734) 699-1777 and see their ad in today's paper. Masks and social distancing guidelines are in place.

Keller's Farm Bakery in Sumpter Township is taking orders through Monday, Nov. 23, for Thanksgiving with home-made favorites like pies, breads, rolls, strudel pastries, and much more. Curbside pickup is also available. Orders can be picked up on Wednesday, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. They are located at 23888 Haggerty Road between Judd and Wear roads. Call (734) 753-4360. Walk-ins are welcome, too, however masks and distancing guidelines are practiced.

A Holiday Artisans Market will be held on Dec. 5-6 at Cheryl Wagner's Greenhouse at 47947 West Huron River Dr. in Van Buren Township. It's a virtual event and they will take orders for pick up. Go and like Cheryl Wagner's Facebook Page for vendor items and pics. In-person shopping will also be welcome with masks and social guidelines in place. The event hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. The show will be similar

to their event they hold in the spring but will be inside the greenhouse and geared to help give local artisans a place to sell their goods for the holidays.

Tickets have sold out for the Yankee Air Museum's event this Saturday called "Cold War Warriors," a rare opportunity to get up close and tour some of museum's most cherished aircraft, such as the F-101, F-86 Sabre, EC-121 Warning Star. Watch for the popular event to return again in 2021. Visit www.yankeeairmuseum.org.

The Belleville Tigers varsity football clinched the Division 1 District Championship title with a 53-29 playoff victory over unbeaten Canton on Nov. 13. The next round of the playoffs was supposed to see Cass Tech, another undefeated team, coming to BHS this Friday in the state quarterfinals, but that game and the rest of the high school fall sports tournaments have been put on hold at least for the next three weeks. Watch this column for updates. Congratulations, Tigers!

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

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

On November 25th, 2020, 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.

2006	FORD	4D	1FAFP34N56W127528	20-12338
2000	FORD	VN	1FDXE45FXYHA94658	20-14195
1992	CHEVROLET	2D	1G1FP23T8NL165574	20-14459

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, are offered for sale to the highest bidder.

1996	BOMBARDIER	WC	ZZND3424K596	20-11799
2005	NISSAN	4D	1N4AL11D85N486169	20-14531
2004	FORD	SW	1FMPU16W44LA17632	20-13551
2002	MERCURY	4D	1MEFM55S92G634342	20-13120
2008	CHRYSLER	4D	1C3LC56R08N225268	20-12244
1991	SEA DOO	WC	ZZN03759C191	20-11269
2006	HONDA	2D	2HGFG12806H528884	20-11249
1999	CHEVROLET	PU	1GCEK19T7XE118661	20-9818
2005	PONTIAC	2D	3G2JB12F05S220118	20-9376
2007	SATURN	4D	1G8AL58B87Z145589	20-8914
2007	DODGE	4D	2B3KA43GX7H751233	20-10581
2006	FORD	4D	1FAFP27186G168877	20-10581
2012	FORD	4D	1FAHP2EW5CG128159	20-10581

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,
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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 420 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police for last week, including the following.

Sunday, Nov. 8:

0132 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0214 – noise complaint, Meadows Cir.
0249 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0253 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0440 – suspicious person/vehicle, Andover Dr. / Tavistock Dr.
0702 – shooting, Hannan Rd.
0714 – shooting, Springwood Blvd.
0754 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tompkins St.
0755 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River Dr. / Lake Pointe Pass
0841 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1321 – found property/child, Maple Dr.
1350 – neighbor trouble, Denton Rd.
1520 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1550 – personal injury accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1851 – domestic, Harbour Pointe Ct.
2026 – harassment call, Village Green Ln.
2050 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
2151 – assist fire dept., Jackson St.
2205 – missing person, Elwell Rd.

Monday, Nov. 9:

0259 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94 Service Dr./Ryznar Dr.
0612 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd./W. I-94
0648 – intrusion alarm, Forestdale Dr.
1001 – animal complaint, Briarwood Ct.
1028 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1035 – threat, Ecorse Rd./Hannan Rd.
1119 – misc. complaint, N. Purple Sage Ct.
1152 – fraud, Woodbury Green
1204 – malicious destruction of property, Water's Edge Ln.
1320 – suicidal person, Oak Ln.
1404 – juvenile complaint, McBride
1429 – breaking & entering, Farm Rd.
1511 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.
1529 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.
1542 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1721 – assault & battery, Arthur St.
1737 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty/Tyler
1756 – suspicious person/vehicle, McBride Ave.
1806 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1912 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
1931 – suspicious person/vehicle, McBride Ave.
1959 – suicidal person, Doree Ave.
2152 – missing person, N. Ponderosa Trl.

Tuesday, Nov. 10:

0106 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd.
0219 – noise complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0243 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bemis/Sumpter
0318 – shooting, Denton Rd.
0407 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harmony Ln.
0521 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Denton
0709 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
0734 – juvenile complaint, McBride Ave.
0804 – juvenile complaint, McBride Ave.
0836 – suspicious person/vehicle, Village Green Ln.
1001 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1041 – lost property/child, Freedom Way
1215 – suspicious person/vehicle, Parkwood Dr.
1300 – animal complaint, Deanna Dr.
1343 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1349 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1434 – fraud, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1529 – lost property/child, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1530 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Martinsville Rd.
1618 – road hazard, Van Born Rd./Belleville Rd.
1645 – noise complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1728 – lake emergency, Harmony Ln.
1922 – shooting, Denton Rd.
2037 – shooting, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2117 – suspicious person/vehicle, Oak Ln.
2126 – civil matter, Haggerty Rd.
2216 – breaking & entering, W. Walden Dr.
2219 – civil matter, Senate St.

Wednesday, Nov. 11:

0128 – suspicious person/vehicle, McBride Ave. / Jackson St.
0711 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.

0848 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.
0938 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Belle Pointe Dr.
1034 – road hazard, W. I-94/rest area
1417 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
1554 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
1604 – civil matter, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1623 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1953 – domestic, Van Buren St.
2108 – harassment call, Jackson St.
2147 – family trouble, Arthur St.
2237 – disorderly, Lake Pointe Blvd.

Thursday, Nov. 12:

0036 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
0054 – domestic, N. Woodbury
0232 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
0355 – private property impound, Lighthouse Dr.
0624 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0817 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd./Venetian Ave.
0826 – personal injury accident, Ecorse/Denton
0829 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1005 – private property impound, Southport Apts.
1008 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1201 – assist other dept., Rogers Ave.
1209 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1214 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Sub.
1318 – missing person, Coolidge St.
1353 – property damage accident, Mott/Denton
1401 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1451 – traffic offense, Huron River Dr./Hannan
1456 – larceny, Hannan Rd.
1641 – family trouble, Belleville Rd.
1851 – assault & battery, Daisy Blvd.
2311 – animal complaint, Bemis/Rawsonville
2334 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2335 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.

Friday, Nov. 13:

0041 – suspicious person/vehicle, Michigan Ave.
0606 – personal injury accident, Van Born Rd. / Morton Taylor Rd.
0623 – disorderly, Beckley Rd.
0846 – property damage accident, Bemis/Sumpter
0942 – animal complaint, Belleville/Van Born
1111 – overdose, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1137 – sexual assault, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1141 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Hannan Rd.
1225 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1320 – motorist assist, WB Ecorse/ramp
1419 – larceny, Landmark
1435 – fraud, Tavistock
1435 – assault & battery, Rose Blvd.
1447 – hospice death, Lancaster Dr.
1646 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2135 – misc. complaint, Quirk Rd.
2300 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2308 – breaking & entering, Robson Rd.
2343 – assist fire dept., Rose Blvd.

Saturday, Nov. 14:

0134 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River
0909 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
0931 – hospice death, Evelyn Ct.
1014 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
1036 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
1058 – civil matter, Daisy Blvd.
1109 – neighbor trouble, Denton Rd.
1121 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
1243 – animal complaint, Robson Rd.
1409 – fraud, Preswick Ct.
1649 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1713 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.
1725 – family trouble, Daniel Dr.
1748 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1805 – personal injury accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Denton Rd.
1815 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
1852 – fireworks, Peninsular Dr.
2028 – 911 welfare check, Oak Blvd.
2114 – civil matter, Sylvia Dr.
2349 – assault & battery, Parkwood Dr.

Also on this week's log are 212 traffic stop, 115 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

“You have to be odd to be number one.”
— Dr. Seuss

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Nov. 8:

0119 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd.
0132 – assist fire dept., Main St.

Monday, Nov. 9:

1029 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Waterbury Ct.
1314 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
Tuesday, Nov. 10:
0430 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
1254 – property damage accident, South St. / E. Davis St.

1507 – shooting, Menlo Park Dr./Carmell
1533 – property damage accident, Main St./5th St.
1656 – assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.
1708 – suicidal person, Wexford Ave.

Wednesday, Nov. 11:

1457 – traffic offense, Sumpter/Spencer
2158 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.

Thursday, Nov. 12:

1231 – property damage accident, 5th St./Main St.
1300 – 911 welfare check, W. Wabash Ave.
1604 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Owen
1605 – found property/child, Main St.

Friday, Nov. 13:

0846 – intrusion alarm, South St.
1019 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
1734 – property damage accident, W. Columbia
1828 – personal injury accident, Harbour Pointe / W. Huron River Dr.

Saturday, Nov. 14:

1725 – parking complaint, Victorian Ln./Savage
2008 – animal complaint, Main St.

Also on this week's log are 20 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Nov. 8:

0413 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
0712 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
0829 – prisoner check, 36000 bl. S. Huron Rd.
1008 – alarm, 4900 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.
1056 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Traskos
1246 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1450 – shots fired, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
1546 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
1552 – fire dept. assist, Rawsonville/Willow
1651 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
1744 – found property, 27000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1835 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1857 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1901 – assist other agency, Willow/Sumpter
2101 – noise complaint, Mulberry Dr.

Monday, Nov. 9:

0909 – fire dept. assist, California St.
0919 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1126 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1133 – suspicious circumstance, 25000 bl. Elwell
1153 – property damage accident, 48000 bl. Willis
1752 – alarm, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
1759 – traffic complaint, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
2012 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2021 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
2045 – civil matter, Carriage Ln.
2348 – property damage accident, Wyoming St.

Tuesday, Nov. 10:

0038 – operating while intoxicated arrest, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0215 – mental health call, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
0501 – fire dept. assist, 9300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0754 – fire dept. assist, Wyoming St.
0824 – animal complaint, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.
0956 – welfare check, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1034 – follow-up investigation, 40000 bl. Willis
1040 – welfare check, Virginia St.
1147 – suspicious circumstance, Alaska St.
1147 – suspicious circumstance, Alaska St.
1151 – 911 hang up, 40000 bl. Judd Rd.
1321 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1543 – follow-up investigation, 12000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1643 – juvenile complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1830 – follow-up investigation, Rustic Ln.
2053 – 911 hang up, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2121 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.

Wednesday, Nov. 11:

0544 – suspicious person, Arizona St.
0627 – citizen assist, Sumpter Rd./Willow Rd.
0804 – assist other agency, Creekside Dr.
0813 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Karr Rd.
1244 – civil matter, 43000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1322 – juvenile complaint, Carriage Ln.
1550 – welfare check, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1551 – family trouble, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1949 – suspicious circumstance, 22000 bl. Bohn

Thursday, Nov. 12:

0140 – suspicious circumstance, 20000 bl. Karr Rd
0217 – follow-up investigation, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
0419 – civil matter, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.
0450 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.
0918 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0936 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.
1037 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1153 – suspicious vehicle, Arkona Rd./Haggerty
1417 – assist other agency, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1420 – suspicious circumstance, 20000 bl. Elwell
2121 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Martinsville
2226 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.

Friday, Nov. 13:

0817 – citizen assist, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
0822 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Willow Rd.
1517 – follow-up investigation, 21000 bl. Sumpter
1535 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. willis Rd.
1721 – ORV complaint, Sherwood/Willow
1846 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.
1916 – property damage accident, Martinsville Rd.

/ Harris Rd.

2109 – assist other agency, Clark Rd./Arkona Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 14:

0559 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Judd
1419 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1709 – 911 hang up, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1807 – harassment complaint, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
2021 – alarm, 8500 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Also on this week's log are 72 patrol checks, 15 traffic stops, and eight misc. details.

Belleville Community Art Show Winners – Virtual for 2020

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts celebrated the 11th year of the Belleville Community Art Show by going virtual this year.

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts congratulates the winners as follows:

2-Dimension: 1st – Nicki Pijanowski, 2nd – Diane Gomez-Burden, 3rd – Kim Ensch

3-Dimension/Upcycled: 1st – Diane Eissinger, 2nd – Tim Marsh, 3rd – Cheryl Wagner

Photography: 1st – Terrah Stewart, 2nd – Joy Kole, 3rd – Jennifer Gunderson

Children (Ages 6-16): 1st – Kylie Ion, 2nd – Brooklyn Nelson, 3rd – Cassidy Etzel

Winners in all 12 categories will be awarded ribbons and cash prizes.

The power-point presentation can be viewed at BACA website: www.bacaart.org or on the Facebook page at Belleville Area Council for the Arts – BACA.

Through the efforts of board member, Rhonda Dutton, a new BACA website was designed, local artists' images uploaded and a slide show produced. BACA thanks her for making it happen.

A special thank you goes to the judges of the artwork for the show: Barbara Heller, Director and Conservator of Special Projects for the Detroit Institute of Arts, and Sally Mac Mullan, local artist and former Hazel Park art teacher.

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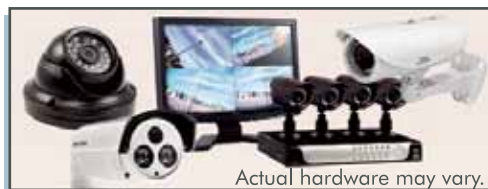
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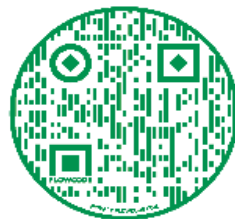
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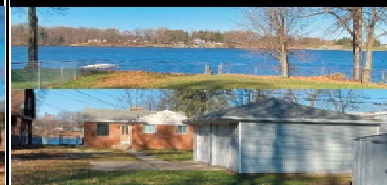
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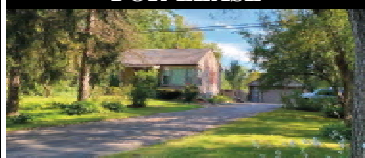
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