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Attorney: Floro's pay 'bloated, unjustifiable' given law suit allegations

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Richard G. Convertino, attorney for Anthony Karver in his Whistleblower law suit against Van Buren Township, said he was informed that Police Lt. Kenneth Floro received almost a quarter of a million dollars in pay from VBT in 2014.

"That's completely outrageous given the allegations in our complaint that he has been depriving the citizens of Van Buren Township of his services while getting that pay," said Convertino on Monday.

Convertino called the amount of Floro's pay "bloated and unjustifiable."

The law suit claims Karver was fired as Fire Captain on March 10, 2014 because he reported serious infractions of high-ranking police officer Floro, who was getting paid an additional time-and-a-half as a blended-rate fire fighter for time that, on occasion, it is alleged, he actually spent running personal errands.

Floro was ranked VBT's highest-paid employee in the salary listing published on the front page of the Feb. 19 *Independent*. His pay for 2014 included \$96,247.31 in police wages, \$71,049.40 in fire wages, and \$48,282.95 in benefits for total compensation of \$215,579.66.

Besides suing the township, Karver also is suing Fire Chief Daniel Besson, Supervisor Linda Combs, Public Safety Director Greg Laurain, and Fire Department Battalion Chief/Fire Marshall David McNally.

Karver, who was hired as a fire fighter in August 1992, worked his way up to full-time captain of the VBT Fire Department and was in charge of the department's fire, rescue and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) operations. As captain of operations, he reported directly to Fire Chief Besson.

According to the law suit, Karver had successfully completed nearly 100 training courses and certifications since his employment began with the VBT Fire Department, including EMT specialist, advanced command staff - complex incidents, FEMA advanced training, MSP Dive Rescue, certified emergency diver, certified ice rescue diver, certified fire inspector, school bus rescue, incident command, incident response to terrorist bombing, Life Flight and trauma life support.

The law suit said Karver has received numerous accolades and commendations

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On National Signing Day for Collegiate Sports on Feb. 10, Mac Butler signed to play soccer on a scholarship with Tiffin University in Ohio after graduation from Milan High School this spring. Mac also was presented with a Certificate of Achievement for academic and athletic excellence by Van Buren Township Clerk Leon Wright and Township Treasurer Sharry Budd. Mac started his soccer career playing for the Van Buren Recreation League. His signing ceremony was held at the VBT Hall with family and friends in attendance. Coach Tony Dukley was there, as well. In the picture, from left, is Clerk Wright, Mac, and his parents Michele and Norman Butler of VBT.

Menards hopes to open store in Feb. 2016

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township's Menards store is expected to open on Belleville Road, north of Walmart, in February 2016 -- or even in January if construction goes well.

At the regular VBT board meeting Feb. 17 the board voted unanimously to grant Menards' request for special use for outdoor sales and storage of building and landscaping materials associated with the Menards home improvement store.

The project now returns to the planning commission for final site plan review and approval for the details of the plan.

Tyler Edwards, Real Estate Representative for Menards, was present at the work/study session on Feb. 17 before the regular meeting. He filled in for Scott Nuttleman who had shepherded the Menards' plans along almost to the end.

Edwards said the site is approximately 25 acres and 40% of it will be open space. There will be 153 new trees.

Store hours will be 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sundays. The building will be just like every other Menards, he said.

Edwards said they plan to start grading in April, building in June, and open in February 2016, depending on how the construction goes. It could be January or up to June.

He said Menards has made revisions to trees, lights, signage and is in agreement with everybody.

He explained the storage yard in the rear of the store is for large items. Customers buy the lumber and other items in the store, show the receipt at the gate, and then drive in and pick up their purchase. The public will not be driving in the back except to pick up what they've purchased.

There will be 200 jobs, to start, he said.

VBT Supervisor Linda Combs told Edwards she appreciates the amount of cooperation from Menards and she can hardly wait until it opens.

"Menards has gone far in making sure everything is right," Supervisor Combs said.

At the work/study session, Supervisor Combs also said, "It's been a long time coming. We'd like to get started on it."

Clerk Leon Wright made the motion to approve the special use and Trustee Brenda McClanahan seconded the motion. Then the board voted unanimously to approve.

At the work/study session, earlier that day, Director of Planning and Economic Development Jack Knowles said the site has about 27 acres, which includes the two future out lots along Belleville Road.

Later Knowles said the sidewalk along Menards and into the residential development to the north is still in the plans.

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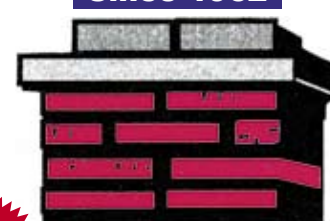
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

The Great Deer Rescue of 2015

By Yvonne E. Craiger, DVM

Many, many people consider themselves animal lovers. I am one of them. I love them every day in my veterinary clinic, whether or not they love me.

To me, the best way to love an animal is to give it the best care you can with the least stress you can with a goal of helping it live as long a life without suffering, as you can.

Due to the number of different species God has blessed our earth with, this means learning lots of different things to know how to help them live a stress- and suffering-free life. What is stressful to a rabbit may not be stressful to a horse, or a snake.

Certainly, horses, rabbits, snakes, and other types of animals all need different types of food and environments. Some animals are social and live in groups, while others are solitary and groups stress them. Finally, domestic species have different needs and stressors than wild species.

Not too long ago I received a call from Dr. Andrea Connor's office at 25 Owen Street in the city of Belleville. A deer had tried to follow some folks into her clinic. This is not normal behavior for a deer, even a young one. He had not learned to be nervous or fearful of people. Likely someone happened on him as an orphaned you deer and raised him.

PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS.

It became evident to me that morning that we had a difficult situation on our hands. While we were able to "wrangle" this deer into a truck and transport it to a wildlife rehabilitator, this deer has a long way to go. He is currently with other young deer turned over for rehabilitation.

The problems with raising a wild animal when they are young are:

1. They do not learn to fend for themselves, something that a mother or foster mother teach the young;
2. They are not as fearful of people as they should be and more commonly wander into people's yards or even homes when they are older where they can wreak much havoc; and
3. They are more dangerous to people than their wild-raised counterparts because they may come closer to people and then if frightened end up striking, as with hooves, or biting the person.

The wild-raised ones have their instinct to stay finely tuned. In the case of deer, when their rut begins in the fall, this deer may not run from a hunter, or worse, may approach a hunter and then challenge them as they would a deer. I hope and pray that will not happen.

This little button buck, after several hours arranging his transport to a safe place overnight and more time the next day

getting him to an appropriate place where he is now with deer learning to be a deer, not a pet.

He will be watched carefully. His final disposition has yet to be determined. He needs to become nervous and fearful of people. Many hours and many people helped get this deer out of the city and into the hands of the licensed wildlife rehabilitator.

Thanks to Pete LaFramboise of Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue for providing "wrangling skill" and transportation, to Mark Rosenthal of Animal Magic for providing his rescue and "wrangling" experience, to Dr. Connors and her team for making me aware of the situation, and to Mary Anthois and her team from Loving Arms Rescue Ranch for providing food and help keeping the deer contained until we could load him up.

For all you animal lovers out there, if you find an orphaned animal that is wild, please do the following:

1. DO NOT take this animal into your home. This is for the safety of you and your family. Most people are not aware of the diseases and parasites they could contract just from handling wildlife.

2. Contact the DNR via the computer website to find a License Rehabilitator for the species you have encountered. (<http://www.michigandnr.com/dlr/>) Contact them and follow their directions.

3. If you cannot do this, contact your veterinarian for assistance.

4. If you do not have a veterinarian, contact me, Yvonne Craiger at Sumpter Pet Care, PLLC (734) 697-4700.

To own or attempt to own and raise wildlife in Michigan, without a DNR Rehabilitation License (and appropriate training) is a crime. Do not put yourself in the position of receiving fines or even being incarcerated for following your heart.

Go one step further. If you find an animal you are sure needs rescue, follow the correct channels and get it into the hands of a licensed expert in keeping with the law. This will be best for that animal and give it the best chance of living out its normal life in the wild. It is the best way to keep you, your family, and this animal safe.

Be smart. Be safe.



Veterinarian Yvonne E. Craiger, left, gives advice as Mark Rosenthal wrestles the deer into the Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue van with the help of Pete LaFramboise, at right. This was on Owen Street at Sumpter Road in the City of Belleville.

Court Watching:

Belleville man bound over for threatening wheelchair-bound wife

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Kim Merrill Hartwell, 56, of Belleville was bound over to circuit court to face charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and domestic violence after allegedly threatening and holding a gun to the head of his wheelchair-bound wife on Jan. 25.

After a preliminary exam at 34th District Court on Feb. 18, Judge Brian A. Oakley bound him over for a March 4 arraignment on the information at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice.

Two other charges of felon in possession of a weapon and felony firearm were dismissed.

Hartwell is out on a \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

Hartwell's court appointed attorney David Lankford told Judge Oakley that Hartwell wanted to waive his felonious assault charge and go on to circuit court with that. He stated the other charges are misdemeanors.

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Danielle Strace said the people wanted to drop the felon in possession and felony

firearm. The weapon decision had to do with the barrel being smooth rather than textured.

But Hartwell said he wanted a hearing.

So Belleville Police Officer Jeff Wickham took his place next to Prosecutor Strace and the preliminary exam began.

There was only one witness, the defendant's wife Tonaraw Hartwell, who was pushed to the witness stand in a wheelchair.

She said on Jan. 25 in their home in the 200 block of Aberdeen in Belleville, her husband took her uncle's car and was gone for six or seven hours. When he returned, she said she asked him where he had been for so long and he started yelling and screaming and walking around with a gun.

She said he made verbal abuse of her, saying terrible things to her, and pointed the gun at her. She said she was sitting in her wheelchair in the living room.

"I just had a heart attack and stroke and can't do things I used to do," Tonaraw said. "He talked about what I used to be able to do. He said he should shoot me in the face."

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OPINIONS

Editorial

Taxpayers ponder super-high pay vs. charges in law suit

What's going on in Van Buren Township? A lot, behind the scenes.

The wages for public safety officers continue to rise and rise over the years, bringing with them hefty future pensions for taxpayers to cover. Let's not get into the soaring unfunded future liabilities every community is dealing with.

Now, we have the highest-paid person in all of the township being accused of not earning some of his \$48 per hour pay while going off to do personal errands instead of standing by at the fire hall for emergency calls. Shocking, if true. There is evidence and signed statements offered up attesting to the accused's dereliction of duty. One has to wonder.

The Whistleblower law suit against the township and its officials for not stopping this employee from allegedly stealing from taxpayers was filed last June and is slowly wending its way through Wayne County Circuit Court.

The attorneys for the township seem to be looking for technicalities to derail the suit rather than dealing with the serious charge. The highest-paid employee still has his jobs and is earning a pension to die for.

School employees tell us that they are afraid to speak out because they have been threatened with losing their jobs. Everything at VBT seems to be hush-hush, too, and you certainly shouldn't tell the township board about any problems. Who's running the show here?

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

I've been informed that the man in the 46000 block of Ayres in VBT that was arrested on Feb. 15 was let go without charges when the girlfriend refused to support a domestic violence charge against him.

Police say Western Wayne Narcotics was at the scene with a search warrant that day. The man grows medical marijuana for his clients.

I've learned that Bailey, the dog that dashed off in the bitter cold weather during the police activity, has been found at the fairgrounds, thinner, but OK.

Bill Wolters at Stoney Creek Motorsports across from the high school brought in a scam fax he received last Thursday. It was from "Outsourced Accounting Department" of "American Yellow Group, Inc." with an address in Varna, Bulgaria. There was a Yellow Pages logo at the top. The pending invoice was for \$2,395.95 for two years, payable immediately to the address in Bulgaria or by credit card. It warned that it was his last chance to protect his credit score in good standing, with three exclamation points. Bill brought it in to share with our readers.

If you didn't read the words carefully, it looks like it's from Yellow Pages for your business.

Wayne and Kathy Walters of Arizona and formerly of Sumpter called on Friday to report the temperature was 85 degrees.

The weather report isn't really why they called. Wayne wanted to tell us they just got a scam call from the IRS saying the Walters were going to be sued within an



inch of their lives if they didn't pay money right now.

We told him the IRS never calls and he said he's been reading the *Independent* and knows that. The call to them came from (725) 596-6554, which should be in the Las Vegas, NV area. When we Googled it, it was listed as an invalid number.

On Thursday, Feb. 19, the Van Buren Public Schools and Keystone Academy charter school were closed because of extremely low temperatures among many other schools in Southeastern Michigan. It was about -8 degrees on Thursday, with lower "real feel" expected because of forecast winds. OK, cold.

Last Friday, when it was -19 at our house and -26 in Huron Township, the next township over, and a low of -11 expected, Van Buren Schools were already scheduled not to be in session for teachers PDD. But, VBPS was back in session on Monday. It was -4 when I drove in to work.

Schools continued to be closed, however, at Keystone Academy and nearby Huron and Lincoln districts because of extremely low temperatures on Friday and also Monday. All the schools in Macomb and St. Clair counties were closed Monday.

Adults have mentioned to me over the last few days that when they were young they NEVER had days cancelled for being too cold and the snow had to be several feet deep for school to be cancelled for snow.

They ask are we raising a nation of wimps or is it just the beginning of the new ice age? Where does Global Warming fit in here?

On Sunday we went over to the Willis Mill to get some birdseed and corn for the deer and met a darling animal. They had a baby goat inside whose mother had died. They were feeding it with a bottle and it followed us around, stopping only to eat out of the cat dish, with a distressed cat in attendance. We were told they wanted to get it used to being outside, so it followed us outside while we loaded up. They always have interesting animals at the mill.

A man reportedly was acting crazy at McDonald's on Belleville Road late last Thursday night. VBT Police Lt. Ken Floro said the male was contacted by police and medically evaluated by Huron Valley Ambulance for prolonged exposure due to cold weather conditions. He was cleared of any medical conditions and released.

We guess he raised quite a ruckus for us to get a report on this. There was concern he was suffering from frostbite.



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Letters

**Cure for cabin fever:
Our local library**

To the Editor:

Are you tired of this weather in Southeast Michigan? Do you have cabin fever? I found a great activity to get out of the house and it costs nothing: the Belleville Area District Library.

It has something for everyone in the family. There are 93 thousand books for adults and children, 178 magazines and newspapers, 5,460 videos and DVDs, and 1,571 audio books.

It costs absolutely nothing to join. The library is free!

You can just sit around and read all that you want or use one of their many computers (or bring your own).

I love going to the library. In this weather, I go almost every day that it's open. The hours are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. and Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday.

Please join me at the library!

John Juriga
Belleville

Editor's Note: John said the new library patron counter that's been installed above the entryway recorded 9,000 guests during the month of January.

**Is this true? Terrorists
just need jobs?**

To the Editor:

Every day I think the leadership in Washington can't get any more stupid, but they prove me wrong.

A person from the State Department said you can't kill all the terrorists. They just need jobs. Believe me, they are happy in their work. They ain't looking to flip

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Mickey Widener
Van Buren Township

**Bollyfit dance class set
at library on March 14**

The Belleville Area District Library will present a free introductory lesson in Bollyfit, a unique mix of Bollywood, Indian classical, and folk dance styles at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 14.

The class is free, but a \$5 deposit is required at the time of registration. Sign up at the library starting March 2.

This is part of the "Be Well at the BADL" series. The library is located at 167 Fourth Street in downtown Belleville, (734) 699-3291.

**Chicken Supper set
March 11 at Willow
United Methodist Church**

A chicken supper will be served beginning at 5 p.m., March 11 until sell-out, at the Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Rd., New Boston, MI, (734) 654-9020. Carryouts start at 4:30 p.m.

Cost is adults \$10 and children 12 and under \$5.

The menu is: fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuits and gravy, cole slaw, dinner rolls, dessert, coffee, hot tea, milk.

The next chicken suppers are scheduled for April 8, and May 13.

**Johnson, Ochs named to
NMU Dean's List**

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The students qualified with grade point averages of 3.25-3.99.

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(June 8, 1930 - February 18, 2015)
Age 84, Sumpter Township. Survived by wife Redith; children Randy, Rodney, Marilyn Robin; grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandsons. Service, Belleville Free Will Baptist Church. Janowiak Funeral Home.



JAMES HENRY SINGLETON, SR.

(March 3, 1927 - February 16, 2015)
Age 87. Survived by wife Minnette, 12 surviving children, 44 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, a sister. Services at Brown Funeral Home. Interment Great Lakes National Veteran Cemetery, Holly

November election to fill two council seats, mayor's position in City of Belleville

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Obituaries



Irvin Francis Czajkowski

IRVIN FRANCIS CZAJKOWSKI

(August 25, 1927 - February 19, 2015)

Irvin Francis Czajkowski, age 87, of Van Buren Township, MI, passed away on Thursday, February 19, 2015 at his home. He was born on August 25, 1927 in Hofa Park, WI, son of the late Frank and Rose (Nowacki) Czajkowski.

Mr. Czajkowski is survived by his wife of nearly 65 years Louise Eleanor (Harvey) Czajkowski; 5 children Curtis Czajkowski of Novi, MI, Catherine Czajkowski of Atlanta, GA, Cynthia (Alan) Hamersly of Noblesville, IN, Cheryl Czajkowski of Farmington, MI, and Carol (Kevin) Malek of Novi, MI; 11 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

Irvin proudly served his country in the United States Army serving in the Korean War. He enjoyed traveling and spending time with his family and friends. He had a great fondness for his two Yorkies, Maggie and Mandy.

Mr. Czajkowski was preceded in death by a daughter, Claudia Webster, in 2007; a granddaughter, Leslie Hamersly; and two sisters, Virginia Mijal and Genevieve Starnes. Visitation was held on Sunday from 1-8 PM at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, (734) 697-4500. A funeral Mass was held on Monday, February 23, 2015 at 10 AM at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 1409 W. Columbia Avenue, Belleville, MI with Deacon Peter Cornell officiating. Interment followed at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Michigan Humane Society and would be appreciated. Please sign Irvin's on line guest book and share a memory for his family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

CAROLYN GRACE NOWITZKE

(October 7, 1938 - February 22, 2015)

Age 76, of Romulus. Survived by 4 children, Roxanne Buchannan, Marlene Salibury, Marilyn Meshinski and Ralph Nowitzke, Jr.; 8 grandchildren; and brother Stanley Nutt. David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

DONALD RAYMOND

(April 26, 1923 -- February 21, 2015)

Donald Raymond, 92, a resident of the Bluffs in Houghton for the past 4 years, passed away on February 21, 2015 at Cypress Manor in Hancock.

Don was born on April 26, 1923 in Belleville to his parents, Darryl and Josephine (Bradshaw) Raymond. He attended and graduated from Belleville High School with the class of 1941. On December 19, 1942 he married his wife, the late Helen Ruth (Lindblad) Raymond at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Belleville. She passed away on April 19, 2012.

He owned and operated Standard Oil Co. in Belleville, Don F. Raymond Inc., as an Amoco Jobber, and Raymond's Dairy Bar in Belleville. Later, he and Helen moved to Florida, where they lived for 20 years, and owned Raym Co-Research and Development Co. They moved to the Copper Country in 1999 after their retirement. In his free time, he loved photography. He was a veteran having served in England, France and Germany in the U.S. Army during WW II.

He was a member of National Lutheran Church until its closing and now was a member of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Houghton. He is survived by daughter Lorrie (Jerry) Dummman of Belleville; grandson Joel Donald Dummman; granddaughter Heidi Lee Dummman; great-granddaughter Sophia Savannah Dummman; and brother Darryl Henry (Bernice) Raymond of Belleville.

A funeral Service for Donald was held at 1p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, at The Erickson Crowley Peterson Funeral Home in Calumet, MI with Rev. Glenn Schwanke officiating. Visitation also was held at the funeral home on Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Erickson Crowley Peterson Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements, and condolences may be left online at www.ericksoncrowleypeterson.com.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy memorials may be given to Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 47745 Mill Road, Houghton, MI 49931.

DIANE E. SPIVEY

(August 14, 1945 - February 21, 2015)

Diane (Greenlese) Spivey passed away on February 21, 2015. She was born on August 14, 1945 in Toledo, Ohio.

Diane had a passion for helping those with special needs. She was greatly involved with Special Olympics and The Arc of Western Wayne County. She loved spending time and having fun with her family and they enjoyed being with her. For 35 years she worked as a hairdresser in Toledo. Diane worked in food service for the Rawsonville Schools for 20 years.

Diane is survived by her loving daughter, Jayneann McDougald, adored sister of Pam Ide and Rob (Penny) Greenlese. Also survived by her stepson Jeff (Cynthia) Spivey and 2 step grandchildren. Numerous nieces, nephews and friends also survive.

Diane was preceded in death by her husband Paul Spivey; her parents Harry and Beulah (Watson) Greenlese; brothers Thomas, John and Dennis Greenlese; and sisters Sue Spears, Mick Kolhoff and Penny Greenlese.

Visitation will take place on Thursday, February 26, 2015 from 4 P.M. until the time of service at 7 P.M. at the Higginson & Neal Funeral Home, 209 Main St., Belleville, 734-697-9400. In lieu of flowers, Diane's family has requested memorial contributions to: The Arc of Western Wayne County, 2257 S. Wayne Rd., Westland, MI 48186.

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RUTH HALL

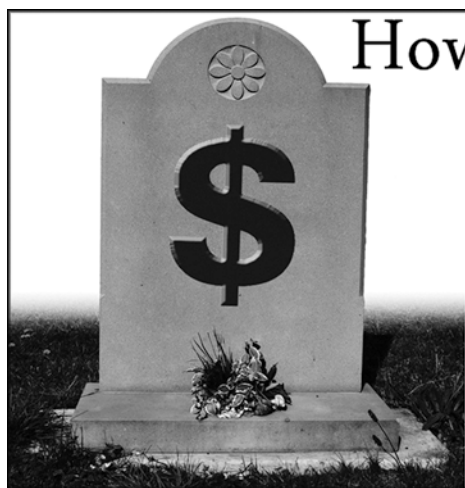
(November 19, 1931 - February 21, 2015)

Ruth Hall, age 83, a Belleville resident for over 60 years, passed away Saturday, February 21, 2015 at St. Francis Nursing home in Detroit, MI. She was born Thursday, November 19, 1931 in West Virginia, daughter of the late John and Lydia (Smith) Robinson.

She is survived by four children Paul Bryan (Norma) Hall of Florida, Donna (Chuck) Bryant of Florida, Michael (Christine) Hall of Michigan, and Robert Hall of Kentucky; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two sisters Pauline (Bill) of Ohio and Georgia Davis of Virginia; and sister-in-law Naomi Robinson. She was preceded in death by her husband John Lester Hall in 1979, her son William Lester Hall in 2006, and eight brothers and sisters. Ruth was a member of St Luke's Catholic Church of Middleburg, FL. She loved to build and paint bird houses, play bingo, and do crossword puzzles. Ruth was also a diehard Red Wing hockey fan.

Visitation was Wednesday, February 25, 2015 from 4-8 P.M., and will be Thursday, February 26, 2015 from 10-11 A.M. with a funeral service at 11 A.M. at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, followed by interment at Hillside Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the family and would be greatly appreciated. Please sign her on-line guestbook and share a memory for her family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

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Virginia I. Dalton

VIRGINIA I. DALTON

(May 11, 1922 - February 23, 2015)

Virginia I. Dalton, age 92, passed away Monday, February 23, 2015 at home in Simpsonville, SC with her loving family by her side.

She was born May 11, 1922 in Middlesboro, KY, the daughter of Lewis D. and Lora D. (Branson) Bryant. On April 27, 1947, she married Rev. Hugh Dalton in Middlesboro and he preceded her in death December 10, 1988. She was a longtime member of Antioch Baptist Church in Belleville, which her husband founded and pastored for many years. She was also a member of Main Street Baptist Church (now Praise Baptist Church) in Plymouth, MI and Summit Church in Mauldin, SC.

Virginia worked at the University of Michigan Museum of Art as an information officer for 13 years, retiring in 1978. She was a loving pastor's wife, faithful mother to her daughter and beloved grandmother to three granddaughters. Virginia was also "faithful to her Savior and was a great prayer warrior for her family and friends."

Survivors include her daughter Lynda (James) Wishart of Simpsonville, SC; three granddaughters Karen Wishart, Jennifer (Jason) Malone and Jamie (Kyle) Estep, all of SC; five great-grandchildren Taylor, Caroline, Lily, Catelyn and Carter; and many cherished nieces, nephews and their families.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Nell and Pearl; an infant daughter and an infant son.

The funeral service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Antioch Baptist Church, 6538 Rawsonville Road, Belleville, with Pastor Kevin Lovejoy officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Cemetery.

Contributions in her memory may be made to either Antioch Baptist Church, Praise Baptist Church, or Summit Church. Envelopes are available at Stark Funeral Service where the family will receive friends 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Friday and at the church from 10 a.m. until time of service Saturday. Please sign her guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.

VBT law suit

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for his work.

The Whistleblower law suit concerns operations of the duty crew. Most of the VBT duty crews are staffed by the paid-per-call fire fighters. Rather than responding to emergencies from wherever they are, the duty crew is a 12-hour shift by two fire fighters from a fire station.

A blended rate is the hourly rate paid to a VBT employee who is employed elsewhere in the township and concurrently is employed by the township as a fire fighter on a duty crew at one of the two fire stations in VBT.

The blended hourly rate applied to a public safety department employee is paid at an overtime rate at time-and-a-half because, in theory, the police department employee has already worked 40 hours or more as a full-time employee of the Public Safety Department in addition to his work on a duty crew.

The suit said the VBT employees who receive this blended hourly rate when they work on a duty crew in the fire department are among the top wage earners in township.

The suit tells how this all started. In 2012, Ken Floro held the dual positions of part-time Fire Lieutenant with the VBT Fire Department and full-time Police Lieutenant with the VBT Police Department. Floro received the blended rate of \$48.47 per hour when on a duty crew working alongside regular fire fighters who get \$18.40 per hour.

In October 2013, Floro was promoted to Captain in the VBT Fire Department and became a lieutenant in charge of the Detective Bureau at the VBT Public Safety Department. In 2013, Captain Floro was transferred to the Fire Operations Division and reported directly to Karver. He was below Karver in the fire department chain of command.

The suit says Karver was duty-bound and procedurally obligated to report violations of law, potential violations of law, and improprieties or suspected violations of law.

In November and December of 2012, Karver was made aware by fire fighters working with Floro that Floro had abandoned his duty crew partner and left the fire station while working duty crew on several occasions without authorization from a supervisor and without giving notice to his duty crew partner.

In December 2012, Karver said he personally observed Floro driving his personal vehicle while he was working duty crew shifts.

When Karver asked him why he was gone from the station without authorization in his personal vehicle, Floro told Karver, who was his supervisor at the time, that he "was out running [personal] errands."

Karver said he explained to Floro that this was unacceptable practice during shift hours.

In December 2012, Karver informed Fire Chief Besson that Karver was made aware that Floro had repeatedly left the fire station while working duty crew to attend to personal matters in his personal vehicle causing "delayed response times to

emergency runs."

The suit says, "despite being caught, confronted and counseled by his direct supervisor," Floro continued to leave the fire station while on duty crew shift endangering his fellow fire fighters who would be forced to answer emergency calls alone and the residents of VBT who may have only one of two assigned responders to a medical emergency.

Karver informed Besson in writing that a review of the Station 1 video showed that on one day alone, Floro left the station without authorization, nine times, for a total of 5 hours and 16 minutes.

In November 2013, Karver said he was asked by Besson to meet with Public Safety Director Laurain and Karver asked Besson if he was in trouble and was told by Besson, "No, absolutely not. You're not in any trouble."

When Karver met with Laurain in Laurain's office, Laurain asked him about the status of the Fire Inspector II test. Karver told Laurain that the Fire Inspector

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II test was the most difficult test he had ever taken and even though he had failed the test Karver was going to retake the exam.

Karver said Laurain told him that his previous test results were not an issue of concern and he "should not worry about it" and that Laurain and the department "would get me through the test."

The lawsuit states at no time was Karver told he must pass the Fire Inspector II exam by a certain date or that if he failed the next exam he would be terminated.

In late 2013, Karver said he again received numerous complaints about Floro continuing to absent himself from his duty station during his shift without authorization. About Dec. 15, 2013 Karver sent an email to Besson again informing the fire chief that Floro has left shift on multiple occasions to attend to personal matters leaving junior-level fire fighters alone during shift hours.

Karver also said fire fighters who provided information about Floro feared retaliation. Karver said one blended-rate employee feared his statement implicating Floro would "come back to bite me at VBPD."

On Jan. 21, 2014, Besson emailed Karver that his life had been busy around the holidays and he apologized for the delay in responding. He said he needed more information to move forward on this and carbon-copied Laurain on his email.

On Feb. 21, 2014, Karver transmitted a "high priority" email to Laurain and Besson in response to the Jan. 21, 2014 email by Besson. Karver detailed additional information and concerns regarding Floro's "continued and serious dereliction of duty" while working on a duty crew at the fire department.

On Feb. 25, 2014, Karver received a notice from The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) that he failed the Fire

Inspector II exam.

About Feb. 27, 2014, Karver copied and provided several statements by employees of the fire department that detailed instances of Floro leaving his duty station without authorization for extended periods of time, all while being compensated by VBT at the high blended hourly rate.

The law suit states that on March 3, 2014, Besson came to Station 1 to meet with Karver. Karver said Besson was angry and irately accused Karver of notifying the VBT Board members about the inquiry related to Floro's dereliction of duty. Karver denied he had provided information about the investigation to board members and told Besson he did not know who might have disclosed information regarding the investigation.

Karver said only he and Besson had the employees' statements that confirmed Floro's absences from his duty station.

During the March 3, 2014 meeting with Besson, Karver informed Besson that if Laurain and Besson continued to allow Floro to leave the fire station without authorization while on duty crew for personal business, Karver would then feel constrained to notify and inform members of the township board of the issue, as he had done in the past on other matters concerning wrongdoing.

The law suit states that directly following the meeting on March 3, 2014, Besson sent Karver a text message instructing Karver to "keep this between us".

On March 6, 2014, Besson sent an email to Marty Meyers of the NFPA and copied Karver. The subject was: "Upcoming Fire Inspector II Examination".

Besson wrote: "Marty, Would you mind providing me with the upcoming dates for any NFPA Fire Inspector II examinations? Fire Inspector Karver needs to get enrolled in one. We need the examination retake price too if you can include that. Thanks! Dan."

The law suit states "on March 6, 2014, Defendant Besson was *not* contemplating terminating or even disciplining Plaintiff [Karver] for failing the previous Fire Inspector II examination," but instead wanted to enroll Karver and asked about the fees because VBT was going to pay for the "retake."

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He was ordered to have batterer's counseling and pay \$750 in fees. He is to have no assaultive contact with the victim.

Prescott, who initially pled guilty to domestic violence, said on Feb. 1 in Van Buren Township he and his fiancé got in an argument and he pushed her, "but she was coming at me."

34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley said he had trouble accepting a guilty plea with that comment, but he might be able to

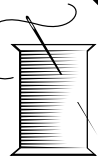
accept a no-contest plea.

Prescott said he lives on Hardwood and has worked at the Jefferson Avenue Assembly Plant for three years.

Heather Mormon, a victim advocate, said she talked to the victim, who was not in the courtroom, and she's OK with the plea and wants the no-contact order lifted.

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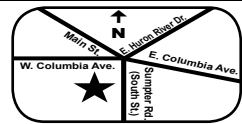
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VBT law suit

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On March 10, 2014, Karver was contacted by his union representative, Fire Fighter and Police Sgt. Mark Abdilla, who told Karver that he was ordered to the township supervisor's office about an unknown matter and they went right over.

Karver and Abdilla met with Supervisor Combs, Laurain, Besson, and the VBT Human Resources person and Laurain informed Karver he was fired because he had failed the Fire Inspector II exam. Laurain ordered him to turn over his badge and his VBT employee identification, which he did. Karver was then escorted from the building by the VBT Police.

Karver's attorney Convertino, a former federal prosecutor, said the Whistleblower Protection Act protects an individual who reports or is about to report a suspected violation of law to a public body. A law enforcement agency or any member of a law enforcement agency is a "public body" within the meaning of the Whistleblower Act, he said.

Carlito H. Young and Stephanie Simon Morita of Johnson, Rosati, Schultz & Joppich are the defense attorneys for the township.

The case has been wending its way through the court system since it was filed on June 11 and now may be heading into the final months. A jury trial has been demanded by Karver, but no trial date has been set.

In the law suit Karver asks to be reinstated in his position as Captain without loss of

seniority, with back pay and a monetary award.

On Monday, Circuit Court Judge David Allen signed an order denying the township attorneys' motion for a Stay of Proceedings and a Motion to Adjourn. The township attorneys indicated they will be filing an appeal of Judge Allen's earlier denial of a Motion to Dismiss the case and wanted to put the main case on hold until the appeal was decided, which could take some time.

But, also on Monday, Judge Allen did adjourn the Case Evaluation from March 17 to sometime in May. Discovery Cut-off also was extended to April 30.

Karver has been going through the arbitration procedure over his firing and the final results are expected to be released shortly.

Known for being outspoken, Fire Captain Karver also had filed a complaint on April 23, 2012 concerning then Fire Chief Darwin Loyer's actions at an April 18, 2012 structure fire.

Loyer subsequently was fired and Besson took over his job as fire chief. Loyer then sued the township in his own Whistleblower case and got \$75,000 in a settlement.

On Monday, Van Buren Township's defense attorney Carlito Young was not available for comment on Karver's Whistleblower case because he was out of the office at a seminar.

VBT Supervisor Linda Combs also was out of her office on Monday for a medical procedure, but her standard procedure has been not to discuss pending litigation.

Last summer, when the law suit was

pending, Karver was advised by his attorney Convertino not to talk to the press.

The law suit is #14-007522-CZ, a public document on file in the Wayne County Clerk's office.



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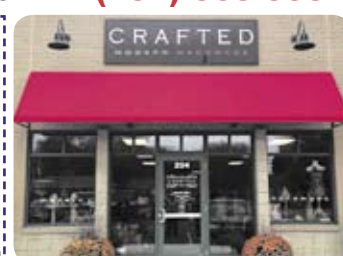
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VBT Menards

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Nothing has been resolved about the existing driveway north of Walgreen's that needs to be closed before Menards' new drive using the new traffic signal is put in place. Knowles said people are working on that issue. The Auto Zone drive is the only drive using the new traffic signal now.

In other business at the 20-minute meeting on Feb. 17, the board:

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- Approved the reappointments of Carol Bird, representing the business community in the district, and Mark Laginess, holding an at-large position, to the Downtown Development Authority with terms to expire March 9, 2019;

- Acknowledged the resignations of Tom DiPietro and Terissa Wardwell from the Board of Zoning Appeals and approved the appointment of Joseph A. Barnabei from an alternate member to a full member with a term to expire Dec. 1, 2015 to replace DiPietro and the appointment of Medina Atchinson from an alternate member to a full member with a term to expire Dec. 1, 2016 to replace Wardell. DiPietro, an attorney, is leaving because of a conflict of interest with the township and Wardwell has health issues. Supervisor Combs said she will be looking for alternate members to appoint. The BZA is a seven-member board and four positive votes are needed for official approval;

- Approved a personal services agreement with Joel Sabin to fill the GIS Technician position, which is directly under IT Director Steve Rankin. His salary will be \$52,000, which is already in this year's budget. Sabin worked in the City of Jackson and for the Georgia Department of Transportation. His

degree is from the University of Georgia. Supervisor Combs said Sabin will benefit the water department and others;

- Approved purchase of a new server and disk storage for \$22,223 to replace the current server that will have reached its 7-year, end-of-life cycle in April 2015 and will no longer be supported by Dell. The purchase is in the 2015 IT budget;

- Pulled from the agenda and postponed until the next meeting consideration of a resolution to affirm the parcel located on the north side of Tyler Road, just east of Belleville Road, was never officially conditionally rezoned from R-1 to C-1 and so that parcel continues to be zoned R-1B. The zoning was brought to the attention of the board by neighbor Andrew Pavlosky, who said he saw people out there checking out the property that was incorrectly labeled commercial zoning. The item was removed from the agenda because Trustee Jahr discovered a technicality to address. The item is expected to be back on an upcoming agenda. When Pavlosky asked why it was removed from the agenda, Supervisor Combs told him to talk to Director Knowles, who would explain;

- Pulled from the agenda the proposal to hire Elections Clerk Nicole Sumpter

to fill a new position of Administrative Assistant / Human Resources Generalist in a reorganization of the Clerk's department. At the work/study meeting, Trustee Jahr had questions about the proposal and it will be on the agenda of the March 2 work/study for more discussion. Clerk Wright, who proposed the move, said, "There's not a problem waiting. We can talk until you're tired of talking." Supervisor Combs said this proposal is a good move for the township. The HR duties originally were performed by Deputy Clerk Kathy Cline and when she retired they were passed on to the supervisor's executive assistant and when she resigned duties were performed on a part-time contractual basis, which became a part-time permanent position and most recently was approved in the 2015 budget as a full-time position. Wright said changes in election law impacted the workflow in the clerk's office and so he brought back a proposal he had first come up with in 2012;

- Heard Clerk Wright make a statement about taking a stand to celebrate Black History year around, so young people will know their history, rather than looking at the history just one month a year; and

- Heard Treasurer Sharry Budd remind taxpayers that the deadline for paying taxes has been extended until Friday, Feb. 27. The treasurer's office now accepts credit cards for taxes and water bills with a 2.75% service fee.

The board went into closed-door session at 4:40 p.m., after the work/study session on Feb. 17, to discuss ongoing Michigan Association of Fire Fighters (MAFF) contract negotiations and an attorney's opinion regarding Visteon.

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• **Friday, Feb. 27** – Sumpter Township Seniors Black History Day Celebration starts at 1 p.m. in the Sumpter Community Center Gym. Cost \$4. Bring a dish to pass.

• **Friday, Feb. 27** – BHS Band Boosters invite you to their annual spaghetti dinner, 5-8 p.m., at the Belleville High School Commons. \$8 at the door. Music by the BHS Jazz Band.

• **Friday, Feb. 27** – Celebrate “Mardi Gras Around the World” at the Van Buren Eagles, with the social hour beginning at 5:30 p.m., dinner from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., and music by the Paul Keller “At Sundown” Quintet. All-you-can-eat buffet dinner. Tickets \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door, if available. Information and reservations, Keith & Ginger Bruder, (734) 461-2498.

• **Friday, Feb. 27** – All Free Friends Family Theater Movie Night at 7 p.m. at the Youth Center, 7890 Tuttle Hill Road, at Bemis Road, Ypsilanti. Bounce House at 6:30 p.m. Includes free food. “McKenzie’s Gifts” is the movie, 2014, 10 minutes. Also, a film about another oversized hero, 2014,

102 minutes. Questions? (734) 482-5074. Previews: www.friendsfamilytheater.com

• **Saturday, Feb. 28** – Bring children 4-12 to a free event at 1-3 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Recreation Center. At this Camp Discovery parents and kids can discover what camp is all about. Walk stations to learn about what happens during summer camp. Organizations and entertainment will be there. (734) 699-8921, www.vanburen-mi.org

• **Thursday, March 5** – The Belleville SOUP Project 2015 opens its doors at 5:30 p.m. at the Belleville High School Commons and supper is served at 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$9 for students, and \$40 for a family of four. Enjoy a soup supper and hear BHS New Tech students present ideas for a new Belleville project then vote on your favorite.

• **Friday, March 6** – All Free Friends Family Theater Movie Night at 7 p.m. at the Youth Center, 7890 Tuttle Hill Road, at Bemis Road, Ypsilanti. Bounce House at 6:30 p.m. Includes free food. Movie about when you think that you couldn’t have a worse day! 2014, 81 minutes. Also, a film about cyber-bullying, 2014, 93 minutes. Questions? (734) 482-5074. Previews: www.friendsfamilytheater.com

• **Saturday, March 7** – Sumpter Township residents can bring their dogs to the Animal Shot Clinic from 1 to 4 p.m. in the pole barn across from township hall. Rabies shots are \$15; distemper/parvo combination, \$22; dog licenses \$5, \$7. Also on Saturday, March 14.

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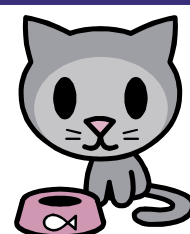


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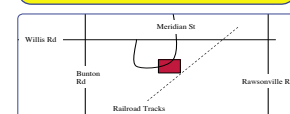


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Abel, Fredrick	\$82,733.16	\$118,894.16	Washington, Tabatha	\$2,028.46	\$2,862.56	Marcum, James III	\$42,640.32	\$75,840.02
Carlesso, Robert	\$54,389.78	\$78,085.39	Wells, Natalie	\$829.35	\$1,172.08	Rodriquez, Matthew	\$18,615.48	\$29,723.37
Crippen, Delria	\$86,946.44	\$128,765.74	Wilson, Arnetta	\$0.00	\$64.80	Romanowski, Allyson	\$19,840.24	\$27,546.16
Fisher, Rodney	\$83,213.00	\$123,726.97	Wilson, Vernor	\$7,017.00	\$9,736.68	Tarrow, Erna	\$27,614.38	\$56,612.85
Johnston, Karen	\$93,501.98	\$137,938.63	Wise, Donna	\$11,903.50	\$16,623.29	Taylor, Vivian	\$18,539.62	\$29,731.55
Kullis, Diane	108,643.03	\$152,907.28	Wood, Sandra	\$926.87	\$1,308.52	Ulrich, Holly	\$4,357.86	\$6,009.83
Langford, Shonta	\$103,683.99	\$163,778.95	Custodians and Mechanical			Vlodyka, Michelle	\$14,712.21	\$30,170.14
Leroy, John	\$97,043.97	\$153,461.01	Abraham, Anthony	\$42,030.09	\$65,185.85	Paraprofessionals		
Lindsay, Andrew	\$79,141.33	\$129,597.18	Alberts, Elizabeth	\$1,685.99	\$2,325.11	Allender, Amy	\$2,666.21	\$3,676.90
Lloyd, Melissa	\$83,494.36	\$135,864.50	Brown, Charles	\$41,318.71	\$76,099.73	Armatis, Denise	\$10,132.46	\$14,060.08
Madyun, Abdul	\$104,930.48	\$150,331.47	Bury, Laura	\$27,152.43	\$65,214.85	Ashford, Angela	\$14,152.40	\$26,681.27
Moffitt, Karen	\$51,534.05	\$75,259.53	Cromwell, Jackie	\$5,683.50	\$7,961.38	Babik, Abby	\$12,380.70	\$35,950.48
Moore, Jeffrey	\$95,642.62	\$153,061.92	Crowder, Theresa	\$28,614.27	\$46,758.86	Brown, Paula	\$3,757.17	\$5,243.88
Pitt, Aleisa	\$88,288.23	\$140,076.56	Disney, Connie	\$29,723.78	\$48,225.40	Browning, Sherry	\$9,798.17	\$32,312.42
Ross, Rebecca	\$76,538.19	\$110,483.71	Dubisky, Daryl	\$35,101.33	\$49,488.19	Bumbul, Dawn	\$11,359.92	\$30,760.60
Smith, Karen	\$50,453.22	\$80,822.70	Faulkner, Dewey	\$33,472.86	\$53,483.06	Colwell, Roseanne	\$15,125.09	\$28,023.68
Van Tassel, Michael	\$132,502.46	\$191,118.49	Fisher, Danny	\$28,250.29	\$56,570.81	Coyle, Patricia	\$11,565.37	\$30,949.25
Villa, Kelleen	\$81,195.12	\$132,188.68	Fletcher, David	\$33,281.44	\$60,945.45	Creps, Mildred	\$16,114.09	\$22,953.52
Williams, James	\$93,075.71	\$137,850.52	Fogarty, James	\$17,866.74	\$37,083.00	Fields, Carlton II	\$6,313.39	\$13,647.48
Wilsey, Scott	\$84,427.40	\$136,536.03	Garrison-Combs, Debra	\$0.00	\$59.15	Fisher, Randall	\$22,432.33	\$38,347.54
Wright, Howard	\$94,553.10	\$134,032.75	Gibson, Steven	\$1,028.25	\$1,464.84	Fitzsimmons, Andrea	\$14,584.77	\$27,285.70
Zajac, Jonathan	\$84,115.16	\$141,837.22	Goodman, Joseph	\$28,332.98	\$58,061.31	Fitzsimmons, Rosemary	\$12,829.51	\$32,694.71
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Baker, Renee	\$12,003.79	\$16,734.26	Holliday, Shane	\$36,114.27	\$69,044.74	Harris, Patricia	\$14,275.63	\$26,851.21
Blanton, Janet	\$3,445.14	\$4,797.27	Ihlenfeldt, Jody	\$32,914.97	\$52,722.18	Hedman, Penny	\$13,133.79	\$25,263.37
Bodenham, Lisa	\$5,906.38	\$8,225.49	Januszyk, Joseph	\$41,814.18	\$65,281.91	Hudelston, Martha	\$9,787.83	\$32,065.01
Bray, Rochelle	\$509.96	\$704.60	Johnson, Jacqueline	\$12,311.89	\$16,577.53	Korody, Jill	\$9,887.47	\$32,436.44
Bresette, Robin	\$3,948.00	\$5,408.27	LaDouceur, Bette	\$29,204.84	\$59,291.73	Ledford, Angela	\$11,382.99	\$34,515.15
Brooks, Carolyn	\$21,717.25	\$38,000.84	LaMothe, Daniel	\$35,314.33	\$64,149.88	Loria, Jack	\$2,070.44	\$2,886.71
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Bryant, Kimberly	\$3,523.55	\$4,951.66	Loechli, Nicholas	\$15,552.20	\$22,061.34	McInchak, Patricia	\$15,757.88	\$23,520.32
Cook, Paulette	\$7,198.30	\$20,462.34	Malave, Kristina	\$6,488.68	\$10,964.40	Melidosian, Susan	\$13,106.11	\$18,921.95
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Day, Catherine	\$2,875.28	\$4,549.90	McNaughton, John	\$1,134.00	\$1,612.95	Missant, Linda	\$10,912.56	\$33,850.05
Doty, Kelly	\$2,670.37	\$3,724.03	Monteleone, Andrew	\$8,262.13	\$16,032.03	Myers, Lisa A	\$14,482.34	\$20,956.18
Dubisky, Teresa	\$299.72	\$429.38	Nelson, James	\$50,869.99	\$77,649.03	Riley, Jeanne	\$11,260.57	\$15,682.01
Dunigan, Patricia	\$0.00	\$341.54	Osborne, Thomas	\$41,811.59	\$59,283.84	Rushlow, Deborah	\$9,848.55	\$32,382.76
Elliott, Brenda	\$9,442.29	\$13,093.31	Ottewell, Timothy	\$0.00	\$6.23	Schofield, Janice	\$14,127.16	\$21,012.04
Etherington, Kathryn	\$4,833.58	\$6,745.89	Parks, Henry	\$14,155.76	\$38,351.03	Slone, Yvonne	\$15,948.72	\$22,991.73
Farr, Sarah	\$2,187.72	\$3,089.51	Renton, Dale	\$32,821.50	\$60,135.16	Smith, Stephanie Jean	\$10,966.14	\$15,336.90
Fields, Sandra	\$499.54	\$688.91	Sattler, Kimberly	\$28,594.60	\$55,749.45	Stamper, Dawn	\$10,667.97	\$33,915.34
Folks, Rebecca	\$3,085.39	\$4,312.37	Schulz, David	\$39,628.56	\$55,927.11	Timoszyk, Cathy	\$10,240.03	\$32,937.43
Gibson, Debra	\$9,786.15	\$29,943.78	Scroi, Russell	\$2,230.51	\$3,093.76	Todd, Marie	\$14,756.62	\$28,322.82
Grant, Dorothy	\$8,638.91	\$12,113.19	Shanks, Phillip	\$33,425.32	\$61,292.61	Tyner, Katerina	\$8,211.22	\$11,323.91
Graveldinger, Cynthia	\$18,569.60	\$30,337.45	Signorelli, Michael	\$54,584.10	\$90,642.91	Walczak, Susan	\$16,296.53	\$23,533.92
Gubaci, Melissa	\$3,297.41	\$4,597.32	Smith, Melinda	\$41,401.34	\$72,651.39	Whitehouse, Teresa	\$8,726.21	\$30,823.32
Hanes, Gail	\$9,787.71	\$13,607.58	Smither, Lee Jr.	\$29,721.20	\$48,454.89	Wolf, Heather	\$13,484.13	\$25,748.17
Harden, Nynier	\$13,658.97	\$19,129.57	Soderberg, Diana	\$0.00	\$5,532.98	Woodby, Pamela	\$14,488.83	\$20,818.86
Holmes, Colleen	\$16,206.99	\$38,785.73	Tighe, David	\$32,946.30	\$64,868.19	Xu, Qin	\$8,470.72	\$11,697.73
Hutchins, Sandra	\$9,600.00	\$13,444.91	Tomlin, Ricky	\$35,803.86	\$56,727.25	Yates, Kathy	\$16,285.93	\$23,190.36
Jensen, Cheryl	\$3,779.10	\$5,246.92	Tremper, David	\$33,481.62	\$53,487.55	Secretaries		
Kashmer, Yvette	\$3,285.75	\$4,665.29	Wegienka, Sheila	\$34,848.63	\$67,140.75	Armstrong, Sandra	\$15,792.19	\$22,031.28
Kieselbach, Inez	\$7,403.33	\$10,315.16	Wheeler, Toni	\$29,485.15	\$47,623.79	Branhan, Lakeisa	\$485.55	\$760.48
Kosikowski, Susan	\$4,707.53	\$6,535.99	Wilson, Renae	\$279.36	\$400.20	Brooks, Shirley	\$29,283.27	\$55,729.79
Kuclo, Jacquelyn	\$7,549.58	\$10,520.39	Young, Earl	\$45,702.09	\$78,343.10	Brown, Angelina	\$6,615.17	\$9,595.42
Lawson, Cheryl	\$9,375.34	\$13,037.75	Miscellaneous			Burrell, Patricia	\$29,977.19	\$49,911.91
Lipford, Joann	\$14,425.21	\$36,302.36	Alexander, Donald	\$535.44	\$742.66	Cichowski, Jamie	\$26,656.17	\$55,966.77
Marshall, Phyllis	\$2,747.91	\$3,832.55	Barksdale, Vicky	\$465.60	\$642.10	Cobb, Linda	\$27,072.65	\$56,541.12
Martin, Linda	\$3,803.74	\$5,310.47	Brown, Kimberly	\$535.44	\$742.66	Cornell, Jennifer	\$3,572.60	\$5,019.19
Martin, Peggy	\$699.38	\$996.27	Curtis, Yolanda	\$13,477.60	\$19,173.06	Crawford, Pamela	\$46,770.49	\$83,912.04
Marttila, Diane	\$11,705.15	\$24,139.48	Delia, Caterina	\$11,270.49	\$17,411.62	Evans, Deborah	\$31,832.79	\$47,038.47
Morin, Vicky	\$13,241.81	\$18,396.35	English, Kevin	\$480.00	\$516.72	Fletcher, Willinda	\$5,591.45	\$6,019.20
Osborne, Amy	\$2,915.87	\$4,050.90	Frazier, Sherry	\$510.00	\$549.02	Floro, Jaclyn	\$33,210.79	\$47,404.81
Parks, Nancy	\$3,921.99	\$5,477.32	Grantham, Kerry	\$4,650.18	\$2,526.46	Harris, Tammie	\$29,758.86	\$42,622.09
Peralta, Josefina	\$0.00	\$40.00	Jones, Stephen	\$535.44	\$742.60	Hollins, Natreece	\$2,769.60	\$3,921.11
Phillips, Tina	\$9,843.10	\$13,681.66	Jordan, Antoine	\$480.00	\$666.43	Innes, Kathy	\$33,157.44	\$46,968.71
Ramage, Laura	\$18,902.93	\$26,469.02	Kotcher, Charles Jr.	\$15,288.26	\$16,457.81	Johnson, Pamela	\$61,337.94	\$92,655.32
Randell, Shannon	\$5,428.62	\$7,537.09	Kovach, Kathleen	\$480.00	\$516.72	Johnson, Theresa	\$31,087.78	\$44,969.31
Ries, Stephanie	\$86.25	\$119.75	Maciejewski, Deborah	\$2,604.57	\$2,803.82	Karlinski, Stephanie	\$22,609.85	\$50,357.51
Roedding, Sandra	\$3,478.51	\$4,790.63	Mikulski, Brent	\$480.00	\$516.72	Kennedy, Marcia	\$28,616.65	\$57,859.56
Schettler, Shirley	\$105.03	\$104.96	Owen, Kelly	\$510.00	\$549.02	Kiessel, Diane	\$26,272.56	\$54,921.93
Scott, Shirley	\$3,774.84	\$525,986.00	Russell, Scott	\$420.00	\$452.13	King, Dawn	\$15,254.64	\$36,131.77
Scroi, Barbara	\$15,845.58	\$22,151.87	Schwartz, Michael	\$38,851.79	\$54,075.73	Loechli, Michelle	\$33,894.64	\$48,352.13
Sherman, Amy	\$10,245.46	\$14,323.18	Stamper, Alexandra	\$34,314.57	\$48,046.40	McCoy, Virginia	\$37,678.05	\$67,620.66
Smith, Stephanie M.	\$3,366.25	\$4,683.38	Taylor, Cassidy	\$10,388.02	\$14,818.53	McWilliams, Debra	\$34,492.64	\$67,177.10
Spivey, Diane	\$16,852.66	\$30,722.22	Toth, Martha	\$480.00	\$516.72	Melton, Pamela	\$44,769.57	\$77,921.86
Straight, Kathy	\$9,069.48	\$31,266.61	Wright, Koralynn	\$24,404.61	\$33,798.30	O'Keefe, Nicole	\$2,896.48	\$4,098.59
Stubbe, Henry	\$999.10	\$1,413.50	Non-Affiliated			Richards, Norma	\$29,272.71	\$59,607.56
Talaga, Ashley	\$1,261.75	\$1,781.35	Beyer, Kristen	\$1,068.96	\$1,484.14	Spillman, Kristine	\$2,837.20	\$4,004.15
Talaga, Mary	\$3,896.48	\$5,425.58	Cartwright, Sandra	\$41,994.86	\$75,418.10	Stoddart, Nancy	\$20,286.07	\$28,152.91
Taylor, Kelli	7652.81	10613.8	Cast, John	\$17,793.00	\$24,833.35	Stroud, Angela	\$0.00	\$1,239.00
			Chesney, Harvey	\$39,834.04	\$74,468.85	Trevorrow, Sylvia	\$25,831.76	\$50,334.26
			Grant, Kyle	\$24,269.79	\$33,469.88			

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Secretaries Continued							
Voigt, Mary	\$25,726.57	\$54,694.63	Buckosky, Mary	\$1,900.00	\$2,045.35	Haydon, Katherine	\$11,325.88
Wright, Christina	\$37,975.17	\$71,591.93	Buhro, George	\$78,141.68	\$109,586.56	Head, Scott	\$63,497.22
Young, Penny	\$21,373.68	\$39,239.84	Buhro, Stacy	\$91,205.46	\$147,986.86	Healy, Tracy	\$54,521.95
Young, Sabrina	\$33,743.63	\$49,301.84	Bull-Davie, Elizabeth	\$25,171.11	\$46,212.24	Held, Brent	\$75,750.28
Students			Burch, Sandra	\$52,459.71	\$90,601.99	Henning, Cynthia	\$54,965.11
Akubukwe, Daniel	\$692.41	\$745.38	Butka, Jason	\$39,183.42	\$77,019.22	Henry, Carmen	\$36,318.60
Ashford, Malik	\$1,000.38	\$1,076.91	Byrd, Tauna	\$63,664.92	\$89,886.94	Herrin, Rebecca	\$32,171.86
Bagley, Sydney	\$3,323.28	\$3,577.51	Cadeau, Kari	\$70,107.98	\$114,804.91	Hickman, Donal	\$63,489.49
Baker, Emily	\$1,928.55	\$2,076.08	Cagney, Kristine	\$47,566.13	\$73,223.35	Hickson, Kristy	\$42,193.72
Burrell, Alexis	\$266.52	\$286.90	Campbell, Michael	\$62,346.45	\$87,482.64	Hill, Shannon	\$61,176.94
Cleaver, Derris	\$2,435.73	\$2,622.07	Campbell, Michelle	\$36,295.58	\$49,554.63	Hiller, Lori	\$70,087.67
Evans, Allyson	\$1,744.71	\$1,878.18	Chamberlin, Blair	\$37,246.92	\$58,518.75	Hinderer, Petra	\$0.00
Gray, Jacob	\$966.54	\$1,040.48	Chie, Ellizabeth	\$62,429.27	\$104,501.14	Hinks, Amy	\$26,146.21
Green, Justin	\$891.87	\$960.10	Chiv, Kahlia	\$60,929.70	\$93,862.48	Hiser, Susan	\$1,660.00
Hammond, Alyse	\$186.18	\$200.42	Chrisner, Amy	\$63,785.39	\$105,991.49	Hoepfner, Ronald II	\$56,772.62
Harsch, Jacob	\$1,211.85	\$1,304.55	Cline, William	\$56,095.37	\$92,220.92	Holmes, Dion	\$33,810.14
Haver, Brent	\$1,523.57	\$1,640.12	Comb, Andrew	\$0.00	\$4,790.27	Holmes, Megan	\$20,949.39
Jackson, Brandon	\$826.61	\$889.85	Conn, Joselyn	\$45,687.78	\$81,224.05	Holowicki, Kellen	\$33,429.84
Johnson, Andre	\$286.47	\$308.38	Cook, Sara	\$49,097.53	\$85,305.26	Hopewell-Hatcher, Marva	\$34,500.31
Johnson, Marques	\$2,767.32	\$2,979.02	Cooper, Jason	\$33,872.06	\$54,134.30	Horchum, Kristin	\$37,500.40
Kruschlin, Emily	\$2,415.23	\$2,599.99	Courter, Katherine	\$58,881.96	\$91,385.20	Hosman, Marcus	\$57,555.10
Lloyd, Amber	\$567.51	\$610.93	Crawley, Chantay	\$35,125.44	\$66,225.69	Howell, Pauline	\$65,010.26
Lloyd, Mallory	\$800.70	\$861.95	Currie, Shahna	\$43,833.03	\$67,256.42	Hunwick, Scott	\$15,218.43
Lowe, Verniece	\$3,163.85	\$3,405.89	Cutting, Catherine	\$54,195.04	\$89,426.63	Hutchinson, Bruce	\$46,370.63
Malone, Marcus II	\$4,376.20	\$4,710.97	Dancho, Albert	\$25,287.54	\$39,146.33	Ireland, Nicole	\$63,665.80
Martin, Katelyn	\$14.80	\$15.93	Dapsi-Morse, Jennifer	\$77,661.29	\$109,461.44	Ivory, Mylah	\$73,766.70
Martin, Zachery	\$14.50	\$15.61	Darket, Mark	\$35,675.42	\$66,683.29	Jackson, Spring	\$62,163.32
McWilliams, Edward	\$960.68	\$1,034.17	Davenport, Matthew	\$85,228.44	\$133,970.01	Jager, Rachel	\$76,109.80
Mills, Vanessa	\$14.80	\$15.93	Davis, Cynthia	\$52,166.71	\$73,386.66	Janack, Linda	\$68,748.59
Parker, Amanda	\$3,165.47	\$3,407.63	Debuyscher, Jolynn	\$64,379.68	\$103,436.42	Jetton, Joshua	\$10,807.33
Roberson, Charles	\$1,311.27	\$1,411.58	Dehann, Matthew	\$39,585.89	\$61,447.31	Johnson, Deborah	\$51,749.48
Romeo-Cast, Belsy	\$2,428.16	\$2,613.92	Delfuoco, Tracy	\$77,224.31	\$108,615.42	Jones, Katherine	\$47,670.09
Spears, Gabrielle	\$297.34	\$320.09	Dennehy, Bridget	\$11,475.57	\$17,207.76	Jordan, Cindy	\$53,379.68
Stinson, Sierra	\$3,314.03	\$3,567.55	Devore, George III	\$77,772.81	\$121,870.17	Kapcia, Suzanne	\$69,214.78
Stone, Michael	\$1,816.49	\$1,955.45	Devore, Kathryn	\$48,640.73	\$73,569.93	Karaba, Melanie	\$21,147.45
Testorelli, Joel	\$1,103.82	\$1,188.27	Diacono, Lori	\$62,992.94	\$101,867.72	Kazmierski, Matthew	\$47,119.72
Thomas, Dejah	\$1,509.09	\$1,624.53	Dobek, Julie	\$32,219.80	\$45,271.56	Kedroske, Michael	\$7,917.27
Dept. Supervisors			Dolan, Christa	\$21,682.83	\$38,905.94	Kehoe, Carrie	\$46,115.22
Bliven, Karen	\$51,796.92	\$80,078.96	Dolan, Cynthia	\$65,237.89	\$107,739.37	Kelly, Tiffany	\$69,251.76
Rupnow, Brian	\$49,146.00	\$68,531.19	Dombrowski, Staci	\$10,395.83	\$17,596.62	Key, Janet	\$18,272.59
Waller, Karen	\$11,780.17	\$12,963.16	Dronseiko, Catherine	\$56,507.40	\$85,615.39	Kidder, Cori	\$71,128.15
Yee, Jennifer	\$31,609.58	\$57,755.97	Dubisky, Alicia	\$0.00	\$2,444.95	King, Megan	\$35,405.53
Teachers			Duda-Osborne, Susan	\$66,356.34	\$109,949.40	Kinsey, Michele	\$44,822.39
Acomb, Andrea	\$51,806.81	\$78,417.98	Dudick, Jennifer	\$56,607.18	\$95,510.80	Kirk, Gregory II	\$35,935.16
Adelmann, Jessica	\$67,355.13	\$94,488.24	Dybicki, Kimberly	\$69,536.47	\$98,020.46	Kiser, Jessica	\$64,727.04
Albany, Angela	\$23,931.47	\$37,297.09	Elsner, Vickie	\$55,979.56	\$95,096.27	Knight, Kathy	\$68,468.50
Altenbernt, Lauren	\$69,128.42	\$102,240.61	Elster, Elizabeth	\$23,651.61	\$36,140.04	Knotts, Erin	\$18,237.38
Ambrose, Thomas	\$39,753.59	\$55,676.21	Emerson, Joelle	\$63,497.22	\$105,033.92	Koch, Lawrence	\$71,534.30
Anguilm, Diana	\$52,490.42	\$73,422.23	Epperson, Ann	\$55,785.00	\$94,943.31	Komaromi, Michelle	\$55,195.04
Atchley, Jill	\$66,114.55	\$98,474.23	Evans, Robin	\$38,354.49	\$70,410.20	Korpics, Charlene	\$78,177.95
Baker, Erin	\$28,033.03	\$49,631.81	Fairchild, Kim	\$72,812.16	\$107,656.10	Krug, Kevin	\$65,188.04
Baker, Laura	\$67,618.64	\$108,957.66	Falk, Virginia	\$70,234.53	\$111,612.58	Krumm, Ernest	\$69,878.92
Bancroft, Wendy	\$62,423.59	\$103,096.45	Feury, Michelle	\$20,519.87	\$29,668.99	Kuehnel, Teresa	\$63,274.90
Barc, Jennifer	\$49,040.98	\$85,414.21	Fidh, Janice	\$69,494.25	\$96,872.70	Kummer, Deborah	\$12,709.97
Bargardi, David	\$69,783.27	\$113,757.51	Fiema, Lisa	\$38,532.47	\$60,363.61	Kunz, Laurie	\$31,779.36
Bargardi, Kimberly	\$75,707.08	\$106,070.70	Filary, Laurie	\$66,835.52	\$93,705.02	Kurash, Antoinette	\$69,244.13
Bartold, Lori	\$10,408.19	\$16,879.95	Flisher, Robert	\$64,266.27	\$106,517.42	Lang, Aaron	\$61,222.03
Bateman, Michael	\$53,607.59	\$90,923.74	Florian, Dorothy	\$3,022.28	\$3,860.83	Lang, Sarah	\$37,604.01
Bateman, Nancy	\$75,881.68	\$106,312.76	Foreman, Holly	\$2,547.41	\$3,536.82	Larabee, Mary	\$55,621.80
Bates, Jasmine	\$5,109.28	\$7,550.87	Fowler, Toby	\$67,770.17	\$108,629.70	Lasenby, Felicia	\$37,059.41
Bazzy, Rachael	\$11,879.82	\$18,896.30	Frank, Ryan	\$14,585.37	\$20,831.30	Lauer, Lisa	\$62,552.12
Beagan, Mary	\$47,424.79	\$65,623.84	Frederick, Gunesha	\$38,790.03	\$68,846.91	Leake, Carol	\$61,361.15
Bell, Mary	\$63,608.61	\$104,925.88	Gajda, Rebecca	\$40,706.57	\$70,272.52	Lentine, Jillian	\$33,150.24
Belloni, Cristen	\$60,675.97	\$102,049.26	Garcia, Joel	\$3,035.18	\$4,192.89	Ley, Janet	\$61,726.27
Benton, James	\$45,801.28	\$78,383.97	Garland, Jennifer	\$76,086.49	\$107,054.35	Libs, Theresa	\$57,379.57
Binert, Jill	\$63,546.42	\$105,805.43	Gearns, Michael	\$44,299.47	\$79,090.51	Lintner, Laurie	\$61,289.65
Birchmeier, Doris	\$0.00	\$902.24	Gentile, Paula	\$34,070.42	\$55,562.31	Linzell, Melissa	\$43,777.11
Bishar, Sarah	\$0.00	\$2,069.75	Gerst, Debbie	\$45,773.38	\$81,364.20	Mackie, Peter	\$67,139.44
Blankenship, Heather	\$54,758.82	\$76,975.36	Gibson, Jonathan	\$58,101.66	\$81,624.65	Maher, Laura	\$44,914.34
Bogle-Hogg, Virginia	\$75,750.28	\$106,656.88	Gilmore-Hick, Lacara	\$388.00	\$535.09	Malbone, Michelle	\$25,124.45
Bolton, Heather	\$44,517.40	\$68,627.95	Gipson, Alyssa	\$11,301.27	\$18,155.02	Mallon, Yvonne	\$43,819.24
Bos, Tania	\$64,571.81	\$96,764.76	Glime, Kimberly	\$36,109.44	\$67,284.91	Marquette, Kimberly	\$23,278.06
Botos, Kevin	\$41,368.28	\$71,185.30	Gomez, Stephanie	\$11,301.91	\$19,034.63	Martell, Tiffany	\$34,241.12
Bradley, Pamela	\$71,914.56	\$106,707.44	Grant, Joanne	\$51,928.11	\$89,264.52	Martin, Lizabeth	\$22,872.03
Bragenzer, Bill	\$71,344.69	\$116,159.01	Green, Falisadoll	\$68,974.97	\$114,774.86	Mason, Khaii	\$12,707.70
Brashear, Kristina	\$34,007.62	\$55,625.72	Gregor, Mark	\$62,404.16	\$103,605.30	Mastie, Vivian	\$64,067.74
Brasil, Christina	\$44,960.57	\$62,741.58	Gurney, Michelle	\$69,094.41	\$113,119.76	Maxwell, Linda	\$54,255.96
Brodie, Joseph	\$57,217.30	\$97,064.62	Haase, Danielle	\$23,651.61	\$36,139.98	Mazurek, Angeline	\$27,934.41
Brooks, Alison	\$62,070.30	\$103,518.69	Hadyniak, Katelyn	\$31,878.33	\$50,687.05	McCarthy, John	\$31,072.77
Buck, Charlotte	\$49,871.66	\$76,049.39	Halliday, Stefanie	\$49,190.76	\$85,287.33	McCraith, Nicole	\$35,545.19
			Hammond, Colleen	\$56,887.56	\$96,823.29	McKeon, Tracie	\$45,389.43
			Hanaka, Tamara	\$35,671.89	\$65,425.98	McMillan, Scott	\$0.00
			Harden, Julie	\$69,244.13	\$96,429.71	Meier, Debra	\$64,129.80
			Harding, Angela	\$52,976.84	\$74,634.18	Metric, Elizabeth	\$42,711.26
			Harding, John	\$63,815.04	\$105,392.99	Miller, Laurie	\$41,340.26
			Harmon, Jessica	\$14,740.20	\$25,298.01	Miller, Timothy	\$63,833.61
			Harris, Chelsee	\$40,073.72	\$56,712.05	Miloser, Kristine	\$56,878.21
			Harrison, Elise	\$0.00	\$1,367.95	Miloser, Marc	\$71,878.94
			Hatcher, Rachael	\$56,162.73	\$79,273.64		
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Moore, Jessica	\$39,190.25	\$54,688.93
Moore, Jon	\$72,270.96	\$106,965.48
Morning, Amy	\$30,925.23	\$60,746.69
Morton, Christine	\$79,489.00	\$111,294.57
Mounsey, Deborah	\$66,003.67	\$98,468.24
Mulligan, Regina	\$230.00	\$247.60
Munoz, Anthony	\$18,331.92	\$26,198.41
Musser, Michael	\$74,795.92	\$120,561.20
Myers, Lisa J	\$27,661.87	\$46,593.56
Napthen, Marcus	\$54,674.18	\$93,800.99
Nedroscik, Kristen	\$31,595.03	\$52,522.41
Nelson, Barbara	\$52,342.17	\$90,163.51
Neubauer, Cynthia	\$67,072.92	\$111,527.15
Neuhart, Jill	\$19,002.02	\$27,474.69
Newman, Allyson	\$75,042.49	\$110,201.11
Niner, Daryl	\$69,441.64	\$114,196.95
Nofs, Kathleen	\$67,525.14	\$111,276.80
Nordin-Rockwood, Jenni	\$63,561.31	\$105,729.48
Norman, Anita	\$51,171.52	\$72,663.92
Nota, Stephanie	\$46,525.53	\$71,213.95
O'Neill, Pamela	\$66,419.83	\$93,314.14
Parcha, James	\$46,838.82	\$65,476.23
Patton, Kathleen	\$25,068.81	\$33,007.49
Pawlowski, Lindsay	\$44,401.48	\$79,421.53
Petrimoulx, Paul	\$37,343.01	\$55,942.04
Pettway, Shandra	\$14,949.70	\$21,283.25
Phillips, Carey	\$64,262.95	\$103,778.22
Phillips, Derek	\$75,463.26	\$106,195.90
Phillips, Jessica	\$36,607.44	\$51,587.00
Phillips, Maliya	\$57,867.98	\$86,591.25
Pichini, Anne	\$10,487.95	\$16,883.33
Pinter, Susan	\$46,778.29	\$79,265.89
Pipok, Kristine	\$32,888.28	\$52,416.12
Porzondek, Stacy	\$36,193.74	\$50,859.22
Porzondek, Tonya	\$45,495.75	\$81,228.40
Preuss, Lisa	\$65,602.64	\$108,409.64
Priest, Randolph	\$2,215.20	\$2,384.66
Przydzial, Karen	\$60,841.68	\$91,325.12
Radtka, Erin	\$80,528.05	\$113,273.97
Radwood, Karen	\$49,635.12	\$75,629.21
Rafail, Melinda	\$52,789.78	\$74,242.92
Randolph, Jan	\$64,504.06	\$96,675.68
Ray, Pamela	\$64,137.04	\$103,137.34
Reavis, Patricia	\$4,350.00	\$4,682.78
Reddy, Jayanthi	\$12,709.54	\$19,776.95
Reed, Musetta	\$24,405.46	\$37,686.27
Reeves, Amy	\$48,351.87	\$85,072.03
Reinhard, Mary	\$7,429.70	\$12,899.27
Richards, Jonathan	\$39,774.51	\$72,408.32
Riggs, Constance	\$10,155.00	\$10,931.86
Rinaldi, Iris	\$70,211.21	\$114,451.18
Rivers, Eric	\$41,415.77	\$66,075.76
Roberson, Jerome	\$67,022.52	\$111,472.90
Roberson, Kim	\$23,396.85	\$32,943.02
Rodriguez, Evaristo	\$16,672.24	\$25,742.43
Rohloff, Steven	\$70,266.10	\$115,206.53
Roperti, Christine	\$62,720.99	\$105,034.99
Ross, Charla	\$52,799.18	\$90,921.29
Rowell, David	\$10,453.14	\$20,121.33
Rowsey, Deborah	\$150.00	\$161.48
Runyan, Jennifer	\$44,627.08	\$79,432.31
Rupnow, Elinor	\$62,274.55	\$103,655.27
Rybicki, Tiffany	\$35,040.19	\$50,221.44
Schwartz-Olm, Jessica	\$36,000.24	\$67,462.40
Scroogie, Angela	\$69,960.56	\$100,164.11
Sefcik, Kristian	\$41,743.27	\$66,897.81
Shafer, Richard	\$44,266.29	\$79,324.33
Sheedy, Annmarie	\$23,757.05	\$37,120.49
Sheridan, Jennifer	\$64,195.42	\$106,392.71
Sifton, Geri	\$32,434.93	\$49,068.58
Slingerland, Paula	\$66,465.95	\$99,123.43
Slusher, Amber	\$49,471.08	\$86,658.04
Smith, Christine	\$68,280.17	\$108,899.10
Smith, Jean	\$62,497.22	\$104,564.60
Spangler, Lori	\$5,855.00	\$6,302.91
Spence, Diane	\$71,861.24	\$112,838.30
Spinks, William	\$43,101.11	\$61,277.60
Sprague, Andrea	\$54,178.23	\$81,674.11
Spudich, Patricia	\$28,696.29	\$57,366.39
Spurlock, Cynthia	\$56,254.98	\$79,058.05
Stamm, Bonnie	\$66,100.98	\$109,695.46

Stamper, Elizabeth	\$68,920.22	\$96,532.31
Sterling, Janelle	\$37,135.36	\$58,009.53
Stiles, Sarah	\$15,144.94	\$23,520.20
Stipe, Karen	\$78,105.70	\$109,614.51
Strzalkowski, Jason	\$54,992.94	\$93,586.43
Sullivan, Holly	\$64,413.89	\$103,501.56
Sweets, Jacob	\$47,116.76	\$66,151.69
Swenson, Erin	\$12,236.17	\$18,933.71
Taub-McNabb, Melissa	\$34,709.25	\$50,006.82
Taylor, Nicholas	\$65,262.65	\$108,332.31
Taylor, Sarah	\$39,820.31	\$55,724.92
Tenbroeck, Jane	\$69,303.14	\$96,428.32
Tenbroeck, Peter	\$67,393.26	\$109,799.86
Tennis, Rebecca	\$72,814.46	\$101,936.31
Testorelli, Constance	\$47,153.72	\$66,498.61
Tibbs, Kathleen	\$62,603.92	\$104,717.45
Tredway, Eyonna	\$7,448.15	\$10,592.03
Trumpour, Adam	\$42,973.06	\$60,946.06
Tucker, Bradley	\$1,182.94	\$1,698.70
Vago, Mary	\$70,982.25	\$112,928.02
Vidojevski, Slavica	\$40,166.85	\$56,804.48
Villa, Samuel	\$82,459.25	\$115,694.36
Wagner, Michelle	\$59,234.16	\$99,417.15
Ward, Jamie	\$20,193.93	\$38,965.11
Washington-, Lakisha	\$12,872.31	\$22,424.85
Watkins, Aaron	\$31,835.19	\$61,685.29
Watkins, Amy	\$69,470.86	\$114,251.23
Wesley, Jason	\$51,886.82	\$73,553.29
White, Noelle	\$20,352.51	\$28,307.33
Whitesman, David	\$72,034.76	\$106,819.20
White-Twigg, Karen	\$970.00	\$1,044.21
Whitmire, Stacey	\$48,564.14	\$84,703.14
Weise, Jami	\$38,962.36	\$71,915.26
Williams, Asha	\$33,970.88	\$64,493.02
Williams, Latoya	\$45,417.29	\$69,648.91
Willoughby, Denise	\$63,200.50	\$104,912.25
Woods, Reni	\$16,697.90	\$25,705.38
Wright, Donna	\$12,115.00	\$13,041.80
Wyly, Joseph	\$26,704.60	\$40,626.13
Youngoldis, June	\$66,495.86	\$98,819.80
Yurcak, Margaret	\$35,482.97	\$50,450.71
Zuellig, Angela	\$1,431.69	\$2,018.80

Transportation

Abdulah, Carol	\$293.61	\$404.91
Ackron, Crystal	\$7,753.46	\$10,770.82
Ackron, Wendy	\$13,377.60	\$18,602.28
Adkins, Denise	\$11,720.68	\$16,824.93
Alexander, Janine	\$15,357.84	\$35,285.67
Altobello, Nicole	\$9,186.42	\$1,267.05
Armatis, Joycelynn	\$2,177.15	\$3,084.10
Ayers, Patricia	\$9,722.60	\$13,872.08
Baker, Glenn	\$13,876.86	\$19,835.17
Banks, Elizabeth	\$17,317.92	\$42,866.67
Bauer, Phyllis	\$2,139.10	\$3,134.54
Bernardy, Mary	\$19,507.59	\$27,825.23
Bishop, Teresa	\$17,678.76	\$42,786.91
Caldwell, Peggy	\$13,847.22	\$19,385.81
Camby, Roselyne	\$8,319.99	\$13,098.71
Campbell, Cheryl	\$18,311.90	\$32,527.50
Cardona, Pedro	\$7,279.33	\$10,106.62
Caudill, Nicole	\$2,068.99	\$2,858.71
Caudill, Teresa	\$16,312.66	\$23,386.64
Christian, Robbie	\$617.72	\$8,522.31
Clift, Amanda	\$8,602.98	\$12,072.61
Clippert, Sandra	\$12,204.34	\$17,077.98
Coleman, Grady	\$12,644.13	\$18,055.94
Curtis, Jean	\$8,630.41	\$24,483.55
Cyganski, Ann	\$15,401.04	\$23,481.27
Davis, Kisma	\$6,407.88	\$9,006.82
Desilets, Noreen	\$16,138.64	\$23,046.82
Diette, Barbara	\$14,699.59	\$21,130.00
Dwornik, Kathy	\$17,401.44	\$45,140.25
Ehnis, Darlene	\$3,653.71	\$5,078.47
Ellison, Sheila	\$15,328.78	\$36,407.57
Foscolo, Katherine	\$24,642.26	\$41,475.33
Gibbons, George	\$23.55	\$32.69
Gorecki, Yvette	\$4,597.13	\$6,539.51
Gravel, Nancy	\$20,540.76	\$29,437.97
Gray, Ryan	\$34,111.63	\$49,134.23
Grzych, Lorrie	\$15,246.28	\$21,729.68
Hatter, Katrenia	\$17,391.96	\$43,195.94
Hayes, Holly	\$7,936.93	\$11,057.24
Hecksel, Lori	\$13,064.08	\$18,747.91
Hitchmong, Rene	\$452.68	\$624.28
Hobson, Marquis	\$18,183.19	\$25,349.57
Hobson, Sherry	\$16,997.89	\$24,246.70
Holmes, Dedra	\$885.02	\$1,260.00
Holten, Theresa	\$5,042.28	\$7,089.27
Hunter, Dawn	\$24,142.60	\$52,357.55

Jenkins, Rebecca	\$15,409.11	\$21,513.12
Johnson, Andre	\$7,752.35	\$10,826.16
Johnson, Chantu	\$422.16	\$582.91
Johnson, Tanya	\$16,980.79	\$23,837.37
Jones, Kathy	\$9,330.65	\$13,424.86
Jones, Olivia	\$1,355.71	\$1,923.11
Kennedy, Lorraine	\$18,296.07	\$40,372.90
Keys, Franklin	\$13,530.95	\$19,628.30
Krause, Christine	\$15,298.75	\$21,293.80
Krause, Robert	\$23,741.26	\$33,007.15
Krzaczkowski, Karen	\$12,362.74	\$17,616.82
Lamar, Vanessa	\$12,613.20	\$17,622.72
Leigh, Tina	\$8,293.60	\$11,447.25
Lesniak, Sharon	\$18,568.86	\$26,473.74
Lewis, Cynthia	\$14,830.40	\$27,787.29
Maciejewski, Walter	\$12,627.24	\$17,223.11
Martin, Dana	\$20,114.04	\$28,518.26
Mason, Marcia	\$16,864.67	\$38,380.14
McQuaid, Kathleen	\$236.31	\$339.34
Means, Karen	\$12,276.47	\$17,700.78
Morgan, Peggy	\$6,625.48	\$9,527.13
Mull, Kelly	\$11,227.78	\$15,873.31
Nealy, Gloria	\$14,858.50	\$21,209.45
Nowak, Rona	\$24,518.26	\$34,709.56
Osak, Megan	\$15,228.55	\$21,295.85
Osborne, Angela	\$12,577.90	\$17,530.36
Page, Robert	\$1,194.41	\$1,647.19
Parent, Cheryl	\$3,275.32	\$4,811.49
Patterson, Freddie	\$18,253.90	\$26,028.81
Peatry, Sharmika	\$3,992.22	\$5,660.24
Perault, Cheri	\$9,722.63	\$13,971.20
Porter, Beverly	\$12,753.80	\$36,538.67
Ramsey, Diane	\$21,916.25	\$45,310.91
Reinhard, Dianna	\$13,098.94	\$18,245.75
Richardson, Zelda	\$21,789.06	\$31,341.76
Robbins, Laura	\$74.38	\$102.77
Roberts, Donna	\$0.00	\$1,094.56
Rodney, Carol	\$108.84	\$150.11
Ross, Pearl	\$6,266.29	\$8,744.79
Sinclair, Deborah	\$10,729.77	\$14,987.37
Smith, Debora	\$12,965.97	\$33,028.96
Smith, Jammie	\$13,065.74	\$18,179.60
Smith, Mario	\$6,263.36	\$8,771.62
South, Laena	\$9,489.90	\$28,182.77
Spaleny, Debra	\$14,431.14	\$20,221.89
Stillwagon, Jeffrey	\$20,577.05	\$47,340.90
Thomas, Michelle	\$13,174.02	\$36,598.47
Thornsbury, Kelly	\$15,503.78	\$21,708.60
Vealey, Daniel	\$15,430.50	\$40,067.71
Waldroop, Holly	\$14,186.72	\$38,038.63
Wauford, Patricia	\$15,497.06	\$21,642.39
Wegerbauer, Carol	\$8,611.81	\$11,945.43
Weick, Denise	\$17,266.04	\$25,704.99
Weick, Joseph Jr.	\$53,429.90	\$75,866.35
White, Joyce	\$15,609.99	\$22,769.46
Wood, Patsy	\$8,258.73	\$11,851.37
Youmans, Jennifer	\$8,496.73	\$11,915.78
Zalewski, Kathryn	\$3,944.19	\$5,609.10
Manier, Phyllis	\$2,189.09	\$3,097.73

Total Compensation may, in some cases, include FICA, retirement and/or insurance. There are 734 total employees at a total cost to the district of \$36,587,510.26.

Information compiled by Diane Madigan.



Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



The **2nd Annual Belleville Soup Project** will take place on Thursday, March 5, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at **Belleville High School Commons**. The public is invited to enjoy a soup dinner and hear Belleville High School New Tech students present their ideas for a new Downtown Belleville Project. The audience will then be able to vote on their favorite project. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$9 students and \$40 for a family of four. RSVP to **Belleville DDA (734) 646 0504** or email dda@belleville.mi.us. The presentations and voting will take place during supper with the winning project announced after dessert. The event is sponsored by the Belleville Downtown Development Authority, BHS new Tech, and the City of Belleville. Last year's winning project was the creation of the Belleville Zombie Run, held last October.

The **Leo's Coney Island** on Belleville Road in the Murray's Plaza is still closed this week for cleanup from recent water damage from pipes freezing. Perhaps up to another week, according to management as of this past Monday.

Tickets are now on sale for the upcoming BHS production of **Little Shop of Horrors**, March 19-21 at the **Belleville High School Auditorium**. All evening performances are at 7 p.m. with a special matinee show on March 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are discounted \$2 each for the matinee. Adult tickets are \$10 and students and seniors \$8. Box office opens one hour prior to show time. For ticket info, call **(734) 697-9133, ext. 2072**

The **Yankee Air Museum** is offering a new exhibition where students ages 10 to 18 and their parents can fly an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) on a challenge course set up inside the museum. The Feb. 28 event is free, but online registration is required. The museum has scheduled three other Fly-Zone Family Days on March 7, April 4, and May 2. Call **(734) 483-4030**. Visit www.yankeearmuseum.org.

With the planning of Sumpter Fest and Strawberry Festival already under way, we also are working on advertising packages for the official programs for the festivals. Watch this column for more details in the weeks to come.

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Court watching

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She said he went on like this for several hours. She said she has a speaker phone and tried to call for help, but he pulled it out of the wall.

Finally, her two daughters came in and he said he "should kill all of us," Tonaraw said.

Defense attorney Lankford said that Hartwell was waving a gun at her and was loud and rude.

Tonaraw said he was pointing the gun to her face, threatening her, and making insulting comments.

When Prosecutor Strace asked if he touched her with the gun, Tonaraw said, "The gun touched my forehead."

Strace made the motion to bind Hartwell over to the higher court on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon and the domestic violence misdemeanor.

Judge Oakley agreed and Hartwell was bound over.

Hartwell has been in trouble with the law before and in 1993 was sentenced to two years of probation for carrying a concealed weapon. Then he had a probation violation and spent six months in the Wayne County Jail. He still owes \$180 of the fees levied for that case.

Hartwell also had at least three paternity suits in civil court for not paying child support and was ordered to pay on all three.

Deandre Cortez Williams

Deandre Cortez Williams, 27, waived his preliminary exam on charges of carrying a concealed weapon and driving while license suspended, 2nd, before Judge Oakley.

The incident occurred on Feb. 8 in Van Buren Township. Detective McCarthy was on hand at the court for the case.

Williams was out after posting bond of \$5,000 or 10%. Bond was continued and Williams was directed to be at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice on March 4.

Ryan Anthony Jones

Ryan Anthony Jones is facing a charge of aggravated assault. Judge Oakley pointed out he has been in court three times. The domestic violence incident was Oct. 8, 2014.

Jones' retained attorney said it's his fault because he had surgery in December and was off for many weeks. The attorney asked for an adjournment until April 1 and Judge Oakley allowed it, but said there would be no further postponements.

Jones was arraigned and a court officer was sent out to find Belleville Officer Wickham, who was elsewhere in the courthouse, to comment on bond. Wickham read the report and recommended \$400 bond. After Wickham left the courtroom Judge Oakley said the records show Wickham recommended no bond last fall.

Judge Oakley set personal bond, which requires no money, and told Jones not to harm or harass the lady in question.

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Birthdays

Feb. 26 – Sheila Patton
 Feb. 27 – Dennis Davidson
 Feb. 29 – Ralph Bird
 March 1 – Jennifer Hayes-Price

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Obituaries

LEONARD DEAN COLEMAN

(October 4, 1957 - February 24, 2015)

Leonard Dean Coleman passed away February 24, 2015 at his home in Belleville. He was born in Dearborn on October 4, 1957, son of Darlene and Donald Coleman. After his father's death, he was raised by his mother and his stepfather Richard Wolf, who now live in Hillsdale. He was husband of Genorise Coleman and father of Jennifer Coleman and Leo Coleman. Also surviving are sisters Jeanette Fix and Darcell Mayotte, one brother Adam Coleman, stepsister Toni Dale, and stepbrother Scott Wolf. He was preceded in death by his brother Donald Michael Coleman and his father Donald Leonard Coleman.

Leonard was loved by his many nieces and nephews. He was a devout Christian and loved driving the church bus, where he met his wife Genorise. Leonard had many friends from different churches and held Bible studies in his home where he preached the love of the Lord. They were members of the Church of God in Belleville.

A memorial will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, February 27, 2015 at the Belleville Church of God on Hull Road.

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**City of Belleville
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2015**

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

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Fielder	Present
Council Member Smith	Present
Council Member Tindall	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Loria	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Loria, Second by Smith to approve agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Smith, Second by Fielder to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of January 20, 2015 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Open Bids –RFQ – Planning Services

Motion by Tindall, Second by Fielder to approve **Resolution No. 15-007** to open bids received for certified planning consultants and planning consultant firms and refer the bids to a joint subcommittee consisting of some Planning Commission members and City Administration to review and bring back to City Council with a recommendation at the end of March 2015.

Bids received from Carlisle Wortman Associates, Inc. \$2,400.00 per month, McKenna Associates \$725.00 per month, and Spicer Group \$2,000.00 per month.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. FY2013/14 Audit Presentation

Kelly Howey of Plante Moran gave the FY2013/14 Audit Presentation.

C. Downriver Sewer Update – City Attorney

City Attorney Steve Hitchcock was present to discuss the proposed Downriver Sewage Disposal System Service Agreement and where we are in the negotiation process.

D. Mayor's Appointments to Boards & Commissions

Motion by Tindall, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-008** to approve the reappointments of John Hennessey, Bob McCraight, Bernie Zarb, Mike Evans, Joe Watt and alternate member Rich Evans to the Construction Board of Appeals with terms to expire on December 31, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Motion by Tindall, Second by Smith to approve **Resolution No. 15-009** to approve accounts payable and payables over \$500.00 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

None.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to MCL 15.268(c) to discuss the status and strategy of pending union negotiations.

Motion by Fielder, Second by Tindall to approve **Resolution No. 15-010** to recess regular meeting and enter into Executive Session at 8:50 P.M. Pursuant to MCL 15.268(c) to discuss the status and strategy of pending union negotiations.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion by Smith, Second by Tindall to adjourn the Executive Session at 10:22 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Smith, Second by Fielder to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Long, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: February 17, 2015

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Upcoming Meetings

• Monday, March 2 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 3 – Van Buren Township regular board meeting, 7 p.m.

• Tuesday, March. 10 – September Days Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, VBT Local Development Financing Authority, 2 p.m., Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library meeting at 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 11 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Thursday, March 12 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission

continues deliberation on Sumpter Roller Rink's special use permit at 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, March 16 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 17 – Van Buren Township regular board meeting, 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, March 18 – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 24 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:50 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Water and Sewer Commission, 7:30 p.m.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP 2015 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

The **BOARD OF REVIEW** of the Charter Township of Van Buren will meet at the Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, on the following dates:

March 3rd, Tuesday
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
(Organizational Meeting)

No Appeals Heard at this Meeting

March 9th, Monday
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

March 11th, Wednesday
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

March 12th, Thursday
3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

REVIEW IN PERSON IS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Taxpayers/Property Owners may appeal by making an appointment to appear before the Board of Review **OR** by letter appeal (personal appearance is not required).

Letters of appeal must be received on or before MARCH 11, 2015.

Appointments to appeal in person may be scheduled by calling the Assessing Office at 734-699-8946 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by MARCH 10, 2015.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers are as follows:

Classification	Ratio	Multiplier
Agricultural	50%	1.0000
Commercial	50%	1.0000
Industrial	50%	1.0000
Residential	50%	1.0000
Developmental	50%	1.0000
Personal	50%	1.0000

Leon Wright
Van Buren Charter Township

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Thursday, February 19, 2015
Thursday, February 26, 2015

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POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Belleville Police Department is accepting sealed bids for the following vehicles:

1984 Chevrolet Celebrity
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1999 Chevrolet Lumina
2002 Ford Taurus

The vehicles are being stored at J&T Towing in Belleville. Bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with which vehicle you are bidding on and "Bid for Vehicle." Bids are due in the City Clerk's Office by Friday, March 13, 2015, no later than 4:00 p.m. They will be opened and read publicly at the March 16, 2015 City Council Meeting at Belleville City Hall, 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan 48111 in the Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

Vehicles may be viewed at J&T Towing, 287 Industrial Park Drive, Belleville, Michigan.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities in the best interest of the City of Belleville.

DATE: February 13, 2015

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March 12, 2015**



City of Belleville Public Notice



City of Belleville PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING



The City of Belleville Board of Review will be held on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015

Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2015. A second meeting will be on Tuesday March 10, 2015 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m. **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Please call (734)697-9323 ext. 7014 to set up an appointment.

The meetings will be held in the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Resident and non-resident taxpayers are permitted to file protests in writing without personal appearance. Letters must be received by March 10, 2015.

Lisa Long,
City Clerk/Treasurer
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Sumpter Township Public Notice



SUMPTER TOWNSHIP 2015 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF SUMPTER TOWNSHIP. THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF SUMPTER TOWNSHIP WILL MEET AT THE SUMPTER TOWNSHIP HALL, 23480 SUMPTER RD, BELLEVILLE MI 48111 ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015 AT 4:30^{PM}
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
NO APPOINTMENTS

MONDAY MARCH 9, 2015 AT 9:00^{AM}-9:00^{PM}
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

TUESDAY MARCH 10, 2015 AT 9:00^{AM}-12:00^{PM}
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2015 AT 9:00^{AM}-12:00^{PM}
BOARD OF REVIEW WORK DAY
NO APPOINTMENTS

All hearings are by appointment only and must be accompanied by a petition form. Please call one of the numbers below for an appointment. Petitions are available at the Sumpter Township Supervisors Office or download a petition form at www.michigan.gov/treasury : click on forms: type in form number L-4035.

Written appeals are accepted as well and must be accompanied by a petition form and received in the assessing department by Thursday March 12, 2015 at 9:00^{AM}. No postmarks are accepted. Mail petitions to: Sumpter Township Board of Review 23480 Sumpter Rd, Belleville MI 48111.

Hardship/poverty exemptions are accepted as well. Please call the assessing department for more information on this exemption.

Any questions regarding the Board of Review, contact the Supervisors Office at (734) 461-6201 ext. 2229, or the Assessing Department Monday, Tuesday & Thursday only at (734) 256-4413.

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Sumpter Township Clerk-
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.
Sumpter Township Supervisor-
John Morgan

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 17, 2015

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. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, DDA Director Ireland, Developmental Services Director Knowles, DPW Director Taylor and an audience of two. (2).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jahr moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as amended removing Consent Agenda item #8 [Approval of the Administrative Assistant/Human Resource Generalist Job Description and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the Personal Services Agreement between the Township and Nicole Sumpter to fill the position] and New Business item #2 [To consider approval of Resolution 2015-05 to affirm that parcel V125-83-039-0009-014, located on the north side of Tyler Road, was never officially conditionally rezoned from R-1 to C-1, and that the parcel continues to be zoned R-1B]. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Budd moved, McClanahan seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. [Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2015; Prepaid List of February 6, 2015; Prepaid List of February 12, 2015; Voucher List of February 17, 2015; Acknowledgement of the resignations of Tom DiPietro and Terissa Wardwell from the Board of Zoning Appeals and approval of the appointment of Joseph A. Barnabei from an alternate member to a full member with a term to expire December 1, 2015 and approval of the appointment of Medina Atchinson from an alternate member to a full member with a term to expire December 1, 2016; Approval of the Personal Services Agreement between Joel Sabin and the Township to fill the GIS Technician position and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agreement and Approval of the purchase of a New Server and Disk Storage to replace the current Server that will have reached its End-of-life cycle in April 2015 and will no

longer be supported by Dell]. Board Members thanked Tom DiPietro and Terissa Wardwell for their service on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Combs thanked those who serve on the Township committees and commission and announced applications are being accepted to fill two alternate vacancies on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Applications are available on line at www.vanburen-mi.org and at the Supervisor's office at the Township Hall. Clerk Wright, in honor of Black History Month, read a quote from Frederick Douglass encouraging everyone to celebrate black history throughout the year.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident requested information on New Business item #2 that was removed from the agenda. Supervisor Combs requested that the resident contact Developmental Services Director Knowles for more information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Wright moved, McClanahan seconded to approve the request for special use for the establishment of outdoor sales and storage of building and landscaping materials associated with the Menards home improvement store. Motion Carried.

Representative Tyler Edwards from Menards gave a brief presentation of what the outdoor storage area will look like.

REPORTS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Treasurer Budd announced that tax collection has been extended, without penalty, until Friday, February 27, 2015. Credit card payments are now accepted at the Treasurer's counter however a 2.75% service fee will be applied for all credit card payments.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): None

ADJOURNMENT: Hart moved, Miller seconded to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Linda H. Combs, Township Supervisor
Published: February 26, 2015

"Human beings are the only creatures that allow their children to come back home."
- Bill Cosby

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.**, in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, Michigan to consider a proposed amendment to the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 06-02-92, as amended. The proposed amendment permits outdoor dining in the C-1 (General Business) zoning district as a Permitted Use and provides standards in proposed Section 12.02(tt).

The proposed amendment can be reviewed at the Developmental Services Department at Van Buren Township Hall during normal business hours. Written comments will be accepted by the Planning and Economic Development Department until 4:00 p.m. on the hearing date.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations will be made available with advance notice.

Posted: February 23, 2015
Published: February 26, 2015

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

The following are selected calls for VBT Police.
Sunday, Feb. 15:
0034 – assault & battery, Denton Rd.
0108 – assault & battery, Marlowe Ave.
1027 – suicide or attempt, Belmont Dr.
1108 – assault & battery, Ayres Ave.
1421 – water leak found, Ecorse Rd.
1643 – civil matter, Belleville Pointe
2329 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
2342 – operating while intoxicated, Haggerty BP
Monday, Feb. 16:
0359 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0938 – harassment call, Westlake
1106 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1106 – private property accident, Oak Ln.
1147 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1203 – motorist assist, SB I-275/Ecorse
1252 – private property accident, McBride Ave.
1251 – property damage accident, Mida Dr.
1344 – assault & battery, Rose Blvd.
1408 – private property accident, Kirkridge Park
1444 – missing person, Marlowe Ave.
1623 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Jackson St.
1759 – water leak found, Revere Dr.
2039 – civil matter, Rose Blvd.
2244 – water leak found, S. I-94 Service Dr.
Tuesday, Feb. 17:
0053 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr./Haggerty Rd.
0549 – suspicious situation, Haggerty Rd.
0603 – suspicious situation, Bayshore Dr.
0937 – larceny from auto, Elwell Rd.
0951 – property damage accident, Capitol Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.
1058 – personal injury accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
1119 – agency assist, N. Ponderosa
1234 – suspicious person, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1436 – personal injury accident, EB I-94 / Belleville Rd.
1442 – private property accident, W. Adams/Bog Rd.
1613 – fraud, Belleville
1636 – personal injury accident, Tyler/Walden Woods
1859 – operating while intoxicated, Haggerty Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1920 – missing person, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2222 – suspicious situation, Rawsonville Rd.
Wednesday, Feb. 18:
0732 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
0811 – juvenile complaint, Hamilton St.
0954 – private property accident, Parkwood Dr.
1052 – assault & battery, Parkwood Dr.
1157 – disturbance, Haggerty Rd.
1226 – assault & battery, Winchester St.
1342 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1408 – property damage accident, Van Born / Hannan
1444 – private property accident, Winchester St.
1501 – armed robbery, Rawsonville Rd.
1537 – trespassing, Lake Villa Dr.
1621 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Bemis Rd.
1804 – private property accident, Bellridge Apts.
1812 – fraud, McBride Ave.
1903 – suspicious situation, Sylvia Dr.
2005 – noise complaint, Hardwood Dr.
2013 – missing person, Holly Ln.
2116 – missing person, Wheeler St.
2203 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2353 – suspicious vehicle, S. Service Dr. / Beckley
Thursday, Feb. 19:
0144 – assault & battery, N. Timberview Dr.
0814 – E-911 hang up, Village Center Dr.
0911 – E-911 cellular, S. Wayne Rd.
0939 – property damage accident, Forestdale Dr.
0946 – agency assist, Birch Dr.
1000 – E-911 hang up, Fairfield Dr.
1032 – agency assist, Owen
1334 – private property accident, Village Green Ln
1549 – intimidation threat, Village Green Ln.

1552 – agency assist, Oak Ln.
1649 – suspicious person, Bayshore Dr.
1652 – property damage accident, Martinsville Rd.
2006 – assault & battery, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
2026 – hospice, Dellor St.
2209 – suspicious situation, Savage Rd.
2326 – suspicious situation, McDonald’s
2346 – disturbance, Beckley Rd.
Friday, Feb. 20:
0050 – missing person, Wheeler St.
0759 – property damage accident, Michigan / bypass
1209 – private property accident, Ecorse Rd.
1335 – fraud, Milton Dr.
1351 – family trouble, Peachtree
1400 – harassment call, W. Huron River Dr.
1401 – assault & battery, Jackson St.
1410 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1622 – larceny, Briarcliff Dr.
1643 – civil matter, Denton Rd.
1645 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
1648 – water leak found, Woodbury Condos
1817 – agency assist, Tyler Rd.
1815 – property damage accident, Sheldon Rd.
1821 – civil matter, Harbour Pointe Ct.
1913 – suspicious person, Lighthouse Dr.
1955 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler
2137 – assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2210 – private property accident, Belleville Rd.
2227 – suspicious situation, Village Green Ln.
2305 – suspicious person, Freeport Ct.
Saturday, Feb. 21:
0210 – civil matter, Coolidge St.
0530 – family trouble, Oak Blvd.
0704 – personal injury accident, WB I-94 / Belleville Rd.
1135 – property damage accident, Hannan/N. Service Dr.
1336 – personal injury accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1648 – assault & battery, Locust Dr.
1653 – property damage accident, Tyler/Morton Taylor
2204 – suspicious person, Ecorse/Crossroads
2253 – family trouble, N. Ponderosa Trl.
2259 – disturbance, Belleville Rd.
Also on this week’s log are 95 traffic stops, 11 of which were on the I-94 or I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Feb. 15:
0411 – suspicious situation, W. Columbia Ave.
1342 – parking complaint, Carmell
1451 – assist fire dept., Clarence St.
1547 – vehicle lockout, High St.
1702 – vehicle lockout, Menlo Park Dr.
1715 – vehicle lockout, N. Biggs Ave.
1902 – sexual assault, Carmell St.
2103 – suspicious situation, Church St.
2206 – intrusion alarm, N. Edgemont Ave.
2303 – intrusion alarm, N. Edgemont Ave.
Monday, Feb. 16:
0125 – miscellaneous complaint, Main St.
0604 – intrusion alarm, Menlo Park Dr.
0702 – water leak found, E. Huron River Dr./ S. Edgemont Ave.
2314 – family trouble, Loza Ln.
2346 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.
Tuesday, Feb. 17:
0049 – suspicious vehicle, Belle Plaza
0801 – intimidation threat, Light Tower Dr.
1629 – civil matter, Main St.
1908 – family trouble, Light Tower Dr.
2041 – suspicious vehicle, Egan’s
Wednesday, Feb. 18:
0457 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1031 – assist fire dept., Main St.
1316 – assist fire dept., E. Waterbury Ct.
1355 – information, Owen St.
1926 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
2308 – suspicious situation, South St.
Thursday, Feb. 19:
0054 – agency assist, Henry St.
0213 – suspicious vehicle, Huron River Dr.
0546 – agency assist, Belleville
1013 – fraud, South St.
1030 – domestic assault, Owen

1135 – civil matter, Carmell St.
1222 – civil matter, Henry St.
1249 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1627 – private property accident, Owen
1627 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1742 – traffic hazard, Main St./High St.
1759 – civil matter, Anaheim St.
2019 – parking complaint, Main St./4th St.
Friday, Feb. 20:
0151 – warrant arrest, Main St.
0359 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
1202 – intimidation threat, W. Columbia Ave.
1623 – civil matter, Main St.
1712 – fraud, Main St.
2107 – suspicious situation, Henry St.
2248 – assist fire dept., Henry St.
Saturday, Feb. 21:
1217 – intrusion alarm, 3rd St.
1521 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1841 – family trouble, Carmell
Also on this week’s log are 39 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Feb. 15:
0231 – alarm, 25000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0800 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1023 – animal complaint, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1240 – juvenile complaint, 48000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1335 – traffic hazard, 49000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1343 – alarm, 25000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1934 – suspicious vehicle, 40000 bl. Arkona Rd.
2149 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
2300 – death investigation, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
Monday, Feb. 16:
0114 – open burn, 50000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0310 – fire dept. assist, 27000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0610 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
0848 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
0939 – suspicious incident, Timberlane
1039 – animal complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1100 – civil dispute, 49000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1333 – mental health commitment, 43000 bl. Clay
1404 – fire dept. assist, 2nd St.
1405 – warrant pickup, out of township
1423 – alarm, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1607 – fire dept. assist, Redwood
1719 – property damage accident, Willis / Rawsonville
1957 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood
2136 – property damage accident, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2232 – warrant pickup, out of township
Tuesday, Feb. 17:
0301 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1043 – dumping complaint, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1247 – suspicious incident, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1258 – alarm, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1434 – citizen assist, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
1558 – neighbor dispute, 43000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1601 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
1804 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1902 – assault, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
2007 – warrant pickup, out of township
2055 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
2248 – civil dispute, Carriage Ln.
Wednesday, Feb. 18:
0101 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Willow Rd.
0137 – death investigation, 22000 bl. Haggerty
1208 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1306 – assist other agency, 6700 bl. Oakville Waltz
1614 – reckless driver complaint, Bemis/Sumpter
1631 – assist other agency, Bemis/Rawsonville
1802 – harassment complaint, Carriage Ln.
1903 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Willow Rd.
Thursday, Feb. 19:
0956 – larceny, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1019 – animal complaint, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1121 – juvenile complaint, Haggerty/Willis
1408 – animal complaint, 40000 bl. Judd Rd.
1550 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1603 – animal complaint, 40000 bl. Judd Rd.
1926 – suspicious vehicle, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
2259 – alarm, 27000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
Friday, Feb. 20:
0420 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Paris Dr.
0605 – property damage accident, 45000 bl. Paris
0700 – odor investigation, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
1251 – well-being check, Redwood

1322 – alarm, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
1407 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1601 – well-being check, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1622 – warrant pickup, out of township
1755 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1807 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2341 – citizen assist, 8900 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
Saturday, Feb. 21:
0846 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0855 – suspicious incident, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1157 – 911 hang up, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1210 – property damage accident, 45000 bl. Bemis
1213 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1220 – animal complaint, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1257 – disorderly person, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1723 – citizen assist, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1743 – alarm, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1755 – suspicious person, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1909 – attempt warrant pickup, 8200 Oakville Waltz Rd.
2006 – attempt warrant pickup, 40000 bl. Harris
2052 – attempt warrant pickup, 2nd St.
2101 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2106 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2317 – warrant pickup, 6000 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd
Also on this week’s log are 18 follow-up investigations, 28 miscellaneous details, 122 patrol checks, and 29 traffic stops.

Woman crash victim taken by helicopter to St. Joseph Hospital

A two-vehicle crash at the corner of Rawsonville and Bemis roads shortly after 4 p.m. on Feb. 18 resulted in a woman passenger being cut out of her car with Jaws of Life and airlifted to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Ypsilanti Township fire fighters said icy roads played a part in the crash and would hinder ambulances and fire trucks getting to the scene, so they called for the helicopter.

The drivers of the car and the truck exited their vehicles without help.

The woman was in her 40s and appeared to have moderate injuries. She was taken to the hospital in stable condition.

Besides Washtenaw County Sheriff’s deputies, police on the scene included those from Sumpter and Van Buren townships. Fire departments from Ypsilanti and Van Buren townships also were present.

Reports of Rawsonville Road being closed at Bemis were on Nixel alerts from Washtenaw County and broadcast on radio and TV.

The Rawsonville/Bemis intersection marks the boundary lines for Van Buren, Sumpter, Augusta, and Ypsilanti townships. Rawsonville Road is the boundary for Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

‘Armed robbery’ call turns out instead to be ‘suspicious situation’

A call to Van Buren Township emergency dispatch that came in as an “armed robbery” turned out to be a “suspicious situation” at Chase Bank on Rawsonville Road at 3:01 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18.

VBT Police Lt. Ken Floro said the situation was investigated by police and Chase Corporate Security. The information was also passed on to the FBI for reporting purposes, but there was no criminal activity related to this incident, Lt. Floro said.



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McBride students to perform 'Swamp Pirate Zombies' on March 5, 6, 7

McBride Middle School students will present "Swamp Pirate Zombies" at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 5 and Friday, March 6, with a matinee at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 7.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for seniors and students.

Concessions by the PTO will be open one hour before show time. The public is invited to join the students for a meal and a show.

McBride Middle School, previously named North Middle School, is at 47097 McBride, west of Quirk Road in Van Buren Township.

The cast is:

Lance Bagley – Larry the Lawyer
Janani Sundar – Freeda
Audrienne Cunningham – Freda
Emily Porter – Rachel Reeks
Brian Muca – Zane Gray
Amy Montgomer – Mandy Mulch
Natalie Hornyak – Sally Schward
Kylie Morton – Lisa Schward
Jaylen Watson – Steven Kingston
Jocelyn Smith – Millie Kingston
Zandalee Henderson – Brenda
Julia Marshall – Mayor Payer
Lily Brown – Benny Bogg
Callie Puterbaugh – Actor 1
Miranda Pritchard – Actor 2
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Stretch of Sheldon Road to be repaved in VBT

On Feb. 5, the Wayne County Commission voted 14-0 to approve a five-year intergovernmental agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for improvements to Sheldon Road, between Van Born and Yost roads, in Van Buren Township.

The project, which is expected to begin in April, will be overseen by the state.

Of the nearly \$912,640 budgeted for the project, the county will pay \$167,527. The remainder is being paid with federal money. The township is not responsible for contributing.

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