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MSP assembling case against ex-attorney White

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Michigan State Police Det./Sgt. Marc Moore said on Monday afternoon that he is working on the criminal case against former Belleville attorney Thomas A. White, but progress has been slow.

He said there are a lot of victims and a lot of money involved.

Det./Sgt. Moore said the original case he was investigating was ready to go, but he needs direction from the Wayne County Prosecutors' office on whether it wants all the cases against White filed together or by the individual victims.

"It's kind of frustrating," Moore said of waiting for the Prosecutor's office to assign this case to a prosecutor and get back with him. They haven't called back.

He said he has enlisted the help of the MSP Second District Headquarters in Detroit to get through to the Prosecutor's office, so he can proceed.

He said although he has lots of victims who have contacted him, victims keep calling with the newest one calling a few hours earlier on Monday.

Meanwhile, Royal Oak attorney Steven Z. Cohen is leading a group of attorneys who are signing up victims for a general adversary proceeding against White.

White, who had practiced law in Belleville for 20 years, was disbarred on July 15 and immediately filed bankruptcy.

VBT Police help Ann Arbor officers detain two in homicide

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township Police assisted Ann Arbor Police officers in serving a search

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Photo courtesy Jeffrey Riggs

There was a great celebration in Belleville Lake on Sunday afternoon. For the past several years Belleville resident and Ford engineer Chris Donley, who has a side job "Celebration DJs," puts on an event at the island in the lake with his son Alex. During this event, which draws hundreds of people, the Donleys also host a charity collection. This year they raised about \$1,400 for the Boys & Girls Club. Donley puts together a pontoon boat, generator, some speakers and amps, a great mixing board, and music. They get people into the event with games, prizes, and special events. Then, they start planning next year's event.

School Board approves 1,600 Nooks for all students at BHS

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education approved the purchase of 1,600 Nook HD+ tablets so every student at Belleville High School will have one to use at home and school.

Students in the BHS New Tech program already have laptops.

At Monday's meeting the \$316,446 payment to Barnes & Noble was unanimously approved, using money from the high school bond fund.

The District Technology Plan and the

Van Buren Public Schools have set a goal of one-to-one computing for all students within the next five years, said BHS Principal Abdul Madyun.

As part of this process, BHS would like to enter into a pilot program/partnership with Barnes and Noble, he told the board.

About 400 Nooks were given out to freshmen over the last three years and those will be passed on to students in other schools, probably Owen and/or McBride.

After 8-10 hours of use, the new Nooks need to be charged – for 3 ½ hours from a dead battery, said Christian Anderson, digital sales manager for Barnes & Noble.

The students will sign a contract with the school for replacement of the Nook if it is lost or broken. Principal Madyun said they are considering charging students a \$5 to \$10 fee per year to use for those that are lost or damaged, like a "self-insurance"

program. Fees will be waived for students in economic duress, he said.

He said the Nooks will be handed out at the beginning of the school year and collected at the end of the school year for cleaning.

Principal Madyun said the plan is eventually to have such tablets for all students in grades 5-12 for the district's "anytime, anywhere learning."

School Supt. Michael Van Tassel said this is really about encouraging reading. He said the students are required to read 10 books for each of their high school years, a total of 40, and there will be 80 or 90 books on their Nooks.

When Treasurer Sherry Frazier questioned whether students will be able to use the Nooks if their parents can't afford wi-fi access, Supt. Van Tassel said the books can

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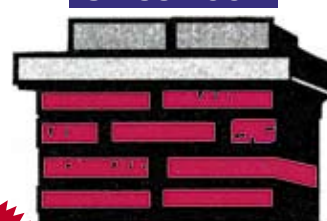
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Van Buren Twp. board follows recommendation to rezone .6 acre

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

On May 22, the Van Buren Township Planning Commission sent a recommendation for rezoning of .6 acre of land at the southwest corner of Hannan and Ecorse roads from AG-Agricultural to C-Local Business.

On Aug. 6, the VBT Board of Trustees voted to approve the first reading of the rezoning to make the whole parcel C-Local Business zoning.

Frank (Fawwaz) Jarbou owns 2.23 acres at the site, which includes the .6 acre site that is Agricultural zoning, plus attached property currently zoned C-Local Business. He requested the whole site be rezoned to C1-General Business, "to better develop the property we have."

The planning commission held a public hearing on his request at its May 8 meeting and at its May 22 meeting it voted unanimously to recommend sticking with C zoning for the whole site.

The township board makes the final decision.

Sally Hodges of McKenna Associates, the township's planning consultants, said in a memo to the commission that the eastern portion of the site is zoned C-Local Business and is subject to a consent judgment in the case of Shukr vs. Van Buren Township. The terms of the consent agreement included approval of a specific site plan for a gas station and convenience store and that the land remains zoned C-Local Business district.

Since the currently proposed use is not consistent with the terms of the consent agreement, the regulations of C-District apply.

The .6 acre of land on the western part of the site was acquired later and was added to the application.

That's where a "pig launching" facility would be placed for DTE Energy's MichCon division, which will allow MichCon to periodically launch underground pipeline inspection equipment from the leased property.

Jarbou said his family is currently developing a gas station, retail stores, and a Tim Horton's on seven acres directly across Hannan Road in the City of Romulus.

At the May 22 meeting, Commissioner Carl Johnson asked if the new owner can be held to the consent judgment and Hodges said her opinion is yes, but the township attorney is researching the situation.

She said Jarbou could reapply to build something under C zoning. Hodges said the consent judgment references a specific site plan for a gas station and a convenience store.

"That is the last thing we would do is build another gas station across the street. That's one of the reasons we bought the property," Jarbou said.

He said people are looking for drive-throughs and he thinks a drive-through bank is needed there. He said 2,000 to 3,000 square feet is the most they can build there with the setbacks needed.

He said his family is widening part of Ecorse Road in Romulus as part of their development, since it is an entryway to Romulus. He said Romulus wants something nice and so they are putting in great landscaping and brick buildings.

Hodges said at the public hearing that the VBT side is an entrance from the east and Ecorse is a "major community gateway." Thus, the consultants would encourage an entry monument sign at the corner and high-quality, attractive materials and design for what would be built there.

Ernie Tozer was the only person to speak at the five-minute public hearing on May 8 and he pointed out the amendment to the township Master Plan for the Grace Lake area includes this parcel and it is shown as Mixed Use. He said what Jarbou is proposing is not what it's supposed to be.

"We are entertaining rezoning that and it is contrary to the Master Plan," Tozer said.

"Anyone can apply for rezoning," said commission chairperson Carol Thompson.

Thompson said the commission has studied Mixed Use and it didn't go forward.

Arthur Mullen, director of Planning and Economic Development, said "the area across the street from our downtown is good for Mixed Use."

Thompson said to add to the to-do list looking at that part of the Master Plan.

Tozer said you can't rezone against the Master Plan unless you revise the Master Plan first.

"If we zone it C, we are following the Master Plan as it stands," said Treasurer Sharry Budd, the board representative on the planning commission.

Tindall, Balderston, Fielder file for 2 city seats in Nov. election

Incumbent Councilwoman Kim Tindall, newcomer Robert Balderston, and former Mayor Tom Fielder, filed by the Tuesday 4 p.m. deadline as candidates for two open seats on the Belleville City Council that will be filled in the Nov. 5 election. Incumbent Brian Blackburn did not file for re-election.



Photo by Jennifer Wright

Jane Kovach recently decided half of a very old birch tree in her front yard on Burtrig Road in Van Buren Township had to be cut down so it wouldn't fall in her neighbor's yard. With her is Steve Memering who removed the one dangerous trunk of the two-trunk tree. Kovach said she thinks it could be one of the oldest birch trees in Wayne County. She knows it's at least 60 years old.

Sumpter Planners OK site plan for Fox Auto's new self-service bldg.

By Rosemary K. Oztman
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The site plan for Fox Auto's proposed new self-service building off Bemis Road was approved with stipulations by the Sumpter Township Planning Commission at its regular meeting Aug. 8.

Joe and Bill Fox explained the project, which would be part of their full-service operation at 8111 Rawsonville Road.

Bill Fox said the 40'x46' sales office building will be at an existing driveway to their property off Bemis Road. It will have 12 additional parking spaces on an asphalt surface.

He said the idea is that customers who want small parts can go out and get them themselves off the cars in the 25-acre salvage yard. He gave examples of a

cigarette lighter or a headlight.

"This allows them to get a product cheaper than we could do it," Bill Fox said. He said they might charge \$1 for a customer to get into the yard and then there would be a list of set prices for parts.

Commission Chairman Jane Stalmack asked if a person could remove an engine as part of the self-service and the Foxes agreed it was possible, if someone wanted to go to all that work. Bill Fox said the cars in the lot have all the fluid removed so that wouldn't be a problem.

Joe Fox said they might call this service the "Fox Pull and Save" or something like that. A designation is still under consideration.

Joe Fox said the stipulations, which were

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OPINIONS

Editorial

Library Board gets serious about site selection

After a closed-door session lasting one hour and 25 minutes on Tuesday, the Belleville Area District Library Board decided to get serious about site selection for a proposed new building.

The board voted unanimously to hold a meeting at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 2 for "public input on site selection ... assuming we can get space for a meeting."

The board's next regular meeting is 7 p.m. Sept. 10 at the library and board members expect to spell out "sites A, B, and C," giving the exact parcels involved so they can be discussed on Oct. 2.

For now, they are a secret.

Barbara Miller asked from the audience if they will also announce the cost of development of the sites and board attorney John Day said there was no way they can "do complete costs."

Miller said as an attorney, she likes the words "estimated costs."

Board member Chris Brasil said they will give costs of site acquisition at the Oct. 2 meeting.

The library board had gone into closed session following a report by architect Daniel Whisler on the results of the six soil borings done on the DNR property on the lake. Whisler said the tests showed a very workable clay site.

Although the test borings on the DNR site were done publicly, Brasil said they have been doing other things behind the scenes on other sites.

We're heading for a millage election.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

I always check out the Van Buren Township voucher list to see where the township is spending its money. It's interesting.

In the Aug. 6 voucher list there was a check written on July 26 to the Wayne county Prosecutor's Office for \$1,319.20, tagged "Holistic Touch-20% Seized."

Lt. Kenneth Floro explained. He said the seized assets in the Holistic Touch case included cash and vehicles and the total asset seizure/administrative settlement was \$6,596. The Wayne county Prosecutor's Office was entitled to 20%.

The Holistic Touch case was the one where four women were accused of prostitution and then were allowed to plead guilty to some minor misdemeanors which cost them \$500 each. I guess it cost them more than that in the big picture.

Preliminary estimates indicate about 35,000 to 40,000 people attended the two-day Air Show held at the Willow Run Airport last weekend. Because the crowd was expected to be less this year, Van Buren Township Police were not hired to help with crowd control.

VBT police and fire fighters were on hand to greet the public at their annual Public Safety Day at Walgreen's on Saturday, where they had a great crowd and lots of extra offerings.

I came early and then went away to do errands and then made it a point to come back by 1 p.m. to see them burn two residential units they set up, one with a sprinkler system and one without.

They told me they went dumpster diving the day before to get furniture for their little apartments. The first one, without the



sprinklers, was being devoured by huge flames at about 2 1/2 minutes into the fire, with firemen reminding us that it takes the fire truck an average of five to seven minutes to get to homes in VBT.

The sprinkler in the second fire was a little slow getting started (it wasn't turned on) but once it was on the fire was greatly suppressed. The fire fighters pointed out to kids how the black smoke was at the ceiling of the room while the floor space was clear of smoke, reminding them that's why they are told to crawl out of a fire.

One very smart young boy next to me pointed out that both units had smoke detectors on the ceilings.

The public was kept well back from the flames, but when they billowed out we felt the heat and for a minute I felt it might be a good idea to run for it. And, our fire fighters run INTO it. Amazing.

The big Power Ball jackpot was split among three winners last week. Paul White, 45, of Minnesota was one of the three, winning his share of \$149.4 million. Former VBT Supervisor Paul White let us know that he was not the Paul White who won.

The principal of BHS was explaining how there was some delay in the remaking of the three or four classrooms into an Einstein Room and lounges. For example, he said the Wind Tunnel that is being

installed takes 120 days to get since it has to be built. Won't see that for awhile.

I understand the BYC group meets for a potluck meal on the second Sunday of the month, but last Sunday some were missing since they were attending the big celebration at the island in Belleville Lake.

At first glance, the pictures of the lake event look like our own "Jobbie Nooner" that we see on television every summer.

There were no complaints about the event in Belleville Lake that I know of and it did raise some \$1,400 for the Boys and Girls Club of Belleville.

This was the work of Chris Donley and his son Alex of Belleville, who set up as disc jockeys to bring music to the lake. They're planning to do it again next year, I'm told.

I'm going to miss Jean Chudzinski, who passed away last week. She knew so much about so many people that when she told a story, she told the history of everyone involved.

It's kind of a joke with my sons that I'm turning into Jean. I've been here so long and know so many people that I am telling stories just like she would. RIP, Jean.



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Letters

BYC members helped me with handicap ramp

To the Editor:

The BYC has done it again. Thank you to four BYC members for helping me get a beautiful handicap ramp built for my mobile home. Very special heartfelt thank you to the four who stepped up to make sure everything was in place for my coming home from rehabilitation as an amputee.

A motion was brought up at a BYC meeting asking for assistance with a special need for help. My thanks to: Steve Davenport, Dennis Brooks, Mark Davenport, and Pete McWilliams along with my neighbor, Mike, who got the project done within four days during the hottest week in July in time for my release from the medical facility.

Very special heartfelt gratitude and thank you to Kay Atkins for the many phone calls she made to get assistance after she heard about my situation.

A "BIG HUG" to my church family and other churches for all their prayers for the past two years for my husband and I, as we went through some health issues. Pastor Bernie Travis and wife Sister Agnes have gone over and above the call as servant. They made a point to make sure we made it to doctor appointments when we weren't able to make it on our own and so much more. They are great role models for all. Drop in and say hello at Liberty Gospel Church, 105 N Liberty St., downtown Belleville.

A memorial special get together will be announced soon for my beloved husband, Harry Wagner (also known as Uncle Happy the clown) who passed away while we were both in different facilities this past winter and I was just released home the end of July. Everyone is invited to attend and the date, time, and place will be announced soon.

Please enjoy every day to the fullest, because each day is a gift.

Darlene Wagner (Harmonee the clown)
Van Buren Township

Bonding out our future is not money well spent

To the Editor:

Bob Balderston here, private citizen; as printed in last week's *Independent*, there was a commotion and a flurry of statements about Keith Bloc. Now, I am not going to jump in on the issues; sometimes I have questioned his opinions, but in general, I respect the man and feel for what he gets done with such limitations that are presented to him.

That being said, he was reported in quoting, in what is a constant truth, that the city is broke. How many times does that seem to repeat itself?

Then in a letter to the editor, in the same issue of the paper, Barbara Rogalle Miller, noted attorney, called for VBT to get its own affairs in order, as she is quoted, that "... the Belleville Library Trustees are about to ask the community to support a substantial bond issue for funds to build a new library." And of course, Sumpter Township is not alone in struggling with funds for any new or current projects, with the continual dropping property values.

There is a pattern here. Most, if not all of the Tri-communities have stated, time and time again, "We are broke." What more does the community need to come together, get past the apathy of elections and refuse any ballot to bond out, yet another white elephant that we do not need or can fund.

All anyone has to do to see "proof" of such follies, is the look at downtown Belleville's multimillion main road; pretty, sure, but BARREN. What more, the words of our city's leaders, and failed attempts to bring new corporate, tax paying business to our area?

Again, I urge the local communities to put their houses in order, and do like all its communities' families have to do; live within our means, and don't bond out to new or additional projects, like the new proposed library, until and when our property values increase and new business joins us as good tax paying citizens. Bonding out our future, as well as our children's future, is not money well spent.

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To the Editor:

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To the Editor:

Now that we have received half of our annual tax levy, a word to our Federal, state, township, county, and city...

The budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed, lest Rome will become bankrupt. People must again learn to work instead of living on public assistance.
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Obituaries



Jean Chudzinski

CECELIA JEAN CHUDZINSKI

(June 24, 1927 - August 7, 2013)

Mrs. Cecelia Jean Chudzinski passed away at her home on Wednesday, August 7, 2013 with her family. She was born June 24, 1927 in Hamtramck, Michigan a daughter of John and Zofia (Janowicz) Krajewski.

In 1945 she was married to Alfred F. Chudzinski and he preceded her in death on September 26, 1986.

Mrs. Chudzinski was a long-time resident of the Belleville area. She was the owner and broker of Century 21 Belvil Realty on Main Street for many years.

Mrs. Chudzinski was a member of St. Stephen Catholic Church of New Boston. She enjoyed going to the casinos. She was a huge fan of the Detroit Tigers and the Red Wings. Mrs. Chudzinski enjoyed traveling and had visited Poland a number of times. She was very active in Sumpter Township politics and served on the Sumpter Township Planning Commission for many years.

One of her greatest pleasures was being approached by strangers thinking that she was Barbara Bush. She truly got a kick out of being a Mrs. Bush look-a-like.

Mrs. Chudzinski is survived by her 4 loving children Mary (Eddie D. Fornwalt) Townsend, Alfred (Ramona) Chudzinski, Jr., Angela Netto and Cheryl (Ronald) Glenn. Fond grandmother of 7 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Sister of Virginia Brothers and Phyllis Lytle.

She was preceded in death by her son Donald Chudzinski, daughter Diana Burek and 12 brothers and sisters.

She leaves behind her companion and friend "Bo's" her Pomeranian.

Visitation was held at the Higgeson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville (734-697-9400) on Sunday, August 11, from 1 to 6 p.m. and Monday, August 12, from 1 to 8 p.m. with a rosary at 7 p.m. on Monday. Final visitation was held on Tuesday, August 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. with the Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. at St. Stephen Catholic Church, 18858 Huron River Dr., New Boston. Burial followed at Michigan Memorial Park.

The family has suggested memorial contributions to St. Joseph Mercy Hospice, P.O. Box 995, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-9736. www.hnfhome.com



Jennie Sliwa

JENNIE A. SLIWA

(March 17, 1918 - August 7, 2013)

Jennie Ann Sliwa, age 95, life-long Sumpter Township/BelleVue resident, passed away Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at Regency at Canton, Canton, MI. She was born March 17, 1918 in Belleville, daughter of the late John and Katryn (Kotlarzyk) Januszyk.

Mrs. Sliwa was a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, New Boston, MI. She retired from Ford Motor Company, Rawsonville Road plant after 30 1/2 years. She also worked at the Ford Generator plant in Ypsilanti for two years; the Stove Works Company, Ypsilanti, for 6 years; Surants Manufacturing, Belleville, for 6 years; and was a Rosie the Riveter at the Bomber Plant for two years. Jennie enjoyed factory work and assembling parts. She loved to play her accordion, crocheting and fishing. She taught all her small grandchildren how to put the worm on the hook. She was also a member of the Sumpter Senior Center. She loved to travel and to party with her family.

Jennie was married to Stanley for 59 years, when he preceded her in death in 1995. She is survived by her daughter Patricia Shephard of Belleville; 14 grandchildren Tina, Cindy, Mike, Daryle (Melanie), Kimberly (Robert), Jay (April), Briant (Ambier), Dwayne (Tina),

Evelyn, Emerson, Christopher, Evan, Aeris and Avalyn; two sisters-in-law Clara Januszyk and Mary Rodes Lemiez; also numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Mrs. Sliwa was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a son, Stanley, Jr., two brothers John Januszyk and Alex (Doris) Januszyk, also three sisters Mary (Frank) Motowski, Katie (Joe) Dapsi and Helen (Stanley) Pietrzak.

Visitation will be Saturday, August 10, 5-8 PM and Sunday, August 11, 1-8 PM at the David C. Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr. Belleville. Visitation was 10-11 AM Monday, August 12, 2013 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 18800 Huron River Dr., New Boston, MI 48164 with an 11:00 AM Funeral Mass. Father John Hedges will be the Celebrant. Interment will be in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.



Thomas J. Buckle

THOMAS J. BUCKLE

(December 2, 1936 - August 10, 2013)

Thomas J. Buckle, age 76, passed away Saturday, August 10, 2013 at Oakwood Hospital-Annapolis Center, Wayne, MI. He was born December 2, 1936 in Detroit, MI, son of Elbert & Adena (Valliere) Buckle.

He was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, where he was active in the Usher's Club. He was also a member of the Belleville Moose Lodge #934 and Knights of

Columbus in New Boston, MI, also the Van Buren Eagles Aerie #3996, and R.E.A.C., the senior division of Eagles. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 31 years of loyal service at the Vulcan Forge Plant, Dearborn, MI. He enjoyed amateur ballroom dancing, gardening, boating, traveling, and his electronic karaoke system. His biggest passion, besides his family, was photography.

Mr. Buckle is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary Ellen (O'Connell) Buckle; three daughters Kathleen Ann (William) Ogden of Columbus, OH, Sheila Ann (Jeffrey) Miller of Cincinnati, OH and Mary Ellen (Earl) Montgomery of Columbus, OH; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; six sisters Bernice Janusz of Seattle, WA, Patricia Jobe of Florida, Joann Shock of Clinton Township, MI, Rose Marie Forque of Miami, FL, Carol (Michael) Meshinski of New Boston, MI and Regina Corriveau of Windsor, Ontario; a brother-in-law Alex Quenneville of Tecumseh, Ontario; also numerous nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother in infancy, also two sisters Adena Mae and Alberta Quenneville.

Visitation was Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. at the David C. Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. A funeral mass was held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, with visitation from 10-11 a.m. Father Thomas H. Cusick served as Celebrant.

Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Belleville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute (please specify for children's cancer research), and would be greatly appreciated by the family. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a memory for his family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

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Pete Mott

PETE MOTT

(September 20, 1930 – August 9, 2013)

Pete passed away peacefully in his sleep on August 9, 2013, surrounded by his family. He is survived by Eleanor, his wife of 61 years; four children Danny Mott (Karen), Kathy Zeoli (Mark), Becky Steinmayer (Paul), and Jackie Jencks (Allen); nine grandchildren: Amanda Harris (Ian), Jennifer Bays (Ben), Michael Zeoli, Peter Mott (Jessica), Ronald Steinmayer (Amber), Renee Steinmayer, Allyn Jencks, Amelia Burwell, and Jonathan Smith-Steinmayer; one great-grandchild Maddox Harris and one great-grandchild on the way. He is also survived by a brother Ray Mott (Betty), two sisters Mattie Aiello (James) and Judy Dunivan (Donnie); and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and four sisters.

Pete was born on September 20, 1930 in Caruthersville, Missouri. Pete worked for Thompson McCully Company for 33 years until his retirement in 1992. Pete enjoyed having outdoor barbeques for his friends and family. His favorite place to vacation was Las Vegas and his favorite pastime was going to the horse track. During the winter months he enjoyed spending time at the Sunny Pines Community in Sebring, Florida, where he made many new friends that enriched his life.

The family would also like to extend a special thank you to the three young women who took care of Pete at his home for several years. Our deepest gratitude to the wonderful Waltonwood at Carriage Park staff, who cared for Pete for the last year and a half.

He had a special effect on people and he will be missed by all that knew him.

Visitation and funeral will take place at McCabe Funeral Home, 851 N. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48187, (734) 981-4530.

Visitation was August 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Funeral will be on August 15 at 12:00 p.m. A luncheon will follow shortly after the funeral at Antonio's Cucina Italiana, 2220 N. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48187, (734) 981-9800.



George A. McAtee

GEORGE A. MCATEE

(April 6, 1944 - August 7, 2013)

George Allen McAtee, age 69, of Ypsilanti, MI, formerly of Belleville, MI, passed away Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. He was born April 6, 1944 in Wayne, MI, son of the late Vinton Daniel & Frances Marie (Hartman) McAtee.

George was a 1962 graduate of Belleville High School. He was a member of the Belleville Masonic Temple, Myrtle F&AM No. 89, 515

Main Street. He was a salesman all his life who enjoyed networking and had a likeable personality.

He is survived by his siblings Norman (Cathie) McAtee of Brownstown, MI, Ruth Claxton of Ypsilanti, and Phillip McAtee of Ypsilanti; two nieces Christine (Christopher) Kindred and Carlene Pike; two great-nieces Meghann and Elanor; and one great-nephew Samuel. He was preceded in death by his parents, also a brother Harlow McAtee in 1957.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A Memorial Service is being planned and will be announced soon.

Arrangements were by the David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. Memorial contributions to the American Heart Association or the American Kidney Fund would be appreciated by the family. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a story for his family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com.



Barbara Ann Lewis

BARBARA ANN LEWIS

(April 27, 1946 - August 10, 2013)

Barbara Ann Lewis, age 67, life-long Belleville resident, passed away Saturday, August 10, 2013 at her home. She was born April 27, 1946 in Detroit, MI, daughter of John & Clara (Seitz) Bokon.

Barb was a member of Metro Baptist Church, Belleville. She was a Beautician by trade and enjoyed cutting and styling hair. She was an adventurous person who loved to travel and cook. She also loved Halloween and costuming. Her highest peak of joy was spending time with her grandchildren.

Survived by her husband of 35 years Jim Elliott; four children James Stephen Lewis of Westland, MI, Kimberley Ann Pelarske, Robert Ray Lewis and William John Lewis, all of Belleville; ten grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; three sisters Janice (Joe) Ross of Leroy, MI, Mary Bokon of California and Kathy Grix of Texas; a brother Johnny Bokon of Elk Rapids, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A gathering was held Wednesday from 1-6 p.m. with a 6 p.m. Celebration of Life service at the David C. Brown Temporary Funeral Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a story for her family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

HELENE K. WEDDINGTON

(February 19, 1970 - August 11, 2013)

Helene Krista Weddington, age 43, of Ypsilanti, MI, passed away Sunday, August 11, 2013 at her home. She was born February 19, 1970 in Dearborn, MI, daughter of Richard Dennis and Helen Marie (Smith) Miller.

Helene was a 1988 graduate of Romulus High School, where she was a cheerleader. She earned her Bachelor of Criminal Justice from Eastern Michigan University.

She is survived by her husband Ronald Dean Weddington, two sons Logan and Jake; her mother Helen Miller; grandmother Stella Miller; two brothers Richard and Michael Miller; a sister Christina Miller. She was preceded in

death by her father in 2007.

Visitation will be 1-8 p.m. Thursday with a 1 p.m. funeral Friday, August 16, 2013 at the David C. Brown Temporary Viewing & Funeral Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Interment will be in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.



Josephine Palmisano

JOSEPHINE L. PALMISANO

(June 8, 1922 - August 6, 2013)

Josephine Louise Palmisano, age 91, of Belleville, MI, formerly of McKees Rocks, PA, passed away Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at Oakwood Hospital, Annapolis Center, Wayne, MI. She was born June 8, 1922 in Chicago, IL, daughter of the late August and Lucia (Sgarlata) Battaglia.

Josephine attended Berean Baptist Church, Belleville, MI. She enjoyed playing cards, jigsaw puzzles and cross words. Most of all, she loved to cook and take care of her family.

She is survived by one son August (Patricia) Palmisano of McKees Rocks, PA; one daughter Mary Ann (Wade) Charlton of Belleville, MI; four grandchildren Lisa, Wade, Michael and Sarah; a great-granddaughter Kaylee; also numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Anthony H. Palmisano on December

26, 1988, a son Joseph F. Palmisano in 2006, her twin brother Joe, two other brothers Anthony and Frank, also two sisters Maria and Dorothy. Visitation was Friday, August 9, 2013 from 2-4 PM with a 4:00 PM Service at David C. Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel in Belleville. Pastor Walter Ellis officiated. Entombment was in Christ Our Redeemer Cemetery (formerly North Side), Pittsburgh, PA. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a story for her family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

ERNESTINE EDNA LUNSFORD

(October 9, 1925 - August 9, 2013)

Age 87 of Ypsilanti Township. Survived by son Ron Lunsford, step-son Stephen Lunsford, and brother Myron Schattenehl, and close family friend Vanessa Jones. David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

Museum wants you to clean out your basement, attic for yard sale fund raiser

The Belleville Area Museum and Historical Society need your new or slightly used unwanted items for its Belleville City-Wide Yard Sale fund raiser, Sept. 5-8.

Museum Director Katie Dallos said items may be dropped off at the museum or at John Juriga's home on East Huron River Drive after Aug. 5 where donors may receive a donation tax letter.

They are also looking for volunteers to assist with the yard sale. For more information call the museum at 734-697-1944.

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Thanks to those who support ArtAffair event

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts we would like to say thanks to everyone who joined us last week for ArtAffair on Main. Mother Nature seemed not to be on our side, but we persevered

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Now in its third year, ArtAffair on Main continues to change and grow and is becoming a welcome addition to BACA's lineup of distinctive events highlighting the quality artistic side of the tri-community area.

Special thanks must go to the Belleville DDA for their generous "Silver" Sponsorship and to Parkway Services for their sponsorship. Thanks also to A Design Line Embroidery, A&W, Bayou Grill, Belleville Area District Library, Belleville Area Museum, Belleville CBC, Belleville Chamber of Commerce, City of Belleville, Egan's Pub, Loranger Chiropractic, Michigan PC Tech, Mobile Tire and St. Anthony's for their generosity and support.

Regards,
 ArtAffair on Main 2013 Committee

Weekly craft, vendor show on at Coney Island

To the Editor:

On behalf of a wonderful group of talented arts & craft gurus and in-home sales consultants (aka Vendors), I would like to extend our invitation to the residents of Belleville and neighboring communities to come and check out the Weekly Craft and Vendor Extravaganza. This event is held every Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Belleville Coney Island Banquet Room, located at 871 Sumpter Road in the Belle Plaza, near the Secretary of State office.

The new owner Eddie and his staff at the Belleville Coney Island have been so hospitable we want to publicly thank them for providing us with this venue to showcase our products to be sold. As the new owner of the restaurant when we first discussed this idea, it was made clear he wanted to provide an outlet for the community to be able to share their talents, such as hand-crafted goods, without having to break the bank to book a space as he realizes it can be very costly to participate in most craft shows.

I believe he has done just that as he does not charge us to set up in his facility on a weekly basis and we truly are grateful for this opportunity.

We have products that range from Avon to Velata Chocolates and artistic photography to watercolor or wood-crafting. Hand-made doll clothing to fit your American Girl dolls, newborn to toddler clothing, candles, jewelry, stained glass, appliqued and quilted items, and so much more! You really do need to see the items for yourself to believe the talent we have found to put under one roof!

Vendors change from week to week to accommodate everyone's schedules and let everyone have an opportunity. We can house up to 20 vendors at a time in the Banquet Room area. On any given Tuesday, you can find quality hand-made gifts for any occasion or book a party with your favorite in-home sales consultants or even purchase items as cash & carry or order them under one roof.

If you are looking for a venue to help raise money for an event such as the Komen 3-day or other such charitable event, we can set you up with a space as well.

Find out more on Facebook with weekly event updates by simply liking our page, <https://www.facebook.com/tlccgardens.crafts> or check out the website; <http://tlccgardensandcrafts.weebly.com> for updates on our blog posts. Better yet, simply stop in on any given Tuesday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. and see for yourself what we have going on.

We all look forward to meeting you and providing you with our quality hand-made items or orders for your favorite in-home sales products. If you are interested in becoming a vendor at this event, please stop in and meet me on Tuesdays or contact me via email at TLCGardensCrafts@aol.com using the subject: BCI TUESDAY QUERY and I will gladly consider you for our event. Just leave me some info about your product, including a few photos and contact information so I can get in touch with you about scheduling.

Again, thank you to Eddie and his staff at the Belleville Coney Island. Without you, we would not have an outlet to share our talents! We are all looking forward to seeing some of you on Tuesdays! Bring your appetite, and your gift shopping list!
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I'm having trouble with contractor for driveway

To the Editor:

The *Independent* has done a service by telling us about the different schemes that show up in our area that cheat people, especially seniors.

So, I was disappointed in myself to find I was taken in by a local driveway restoration firm. Someone named Sonny Miller from S&L Parking Lot Maintenance came to my door and proposed repairing my worn drive.

He had done a good job for a neighbor across the street and assured me he would do the same for me. I should have known better, but I paid him first. BIG mistake!

His crew did a poor job and left it half completed. Mr. Miller came back, expressed surprise at what he saw and promised a fix.

Repeated attempts to contact him have been futile. I only hope others in our area will not make the same mistake I did by contracting with S&L parking Lots.
 Belleville Resident
 Name withheld by request.



Independent photo by Richard S. Smith

At last weeks Thunder over Michigan Airshow at Willow Run Airport, aerial acrobat flyer Sean Tucker cuts the ribbon.

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A residential unit without a sprinkler system is engulfed in flames within two and a half minutes of ignition during Saturday's Van Buren Township Public Safety event at Walgreen's. Fire fighters said the average time for a fire truck to get to a fire in VBT is seven minutes. The unit at the right had a sprinkler system and so the fire was retarded and the contents saved. The Public Safety Department got grants to pay for the sprinkler system and smoke detectors in the units, which can be used again in future demonstrations.



World War II re-enactors stretched their legs at Victory Park in Belleville before getting back onboard the old army vehicles for a parade through Belleville's downtown on Friday afternoon. The re-enactors also took advantage of the swing set at the park. The parade was part of the week end Air Show at Willow Run Airport.

Jean & Barbara



The late Sumpter Township Planning Commissioner Jean Chudzinski would report that people constantly told her she looked like Barbara Bush, the wife of U.S. President #41 and mother of U.S. President #43. She's at left. Former First Lady Barbara Bush is at right. Jean Chudzinski died Aug. 7.



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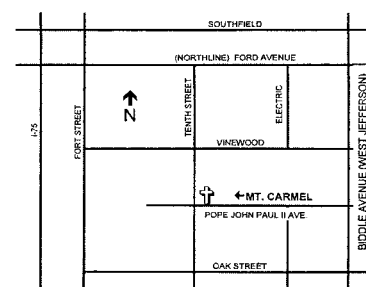
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Jim, Sandi Lange celebrate 50 years

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They were married Aug. 17, 1963 and they have lived in the same house in Belleville since 1969.

Their children are Bob and Barb Lange of Belleville, Ron and Sue Lange of Milan, and Laura and Chris Brandt of Grand Rapids. Their grandchildren are Jennifer, Rachel, Nicole, Brandon, Noah, and Isaac.

Jim retired from GM Powertrain after 30 years of employment. Sandi worked as a homemaker for years, then spent 10 years at Family Christian Bookstore.



Hannah Dale Zilka graduates high school, heads to Adrian College

Hannah Dale Zilka, 18, graduated from John F. Kennedy High School in Taylor and now is enrolled at Adrian College on a tennis scholarship.

Hannah is the daughter of Tammie Westphal and Dean Zilka and the granddaughter of Lois Mida Zilka.

Hannah's birth announcement was published in the 10th issue of the *Belleville-Area Independent* after Belleville's new newspaper started publishing in 1995. Hannah's grandmother, Lois Mida Zilka, was the *Independent's* first advertising salesperson and she took the picture of Hanna to put in the paper.



Lt. Joseph Orskey

Lt. Joseph Orskey graduates from Marine Basic Schl. in Quantico

On July 24, Lt. Joseph Orskey graduated from the Marine Basic School in Quantico, VA.

A 2002 graduate of Belleville High School and a 2007 graduate of Western Michigan University, Lt. Orskey was a commercial pilot prior to entering the Marine Corps in 2012.

His next assignment is flight school at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, FL.

Lt. Orskey is the son of John and Janet Orskey of Van Buren Township.

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VBT Planners decide to consider minor changes to Master Plan

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Under state law, a planning commission must review its master Plan every five years and decide whether it needs updating or to be completely rewritten.

At the July 24 meeting of the Van Buren Township Planning Commission, the board considered the plan, which was amended in 2008, and decided it should have some slight changes, starting with the area of Ecorse and Hannan roads where a property owner wants to develop.

Other things also needed to be added to the Master Plan, including the 2010 Census data and a designation other than Open Space for the hazardous landfill on the I-94 North Service Drive.

The state statute requires sending a Notice of Intent to Plan to surrounding communities and other entities, so that will be done.

The commission intends to get started on reviewing the zoning of the property at the southwest corner of Hannan and Ecorse road at the second meeting in August, Aug. 28.

That property, now with a new owner, had been the object of a law suit and now the township has to follow a consent agreement on it.

Sally Hodges, planning consultant from McKenna Associates, noted that the Master Plan was last updated for the entire township in 1989 and has been amended several times since then, including:

- Single Family Residential Plan, 1999;
- Ecorse/Haggerty Road Corridors Plan, 2000;
- Premier Community Amenities Plan, 2000;
- Grace Lake Area Plan, 2001;
- South Side Master Plan, 2007; and
- Belleville Road District Plan and Market Analysis, 2010.

In the absence of vacationing commission chairman Carol Thompson, vice chairman Donald Boynton asked if they couldn't include wording for zoning of new uses in the future that don't fit now ... newer technologies as things change.

Pam Ruff spoke from the audience about Hoosier canceling its co-generation plan and she wanted to know if the commission was going to change the Master Plan so Hoosier could fit in the office zoning of Grace Lake.

"We have to remain flexible," Boynton said.

Ruff suggested the part of the resolution that read "beginning with the area of Ecorse and Hannan Roads," opened the door to changes in the Grace Lake Master Plan.

Arthur Mullen, VBT Director of Planning and Economic Development said they will be dealing with the small corner at Hannan and Ecorse and, "It has nothing to do with Hoosier."

Mullen said that corner is Master Planned for mixed use and, "You can't get mixed use in that Hannan corner."

Hodges said there are three separate mixed-use zonings in the township: the one at Ecorse/Hannan, north part of Belleville Road at Ecorse, and south and east sides of the City of Belleville.

In other business at the July 24 meeting, the commission:

- Held a public hearing on a variety of fairly minor housekeeping revisions to the zoning ordinance that will be voted on at an upcoming meeting;
- Discussed the state statute on Rezoning With Conditions so the commission would be familiar with that process before the expected proposal comes from the Clark gas station owner, who has been denied rezoning several times in order to renovate and update his station. The final decision is made by the township board. Mullen said several others have applied to VBT for Conditional Rezoning in the past, but have withdrawn the requests for one reason or another, probably having to do with the economy;
- Heard Mullen report on administrative reviews that are under way on Burger King, where the building is being "reskinned" and the size made smaller, along with sign and lighting changes, and Applebee's which is changing only signage and awnings;

• Learned the Mrocca site plan has yet to be dropped off for the new day care location;

• Learned the Ad Hoc Lake Committee is continuing to work diligently. Mullen said they are preparing to set a date and host an open house to review the work completed so far with residents prior to beginning the formal review before the Planning Commission; and

• Recognized Eagle Scout candidate Nathan Vinarcik of Boy Scout Troop 237, who was in the audience as part of his Communications merit badge requirement. He received a validation of his presence signed by Director Mullen.

Vendor Show, Quarter Auction, Food Drive set Aug. 17 to benefit 4-H

Quarters and Kids will hold a benefit Vendor Show/Quarter Auction to help raise funds for the Wayne County Fair Association 4-H Fairgrounds, starting at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17, followed by a Quarter Auction starting at 6 p.m. These will be held concurrently in the fairgrounds dining hall.

Entrance into each event is \$2. Food and soft drinks will be available for purchase. Participants can purchase tickets at the door. Participants also are being asked to bring non-perishable food items. Two non-perishable items will get you a free raffle ticket, limit 10 free tickets.

Two families, John and Shelly Papineau of Belleville and Dr. Gary and Carol Shelburne of Royal Oak, are on a mission to help a number of nonprofits through a bi-monthly series of "Quarter Auctions" held at different venues in the tri-county area.

A Quarter Auction consists of a number of local vendors who sell anything from personal care items to scrapbook supplies to blankets. Participants pay for entry into the event which includes a free bidding paddle. Participants can also bring/buy rolls of quarters to be used to bid on items that the vendors auction off and are encouraged to purchase extra paddles for bidding.

Event organizers are seeking vendors and

crafters to participate, local business to sponsor the event, and donors to contribute items for the silent auction. For more information visit www.quartersandkids.com or call Shelly at 734-368-6354 or Gary at 248-894-3301.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Wright poses with her new baby Allison and her son Charlie at Saturday's VBT Public Safety event at Walgreen's.

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Aside from the parades and festivals here in town, my favorite event is the **18th annual Belleville Bridge Walk and Taste of Belleville**, starting with a gathering at **Doane's Landing Park** at 5:30 p.m., the walk itself at 6 p.m., followed by the taste event on High Street, where 15 food vendors will be set up to offer samples of their menu and offerings. Scheduled to take part this year is **Twisted Rooster**, **Tim Horton's**, **Hungry Howies**, **Angel Food Catering**, **Sweet Chateau**, **C & C Seven Star BBQ**, **Zino's Pizza**, **Bayou Grill**, **Benito's**, the

Lunch Box, **A & W**, **Culvers**, **Belleville Chamber**, **Belleville Community Chorus**, and **TKM Awards**.

Tickets are \$1 each and there will be DJ entertainment and caricatures by Walt Griggs, a 50/50 drawing, and other raffles. The event is sponsored by the Belleville Central Business Community (CBC), Tucker Insurance, Twisted Rooster, the City of Belleville and the Belleville DDA. See the half-page ad in today's paper for the details on the restaurant menus.

Leagues are now forming for this fall at **Lodge Lanes** in Belleville on the S. I-94 Service Drive. Owner **Bob Goike** is offering a league for just about everybody, individuals, teams, men and women, mixed, youth and bumper, and for seniors, too.

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A **5-day Bible Club** for kids ages 5-12 will be held Aug. 19-23, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the home of **Chris and Carey Scharlach** in Ypsilanti. The free event will feature Bible lessons, creative learning activities, missionary stories, songs, and other activities. To register, call **Carey** at (734) 255-3137 or **Susan Walker** at (734) 250-0485.

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Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Aug. 15** – Belleville Bridge Walk at 5:30 p.m. followed by Taste of Belleville, 6-8 p.m.

• **Thursday, Aug. 15** – The Other Book Club meets at 7 p.m. The club moves around, so call the library for this month's location, 699-3291.

• **Friday, Aug. 16** – VBT Summer Concert Series, 7-8:30 p.m., Van Buren Park, \$4 entry fee per car. Tonight is Delirious Love, classic '60s – current.

• **Friday, Aug. 16** – Family Drive-In free movie at sunset, 8:34 p.m., by Friends Church, 7890 Tuttle Hill Road at Bemis, Ypsilanti. Free popcorn & refreshments. Cartoon and feature "Finding Faith." In case of rain in Youth House Theater.

Upcoming Meetings

• **Monday, Aug. 19** -- Van Buren Township work-study, 4 p.m. Also, Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education work-study session, 7 p.m., Administration Bldg. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Aug. 20** -- Van Buren Township board meeting, 7 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 21** – 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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5. Hungry Howies Pizza

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6. Angel Food Catering

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8. C & C Seven Star BBQ

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10. Bayou Grill

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 6, 2013

Supervisor Combs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor Combs, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr, Trustee McClanahan and Trustee Miller. Absent: None. Others in attendance: DPW Director Taylor, Planning and Economic Development Director Mullen, Deputy Supervisor LaMothe, Secretary Cline and an audience of fourteen (14).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Add New Business Item #3 "Consider authorizing the Director of Planning and Economic Development to acquire a Property Appraisal and Title work for 6920 Morton-Taylor Road." Carried.

Wright moved, Jahr seconded to remove the Closed Session Minutes of July 15, 2013 from the Consent Agenda. Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Hart moved, Wright seconded to approve the

Consent Agenda [Work Study Minutes July 15, 2013; Regular Board Meeting Minutes July 16, 2013; Special Work Study Minutes July 29, 2013; Approval of Resolution 2013-13, 2013 Tax Rate request; Voucher List of August 6, 2013.] as amended. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A resident commented on the Rezoning Ordinance 8-6-13 agenda item regarding clarification of the rezoning of the parcel. Treasurer Budd clarified the parcel is to be rezoned C (Local Business). A second resident commented on the approval of the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve awarding contract to Asphalt Specialist, Inc. for repair, removal and replacement of specifically identified areas of the Township Hall Parking Lot and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the contract. Carried.

Jahr moved, Hart seconded to approve the first reading of Rezoning Ordinance 8-6-13 to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance 06-02-92, as amended, by rezoning parcel V125-83-045-99-0001-701 located at the SW corner of Hannan and Ecorse Roads from AG (Agriculture) and C (Local Business) to all C (Local Business).

Carried.

*(A copy of Ordinance 08-06-13 follows the minutes. Copies may also be obtained in the Clerk's Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road during normal business hours.)

Budd moved, McClanahan seconded to authorize the Director of Planning and Economic Development to move forward with Property Appraisal and Title work for 6920 Morton-Taylor Road in an amount not to exceed \$2,500. Carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor Combs ordered the June 2013 Budgetary Report received and filed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Supervisor Combs made the following announcements. The recently held Senior Health and Wellness Day was a success. The 9th Annual Senior Olympics will begin on Monday, August 12th noting Van Buren Township, Sumpter Township and the City of Belleville are co-hosting the event. Public Safety Day will be held on August 10th from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Walgreens' parking lot. Lastly, on Friday August 9th Annabelle Road a Country music band will perform at 7:00 p.m. at Van Buren Park.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): A member of the audience stated the Thunder Over Michigan Air Show will be held on Saturday August 10th and Sunday August 11th at Willow Run Airport.

ADJOURNMENT: Budd moved, Hart seconded to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Carried. Respectfully submitted,
Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor
Published: August 15, 2013

BHS Reunions this year

These are this summer's reunions of alumni from Belleville High School:

• **Class of 2003** will hold its tenth reunion on Friday, Sept. 6. It will start out at 5:30 p.m. with a tour of the new BHS, followed by attending the home football game at 7 p.m., and continuing the party at Bayou Grill on Main Street following the game. Visit BHS Class of 2003 on Facebook for more information and updates.

• **All-Class Alumni Banquet** is Sept. 21 at BHS. Social gathering and tours begin at 2 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person at reservation by Aug. 24; \$25 after that or for walk-ins. For information call Anita Greca, chairperson, at cell: 734-637-5265 or email: agreca77@gmail.com.

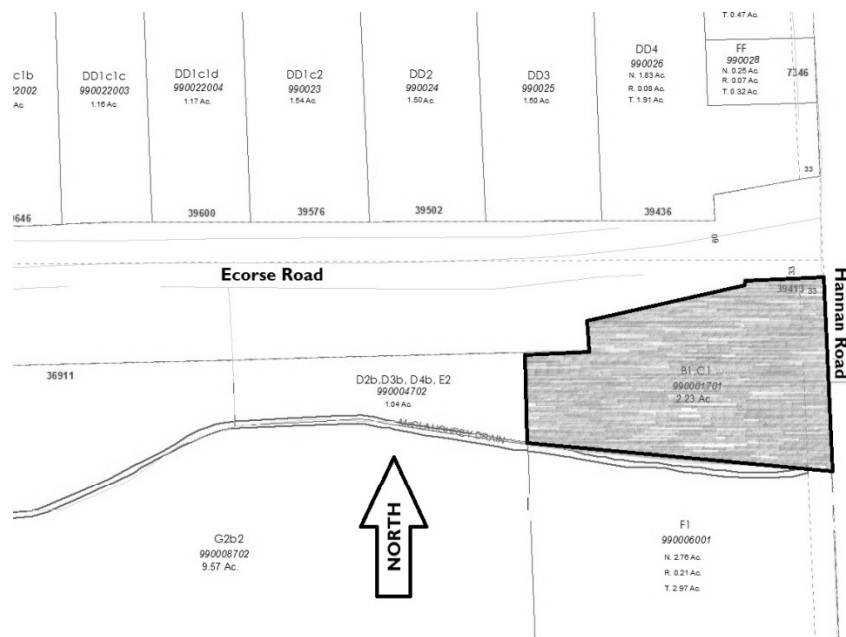
• **Class of 1963** will hold its 50th reunion on Saturday, Sept. 28, which will include dinner and dancing to '60s music. For more information contact Kathy Toth Hay, 517-242-2159 or email: bhs1963reunion@gmail.com.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE 08-06-2013 PROPOSED REZONING

First reading of Ordinance 08-06-13; Second reading for adoption will be held at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 7:00 PM to be held in the Board of Trustees Room, Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan, 48111.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ZONING ORDINANCE 06-02-92, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.



The Charter Township of Van Buren Ordains:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Zoning Map in connection with the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Ordinance No. 08-06-2013

A request to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 06-02-92, as amended, to amend the zoning map by rezoning the western portion of 2.23 acres of land consisting of parcel V-125-83-045-99-0001-701 from AG (Agricultural) and C (Local Business) to all C (Local Business).

Legal Description of Property:

Parcel V125-83-045-99-0001-701: Part of NE of Section 12 Town 3 South Range 8 East Described as beginning South 01Degree 29Minutes 58Seconds East 33.02 Feet from the NE Corner of Said Section 12; then South 01Degrees 29 Minutes 58 Seconds East 268.98 Feet; then North 88 Degrees 25 Minutes 56 Seconds West 183.21 Feet; then North 82 Degrees 38 Minutes 46 Seconds West 259.06 Feet; then North 01 Degree 16 Minutes 28 Seconds West 131.37 Feet; then South 89 Degrees 39 Minutes 20 Seconds East 88.64 Feet; then North 01 Degree 29 Minutes 58 Seconds West 46.15 Feet; then North 76 Degrees 19 Minutes 47 Seconds East 230.73 Feet; then South 89 Degrees 39 Minutes 20 Seconds East 124.34 Feet; to Point of Beginning, 2.23 acres.

This property is located on the Southwestern corner of the intersection of Ecorse and Hannan Roads.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

In the event any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this ordinance is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect immediately after adoption and publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the day of , 2013.

YEAS: Combs, Wright, Budd, Hart, Jahr, McClanahan and Miller.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAINED: None.

This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within ten (10) days of passage.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance.

Leon Wright, Clerk

Linda Combs, Supervisor

School Board

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be read without such access since they are loaded into the Nooks.

"If they never get on the internet, there's a lot there," Van Tassel said. "The purpose is not to have them run around on the internet ... It's to get kids to read ... and use the graphic calculator."

The calculators are included in the Nooks and Madyun said it costs \$90 each for the calculators, otherwise.

Not having to buy the separate books for students to read in the long run will save money, Madyun said.

While most of the books loaded on the Nooks will be paid for, they will be stored in a cloud and can be loaded on other Nooks in the future, Madyun said. Some classic books are free.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the board:

- Approved the second reading and approval of board policy updates. The

board committee is working on additional updates;

- Approved naming Howard "Dan" Wright as an assistant principal at BHS, with a salary of \$90,827, plus fringes, for a one-year term effective Aug. 1. He has been a teacher in the district since 2002 and was a participant in the Principal Institute in 2012-13, assigned to BHS;

- Approved a flooring change order for shop and home economics rooms at McBride Middle and Owen Intermediate totaling \$35,385.60 to Friends Fine Floor Covering in Belleville from the Sinking Fund. The upgrades raised the prices not to exceed \$20,620 for McBride and \$14,765 for Owen;

- Reviewed and praised the One, Three, and Five-Year Strategic Goals prepared by School Supt. Van Tassel;

- Approved paying \$40,435 for wireless infrastructure for Owen Intermediate from NETech Corporation via the Western States Contracting Alliance contract bid. The District Technology Plan calls for district-

wide wireless access by June 2016;

- Approved the use of school buses at the going rates for Huron Valley Ambulance Camp 911 for a trip from the program at the U of M Boathouse in Van Buren Park to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital on Aug. 21 and to Van Buren Township Fire Station #2 on Aug. 22;

- Approved the employment of Ryan Gray as a school bus mechanic starting Aug. 12;

- Approved the requested terminations of Edgemont teacher Kelly Schippers after 14 years of service for relocation as of July 11, and Owen Intermediate teacher Cara Boden after one year as of Aug. 5 for resignation;

- Approved employment of Ashley Adams as Math Interventionist at Rawsonville and Gregory Kirk as sixth grade teacher at Owen, both starting Aug. 27;

- Was reminded that the next meeting will be a work/study at 7 p.m. Aug. 19 and the next regular meeting will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 26, both at the administration building;

- Heard Treasurer Frazier suggest the district put up better signs at the school buildings to try and attract as many new students as possible. She said Keystone Academy charter school has a sign that says, "Accepting applications now" with a phone number. When she asked about the sign at Haggerty school, Van Tassel said last Thursday was the day the district got approval from the state for the Haggerty programs and a sign will be put up; and

- Went into executive session with a school attorney to discuss an extension to

the current contract for Supt. Van Tassel. At the July 22 meeting, board president Brent Mikulski said he wanted to discuss with the district's attorney an extension to the superintendent's contract. The contract was automatically extended for a year when the board decided not to vote on it earlier this year. Mikulski said once he had information from the attorney, it will be discussed in executive session. The contract currently runs until June 30, 2015, with pay of \$139,000 as of July 1, 2013.

Fox Auto

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just announced, were no problem to them. The recommendations included planting two trees and buffering the parking lot from Bemis Road with plantings.

Also, the project needs to be reviewed by the township engineer for possible stormwater items and approved by the township building official.

Planning consultant Laura Kreps of Carlisle/Wortman Associates, was on vacation when the site plan was submitted to the township so she didn't get her recommendations to the Fox family until during the planning commission meeting.

Fox Auto plans to get the work done in the fall and have a spring launch of the new service.

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

The following are selected calls for VBT Police.

Sunday, Aug. 4:
0006 – noise complaint, 7210 Sheldon Rd.
0021 – noise complaint, 14490 Wildbrook Dr.
0055 – fight, 49345 S. I-94 Service Dr.
0111 – fight, Pinecreek
0114 – noise complaint, Waldenwoods
0411 – noise complaint, 11275 Oak Lane
0654 – assault & battery, 41600 N. Bellridge Dr.
0900 – fraud, Meijer
1314 – trespassing, 7830 Hannan Rd.
1550 – lake complaint, Van Buren Park beach
1740 – shots fired, 40191 Alden Ave.
1806 – retail fraud, Walmart
1902 – breaking & entering, 2195 Rawsonville
1931 – breaking & entering, 9137 Parkwood
1950 – malicious destruction of property, 6280 W.

Adams
2138 – noise complaint, 10667 Oak Lane
2139 – fight, 11627 Meadows Circle
Monday, Aug. 5:
0004 – noise complaint, 11555 Meadows Circle
0924 – larceny, 51255 Martz Rd.
1001 – malicious destruction of property, 11784
Belleville Rd.
1113 – property damage accident, 47448 Bentley
1132 – retail fraud, Walmart
1216 – operating while intoxicated, EB I-94 /
Belleville Rd.
1221 – ATV/ORV complaint, 10034 Jackson St.
1523 – malicious destruction of property, Walmart
1519 – property damage accident, Rawsonville/I-94

Service
1713 – breaking & entering, 40320 Edison Lake
1841 – property damage accident, 8619 Haggerty
1937 – breaking & entering, 43509 N. Timberview
2010 – noise complaint, 5926 Dellor St.
2037 – disorderly conduct, 46040 Lake Villa Dr.
2039 – noise complaint, Westlake
2119 – private property accident, Walmart
2238 – assault & battery, 44815 Greenwood Dr.
2246 – property damage accident, 10950 Belleville
2252 – larceny from auto, 6784 Maurice Dr.
2333 – narcotics crime, 13277 Lake Point Blvd.
2336 – narcotics crime, 46200 McBride Ave.

Tuesday, Aug. 6:
0040 – trespassing, 41358 Ecorse Rd.
1131 – assault & battery, 548 Sumpter Rd.
1333 – private property accident, 47116 McBride
1340 – operating while intoxicated, EB I-94 /
Belleville Rd.
1425 – larceny, 17191 Martinsville Rd.
1545 – malicious destruction, 40242 Alden Ave.
1549 – suspicious person, 45902 Purple Sage
1556 – property damage accident, Ecorse /
Woodlands Dr.

1726 – juvenile complaint, 41480 W. Archwood
1909 – fight, 97 Daisys
1931 – larceny, Meijer
1948 – assault & battery, 47500 Belmont Dr.
1951 – assault & battery, 47500 Belmont Dr.
2231 – noise complaint, 10871 Quirk Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 7:
0150 – larceny, Martz/Rawsonville
0211 – disorderly conduct, 12692 Hannan
0343 – disturbance, Hidden Cove/Village Green
0444 – trespassing, 215 Sugarbush Ln.
0504 – unauthorized driving away of vehicle,
Hidden Cove/Village Green
0824 – larceny, 9800 Belleville Rd.
1030 – private property accident, 45015 Lindsey
1310 – breaking & entering, 10505 Dewitt Rd.

1316 – assault & battery, 46111 Village Green Ln.
1416 – fraud, Meijer
1514 – harassment call, 11042 Van Buren St.
1638 – property damage accident, Haggerty/WB
I-94
1712 – private property accident, 48501 S. I-94
Service Dr.
1733 – private property accident, 48531 S. I-94
Service Dr.
1743 – personal injury accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
1807 – disturbance, 46080 Lake Villa Dr.
1816 – retail fraud, Meijer
1913 – malicious destruction of property, 41245
Woodbury

1936 – larceny from auto, 10950 Belleville Rd.
2009 – larceny, 47787 Bentley Dr.
2009 – noise complaint, 5926 Dellor St.
2012 – narcotics crime, 10900 Belleville Rd.
2101 – fraud, Meijer
2128 – assault & battery, 504 Sumpter Rd.
2227 – fire investigation, 9143 Parkwood Dr.

Thursday, Aug. 8:
0239 – suicide or attempt, 349 Ivy
0906 – holdup alarm, 2193 Rawsonville Rd.
0955 – assault & battery, 51269 Landmark
1430 – property damage accident, Belleville /
Ecorse
1455 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service,
Red Roof Inn
1530 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1547 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1609 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1636 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1654 – harassment call, 13258 Country Walk Ct.
1719 – property damage accident, Belleville/N. I-94
Service Dr.

1815 – noise complaint, 10930 Lighthouse Dr.
1908 – trespassing, Kirkridge
1924 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1930 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
1946 – malicious destruction of property, 51291
Sylvia Dr.
1951 – disorderly conduct, 1303 Westlake
1959 – violation public health code/violation
controlled substance act, Hillside
2020 – violation public health code/violation
controlled substance act, Hillside
2107 – trespassing, Van Buren Estates
2130 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
2221 – felony assault, 80 N. Ponderosa Trl.
2226 – indecent exposure, 45501 N. I-94 Service
2315 – assault & battery, 45034 Lindsey Dr.
2328 – suspicious person, 39730 Ecorse Rd.
2347 – malicious destruction of property, 8905
Parkwood Dr.

Friday, Aug. 9:
0205 – assault & battery, 50521 W. Huron River
Dr., Pine Creek
0346 – domestic violence, Shell station
0712 – larceny from auto, 11123 Oak Ln.
0903 – intimidation threat, 6190 Dellor St.
1138 – private property accident, 11530 Belleville
1442 – assault & battery, 13900 Country Walk
1508 – private property accident, 50953 S. I-94
Service Dr.
1746 – narcotics crime, 12692 Hannan Rd.
1751 – larceny, 48511 Denton Rd.
1850 – disturbance, 41861 McBride Ave.
1904 – property damage accident, 10940 Belleville
1925 – fraud, Kmart
2112 – harassment call, 121 Maple Dr.
2143 – fight, 10871 Quirk Rd.

2211 – malicious destruction of property, 9094
Parkwood Dr.
2223 – loud party complaint, 14849 Wildbrook Dr.
2232 – harassment call, 11570 Beckley Rd.
2315 – malicious destruction of property, 10871
Quirk Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 10:
0001 – disturbance, 10210 Westlake
0002 – noise complaint, 14849 Wildbrook Dr.
0005 – assault & battery, 46141 Village Green Ln
0316 – loud party complaint, 48541 Denton Rd.
0336 – property damage accident, Spencer/Roulo
0720 – property damage accident, Haggerty/I-94
0756 – harassment call, N. I-94/Rawsonville
0856 – holdup alarm, 13753 Arlene Ln.
1250 – malicious destruction of property, 269 S.
Ponderosa Trl.

1304 – disturbance, Ecorse Service Dr. A/Denton
1456 – intimidation threat, 9469 Van Buren St.
1545 – malicious destruction of property, 2035
Rawsonville
1709. – private property accident, Meijer
1950 – juvenile complaint, Rawsonville/Bridge
2001 – juvenile complaint, 6868 Anna Dr.
2013 – suspicious person, 45501 N. I-94 Service
2016 – assault & battery, 48761 S. I-94 Service Dr.
2125 – noise complaint, 34 maple Dr.
2125 – juvenile complaint, Village Green

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Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 4:
0007 – alarm intrusion, 275 W. Columbia Ave.,
Columbia Court
0007 – E-911 hangup/investigation, Columbia Ct.
0800 – miscellaneous complaint, Loza Ln./N.
Edgemont Ave.
1000 – found property, 6 Main St.
1200 – follow-up, 135 Carmell St.
1331 – fraud, 25 Main St.
1639 – warrant arrest, 46 Loza Lane
1758 – information, 46 Loza Lane
1913 – malicious destruction of property, 30 Carmell
St.

2223 – civil matter, Johnny’s
Monday, Aug. 5:
0957 – follow-up, 110 Carmell St.
1120 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
1613 – lost property, 504 Main St.
2110 – juvenile complaint, 204 Belle Villa Blvd.

Tuesday, Aug. 6:
0138 – suspicious situation, 101 E. Columbia Ave.
0307 – assist fire dept., 87 Carmell St.
0943 – assist fire dept., 201 Third St.
1226 – suspicious situation, 356 Oxford Ct.
1321 – larceny, 216 Belle Villa Blvd.
1511 – assist fire dept., 795 Sumpter Rd.
1917 – agency assist, 600 Sumpter
1952 – agency assist, 47500 Belmont
2028 – intimidation threat, 6 Main St.
2131 – information, 6 Main St.

Wednesday, Aug. 7:
1018 – all other traffic, Belleville/Denton
1032 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd./Industrial Park
Dr.

1314 – civil matter, 75 Menlo Park Dr.
1358 – civil matter, 35 Main St.
1943 – suspicious situation, Denton/Belleville
2015 – missing person, 357 E. Columbia Ave.
2114 – disturbance, 4 Belle Villa Blvd.
2134 – assist fire dept., Columbia Court
2352 – missing person, 6 Main St.

Thursday, Aug. 8:
0022 – information, 6 Main St.
1501 – traffic complaint, Victorian Ln./Oxford Ct.
1628 – miscellaneous complaint, 119 Potter Dr.
1635 – traffic hazard, Main St./Denton Rd.
1942 – disturbance, 75 S. Liberty St.
2021 – violation public health code/violation
controlled substance act, Hillside
2226 – information, 75 E. Wabash

Friday, Aug. 9:
0324 – disorderly conduct, 220 S. Liberty St.
0349 – agency assist, Shell
1054 – property damage accident, 382 Main St.
1254 – suicide or attempt, Columbia Court
1647 – welfare check, Columbia Court
1736 – private property accident, A&W
1743 – harassment call, Eagen’s
1859 – intrusion alarm, BHS
2154 – traffic complaint, 573 Main St.

Saturday, Aug. 10:
0333 – property damage accident, Spencer/Roulo
0928 – lost property, 6 Main St.
2335 – suspicious person, 412 Robbe St.
2340 – mental, 357 E. Columbia
2359 – larceny from auto, 15 Biggs Ave.

Also on this week’s log are 84 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 4:
0018 – noise complaint, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.
0102 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Sumpter
/ Bemis
0132 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0432 – assist other agency, Rawsonville/Arkona
0639 – well-being check, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
0824 – alarm, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
1238 – follow-up investigation, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1312 – ORV complaint, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1514 – alarm, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1546 – citizen assist, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
1733 – follow-up investigation, 19000 bl. Sherwood

Rd.
1832 – fire dept. assist, 12000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1918 – citizen assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1958 – child abuse/neglect, Colorado
2005 – shots fired, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2036 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
2138 – fire dept. assist, 9400 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2206 – suspicious vehicle, Judd/Elwell

Monday, Aug. 5:
0016 – suspicious incident, Carriage Lane
0637 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.
1115 – trespassing complaint, 25000 bl. Sumpter
1152 – follow-up investigation, 36000 bl. S. Huron
1232 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1446 – suspicious vehicle, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1512 – ordinance violation, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1555 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Martinsville
1615 – mental health commitment, 20000 bl. Karr
1645 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1914 – shots fired, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
2351 – well-being check, 6700 bl. Oakville Waltz

Tuesday, Aug. 6:
0052 – operating while intoxicated arrested, 10000
bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0217 – suspicious vehicle, Carriage Ln.
0558 – property damage accident, 43000 bl. Willow
Rd.
0914 – ordinance violation, 26000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1018 – ordinance violation, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1117 – juvenile complaint, Greenmeadow
1130 – ordinance violation, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1134 – family trouble, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1336 – ordinance violation, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1423 – larceny, Mulberry
1750 – disorderly person, 6700 Oakville Waltz Rd.
2122 – warrant arrest, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 7:
0038 – warrant arrest, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
0114 – fight, Carriage Lane
0224 – assault, Carriage Lane
0311 – 911 hangup, Rustic Lane
0924 – follow-up investigation, 10000 bl.

Rawsonville Rd.
1051 – recovered stolen vehicle, 43000 bl. Harris
1056 – alarm, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
1140 – assist other agency, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1235 – ordinance violation, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
1236 – follow-up investigation, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
1314 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1550 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Martinsville
1558 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1752 – suspicious person, 18000 bl. Martinsville
1853 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2027 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2225 – alarm, 8500 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2314 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.

Thursday, Aug. 8:
0300 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0857 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1007 – ordinance violation, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
1040 – subpoena service, Montana
1042 – ordinance violation, 22000 bl. Martinsville
1312 – follow-up investigation, 18000 bl. Savage
1348 – civil dispute, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1419 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1610 – follow-up investigation, 28000 bl. Waltz
1701 – fraud, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
2043 – suspicious vehicle, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
2046 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
2216 – suspicious incident, Walnut
2327 – warrant arrest, out of township

Friday, Aug. 9:
0009 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0259 – traffic hazard, Oakville Waltz/Sumpter
0533 – suspicious vehicle, Willis/Haggerty
0737 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Haggerty
1229 – suspicious incident, Fenster/Reed
1335 – malicious destruction of property, 47000 bl.
Harris Rd.

1357 – noise complaint, Judd/Fenster
1509 – identity theft report, 45000 bl. Bontekoe
1607 – suspicious incident, 4900 bl. Oakville Waltz
1613 – malicious destruction of property, 44000 bl.
Dunn Rd.
1658 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2114 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
2212 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2358 – suspicious vehicle, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 10:
0135 – citizen assist, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0307 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
0340 – noise complaint, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

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0626 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Judd
1201 – follow-up investigation, 36000 bl. S. Huron
1257 – larceny, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
1415 – trespassing complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1442 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1511 – ordinance violation, 26000 bl. Haggerty
1804 – shots fired, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.
1853 – property damage accident, Oakville Waltz / Rawsonville
2107 – follow-up investigation, Wayside
2132 – civil dispute, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
2339 – property damage accident, Bemis / Rawsonville

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Homicide help

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warrant in a homicide investigation on Aug. 6 at Lighthouse Pointe apartments on the I-94 North Service Drive.

Two were taken into custody by Ann Arbor Police, said VBT Lt. Ken Floro.

VBT officers taking part in the operation were Sgt. Jeff Gueli, Officers Donovan McCarthy, Derek Perez, and Chris Valinski and Lt. Dennis Brooks and Sgt. Mike Moening.

Paul DeWolf, a 25-year-old University of Michigan medical student, was found dead in his Ann Arbor apartment on July 24. An

autopsy the next day showed he died from a single gunshot wound and no firearm was found at the scene.

Ann Arbor police offered a \$5,000 reward and University of Michigan police offered another \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible.

The \$10,000 total reward was announced on Aug. 5 and the arrests in VBT were the next day.

Ann Arbor Detective Lt. Robert Pfannes said on Thursday that there was no new information for police to release.

VBT Police get warrant for Iowa woman who left baby in hot, locked car

By Rosemary K. Oztzman
Independent Editor

Aisha Tahir, 29, of Dubuque, Iowa, is charged with leaving a child in a vehicle resulting in physical harm to the child – and she will be arraigned as soon as she gets back to Michigan.

Van Buren Township Detective Ken Toney said the incident occurred at Walmart and Tahir was not arrested at the time of incident. She went to the University of Michigan Hospital with her baby, he said.

Detective Toney submitted a warrant request to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and they issued the warrant, which is a one-year misdemeanor.

According to an Aug. 1 news release from Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy, on June 28 at about 11 a.m., a police officer was dispatched to the parking lot of the Van Buren Township Walmart because an infant was observed locked in a car with all of the windows closed.

It is alleged that Tahir left her six-month-old infant in the car when the temperature at the time was 77 degrees with 64% humidity. Medics were called to the scene and the child was taken to the U of M Hospital with a 100 degree temperature.

The child was treated and released to the care of a social worker.

Tahir will be arraigned at 34th District Court in Romulus once she returns to Michigan and her attorney said they will try to get everything done with the case while she is back in the state. Tahir is being represented by Stephanie Service of Kronzek & Cronkright, Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

“Leaving your very young babies and children in unsafe sleep situations or unsupervised in swimming pools, houses, hotels, and hot cars can result in dead children and criminal charges,” said Prosecutor Worthy. “These are difficult cases,” she said of five cases involving children that she discussed in her news releases, “

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