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Court Watching:

Parents bound over for trial on involuntary manslaughter charges

By Rosemary K. Otzman

Independent Editor

and Diane Madigan

Independent Court Reporter

Angelina Mae Perry, 39, and Ray Thomas Hunt, 34, the parents of Oliver, an 11-month old child who drowned in a Sumpter Township swimming pool on Aug. 20, have been bound over for trial on charges of homicide - involuntary manslaughter.

Four witnesses who were in the house the morning of the drowning testified in the preliminary examination held Jan. 30 before 34th District Court Judge David Parrott.

Judge Parrott said there was nothing to indicate that this is anything other than the most tragic of accidents, but he found there was sufficient probable cause that could indicate failure to exercise a legal responsibility to supervise a child.

Judge Parrott went over the testimony that reported that Oliver was able to stand while holding onto something and crawl and had been seen crawling up steps, there was a pool with a gate lock that had been broken all summer, a sliding family room door is left open on occasion for four dogs to go out and in, drinking of alcohol by about 20 people on the deck during continuation of a wake until early in the morning, food also being consumed, the reports that Perry had a habit of drinking to intoxication every time she visited, and testimony of the parents sleeping late into the morning although the baby was heard crying.

He said testimony showed everyone knew there was a pool. Oliver was sleeping in the playpen that had one side inexplicably collapsed and folded down into a V on the morning of the drowning.

Judge Parrott asked, after studying a drawing of the layout of the house and the distance to the often open back door and

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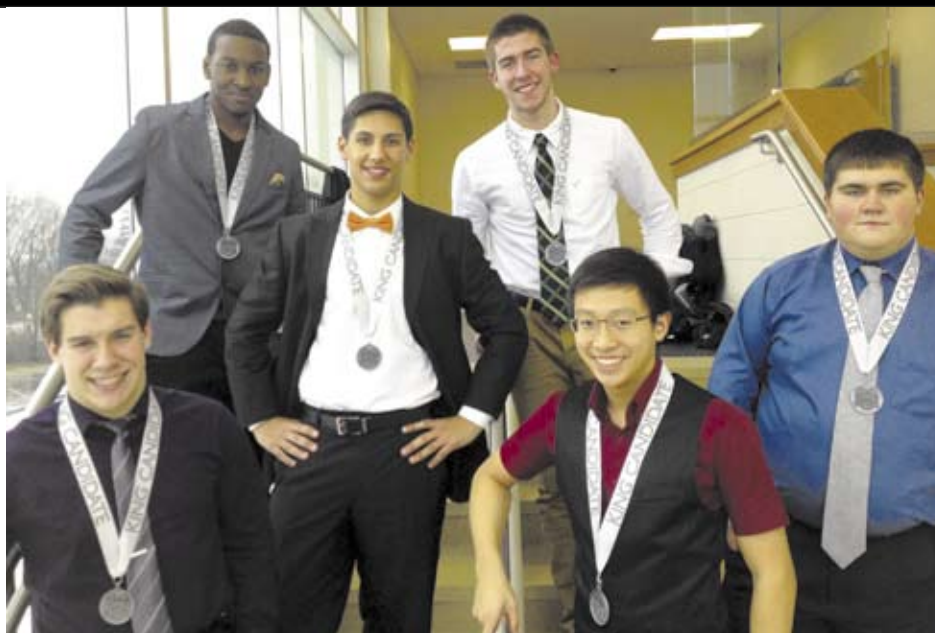


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The 2013 Belleville High School King candidates for last weekend's Coming Home festivities were, from left, Cody Fondaw, Darrius Gregory, Michael Hermosillo-DeBoer, Andrew Lunder, Ari Budiono, and Cordell Willoughby. Chosen as BHS King was Darrius Gregory.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

One apartment had major damage and the two adjacent apartments had minor damage at Parkwood Manor in Van Buren Township on Monday after an evening fire. VBT fire fighters were taking part in an ice rescue training refresher when they got the call at 7:42 p.m. and responded immediately. The cause of the fire was still under investigation by the State Police and VB Fire Investigators as the *Independent* went to press.

Monday fire destroys apartment at Parkwood Manor in VB Twp.

By Rosemary K. Otzman

Independent Editor

One apartment had major damage and the two adjacent apartments had minor damage at 9041 Parkwood Drive in Parkwood Manor after a fire erupted Monday evening.

Van Buren Township Fire Chief Dan Besson said eight apartments were uninhabitable due to the utilities being shut off.

Chief Besson said the staircase in the original apartment was heavily damaged and unsafe, so fire fighters breached the walls of the adjacent apartments in order to attack the fire that had spread to the second floor and roof.

He said his department of paid-per-call fire fighters had a great response to the initial call because they were conducting an ice rescue training refresher as part of their monthly training sessions so they didn't have to wait for too many fire fighters to respond from their homes.

All the families that were put out of their homes were referred by Public Safety Chaplains to the American Red Cross for housing and help.

Chief Besson said there were no injuries reported and the Michigan State Police and VB Fire Investigators were on the scene Tuesday morning seeking to determine the cause of the fire.

Patrice Blount, who was interviewed on Channel 7 News, said the apartment that was destroyed was her home. She arrived home after fire fighters were on the scene, she said.

The temperature was 22 degrees when fire crews arrived to begin putting out the fire. Firefighters cleared the scene at 11:29 p.m.

Crowds of residents from the Parkwood apartment complex stood around in groups watching the fire-fighting efforts.

Belleville Fire Department was called for mutual aid for manpower and arrived with 14 of the 16 members in its department. Romulus Fire Department furnished an aerial ladder truck, since the VBT Ladder 2 truck was out for repair.

Battalion Chief Ron Folks was Incident Commander and VBT equipment on the scene were: Engines 1, 2, 3 and 4, Rescue 1, Utility 1 and 2, Tac-1, and Chief 1.

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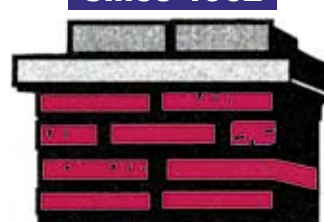
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

VBT DDA says it's just following the law in capturing zoo millage

By Diane Madigan
Independent Special Writer

"When asked, our response is simply: We are just following the law," said Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority member James Richter in response to a Jan. 21 Channel 4 TV news report called, "Where'd the money go?"

The report showed a map of communities that are "keeping a piece" of the voted zoo millage and pinpointed Van Buren Township in the middle of the map of "offending" communities.

The report was followed by a Detroit News editorial on Jan. 22 titled "Taxation by Misrepresentation" which said all the communities in Oakland and Macomb counties have returned all tax dollars to the zoo.

Referring to the Wayne County communities who are capturing the zoo millage for their DDAs, The News editorial said: "This is a violation of the public trust. When voters approve a tax for a specific purpose, their tax dollars should be used for that purpose."

At the Jan. 22 afternoon meeting of the VBT DDA, Pastor Richter continued his statement.

"The very wrong thing to say is, 'We need the money,'" he said. "This is the law that is on the books. If Lansing wants to change the law, change the law. What we are doing is following the law. That's it."

The discussion on the zoo millage began with the report of DDA Executive Director Susan Ireland who said she will continue to monitor the situation between the Wayne County Treasurer and the Township Treasurer regarding capturing the zoo millage and, now, also the Detroit Institute of Arts millage.

According to Ireland, as of Jan. 11 several communities have taken this zoo millage issue before their boards or commissions asking for a resolution of support to continue capturing the millage.

Although never publicly taken to the VBT Board of Trustees for support, Ireland lists: Van Buren, Belleville, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Wyandotte, Romulus, Plymouth Township, Flat Rock, Huron Township, and Taylor. Northville was planning to present it to its board soon.

Ireland pointed out there is a provision in the law that allows them to say "can we talk about this?" and that was not done.

"We are following and complying with the law," Ireland said. "The DIA millage is also included. Within the next week the DDA is expecting Moynihan PC to file for a declaratory judgment for the group of communities" listed.

"If it's ruled against us, we'll deal with that," Richter said. "Otherwise, if the judge upholds it, then we are doing everything in

accordance with the law."

Diane Madigan asked for clarification on Ireland's statement that the DIA funds were going to be included in the tax capture.

Ireland said the County Treasurer has sent a letter to all the treasurers in Wayne County that includes reference to the DIA as well as the zoo. The DIA millage will be included in the legal action, Ireland said.

In other business at the Jan. 22 meeting, the DDA:

- Heard a report on the Ecorse Road project by Matt Stacey from Wade Trim engineers. He said the eastbound lanes are completely paved and the water main is 95% completed, needing just a small stretch across Belleville Road that needs to wait until they shift traffic. The sanitary sewer is about 60% complete and the Service Drive will go in after the sewer is complete. The county has concerns about maintaining traffic west of Sheldon along Ecorse Road, wanting extra detours through the subdivision up Van Born. Work is scheduled to restart in March;

- Heard a report on the claim filed by the DDA on dead trees at Fifth Third Bank. A response was received from the DuPont Imprelis Claim Resolution Process. The DDA does not apply herbicide and does not have any documentation demonstrating application, therefore DuPont is closing the claim. The six trees in front of the bank that the DDA planted were sprayed by the bank's landscaper and they have documentation. The problem now is there has been some management changes at Fifth Third Bank and additional follow-up is needed. The trees are planted on the Wayne County right of way. Ireland said she would like assurance that the bank will replace their trees with the settlement it received;

- Heard Ireland report that there are between 18 and 24 trees that need replacing in the streetscape and she will bring a tree replacement request to the DDA board in the spring. She would also like to "spruce up" the streetscape and take down all the mounded-up mulch around the trees. She also reported that the Emergency Sirens item will remain in abeyance until information is received from the Public Safety Department. Also, she said, the Quirk Park scoreboard has yet to be ordered and will remain on hold pending a request from the VBT Recreation Department;

- Heard DDA member Carol Bird ask about whose job it is to plow the snow on the sidewalks. Ireland replied that technically it is not the DDA's job, but there have been times when the township has done it. Generally, the businesses take care of their own, she said. Ireland did not know if the township has the equipment to do snow removal and Bird said she didn't

know how you can offer the people a sidewalk and not shovel it. Apparently, the police have told people they cannot walk in the road and DDA member Ron Blank asked the township to write an ordinance that requires businesses to keep their sidewalks maintained. The sidewalks are in the Wayne County right of way;

- Learned with the pullout of Menard's, the DDA project list now includes obtaining easements for sidewalks from two property owners on the North Service Drive from Quirk Road east for about 1,550 feet. Also, the DDA continues to work on acquiring the rights of way on two parcels on the east side of Belleville Road, from Tyler Road north to 8701 Belleville Road. Wayne County is reviewing the appraisals;

- Heard Ireland say she heard a lot of nice comments about the holiday lights on

the trees at the north side of the Belleville Bridge. Unfortunately, Santa came up missing and the disappearance was reported to the police departments;

- Was informed about 17 spots along the curb on Belleville Road need repair and this is expected to be finished in 2013, hopefully, with the sidewalks; and

- Formed an ad hoc committee to do a performance review of Executive Director Ireland. Members are Mark Laginess, Carol Bird, and Joe Baskin.

The DDA meeting had a bare quorum to meet. Present were Chairman Jere Dolph, Joe Baskin, Carol Bird, Ron Blank, Ed Miller, Jim Richter, Director Ireland and the new recording secretary Karin LaMothe. Absent and excused were Kurt Atchinson, Sophie Zoller, Robert Bechtel, Mark Laginess and Supervisor Linda Combs.

VBT board decides work-study sessions may remain on Mondays

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

After a lengthy discussion on whether to switch work-study meetings to Thursdays instead of the traditional Mondays, the Van Buren Township Board of Trustee was leaning toward keeping the work-study meetings on Mondays, after all.

The board held a special work-study session at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, to discuss the matter, as well as to consider items that were on the upcoming Feb. 6 agenda.

The board not only met on a different day, but also in a different room, the Denton Room, where they sat around a table in a more congenial atmosphere for discussions. Township attorney Patrick McCauley was present at the table and indicated to the *Independent* that he has been asked to attend all township board meetings for the present.

The idea of having more time between the work-study meeting and the regular meeting to discuss items further and to get more information was suggested by Clerk Leon Wright several years ago.

He told the board on Jan. 31 that the usual work-study session was "a dress-rehearsal" for the regular meeting.

"This is actually a true, dedicated work-study," he said of his idea of a work-study, noting, "It will give you the opportunity to really discuss items before voting."

At the beginning, it was proposed that the work-study session be held 13 days before the regular meeting to give extra time for consideration. Items on the work-study agenda would not necessarily be on the

next regular agenda.

"Seems a little confusing right now," said Deputy Clerk Kathy Cline, who would have to prepare two packets of information instead of the one meeting packet as she did in the past, "but it will work out."

One suggestion was having a meeting every Tuesday, with those that weren't regular meetings being work-study sessions.

Downtown Development Authority Executive Director Susan Ireland, who was in the audience, pointed out that the DDA met on a Tuesday, as did the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA), and the Water/Sewer Commission.

Trustee Jeff Jahr wanted to go through the changes to the meeting policy that had been prepared and presented.

But, the board agreed the attorney who had been waiting for almost an hour for the executive session, had waited long enough since he is paid by the hour.

They voted to go into executive session to discuss strategy for pending Wayne County Circuit Court case #12-009286-AW, which is Louis Kovach vs. Terry Carroll, Tom MacDonald Linda Stevenson and The Charter Township of Van Buren.

The lawsuit concerns the township denial of lot splits for the former Coykendall Greenhouse property at the corner of Riggs and Bemis roads and is expected to be settled out of court.

The closed-door session lasted 1 hour and 23 minutes and then the board went back into open meeting for another hour to continue discussion the meeting policy.

OPINIONS

Editorial

Van Buren Twp. celebrates its fire fighters

Tuesday's regular meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees was about a half hour long and most of it was spent celebrating members of the fire department — a happy event.

At this meeting Fire Chief Dan Besson introduced four new probationary fire fighters, gave service awards for four fire fighters who responded during 2012 to from 75 to 78 calls, announced six promotions to the rank of lieutenant, and presented the first-annual William G. Gage Memorial Award for Fire Service Excellence.

Lt. Bruce VanGemert received the plaque that features fire helmet #11, which was worn by the late Bill Gage. Chief Besson said the #11 has been retired in the department. Gage, a beloved fire fighter, died in January 2011 and his family was at Tuesday's meeting with tears and hugs all around.

But, the folks at home didn't get to see all these young men with their new helmets, new badges, and memorial plaque on the local cable channel.

The video director was ill on Tuesday so the meeting wasn't cablecast as it usually is so all the awards were just in front of the township board, family members, four reporters, and a handful of citizens. For the first time in years there was no public comment.

That was one of the best VBT meetings in a long time, due to Besson who likes to show his fire fighters how valued they are -- and the township board which agrees.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

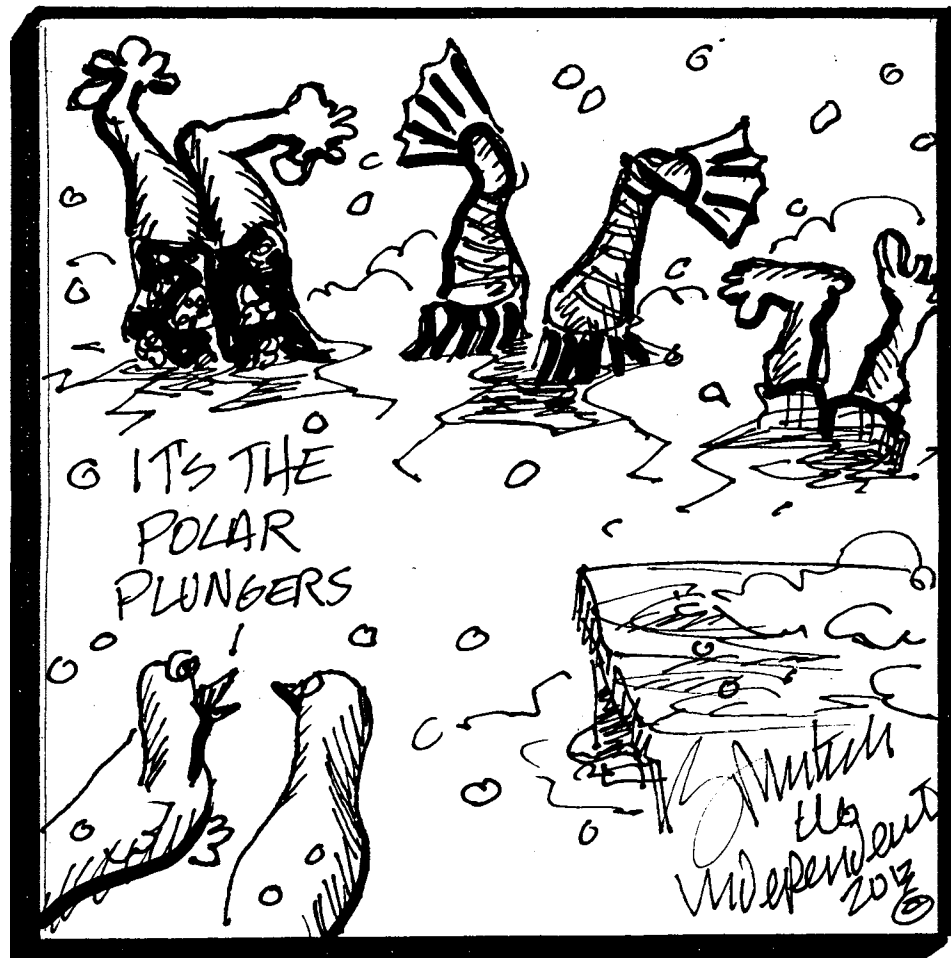
On Wednesday, Jan. 30, at about 10:30 a.m., my son Bill's coworker reported he was out road-testing a car and saw Charlie LeDuff of Channel 2 News with a microphone and lights interviewing someone at the gas station at the corner of the South I-94 Service Drive and Belleville Road.

The question is: What story was he working on? My guess is: The zoo millage. (I could be wrong. Time will tell.)

All the communities in Macomb and Oakland counties are collecting the zoo millage, that was approved by their voters, and sending it on to the zoo. In Wayne County, some communities are collecting the zoo millage and keeping it. That includes Van Buren Township and Belleville. Sumpter Township doesn't have a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) or Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA), so it isn't capturing the tax for itself, but just sending it on to the zoo.

Belleville and VBT have joined about a dozen other Wayne County communities in a consortium to defend in court their captures of the zoo millage (and the new Detroit Institute of Arts millage) which it believes is what the law says it should do.

At the Jan. 21 meeting of the Belleville City Council there was a photographer there, who didn't say anything to anyone, but snapped thousands of pictures of the council and everyone else in the room. He wouldn't talk to me, but I was told he was from *The Detroit News* and he was probably gathering photos for a zoo millage story. We haven't seen that story yet, either.



I requested the paperwork on Sumpter Township Fire Chief Les Powell's sudden retirement on Sept. 10, using a Freedom of Information Act request.

The retirement agreement Les signed includes the information that he will serve as a consultant to the Township Board for a period of up to one year following his retirement at a pay of \$1,000 per month (total of \$12,000).

The consulting services are limited to matters pertaining to the Sumpter Fire Department and the services are rendered at the request of only the township Supervisor and directed only by the Supervisor.

It also said that Les shall be permitted to retain his cell phone and phone number, with the township paying for all local charges during the consulting period.

He also agrees not to sue or appeal his retirement in any way.

The agreement states that Les has to clear with the Supervisor all press releases and public statements of any kind about the Sumpter Fire Department during his consulting period, which ends Sept. 9.

Guess that's why Les isn't telling me anything. Maybe next September.

I got word that two BHS students were suspended, after all, following the fight during the BHS-Romulus basketball game on Jan. 25 at BHS. At first it was reported that there were no punishments for the big fight that an eyewitness reported left

basketball players, reserve police, security guards, and administrators rolling around on the floor just before half time.

Head mechanic Lonnie Weisenstein, who was at the former auto repair shop at Five Points in Belleville, is the new owner of that business location and there is a new person who will run the oil change there after some renovations. That's good. We didn't want more empty storefronts in Belleville.

The auto repair shop reopened bright and early on Tuesday morning as Lonnie's Auto Repair.

The gas station being rebuilt across the street at Five Points will just sell gas and have party store items for sale — no repairs — so they won't be competing.

Belleville Police Chief Gene Taylor asks anyone who has information on the break-in at Jet's Pizza the night of Friday-Saturday to call police.

He said a small amount of money was taken after the front door was broken in.

At Monday's city council meeting, council members were asking about the wooden door that was put up at the shop, since obviously the glass door was broken.





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Letters

Tyrone Harper is going to be missed in Sumpter

To the Editor:

Over 15 years ago I moved on Kozma Road in Sumpter Township. It didn't take long to notice Tyrone Harper. He waved to everyone!

In the summer he was on his lawn mower almost every day. He had the best looking lawn on Kozma – well, I say all of Sumpter because I get to travel around Sumpter daily.

On bad weather days he would be in his red truck. If he didn't wave he gave the peace sign or maybe it graduated to that because of our war on terrorism and all our soldiers overseas.

Our welcome committee Tyrone Harper has passed, at age 70, and will be greatly missed.

God blessed us with such a friendly man; I know that he is at the Pearly Gates right now greeting all.

Rest in Peace, Tyrone Harper. We will miss you greatly.

Maryann Watson
Sumpter Township

that have opened and closed in Main Street Plaza and in the South Street strip.

If the DDA follows through with their proposal that the ground floor of all new businesses have retail space on the ground floor, I fear in this continued down economy and in future ones our downtown may end up a ghost town.

I think the reason our downtown is still doing so well in this economy is because of the number of service providers we have.

Vicki Lucas
Belleville

Editor's Note: The Central Business District ordinance is in effect now, having been adopted by the city council on July 6, 2010. An amended new business district ordinance is in the works at the planning commission level.

We need to stop worrying about red tape

To the Editor:

Hello my name is Jacob Galbreath. I read under Extra Things I Know last week about dangerous trees and branches in Sumpter Township along Bemis and Hull Road. I agree 100% with the need to get rid of these trees especially if they are hazardous to motorists, but I also think the problem is larger than a few trees needing to be cleared in order to preserve public safety.

In your article Brad Traskos was quoted as saying the problem areas were mainly elm and ash trees. I'm not a scientist, but I have lived in Sumpter Township for about 20 years and have observed an explosion of Dutch Elm disease and Emerald Ash Borer in this area in that time.

If we are going to try and protect the public from the dangers of nature brought on by human error, then we need to stop worrying about red tape and use community and direct action to correct a widespread environmental hazard.

Land owners, volunteers, DNR/local park service people, conservationists or any socially and environmentally conscious person can help fight this not only dangerous but environmentally crippling epidemic.

Thanks,
Jacob Galbreath
Sumpter Township

"I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots."
— Albert Einstein

Our downtown may end up a ghost town

To the Editor:

When we moved into the Belleville area in 1998, I thought the downtown area would be more vibrant with more retail businesses which would promote more pedestrian traffic.

A few years ago, however, I was walking around downtown Saline and was surprised by the number of empty storefronts. It made me rethink my opinion.

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Question from Marian in Ypsilanti Township: My husband and I are retiring. We own 2 homes. The one we live in is too big for us now and we refinanced it for improvements about 5 years ago and owe more than it's worth now.

We would like to downsize and move to the small home we own outright. Since our income will be much less soon, due to our retiring, will our bank allow us to do a short sale on the home we live in, even though we have a second home?

Answer: Marian, I don't see why not. The banks have done short sales for second homes that were not the principal home. The approval of a short sale is primarily based on the financial hardship of the owner/seller not having the monthly income to afford the mortgage payment, including other required debt obligations.

Also the third-party bank must agree to the price your home is sold for. Since you are retiring, thus having less income to pay your mortgage and other debts, and you want to move to lessen your financial burden, I would suggest you consider a short sale, and because your current home is your principal residence, most likely you will be released from the unpaid deficiency.

Also the law for banks releasing deficiency may be expiring at the end of this year.
-- Angela

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Obituaries

MARJORIE A. HAMMONDS

(August 24, 1935 - January 30, 2013)

Marjorie Ann Hammonds, age 77, of Belleville passed away on Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at her home. She was born August 24, 1935 in Detroit, Michigan, daughter of the late Henry and Josephine Wachnowski.

Mrs. Hammonds worked as a cashier at Franks Nursery. She enjoyed crafts, camping and bowling and was devoted to her family.

Marjorie is survived by four children Russell Scott (Diane) Shepard of Long View, TX, Brian Henry (Tina) Shepard of LaPorte, TX, Renee (Leo) Heroux of Rockhill, SC and Craig (Kim) Shepard of Dearborn Heights; also 8 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Walter Hammonds, Jr. on October 11, 2011.

Please sign Marjorie's on line guestbook and share a memory for her family to keep at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

A Memorial Service is being planned and will be announced soon.

WILLIAM 'BUBBA' G. KRISTIAN

(June 13, 1960 - February 5, 2013)

Age 52 of Melvindale. Son of Albert George and Julia Ann (Creason) Korotney. Survived by six siblings Michael, Jean, Julann, Kathryn, Kathleen, Mary Lou. Cremation rites have been accorded. David C. Brown Funerals.

Community invited to Ash Wednesday services Feb. 13 at St. Anthony

The community is invited to celebrate Ash Wednesday masses at 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Feb. 13, with ashes only at noon.

The community also is invited to mark Lent with weekly Wednesday services until Easter.

"Please join us for Lenten Services at St. Anthony," said Starr Burke, who explained there will be an evening prayer with a guest speaker followed by hospitality and refreshments at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays Feb. 20 and 27 and March 6, 13, and 20.

St. Anthony Catholic Church is located at 409 West Columbia Ave. in Belleville.

Grief Support Group starts Feb. 19 for 6 wks. at Brown Family Center

A Grief Support Group will start Tuesday, Feb. 19 and run every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for six weeks at the Brown Family Center, 678 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville.

Please call Mary Martinez, Grief Counselor, at 734-697-5090, to register for the free program.

Call for information on individual support or the evening group.

Upcoming Meetings

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

• Tuesday, Feb. 12 - VBT September Days Senior Center Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, VBT LDFA, 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., followed by regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, Feb. 13 - Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Thursday, Feb. 14 - Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter

Township Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, Feb. 18 - Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education work-study session, 7 p.m., Administration Bldg.

• Tuesday, Feb. 19 - Van Buren Township work-study meeting, 4 p.m., followed by regular board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Wednesday, Feb. 20 - South Huron Valley Utility Authority, 10 a.m., Brownstown Township Hall. Also, Van Buren Township Staff Review, 1-4 p.m. Also, Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, VBT Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

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George, Dorothea Hutchinson celebrate 70 years of marriage

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George served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1945 on the U.S.S. New Jersey. He is a decorated WWII veteran. George retired from the Ford Wixom Plant in 1980.

Dorothea worked at the Willow Run Bomber Plant before they started their family. George and Dorothea cared for their ten children on a small farm off of Wayne Road.

Their children are George Hutchinson of Warren, Larry Hutchinson (deceased), Marilyn Williams of Arizona, Linda Druyor of Taylor, Dawn Wolf of Belleville, Nancy Blair of Wayne, David Hutchinson of Belleville, Cynthia Wiltsie of Taylor, Timothy Hutchinson of Romulus, and April Mullins of Belleville. All of their children attended Romulus High School.

George and Dorothea attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Boston. They have 27 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. George and Dorothea Hutchinson now reside in Houghton Lake.

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Drowning

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Judge Parrott said, according to testimony, when visiting the house the parents brought food and clothing for their children, a folding playpen for Oliver, and a stroller, so they tended to their children's needs.

"It primarily is a failure to supervise

... with no foreseeability of harm ... an omission to perform their legal duty," he reasoned.

"This is a tough case, a very close call," Judge Parrott said. "My heart goes out to the defendants, but unfortunately for the defendants there is sufficient probable cause for the involuntary manslaughter charge."

He bound the couple over on the charges. They will be arraigned on the evidence at 9 a.m. Feb. 13 at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

They had been arraigned on involuntary manslaughter charges on Jan. 17 at 34th District Court and were held in the Wayne County Jail on bond of \$50,000 or 10% each, which they could not post.

Judge Parrott reduced the bond to personal recognizance so they wouldn't have to come up with the money and could get out of jail.

But, Judge Parrott did not have paperwork on the couple's misdemeanor charges from last summer.

Hunt and Perry had also been arraigned during that Jan. 17 manslaughter



Hunt



Perry

arraignment before another judge on a Van Buren Township Police shoplifting charge which occurred at Meijer, where Oliver was with them and they put items into his stroller to take from the store.

They both pleaded guilty to that shoplifting and were sentenced to 30 days in jail. They are now serving their sentences which will be complete on Feb. 11 if they remain in good standing at the jail.

Hunt will be eligible for release at that time, but Perry pleaded not guilty to a second shop lifting charge that occurred after the first incident, so she would have to post bond on that charge after Feb. 11 to be released while that case progresses in the courts.

Sumpter Township Detective John Toth said involuntary manslaughter carries a penalty of up to 15 years in prison.

Sumpter Township Police were called to 45949 Bontekoe Drive at about 11 a.m. Aug. 20 for a baby who had drowned in a home's pool.

Testimony stated that the boy's father Ray Hunt said he found Oliver in the pool at about 10:30 a.m. and the child was not breathing. He said he tried CPR. Then, he placed the child on the deck and ran to get Ricky Cadieux, the 17-year-old son of Angelina Perry, the baby's mother.

Hunt then woke Shere Cadieux, Ricky's grandmother whose home they all were in, and Shere called 911 while running to her deck where the baby was.

Ricky testified he did CPR to the best of his ability and then carried the baby to give to the police officer who quickly arrived. Sumpter Officer Jerry Cox put the baby on the pool table and administered CPR and then the baby was transported to the hospital by Huron Valley Ambulance. He was pronounced dead at University of Michigan Hospital.

Ricky Cadieux described Oliver as "a very smart guy" and "the light of Ray's life." Another witness said Oliver laughed a lot and was a happy child.

Both parents, dressed in jail clothing, shed tears during the testimony.

Testimony came from Shere Cadieux; Ricky Cadieux; Samantha Young, Ricky's 17-year-old girlfriend who stayed with him; and Gary Hawthorne, Shere's boyfriend who left for work around 5 a.m. the day of the drowning.

Also in the house were Perry and Hunt's other two children, ages 5 and 4. The couple and their three children slept in the living room, with Perry on the couch, Hunt on the floor next to her and the two children on the floor or couch, with Oliver in the playpen. Shere Cadieux said they stayed at her place from 10 to 20 nights that summer.

Mark Douglas Nortley is Perry's court-appointed attorney and Brian Robert Gagniak is Hunt's court-appointed attorney. Wayne County Prosecutor is Carin Goldfarb.

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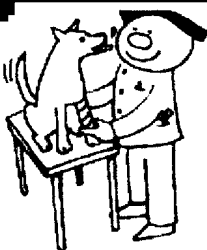
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Atchinson Ford purchases Victory used car property next door

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Atchinson Ford, at 9800 Belleville Road in Van Buren Township, is in the process of buying the Victory used car property next door.

On Thursday, Atchinson General Manager Craig Atchinson said he has signed the purchase agreement and they will close on the sale in 30 days.

"We'll make the community proud," Atchinson said of the expansion of its new and used car business into the newly renovated property next door.

In March 2011 the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees approved special land use for Victory Pre-Owned Vehicles, 9700 Belleville Road, in the former Championship Motor Sports building, between Atchinson Ford and the car wash on Belleville Road.

The used-car lot was owned by Capital Properties, LLC, which also owns Victory Honda in Plymouth and Victory Toyota on Michigan Avenue in Canton.

The property had 54 spaces the owners used for display of used cars and trucks and 18 spaces for parking for customers and employees.

Victory recently vacated the property.

Atchinson Ford celebrated its 50th anniversary of serving the community in 2011. It opened in the City of Belleville on Sept. 11, 1961 and later moved to the Belleville Road location. Craig Atchinson is the third generation in the family to operate the business.

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• **Saturday, Feb. 9** – Friends of the Library meet 10-11:30 a.m. at the library to discuss business and learn what the Friends are all about.

• **Sunday, Feb. 10** – Belleville Fire Department Auxiliary invites the public to come to the fire hall, corner of Liberty and Second St., from 2 to 4 p.m. to take part in a fundraising sale of Scentsy wickless candles.

• **Tuesday, Feb. 12** – The Belleville Rotary is putting on its annual, pre-Lenten Fat Tuesday Italian Dinner from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 9961 Beck Road. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children

• **Wednesday, Feb. 13** – The community is invited to mark Ash Wednesday at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, with masses at 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. and ashes only at noon.

• **Thursday, Feb. 14** – Nuno Felting will be discussed by artist Michele Montour at 7 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library as part of the Homegrown Knowledge Series. Free.

• **Sunday, Feb. 17** – Pug-N-Play at 2 p.m. at the Wayne County Fairgrounds on Quirk Road, north of I-94 N. Service Dr. Bring your pugs for socializing, refreshments, fun.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, MI is requesting proposals from qualified individuals or firms capable of providing services related to electrical, mechanical and plumbing inspection and plan review. Individuals or firms should respond in writing to this Request for Proposal (RFP) and submit documentation substantiating their qualifications to perform the services required and verification they meet all State of Michigan licensing requirements for the services to be provided. A contractor will be required to carry Worker's Compensation Insurance, Bodily Injury and Property Damage, and Owner's Protective Liability in amounts specified by the Township.

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Feb. 11 - Dominic Craft
Feb. 16 - Harvey Jones
Feb. 17 - Noel Jones
Feb. 24 - Ashley Arnold

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

The following are selected runs for VBT Police.
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Sunday, Jan. 27:

0151 – assault & battery, 46759 Denton Rd.
0432 – disturbance, 9237 Parkwood Dr.
0831 – malicious destruction of property, 10890 Lighthouse Dr.
1050 – malicious destruction of property, Ecorse Mobil
1202 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Tim Hortons
1308 – property damage accident, Belleville/BP gas
1336 – malicious destruction of property, 41360 Ecorse Rd.
1503 – juvenile complaint, Greenbriar Sub.
1500 – property damage accident, WB I-94 / Rawsonville Rd.
1557 – personal injury accident, Ecorse Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
1647 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 4104 Westlake Circle
1829 – noise complaint, 9333 Parkwood Dr.
1926 – assault & battery, 48870 Denton Rd.

Monday, Jan. 28:

0252 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Bemis
0535 – malicious destruction of property, 49118 Laguna Dr.
0618 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 41441 Tyler Rd.
0647 – property damage accident, 11530 Belleville
0745 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Mobil
1156 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
1536 – trespassing, 46000 Lake Villa Dr.
1639 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Beck
1803 – breaking & entering, 16175 Haggerty Rd.
1805 – private property accident, 48041 S. I-94 Service Dr.

1849 – intimidation threat, 9183 Parkwood Dr.
1927 – breaking & entering, 12692 Hannan Rd.

Tuesday, Jan. 29:

0105 – noise complaint, 46080 Lake Villa Dr.
0122 – intimidation threat, 6633 Congress St.
0241 – intimidation threat, 3309 Westlake
0543 – breaking & entering, 41547 Van Born
0558 – mental, 48561 Denton Rd.
0750 – personal injury accident, Ecorse/Hannan
0922 – intimidation threat, 41108 N. Woodbury
0959 – malicious destruction of property, 45501 N. I-94 Service Dr.

1302 – malicious destruction of property, 46000 Lake Villa Dr.
1329 – agency assist, Walmart
1405 – private property accident, 62 Maple Dr.
1434 – malicious destruction of property, 8787 Belleville Rd.

1502 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Westlake Circle
1512 – assault & battery, Waterworks
1516 – personal injury accident, Michigan/Denton
1528 – larceny, 41551 Hamlin St.
1531 – larceny, 9800 Belleville Rd.

1727 – malicious destruction of property, 41358 Ecorse Rd.
1811 – personal injury accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1929 – assault & battery, 6345 E. Sadie Lane
1932 – assault & battery, 153 S. Ponderosa Trl.
2040 – malicious destruction of property, 10574 Oak Lane
2059 – assist fire dept., 48631 Michigan Ave.

Wednesday, Jan. 30:

0213 – officer safety, 46080 Lake Villa Dr.
0344 – disturbance, 11793 Meadows Circle
0414 – disturbance, 11795 Meadows Circle
0513 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.
0533 – robbery, Morton Taylor/Van Born
0641 – breaking & entering, 817 E. Huron River Dr.
0832 – assault & battery, 9826 Kent Lane
1046 – hospice, 297 Holly
1055 – private property accident, Hidden Cove
1149 – suicide or attempt, Rawsonville/I-94

1232 – harassment call, 41275 Van Born
1418 – larceny, 13926 Marina Dr.
1542 – fraud, 51184 Freedom Way
1625 – assault & battery, 10667 Oak Lane
1736 – suicide or attempt, 11875 Quirk Rd.
1816 – fraud, 47851 Bentley Dr.
1900 – breaking & entering, 13888 Winding Pond
1939 – breaking & entering, 23 Birch Dr.
2047 – retail fraud, Meijer
2251 – violation public health code/violation controlled substance act, 42493 Pond Ridge Dr.

Thursday, Jan. 31:

0403 – water leak found, 9930 Andover Dr.
0653 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
0712 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
0720 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
0723 – property damage accident, Tyler/Belleville
0731 – property damage accident, s. I-94 Service Dr./Haggerty Rd.
0744 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.
0802 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
0821 – property damage accident, Belleville/Van Born
0825 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
0828 – property damage accident, Belleville/Van Born
0831 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
0855 – property damage accident, Ecorse / Belleville
1109 – operating while intoxicated, Ecorse / Belleville
1245 – property damage accident, Haggerty / French Landing
1507 – property damage accident, 43601 Burtrig
1511 – private property accident, 41775 Ecorse
1521 – personal injury accident, Sumpter/Hull
1621 – mental, 44401 S. I-94 Service Dr.
1626 – assault & battery, 96 Richard Run
1625 – domestic violence, 96 Richard Run
1718 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.

1725 – wires down, 46928 Denton Rd.
1853 – violation public health code/violation controlled substance act, 46425 Tyler
1954 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville
2106 – harassment call, 46425 Tyler Rd.
2126 – disorderly conduct, 8813 Parkwood Dr.
2216 – disturbance, 49011 S. I-94 Service Dr.
2244 – larceny, 6301 Haggerty Rd.

Friday, Feb. 1:
0155 – assault & battery, 11675 Meadows Ln.
0336 – noise complaint, 46131 Village Green Ln.
1044 – private property accident, 10915 Belleville
1133 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Hannan
1217 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Hannan
1406 – personal injury accident, Hannan / Huron River Dr.
1553 – private property accident, Walmart
1601 – narcotics crime, 46425 Tyler Rd.
1618 – fireworks, 10574 Oak Ln.
1721 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1720 – property damage accident, Van Born / Haggerty
1755 – water leak found, 42127 Salem Ct.
1813 – personal injury accident, Michigan/bypass
1925 – water leak found, 42127 Salem Ct.
1938 – larceny, Rawsonville McDonald
2121 – sexual assault, 46425 Tyler Rd.

2140 – personal injury accident, EB I-94 / Haggerty
2140 – personal injury accident, EB I-94 / Belleville
2342 – disorderly conduct, 50521 W. Huron River Dr., Pine Creek
Saturday, Feb. 2:
0028 – noise complaint, 48490 Denton Rd.
0153 – noise complaint, 46171 Village Green Ln.
0522 – assault & battery, 50953 S. I-94 Service Dr.
0843 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Riggs
0918 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.

0939 – property damage accident, 6065 Rawsonville
1429 – property damage accident, Martinsville / Riggs
1532 – property damage accident, 12994 Nautica
1556 – larceny, 48511 Denton Rd.
1622 – larceny from auto, 48741 S. I-94 Service
1705 – property damage accident, Martz/Lohr

1752 – juvenile complaint, 6474 Stoneybrook Ct.
1911 – property damage accident, EB I-94 / Belleville
2041 – disorderly conduct, 11875 Quirk Rd.
2152 – assault & battery, 45857 Ecorse Rd.
2258 – intimidation threat, 41812 McBride
Also on this week's log are 199 traffic stops, 11 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Jan. 27:

0118 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd. / Menlo Park Dr.
2032 – intrusion alarm, 50 South St.
2200 – suspicious person, 525 E. Huron River Dr.

Monday, Jan. 28:

0556 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd. / Anaheim St.
0718 – vehicle lockout, 71 W. Wabash Ave.
1005 – found property, 6 Main St.
1138 – background investigation, 6 main
1446 – breaking & entering, 40 Carmell St.
1813 – lost property, 6 Main St.
2020 – breaking & entering, 291 Henry St.

Tuesday, Jan. 29:

0315 – fraud, 584 Main St.
1048 – assist fire dept., 575 Sumpter Rd., Co-op
1822 – neighbor trouble, 75 S. Liberty St.
2124 – follow up, 87 Carmell St.
2145 – suspicious situation, 328 N. Liberty St.
2236 – suspicious situation, 195 Belle Villa Blvd.
2321 – intimidation threat, 99 Carmell St.

Wednesday, Jan. 30:

0127 – suspicious situation, 99 Carmell St.
0200 – follow up, 584 Main St.
0702 – information, South St./W. Davis St.
0912 – all other traffic, 250 Henry St.
1204 – intrusion alarm, 354 Victorian Lane
1328 – vehicle lockout, 7 Capistrano Ct.
1524 – miscellaneous complaint, 6 Main St.
1703 – all other traffic, Belleville/Quirk
1706 – background investigation, 110 Astor Pl.
2139 – intrusion alarm, 106 Main St.
2221 – intrusion alarm, BHS

Thursday, Jan. 31:

1043 – welfare check, 601 Huron River
1329 – property damage accident, Main/High
1729 – animal complaint, 102 Astor Pl.
2128 – animal bite, 206 main St.
2135 – disorderly conduct, 45201 Owen St., school
2135 – larceny, BHS
2136 – information, BHS
2230 – intrusion alarm, 265 Sumpter
2243 – agency assist, 85 S. Liberty St.

Friday, Feb. 1:

0052 – intrusion alarm, 243 Main St.
0917 – suspicious situation, 6 Main St.
0930 – assist fire dept., 19 Loza Lane
1917 – suspicious vehicle, Church/Roys
2019 – intrusion alarm, 123 S. Edgemont, ECDC
2232 – assist fire dept., 188 Belle Villa Blvd.

Saturday, Feb. 2:

0251 – suspicious person, Main/Third
0936 – assist fire dept., 36 Main
1046 – vehicle lockout, 68 Potter Dr.

Also on this week's log are 65 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Jan. 27:

0337 – suspicious vehicle, 47000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0627 – civil dispute, Country Club
0923 – alarm, 28000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1031 – larceny, 18000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1623 – family trouble, 46000 bl. Traskos
1701 – personal injury accident, Willow / Rawsonville
1749 – civil dispute, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
2035 – civil dispute, Rustic Lane
2055 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Judd

Monday, Jan. 28:

0001 – well-being check, Greenmeadow
0304 – assist other agency, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.

0309 – property damage accident, Sumpter / Bemis
0547 – assist other agency, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
0618 – fire dept. assist, Harris/Elwell
1233 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.
1333 – warrant arrest, out of township
1358 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1600 – follow-up investigation, 22000 bl. Martinsville
1800 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1934 – suspicious incident, Sumpter/Willis

Tuesday, Jan. 29:

1404 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1438 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1539 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1637 – assault, 45000 bl. Victoria Ave.
1957 – shots fired, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
2032 – warrant arrest, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2149 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter

Wednesday, Jan. 30:

0103 – violation of park rules, 24000 bl. Sherwood
0434 – follow-up investigation, 36000 bl. S. Huron Rd.
1018 – suspicious vehicle, Kozma/Claxton
1045 – suspicious vehicle, 41000 bl. Wear Rd.
1109 – suspicious vehicle, Kozma/Wilmut
1622 – citizen assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1631 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2312 – fire dept. assist., 21000 bl. Clark Rd.

Thursday, Jan. 31:

0442 – suspicious incident, Rawsonville/incident
0450 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0821 – fire dept. assist, Walnut
1016 – suspicious person, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1527 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville/Willis
1840 – follow-up investigation, 26000 bl. S. Huron Rd.

1900 – alarm, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Friday, Feb. 1:

0311 – fire dept. assist, Dakota
0348 – follow-up investigation, Dakota
0947 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Lane
1403 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
1434 – alarm, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1609 – child abuse/neglect, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1619 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1748 – suspicious vehicle, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
1832 – follow-up investigation, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
1835 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
2027 – traffic hazard, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Saturday, Feb. 2:

0139 – well-being check, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
0819 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1127 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
1345 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1354 – suspicious vehicle, Carleton West Rd. / Willow

1443 – suspicious vehicle, 11000 bl. Rawsonville
1551 – property damage accident, Edgewood
1810 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2022 – animal complaint, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
2100 – fire dept. assist, 9800 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2201 – operating while intoxicated arrest, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

2212 – disorderly person, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
Also on this week's log are 25 miscellaneous details, 158 patrol checks, and 88 traffic stops.

Belleville Rotarians to host 5th-annual ‘Fat Tuesday’ Italian Buffet

The Belleville Rotary Club is again hosting its renowned Italian Dinner Buffet on Tuesday, Feb. 12, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Road.

The Rotarians are cooking up a host of Mediterranean delights for hungry diners. The sumptuous pre-Lenten meal features Italian Wedding soup, salads, a pasta bar with several sauces including meat and vegetarian, plus Chicken Piccata, and Marsala. Soda and paczki will also be available – sold separately.

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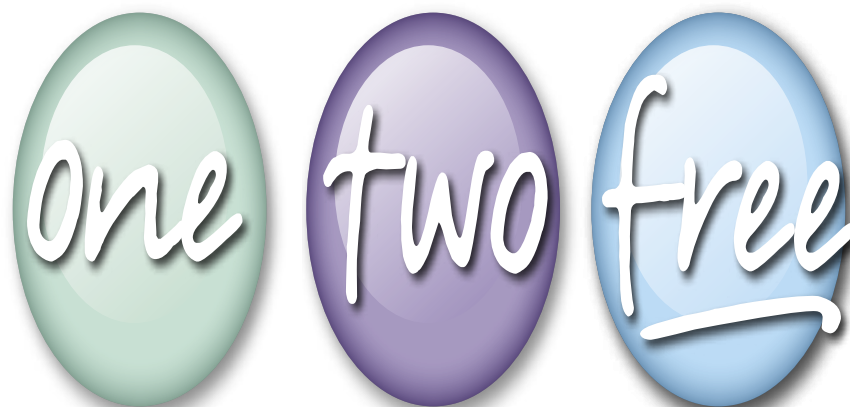
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The **Canton Auto Lab** on Michigan Avenue, just east of Canton Center Road is offering hot savings this month with maintenance specials with their ad coupons in today's paper. For \$34.95 you get an oil change, a 33-point maintenance and brake inspection, tire check, along with belts and hoses. Their Winterization Special for \$69.95 will get you a cooling system drain, fill and test, alternator, starter, and battery check, and their 33-point inspection. To make an appointment, call **Joe Alli at (734) 397-8800**.

The **2013 BHS Senior Class** is holding a **Prom Dress Re-Sale Project** fundraiser Feb. 8, from 3 to 6 p.m., and Feb. 9 and 10, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. inside the BHS auxiliary gym. Dress donations are needed. The event will also take place Feb. 22 and 23, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., where the actual sale of the dresses will occur. For more info, email **Whitney McClinton at whitneym@rocketmail.com**.

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It's Mardi Gras time this Saturday at the **Bayou Grill** on Main Street where The Island Guys will be performing live at 9 p.m. and next Tuesday at 8 p.m. On Cupid's holiday, the Bayou is offering a Valentine's Day 2 for \$25 dinner package. Reservations are recommended for both events and can be made by calling **(734) 697-2300**.

The first-ever traveling exhibit for the **Yankee Air Museum** titled **NASA's Fly Me to the Moon-Project Apollo** will open with a **Launch Party** this Saturday, Feb. 9, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the YAF Museum at Willow Run Airport. Admission is free and is open to the public this night only. Project Apollo is an educational exhibit that will be on display at the museum through the month of May.

The event will feature hands-on experiments, a shuttle repair station, an astronomy observation station, a moonwalk, Velcro wall, bungee run, and a chance to fly in the YAF's education flight simulator in a NASA F-18 over Cape Canaveral.

Astronaut and Michigan native Jack Lousma will appear from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. to sign autographs. The first 200 children will get a goodie bag. For more info, visit **www.yankeeairmuseum.org**.

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