

Rookie cop among 50 honored by police

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Nick Mencotti always wanted to be a police officer, and he did not neglect his duties when given the chance to shine in his first week as a Livonia patrol officer.

Along with his field training officer, he rushed to a home on the city's south end because a man was not breathing.

Mencotti immediately started per-

forming CPR. He continued compression and helped paramedics when they arrived. The man apparently had stayed in his apartment after he let loose a bug bomb.

The man did not survive, and his death would be followed by a few others Mencotti witnessed up close, personally and professionally, that first month.

Mencotti was humbled to stand April 2 in a packed Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium for the police department's Merit Award Ceremony.

He received a lifesaving award for performing CPR during that week in May. Mencotti was one of 50 area residents, law enforcers and firefighters recognized for their bravery and commitment to saving lives and solving crimes despite incredible risks.

"It was a great honor," Mencotti said after the ceremony. "It was very hum-

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Livonia Police Officer Nick Mencotti received a life-saving award for his actions during his first week on the job. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

MDOT's M-5 project starting next week

Residents vent, get answers on shoddy roads

Ed Wright Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

It didn't take an engineer to figure out that the end product of the intensive 2017 reconstruction of Canton Township's Canton Center Road deteriorated way too fast.

But an engineer's expertise was vital in explaining *why* the one-mile stretch of road north of Ford Road and south of Warren went from smooth sailing to a crater-infested obstacle course in just a few months.

The short and bitter answer, according to Wayne County Roads Department engineers Michael Van Antwerp and Ron Agacinski: ASR (Alkalisilica reaction), a materials-related distress that results in the premature deterioration of concrete structures, including bridges, dams and, yes, Canton Center Road.



The Michigan Department of Transportation is preparing for an \$11.8 million rehabilitation project along M-5. Work will begin April 15 and last through late fall, according to a news release sent out by MDOT. HOMETOWNLIFE.COM FILE

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Get ready for construction season if you drive the M-5 freeway.

The Michigan Department of Transportation is preparing for an \$11.8 million rehabilitation project along the freeway through Farmington and Farmington Hills, including the complete closure of the Grand River Bridge near Halsted Road.

Work will begin April 15 and last through late fall, according to a news

release sent out by MDOT. The work will take place along M-5 between Eight Mile and Interstate 275.

Some of the work taking place includes:

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"This concrete mix was accepted by MDOT about 10 years ago," Van Antwerp explained. "It was discovered before proper testing could be completed that certain chemical reactions within the concrete makes it porous. It's bad stuff."

"And it's a nationwide problem," added Agacinski. "Texas has hundreds of miles of roads that are in disrepair because of this problem."

The knowledge will help Wayne County and others like it across the country to not repeat the mistake.

They know their stuff

The pair of veteran infrastructure experts were just two members of a committee that answered questions and provided information at a roads town hall meeting held April 4 in Canton Township.

Orchestrated by first-year Wayne County Commissioner Melissa Daub, the roads town hall attracted a large crowd to the Summit on the Park and the attendees were much more hospitable than Daub's worst fears.

"When I told people I was going to host a town hall on roads, they told me I was crazy," quipped Daub, smiling. "I was half expecting people to bring pitch forks and torches. So, thank you for not doing that."

Most of the attendees chuckled at Daub's opening statement, but they did hurl some pretty sharp hot-button

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FedEx shooter faces aggravated assault charge, too

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The Detroit man once facing 19 felony charges for allegedly trying to kill his wife outside a FedEx distribution center in Livonia may have an easier legal battle than anticipated in Third Circuit Court.

After recently listening to Azia Calloway testify against her estranged husband, Robert Easley-Calloway, 16th District Judge Kathleen McCann added a charge Thursday of aggravated stalking.

She dropped four other charges, meaning Easley-Calloway is expected to be arraigned on 16 charges when his Thursday arraignment happens in Third Circuit Court. Those charges include first-degree criminal sexual conduct, kidnapping and assault with the intent to murder.

Of the four dismissed charges, McCann dropped two alleging Easley-

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Calloway tried to kill others beside his wife. But she couldn't ignore that Calloway testified during a March 27 proceeding to filing a personal protection order last August.

Calloway said on the stand that Easley-Calloway, then 26, flashed a knife before ordering her to drive to a hotel in Harper Woods. They had their young children with them.

The couple had been estranged for some months. Calloway testified that her husband was a gun user who made her feel threatened when he called and texted her while separated. She didn't want to cause a fight when she went to collect their children and her estranged husband ordered a trip to the hotel.

"This was a series of events that occurred not only in Livonia but in Belleville, in Detroit and (in) Harper Woods," McCann said in explaining her support of the aggravated stalking charge. "All of them were intended to either intimidate or harm Miss Calloway."

"If someone shows you a knife and you have your children...This is a case where I believe she was intimidated."

Defense attorney Larry Polk and prosecutor Mary Rubio declined to comment after the proceeding.



Robert Easley-Calloway appears in 16th District Court on April 4, with his attorney Larry Polk. SUSAN VELA/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Court did not have jurisdiction to deal with some of the charges.

He also argued that Calloway never told her estranged husband she didn't want to have sex with him at the hotel.

"I asked her specifically," Polk said to McCann. "She never said anything that would indicate 'No, I do not want to have sex with you.""

Easley-Calloway is accused of shooting, injuring and kidnapping his wife shortly after 3 a.m. Nov. 26. She had arrived for a shift at the FedEx distribution center on Amrhein Road in Livonia.

The Calloways had spent the prior Polk had argued the 16th District day at a hotel with their children.

Calloway had let her children stay with their father around Thanksgiving. Trouble arose, Calloway testified, when she went to pick up the children and Easley-Calloway flashed a knife.

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They spent some of the following daylight hours together. Then the family visited Easley-Calloway's relatives and Calloway attempted to leave.

Easley-Calloway tried to prevent his wife from getting into her vehicle. She was able to arrive at her mother's. Her estranged husband continued to try to reach her and her mother on the phone.

Hours later, she tried to report for work at FedEx. A man opened the driver's side door of her vehicle and shoved a shotgun at her. Calloway fled, as did the male friends who traveled with her to FedEx. The man reloaded and fired again. He then forced her into the back and fled, authorities have said.

Michigan State Police shot and injured Easley-Calloway after a police chase on Interstate 96. He was arraigned while recovering at the hospital. His wife had been released after being treated for gunshot wounds to her back and left leg.

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Westland plans adds money for staff, recycling

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Westland property owners can expect to pay the same millage rate for the next year as a part of the proposed city budget.

Mayor William Wild presented his initial budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to the city council during a study session Monday night at Westland City Hall. In it, he calls for the city's millage rate to remain essentially the same, going from 18.8798 mills to 18.8787 mills.

"What you have before you, council, is a \$68 million balanced budget," Wild said. "This budget adds over \$300,000 to the general fund balance.'

An increase in the fund balance

comes as property values across the city continue to increase. The city saw property values increase by about 4.5%, leading to an increase in tax dollars from the purchasing of property and the increase in new housing that has been constructed, Wild said.

In addition to adding some new staff positions, the budget also calls for an additional \$200,000 for recycling services, an issue that has caused problems in Westland. The city's costs for sending recyclables to the recycling center skyrocketed earlier this year, causing the city to begin throwing items placed in recycling containers in with trash and send them to the landfill.

Wild said it's his hope some sort of decision can be made to keep the city's

recycling program alive.

'That's kind of up in the air right now, but we're hoping to have some sort of solution in the near future," Wild said. "I'll remind you that the rate that is proposed by the recycling center would cost us an additional \$310,000, so we've budgeted for \$200,000 and we're going to try to look for a way to negotiate that rate down or come up with an alternative.'

The budget will examine the proposed budget and make the final approval on it before it takes effect later this year.

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Livonia Community Foundation awarding grants

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The Livonia Community Foundation will award a record \$46,600 in grants to 14 organizations at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in Livonia's Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library Auditorium.

"We are pleased to fund these community efforts," said Foundation President Brian Meakin.

Meakin said the foundation's investments have been doing better, the result of the renewed investment environment and a very effective asset manager. He said in 2012, the foundation's endowment reached just over \$1 million and it continues to grow from donations and good investment strategy — approaching \$1.4 million. Meakin is going on his tenth year as president.

The foundation is a permanent endowment, a trust fund, built by citizen and corporate donors to support Livonia's charitable, cultural, arts, historical, educational and recreational institutions. The foundation was chartered in 1995. Following its first full year, the endowment balance was \$32,000. In 1997, the first-year funds were available for grants, they awarded \$1,500.

"We are proud to provide this year's \$46,600 in grants. Thanks to the generous support from the community over the last 24 years, we have provided grants totaling \$489,385 to organizations serving the residents in Livonia," Meakin said.



Seedlings Braille Books For Children receives money to provide 45 Play and Learn Braille kits, used for early intervention in Livonia Public Schools Livonia Community Foundation event in this file photo. Karen Smith, of Seedlings, shows the kits, with help from Chamber President Dan West. FILE PHOTO

A committee, chaired again this year by Board member Mark Bublitz, reviewed grant applications to decide which ones most meet the Foundation's mission -- to promote and develop community resources, properties and civic treasures; promote, support and develop public interest in the arts and other local cultural undertakings; and to promote programs that contribute to the welfare of the community and the needs of its citizens.

The organizations approved for

grants this year are:

Angela Hospice – From My Heart program for families of terminally ill patients

Blessings in a Backpack – Weekend meals for students

■ Greenmead Restoration Trust – Releading Stained-Glass Windows at Newburg Church

Livonia Arts Commission – Special music program for children during Music from the Heart

Livonia Civic Chorus – Senior out-

reach and musical interlude programming

Livonia Community Theatre – Summer Musical Theatre Workshop

I Livonia Family YMCA − Summer Camp Program • Livonia Goodfellows − No Child Without A Christmas

Livonia Kids and Families – Emerson Middle and Franklin High Schools Food Pantries • Livonia Symphony Orchestra – Concert Programming Support

■ NEW HOPE Center for Grief Support – Bereavement Aftercare Services

■ Seedlings Braille Books – Visually Impaired Program Support - LPS and Livonia Library

Starfish Family Services – Playscape equipment for Livonia facility

Visual Arts Association of Livonia
 Arts education and speakers

The public is encouraged to attend the awards program at the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. The program will feature entertainment from members of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and will be followed by a reception with light refreshments in the Michigan Room.

Committee chair Mark Bublitz said, "This event gives the public a chance to learn about the Foundation and the organizations serving the community. We are excited about being able to help the organizations receiving the grants and showcasing the efforts of the Livonia Community Foundation."

To RSVP or for more information, call Charlie Mahoney at 248-474-0905.

M-5 project

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Concrete repair and replacement;

Pavement conditioning;

Asphalt replacement, curb and gutter repair;

Replacing half of the Drake Road bridge due to damage from high-load hits;

Drainage structure repairs; and

Sign replacement and adding a

westbound sidewalk to the Grand River Avenue bridge to meet Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

During the closure of the bridge, westbound Grand River traffic will be detoured to northbound Halsted Road, then westbound Hills Tech Drive to southbound Haggerty Road. Intermittent lane closures can be expected throughout the project.

Eastbound Grand River traffic will be detoured to southbound Halsted Road, then eastbound Nine Mile Road to northbound Farmington Road. In addition to the bridge work, the freeway will see several complete closures between Middlebelt and Grand River this year for work. Eastbound M-5 will be closed during six weekends and westbound M-5 will be closed five weekends. Detours for those weekends, which have not yet been announced, will see westbound M-5 traffic detoured to westbound Eight Mile to northbound I-275. Eastbound M-5 traffic will detour to east I-696, then southbound Telegraph Road to Eight Mile.

Work is also expected to take place

along M-5 from Haggerty to 13 Mile in Novi as well.

Access to both residential and commercial areas will be maintained throughout the project. About 36,000 vehicles travel the freeway on a daily basis.

Much of the work was presented to the community at a public meeting last fall in the Farmington city offices.

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Who's writing your laws?

Rob O'Dell and Nick Penzenstadler USA TODAY

Each year, state lawmakers across the U.S. introduce bills to represent their constituents.

But in thousands of cases, the politicians didn't write those bills. Neither did their staffs or others close to them.

Instead, the bills were nearly exact copies of wording written by political advocacy groups, think tanks or corporations.

A two-year investigation by USA TODAY, The Arizona Republic and the Center for Public Integrity reveals for the first time just how far this copycat legislation has gone in advancing those agendas.

Reporters across the country unearthed more than 2,000 different model bills from a variety of industry, conservative and liberal groups. The investigation then examined the real bills that had been introduced in all 50 states and Congress during an eight-year span.

Using a specialized computer algorithm, the investigative team found those models had been copied more than 10,000 times and introduced in all 50 states. Some 2,100 of them passed into law.

Because the investigation only compared legislation to known, publicly available models, the real extent of the system is probably far larger.

Model bills, which amount to wish lists for special interests, have become intertwined with the lawmaking process. In Mississippi, more than 700 copies of



A USA TODAY NETWORK INVESTIGATION

COPY, PASTE, LEGISLATE

The states that copy the most Every state legislature copies model legislation, but the types of special interests they copy from and how frequently vary nationwide Here's how the model bills we found break down based on the stated political leaning or purpose of the group that wrote each bill ME 54 🛢 Conservative 🌒 Liberal Other Industry NH 100 29 56 Number of bills 54 ntroduced MA 292 WA 290 ID 120 MT 56 ND 55 MN 247 550 160 340 MI 45 50 IA 133 OH 76 PA 246 NJ 564 143 RI 387 212 UT 179 CO 52 NF 139 325 320 MD 39 61 MO 336 KY WV VA DF 466 NM 89 KS 215 298 180 SC 136 AR 92 TN NC 431 LA 117 744 AL 311 GA 210 346 244 355

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"You'd be hard-pressed to find a law where a legislator sits in a chamber until a light bulb goes off with a new policy."

Allison Anderman

Managing attorney at the pro-gun-control Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence

model bills were introduced from 2010 to 2018. In New Jersey, more than 500. In interviews with more than 50 sponsors of model legislation nationwide, half of the legislators said they knew they had sponsored model legislation. But 20 legislators said they didn't know the source of their bill or claimed they wrote at least part of the bill.

"This work proves what many people have suspected, which is just how much of the democratic process has been outsourced to special interests," said Lisa Graves, co-director of Documented, which probes cor-

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porate manipulation of public policy. "It is both astonishing and disappointing to see how widespread ... it is. Good lord, it's an amazing thing to see."

Even those who promote model legislation acknowledge the process can be abused.

Charles Siler, a former external relations manager for the Goldwater Institute, which has pushed copycat bills nationwide, said it's a fast way to spread ideas because with little modification, lawmakers can adapt it to their state.

"It's not inherently bad, one way or the other," said Siler, who now works for a political action committee. "It depends on the idea and the people pushing it. Definitely people use model legislation to push bad ideas around."

The investigation, which required running the equivalent of 150 computers nonstop for months, found that a variety of ideas emerge from the copyand-paste process:

Models are drafted with

deceptive titles and descriptions to disguise their true intent

The "Asbestos Transparency Act" didn't help people See MODEL BILLS, Page 5A



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Pennsylvania State Rep. Thomas Murt has sponsored more model legislation than any other state lawmaker in the nation, according to USA TODAY's database. MATT ROURKE, AP

Model bills

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exposed to asbestos. The model legislation was the work of corporations seeking to limit their exposure to billions of dollars in litigation associated with asbestos.

The investigation found the model, a product of the American Legislative Exchange Council, an industry-supported model bill factory, has been introduced in at least 17 states since 2012. It became law in 11 states.

Bill Meierling, chief marketing officer and executive vice president of ALEC, said supporters of the asbestos model believed it did create more transparency, "but it's up to each individual state to choose how they would name" the bill when they copy ALEC's model.

USA TODAY found more than 4,000 bills benefiting industry were introduced nationwide during the eight years it reviewed. More than 80 of those bills limit the public's ability to sue corporations, including limiting class-action lawsuits and a plaintiff's ability to offer expert testimony, and cap punitive damages for corporate wrongdoing.

Many of the bills USA TODAY found See MODEL BILLS, Page 6A

to be copied from models written by special interests were couched in similarly unremarkable or technical language that obscured their impact. Bans on raising the local minimum wage were dubbed "uniform minimum wage" laws. Changes to civil court rules to shield companies from lawsuits were described as "congruity" or reforms to make laws consistent.

Legislators get a shortcut to success while advancing special interests sometimes unknowingly

Pennsylvania Rep. Thomas Murt, whose biggest campaign donors include the Pennsylvania Republican Party and labor unions, said he was stunned to learn that he was listed as a sponsor on 72 bills substantially copied from model legislation from 2010 to late 2018.

The relationship between groups writing model legislation and the lawmakers introducing them is a marriage of convenience, experts said.

Special interests give lawmakers fully conceived bills they can put their names on and take credit for. And those special interests can become dependa-



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ble donors to their campaigns.

This arrangement is particularly appealing to new lawmakers, said Alexander Hertel-Fernandez, an assistant professor of international and public affairs at Columbia University who has studied the influence of ALEC and other conservative groups.

They "know they are conservative, they know they are pro-business, but ... they don't really know what it means to translate that into different bills," he said.

Some models actually overturn the will of voters

Model-bill factories have increasingly proposed what are known as "preemption" bills, which prevent counties, cities and towns from enacting certain laws favored by their constituents. Preemption bills, in effect, allow state legislators to dictate to city councils and county governing boards what they can and cannot do within their jurisdiction.

USA TODAY's algorithm found more than 100 such bills had been introduced on an expanding array of topics.

Kansas stopped local efforts to require restaurants to list calories on their menus.

Arizona and New Hampshire prevented regulations on home rentals. Airbnb has lobbied against home-sharing restrictions, often with the Goldwater Institute's assistance.

Others prevented local governments from raising the minimum wage, banning plastic grocery bags and destroying guns.

"There's real ... hypocrisy in many of these so-called conservative legislators trying to rip away local control when they preached for years that a government that's closest to you ... is most responsive to you," said Dawn Penich-Thacker, who campaigned to overturn a school voucher expansion in Arizona. Voters overwhelmingly rejected the expansion. But in short order, five bills to modify Arizona's school voucher program were soon introduced, three of



Chris Winokur sifts through what she estimates to be a quarter of the paperwork from when her late husband, former Fort Collins City Councilman and Mayor Robert Winokur, was in treatment for mesothelioma, a rare and aggressive for of cancer, on Jan. 31, in Estes Park, Colo. TIMOTHY HURST, THE COLORADOAN

them aiming to expand it.

For special interests seeking to stay under the radar, model legislation offers distinct advantages. Copycat bills don't appear on expense reports or campaign finance forms. They don't require someone to register as a lobbyist or sign in at committee hearings. But once injected into the lawmaking process, they can go viral, spreading state to state, executing an agenda to the letter.

Allison Anderman, managing attorney at the pro-gun-control Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, said model bills are simply how the system works now.

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Chris Winokur's husband, Bob, died of mesothelioma. She says a "model" bill has hindered efforts to hold anyone accountable for his asbestos exposure. TIMOTHY HURST/USA TODAY NETWORK





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Jaguar Land Rover dealership moving to Novi

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Jaguar Land Rover, on the prowl to expand its territory, will relocate from Farmington Hills to Novi, building an entirely new dealership.

The Novi City Council unanimously approved on April 1 applicant Erhard Motor Sales' preliminary site plan and special development option, which calls for construction of a 58,663-squarefoot facility on 9.5 acres of vacant land on the southwest corner of Grand River Avenue and Meadowbrook Road.

"That piece of property has been vacant forever," Mayor Bob Gatt said. "It is getting zero tax dollars, and all of a sudden a highly-acclaimed car dealership wants to locate there. It's a boon for the city in tax revenue and will bring prestige to the city, and kitty corner is largest selling Cadillac dealer in the entire country. It's good competition."

Ken Widerstedt, facilities manager for Erhard Motor Sales, said the company purchased the Jaguar franchise that was located in Novi at 10 Mile and Haggerty three years ago, agreeing to build a new facility for both the Jaguar and Land Rover brands. They began looking for a location along the Grand River corridor and found the Novi property, which they have been working on obtaining approval for all permits and plans for two years.

"It's a good neighborhood, good location, and part of what Novi calls the gateway east entry to the city," Widerstedt said. "It gives us more room to do everything."

He noted that the current Farmington Hills location, about 22,000 square feet on 2.5 acres, was only ever meant to hold Land Rovers. The new location, for which he hopes ground will be broken this fall, has a concept plan that proposes 287 parking spaces for vehicle inventory and 138 spots for employees and customers to park. The facility will triple the number of cars in the showroom, from the current 8 to 24, essential to Erhard Motor Sales' philosophy that people would always rather look at and purchase cars in the comfort of the showroom.

The company, which besides the Farmington Hills Jaguar Land Rover dealership, also owns a BMW dealership in



A rendering of the 58,000 square foot Jaguar Land Rover dealership planned for the corner of Grand River and Meadowbrook in Novi. SUBMITTED

that city, as well as a BMW dealership in Bloomfield Hills and two auto collision shops, is doing well in the luxury car business.

"Historically, high-end cars are recession proof," Widerstedt said. "Business is good. We don't expect to double sales. Sales will grow slowly year after year."

Jaguar, which is in the midst of redesigns and updates, has a popular electric vehicle line, Widerstedt said, but it is currently Land Rover sport utility vehicles that are their best seller. New models range in price from about \$50,000 to \$150,000 on the dealership's website.

Pre-owned is also a popular option and Widerstedt is looking forward to increasing that inventory with the move. Three more approvals are needed from the city, he said. Widerstedt hopes construction will begin this fall on the facility and be completed in December 2020.

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Jaguar and Land Rover of Farmington Hills' salesman Aric Wilson opens up the door of a 2019 Range Rover at the Grand River Ave. dealership. The auto sales center will soon move to a new location in Novi. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



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Four events worth checking out this weekend

David Veselenak Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Perhaps now spring has finally sprung? Maybe?

The weather is starting to get nicer, which means it's time to head on out and do something fun this weekend.

Here are four events happening across the Hometown Life area once you're done with work Friday.

Home and garden show in Novi

Looking to spruce up the old homestead this spring? Then the Suburban Collection Showplace will be your destination this weekend.

The Novi Home and Garden Show returns from Friday to Sunday to 46100 Grand River in Novi. Visitors can stop by booths of several types of vendors, including landscapers, builders and more. The Plant Michigan Green Theater will feature members from the Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association doing presentations throughout the weekend.

Tickets for the show are \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors and free for children 12 and under. Those who attend after 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday will pay just \$5 for admission. For more information, including a full list of events over the weekend, visit the show's website at novihomeshow.com.

Bunny Brunch in Livonia

It's almost time for Easter and if you're planning on taking the kids to visit the Easter Bunny, this weekend is the perfect opportunity to do so.

The annual Bunny Brunch returns at 11 a.m. Saturday to the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington. The event will feature lunch, some crafts and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

Tickets are \$6 for Livonia residents and \$9 for non-residents and can be purchased at the Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard. For more information, call 734-466-2900.

Egg hunt in Highland Township

If you can't wait until next weekend to hunt for eggs, than Highland Town-



The free family day at the Festival of the Arts takes place this Saturday at the Costick Center in Farmington Hills. COURTESY OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS

ship is where you want to take the kids this Saturday.

The Huron Valley Egg Hunt takes place beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at Duck Lake Pines Park, 999 Duck Lake Road. Goody bags will begin being distributed at 10 a.m. and the Easter Bunny will make an appearance at 10:15 a.m.

After that, children ages 2-10 will have the opportunity to snag some of the thousands of eggs up for grabs starting at 11 a.m.

After all the eggs have been found, face painting and more visits with the Easter Bunny will take place.

For more information, contact the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce at 248-685-7129.

Festival of the Arts

in Farmington Hills

If you're looking for a little artistic inspiration this weekend, head to the Costick Center in Farmington Hills.

The free family day for the 2019 Festival of the Arts takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile. The event will feature art experiences such as pottery, artist demos and crafts the kids can make and take home. More than 500 pieces of artwork will be on sale for purchase and feature work done by members of the Farmington Art Foundation, Farmington Public Schools, the Farmington Area Art Commission Student Art Awards and more.

For more information on the event, call the city's cultural arts division at 248-473-1857.



The Novi Home & Garden Show returns this weekend to the Suburban Collection Showplace. COURTESY OF THE NOVI HOME & GARDEN SHOW





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Novi plans ring road to help traffic

Susan Bromley Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK – MICHIGAN

Drivers hope a new road construction project approved this week will provide some long-sought traffic relief in Novi.

The city council unanimously approved a \$5 million expansion of Crescent Boulevard, aka the northwest quadrant Ring Road, during its April 1 meeting, awarding the \$4.7 million contract to Toebe Construction and engineering plans to AECOM in the amount of \$311,728.50.

"We have been talking about this for eight years," Assistant City Manager Victor Cardenas said. "You will be able to take the Ring Road around and bypass the Novi and Grand River intersection, which definitely can be a mess at rush hour."

A new traffic light will be planned for the Grand River and Ring Road area, he added.

Toebe Construction was the low bidder out of three companies seeking the contract for which the city advertised in February.

The project will feature a 1,050 foot long, four lane boulevard extension from where the current Crescent Boulevard meets Grand River to the intersection of the future Adell Center Drive, as well as construction of a 650-foot long industrial spur road to service the Comau Industrial Facility. That road would also improve access to the General Filters site.

Toebe will also replace deteriorated concrete west of Novi Road along Crescent Boulevard.



Novi is considering widening Crescent Boulevard, seen at left, as it exits Novi Town Center - as at rush hour it is bottled up by commuters coming up and down Novi Road. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Councilman Andrew Mutch said while he knew Ring Road was a priority, he was concerned about a "piecemeal approach" to road improvements in Novi, as well as the funding for the \$5 million project, which will come from a municipal street fund and the city's Corridor Improvement Authority, but for which no outside funding was received from grants.

"We are spending \$5 million on one project and depleting a special assessment fund that we've been hanging on to for a rainy day and all these other projects and have had no discussion about prioritizing," he said. "We aren't going to fix this overnight, there are problems all over the city, but we have to be smarter about spending these dollars and be strategic. Traffic in the city is the number one complaint."

Mayor Pro-Tem Dave Staudt said that several years ago he had led the fight to save the special assessment and not spend it on Ring Road because it wasn't the appropriate time, but said that time has now come.

"The special assessment dollars were for a project of our choice," he said. "This has been waiting too long... It's time to move forward and get this done. Additional development will pour millions of dollars over the years into the road authority."

Cardenas said road construction will begin as soon as possible and is expected to be completed by November.

Discussion focuses on opioid crisis

In its inaugural community outreach event, The Livonia Democratic Club will present an opioid forum 2-4 p.m. this Sunday, April 14, at Stevenson High School.

A panel of seven experts in various fields of the opioid crisis, will speak and take questions from the audience.

"This is not a political event," LDC President Kate Shishkovsky said. "The opioid crisis reaches into every notch of our society. It is duty of every single one of us to identify ways to combat and prevent opioid addiction."

The admission for the forum is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. at the Stevenson High School Performing Arts Auditorium, 33500 Six Mile Road in Livonia.

Mayor Dennis Wright will open the forum and introduce Moderator Dan West, president of Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

The panelists are: U.S. Rep. Haley Stevens, 11th District; Dr. Jennifer Taiariol of Livonia Public Schools;The Honorable Mark Somers of 19th District Court, Dearborn; Jessica Hillen, behavioral social worker from St. Mary Mercy Hospital; Patrick Stropes, peer recovery mentor from Growth Works; Livonia Police Chief Curtis Caid; and Eric Goldstein, attorney from City of Livonia Law Department.

For more information, contact Kate Shishkovsky 734-748-6073

Obituaries

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Lawrence "Larry" Albert Arnold

CANTON - Lawrence "Larry" Albert Arnold, age 80, passed away on April 2, 2019. He was born December 18, 1938. Beloved husband of Joyce for 59 years. Proud and loving father of Laura (Ed) Wright and Jeffrey (Kellie) Arnold, and loving and doting grandfather of Erik, Brandon, and Benjamin Wright, and Kyle, Jason, and Jacob Arnold. Son of the late Ruthanna Barth and Grady Albert Arnold, Larry was the oldest of eleven children. Larry is survived by brothers Ronald Bame, Roger (Jane) Bame, William (Penny) Barth, Christopher (Danee Lee) Barth, Kevin Barth, Kip (Stacy) Barth, and



sisters Kathy Fields, Karen (Bruce) McElroy, and Pamela (Jerry) Lawrence, numerous cousins, nieces and nephews, and his very special Aunt, Sharlet Hill. He was also preceded in death by his sister Debra Barth. Larry graduated from Scott High School in Toledo in 1956, and later from the University of Toledo in 1962 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree, majoring in Marketing. He had a successful career in Sales Management with several major food companies, including Del Monte, Sunshine, and Sanders, before retiring from Best Foods at age 59. He had a lifelong interest in history and particularly in the American Civil War. He enjoyed researching history and traveling and touring various historical sites before his stroke in 2008. He was a past member of the Plymouth and Canton Historical Societies and the Ann Arbor Civil War Round Table. Active in junior athletic sports and an avid supporter of local high school sports, Larry was a coach for his daughter, Laura, and son, Jeff, for many years in the junior leagues, and once served as President of the Plymouth Canton Junior Basketball Association. In recent years, he had been an avid follower and proud grandfather of his grandsons' athletic activities and accomplishments. Larry enjoyed all types of music, particularly the Big Bands of the early 1940's. He always thought his greatest legacy was his children and grandchildren. Larry will be remembered as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle and he will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Visitation for Larry will take place on Thursday from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at McCabe Funeral Home, 851 N. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48187. Visitation will continue Friday at 10:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will follow the service and take place in Toledo Memorial Park at 6382 Monroe Street, Sylvania, OH 43560.

Mary Knaff

HUDSON, OH - Mary Jayne (Rogers) Knaff, born July 12, 1923, passed away peacefully in Hudson, Ohio on April 3, 2019. She is survived by her daughter Janet Knaff Mabrey, son in law Bernie Mabrey, and grandchildren Caitlin Rogers Mabrey and John (Jack) Rodman Mabrey as well

as many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband John (Jack) Aloys Knaff, her father Vincent Rogers, her mother Sarah Rogers and all 6 of her siblings.

Mary Jayne was a loving daughter, wife, sis-



Rodger Lynn Williams

CANTON - Rodger Lynn Williams of Canton, MI, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2019 at the age of 55. He was born on March 28, 1964 in Detroit, MI. Rodger was a Pastor for 13 years at Divine Shepherd Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor. He was a fairly prominent member in the LGBT Community in Ann Arbor. Rodger is survived by his father Oscar Williams, son Jeremy Williams and his siblings Ron Williams, Joyce Counterman, Oscar Williams Jr., and Martin Williams. He will be dearly missed by his former wife Heidi Sargis as well as many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his late mother Dovie and brother the late Ray Williams.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are appreciated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

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ter, mother, grandmother, and aunt. Her favorite holiday was July fourth and she loved all things patriotic. She was known for entertaining and had friends in every generation all across the country.

She was a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood and spent years giving her time and talents to her church and community. She loved gardening, genealogical research, snow skiing, boating, golfing, and traveling far and wide to visit friends and family. She was well loved and will be missed, but as she often referred to death, she's off to her "great reward".

The family will hold a memorial service on Friday, June 28th in Birmingham, Michigan at Saint James Episcopal Church, time of day to be announced. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America or the American Parkinson's Disease Association.

A special thank you to the staff and caregivers at Hudson Grande Senior Living facility in Hudson, Ohio and to Harbor Light Hospice for making these last several years and months a loving, caring atmosphere for Mary Jayne, her family, and friends. (REDMON FUNERAL HOME, STOW, OHIO, 330-688-6631)

Dorothy Trickey

SANTA FE, NM -Dorothy Chambers Trickey, 92 years, died on April 1, 2019, in Santa Fe, NM. She is survived by her children, Frederick (Birmingham, MI), Richard (Holland, Ohio), Dennis and wife Gave (Lakewood, CO), Elizabeth and husband Richard Glassman (Santa Fe, NM), many grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Services will be held in Boca Raton, FL.

Wishes of peace to you and yours in this time of sorrow. Services were held through Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia.

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Police

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bling to see all the people that I work with — just to see how extraordinary they are. They kept moving forward in the face of danger."

Audience members applauded the award winners who, like Mencotti, demonstrated life-saving skills.

Lori Clark and Erik Hughes helped save a man who suffered a massive heart attack near Randolph Elementary School in October. Clark called 9-1-1. Police coached her and Hughes through performing CPR on the man who survived and attended the April 2 ceremony.

Hughes said it meant everything to him to have his children in the audience and realize the benefits of helping others.

Audience members also revisited headline stories when organizers shared video and recordings from some of the big crime stories in recent years. Those included the 2017 capture of Justin Paul, the Westland man who pleaded guilty to killing his mother, and the Jan. 25, 2018, armed robbery and hostage-taking at the Citizens Bank



Livonia Police Dept. Sgt. Scott Sczepanski received two commendation awards for his involvement in two significant occurrences – the capture of Justin Paul, a Westland man who has pleaded guilty to murdering his mother, and a hostage situation at a credit union. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

branch in Canton.

Sgt. Scott Sczepanski received awards for his involvement in both incidents.

"It's very humbling being recognized for just doing what you're supposed to do," he said. "It's an honor to be recognized."

Stacy Hayne is a veteran police officer who emceed the ceremony. She always enjoys watching the younger police officers being recognized. There's a certain something, Hayne said, that most people don't understand about police work: "Every day is different and nothing is routine."

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Mencotti still has a few months before he hits his one-year anniversary as a Livonia police officer. He has always wanted to follow in the footsteps of his father, Tony Mencotti, who served 30 years with the Dearborn Police Department.

He's already doubted himself and realized, in some situations, there was nothing else he could have done. He talks about the need to enjoy the small things because, just like that, his career could end.

He snaps his fingers.

"It can be taken away like that," Mencotti said. "There's going to be a lot of times that you're going to mess up. You've just got to move forward and just keep your head up. You've got to focus on the next run. Something could happen to you or, worse, something could happen to your partner. You've got to let go of that.

"This is what I want to do. This is definitely my calling."

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Roads

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questions during the latter stages of the gathering's 45-minute question-and-answer session.

Daub emphasized her desire to bring more transparency to government, which she did for at least two hours to an audience dominated by concerned residents who've been asked to dodge suspension-dismantling craters on many of the township's well-traveled roads for the past several months.

And to the assembled expert committee's credit, not one question was ducked or tabled.

"This is what we're paid to do — take the heat," said Wayne County Deputy Public Service Director Beverly Watts. "Hey, we drive the same roads you do. My car got busted just like some of yours. We're not happy with the roads, which is why we're trying to do everything in our power to make them better."

Daub asked everyone in attendance to fill out a question card prior to the meeting.

The topics that generated multiple queries were addressed first.

In addition to the short-lived concrete issue, several attendees wondered why second-rate pot-hole-patching material — commonly referred to as cold patch — is used on the county's roads when there are more proven options available.

"The reason we're not using the better, more-proven options is cost," said Michael Gorman, Wayne County deputy director of roads. "The cost of the (more effective) material is three times what we're paying for the cold patch we use, and we use 7,000 tons of cold patch. It's just not cost-feasible given our budget."

Attendees were educated on the process used to determine whether an intersection's four-way-stop protocol

should be replaced by a standard greenyellow-red signaling system.

The key factors are the number of accidents at the intersection and the amount of congestion, Van Antwerp explained.

Good news on the horizon

Long-awaited fixes coming to Canton include the replacement of the Lilley Road bridge (just north of Michigan Avenue) following a two-year closure, the paving of a heavily-used section of Ridge Road and the placement of a signal at the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Beck Road.

One of the factors that will be used to determine the order the township will fix the roads is a PASER rating — a 1-to-10 scale that grades every road in the township.

Residents can find out their street's PASER rating by visiting the township's website.



Wayne County Commissioner Melissa Daub discussed the purpose of her town hall. ED WRIGHT/ HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Daub concluded the town hall by inviting residents to contact her with any issues — roads-related, or not — and that she planned to organize more town halls in the near future.

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PREP BASEBALL



Catholic Central player Adam Falinski safely slides back to first base ahead of a tag by Brother Rice's Sterling Hallman. JOHN HEIDER | HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Detroit Catholic Central baseball sweeps Birmingham Brother Rice

Andrew Vailliencourt Hometownlife.com **USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN**

After a disastrous performance the previous weekend against Orchard Lake St. Mary's, the Detroit Catholic Central baseball team roared back with convincing wins over the state's preseason No. 1 team, Birmingham Brother Rice.

Despite falling behind early in game one, the Shamrocks came back to mercy the Warriors, 12-2, in six innings. In game two, things were much closer, but went the Shamrocks way again by a score of 4-3. The doubleheader was played at CC's new turf stadium at Shamrock Park.

Catholic Central improves to 3-2-1, while Brother Rice falls to 2-4.

"I'm glad we don't have to play them again for a month," Catholic Central coach Dan Michaels said. "I hope they forget about it but I know they won't. They're a great team and we're just happy to get out of here with two wins."

The Shamrocks blew a late lead before being blown out twice by St. Mary's last weekend and this was exactly the type of rebound Michaels hoped for.

"We had a devastating loss on Saturday and just got hammered in game

two," Michaels said. "For our team to bounce back and beat the best team in the state, I tip my hat to our players. I'm so proud of them."

Here are takeaways from each game:

Shamrocks pound Warriors in game one

Catholic Central started slow, but finished strong.

Brother Rice got the first two runs of the game, one each in the first and second innings, but could not muster anything else the rest of the contest.

The Warriors managed just three hits

in the game and only two off Shamrocks starting pitcher Cooper Donlin. Donlin pitched five innings, struck out eight and walked seven hitters.

"I have to give it to Cooper Donlin on the mound," Michaels said. "He struggled a little bit with his command but he fought through it. Way too many walks, but he fought through it. To keep that team to two runs in five innings, that's phenomenal."

He admitted his control was not as great as he would have liked, but it was enough to get it done, especially with

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CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK

Livonia Franklin runners sign to compete in college

Andrew Vailliencourt Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

April is a busy month typically full of excitement for high school seniors, since by this time, most have decided which college they will attend in the fall.

Athletes are no different, and three members of the Livonia Franklin cross country and track program have signed to run at the next level.

Andrew Ulaszek will attend Lawrence Tech. He's been running at Franklin since he was a freshman.

"He has become one of our top 800 runners and was one of our top three See RUNNERS, Page 3B

cross country runners this past season," Franklin coach Pat Koelzer said. "His cross country personal record is under 17:00 and he is working toward a 2:00 800. Andrew is a 4.0 student who embraces a leadership role, especially when assisting newer, younger team members."

Ulaszek had maintained interest in Lawrence Tech due to the school's academics, and meeting the coaches there sealed the deal.

'Originally, I was looking at Lawrence Tech because I want to be a biomedical engineer and I had been recommended Lawrence Tech by my en-

END OF AN ERA Help celebrate longtime sports editor's retirement



Catholic Central's Director of Athletics Aaron Babicz, right, honors Hometownlife.com sports reporter Brad Emons with a plaque honoring his 35 years covering high school sports. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Philip Allmen Hometownlife.com USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Longevity in the workplace isn't too common nowadays.

In an industry facing struggles for more than a decade, Brad Emon's run as a Hometown Life sports editor is all the more impressive.

Emons was among the 11 Hometown Life staffers who accepted an early retirement offer from Gannett, the parent company of the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers.

Emons retired Feb. 1 after 41 years with the company.

Forty-one years!

He's covered gold medal Olympians and future athletes in the four major professional sports leagues:

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GIRLS PREP HOOPS



Don Palmer led Hartland (22-4) to the state quarterfinals and its third straight 20-win season. GILLIS BENEDICT/LIVINGSTON DAILY

Hartland's Palmer named Division 1 girls basketball Coach of the Year

Bill Khan

Livingston Daily | USA TODAY NETWORK - MICHIGAN

Don Palmer is as old school as they get when it comes to basketball coaches.

The leader of the Hartland girls hoops program is not a fan of specialization, preferring his players compete in other sports rather than spend 12 months on the basketball court.

He said it's harder to create a group of selfless players, saying "that's not society anymore."

Palmer — and he's certainly not on an island here — bemoans the increasing problem of parental meddling that undermines what a coach is trying to accomplish.

But just when you expect Palmer to shake his fist and demand you get off his lawn, he shows the ability to change how he's coached basketball for years.

"I kind of went away from what I do," Palmer said. "I like that delay and methodical stuff. We went up and down and we just shot the ball."

Playing a more up-tempo game suited the talent on the Hartland roster this season. It helped the Eagles reach the state quarterfinals for the third time in five seasons, an accomplishment that earned Palmer the Associated Press Division 1 Coach of the Year award.



Using a nine-player rotation comprised of four freshmen, two sophomores and three juniors, Hartland went 22-4 for its third straight 20-win season. Three of the losses were to two teams that reached the final four and another was to a 20-win Brighton team.

Over a career that began in 1974 at Milford High School, Palmer has won a state-record 954 games coaching boys and girls basketball, 607 as a girls coach.

When he came to Hartland in 2009-10, the Eagles had only three district championships in the first 36 years of the Michigan High School Athletic Association tournament. In Palmer's 10 seasons, the Eagles have won eight districts and their only three regional championships.

"Coaches are subjected to undue praise and undue criticism," said Palmer, who is 188-51 at Hartland. "I'm not taking praise for all these wins, because if you don't have people like Whitney (Sollom) and Lexey Tobel, you don't win. Coaching gets harder every year. There's just a lot of factors that factor in. I enjoy it. I go year by year. I'll be 69 in August."

Jarvis Mitchell, who has coached Wayne Memorial to two straight state semifinals, joked after playing the Eagles that he wants Palmer to retire.

"Don is such a great coach," Mitchell said. "I don't care how many kids he has, he works with what he has and he gives you his best shot. Those kids are so disciplined. I absolutely hate playing against Hartland; I hate it. Because you don't know what to scout for. He's a chameleon. You're going to get something new. ... C'mon, man. Don, if you're listening, just retire. I don't want to play you no more."

While Hartland should be a factor on the state scene for at least three more seasons with its freshman core, the potential of winning his first state championship isn't what motivates Palmer to continue coaching.

"Everybody likes to win," he said. "Coaches don't play favorites, but I do believe they have favorites. There's always a kid who, for whatever reason, whether it's their personality or effort, pulls at your heart strings a little bit. You say to yourself you want to finish with this kid. ...

"You get to know them, help them be a better player and maybe be a better person, because you're a little bit older, a little bit wiser. I was in Las Vegas this past weekend at a player's wedding. It's an honor that they remember you and want you around for special times."

Don Palmer has coached Hartland to three girls basketball state quarterfinals in five years. TIMOTHY ARRICK/FOR THE LIVINGSTON DAILY



Franklin's Andrew Ulaszek will run cross country and track at Lawrence Tech next year. LAURA ULASZEK



Franklin's Erin Seibert will compete at Madonna next year. LIVONIA FRANKLIN ATHLETICS

Runners

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gineering teacher," Ulaszek said. "I started to check out Lawrence Tech along with some other schools, but I was already leaning towards Lawrence Tech because of the curriculum and everything else I had seen/heard about the university. When I went for a college visit, I met the cross coach, talked to him for a while and from then on I was set on Lawrence Tech. I'm excited to run in college because I know I will meet some great people, form some good relationships, stay in shape, and do something I love.'

Erin Seibert has signed with Madonna University. She battled back from a bad ankle sprain to make her fourth appearance at the state meet.

"Erin is a special runner," Franklin girls cross country coach Dave Bjorklund said. "She is highly competitive and an extremely hard worker. In ninth grade she got to run on the team with senior All-Stater Natalie Douglas, and for the next three years she carried the cross country team on her shoulders.

She was our leader in workouts and in races, always ready to take on the best runners other teams put out there. She has certainly left her mark on the program at Franklin and will be missed next year."

Logan Evanchuk also will run at Madonna next year.

"I've been lucky enough to coach Logan since eighth grade cross country," Koelzer said. "He has made one of the biggest improvements on the team each year. He is one of the hardest workers and a great leader by example. Logan is a 4-year letter winner, a sub 17:00 cross country runner and a sub 4:50 miler who still has his eyes on a few more goals this season. His leadership and work ethic will be missed."

He said he chose Madonna because it's close to home, has a small campus and has a great criminal justice program.

"I am excited to run in college because mainly it's what I love to do," Evanchuk said. "I can't wait to meet new people and travel different places to run in big meets."

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Franklin's Logan Evanchuk signed to run at Madonna next year. LIVONIA FRANKLIN ATHLETICS

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As he slides and throws up a cloud of rubber pellets from the artificial turf - Brother Rice's Sterling Hallman is met at second base by Detroit Cathlolic Central's Regan Paulina - and a tag. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM

Central

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the strikeouts piling up and his team pouring on runs behind him.

"It wasn't my best, but I thought it was exceptional, Brother Rice is a great team," Donlin said. "I just had to keep pushing through, adversity is good. I need to keep working on my mechanics every day and keep getting better."

After struggling at the plate through two innings, Catholic Central caught fire in the third, scoring six runs to take the lead. The Shamrocks added three more in the fourth, one more in the fifth and two more in the sixth inning to end the game with a mercy.

Senior Ryan Marra led the way for the

Shamrocks. He went 3-for-4 with two doubles and three RBIs. Senior Dante Merucci added two hits and two RBIs, junior Tyler Harris reached base four times with three singles and Donlin helped himself out with a big two-run triple.

"Those guys are going to carry us," Michaels said. "Confidence breeds confidence."

Harris leads CC to sweep

Both teams settled down after the blowout in game one.

Each team was able to take advantage of mistakes by the other team, but CC's pitching held on in the late innings to hold off a Brother Rice comeback.

Marra once again was an offensive force for CC, driving in a run on a double.

Senior Joe Hardenbergh and junior Reagan Paulina also each doubled.

Harris, who hit leadoff, was the team's most consistent player at the plate — reaching in all seven of his atbats Wednesday (four times in game one and three times in game two). He collected an RBI on two hits in the nightcap.

"It was great, we've just been working on our two-strike approach and that's what I was trying to implement today," Harris said. "Rice is always good, so it feels great to get that first win in like seven tries."

Not only that, but Harris also started on the mound for Catholic Central in the second game. He pitched five innings, striking out three, walking three and allowing three runs before senior Thomas Sylvester came in for the save. "Tyler pitched a hell of a game today," Michaels said. "He threw strikes. He's not overpowering, but he was getting all three of his pitches over. He was moving the ball in and out which he has to do. I'll take that any day of the week."

Sophomore John Locker led the way for Brother Rice, going 3-for-3 with a double and an RBI. Senior Sterling Hallmann added two hits and an RBI for the Warriors.

The rivalry in the last few seasons has certainly favored Brother Rice, but after the sweep, Catholic Central feels confident that it will stay more competitive going forward.

"We're coming back," Harris said. "We're going to get on top."

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Brad Emons (left) with former Clarenceville All-Stater, Penn State grad and NFL player Tim Shaw. SUBMITTED PHOTO

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NHL, NFL, MLB and NBA.

Former managing editor Dan Dean (he accepted an early retirement offer this year, as well) realized that few journalists in the company were as widely known or made a bigger impact in community journalism than Emons.

As a way for those wanting to help celebrate his retire, reminisce on the good old day or just share a drink, Dean organized an informal get-together for 6:30-9:30 p.m. this Saturday at George Murphy's at the Creek, 36000 Seven Mile Road in Livonia.

"He covered high school sports in western Wayne County for more than 40 years for the Observer Newspapers and Hometown Life. Current and former coaches and A.D.s, parents, players and those that love sports journalism are encouraged to celebrate his retirement and reminisce with sports editor Brad Emons during this openhouse style event at George Murphy's. Cash bar, food available, please no gifts."



Recently-retired O&E sports editor Brad Emons, right, is honored by the Livonia Chamber for its Livonia Legacy Award. Livonia Chamber of Commerce President Dan West stands at left. JOHN HEIDER/HOMETOWNLIFE.COM



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AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT CHAPTER 26. ARTICLE I. SECTION 26-1 THROUGH 26-8 OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE TO REGULATE AND LICENSE SECOND HAND DEALERS AND JUNK DEALERS AND TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THESE PROVISIONS.

Section 1. That Chapter 26, Article I, Sections 26-1 through 26-8 of the Westland City Code are hereby adopted to provide as follows:

Sec. 26-1.- Second hand or junk dealer; license required; internet drop-off store exempt from licensure; articles of nonferrous metals; compliance required.

(1) A person, corporation, co-partnership, or firm shall not carry on the business of dealer in second hand goods or junk dealer in the City of Westland without having first obtained, from the City Clerk, a license under this act authorizing that person, corporation, co partnership, or firm to carry on that business

(2) This section does not require an internet drop-off store complying with subsection (3), or a person engaged in the sale, purchase, consignment, or trade of personal property or other valuable thing for himself or herself, to obtain a license under this act.

(3) An internet drop-off store in compliance with the following conditions is exempt from licensure as a second hand dealer or junk dealer under this act:

(a) Has a fixed place of business within this state except that he or she exclusively transacts all purchases or sales by means of the internet and the purchases and sales are not physically transacted on the premises of that fixed place of business.

(b) Has the personal property or other valuable thing available on a website for viewing by photograph, if available, by the general public at no charge, which website shall be searchable by zip code or state, or both. The website viewing shall include, as applicable, serial number, make, model, and other unique identifying marks, numbers, names, or letters appearing on the personal property or other valuable thing.

(c) Maintains records of the sale, purchase, consignment, or trade of the personal property or other valuable thing for at least 2 years, which records shall contain a description, including a photograph, if available, and, if applicable, serial number, make, model, and other unique identifying marks, numbers, names, or letters appearing on the personal property or other valuable thing.

(d) Provide the local law enforcement agency with any name under which it conducts business on the website and access to the business premises at any time during normal business

hours for purposes of inspection. (e) Within 24 hours after a request from a local law enforcement agency, provide an electronic copy of the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number, driver license number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number and the seller's or consignor's name, address, telephone number and tele and issuing state, the buyer's name and address if applicable, and a description of the personal property or other valuable thing as described in subdivision (c). The provision of information shall be in a format acceptable to the local law enforcement agency but shall at least be in a legible format and in the English language.

(f) Provide that payment for the personal property or other valuable thing is executed by means of check or other electronic payment system, so long as the payment is not made in cash No payment shall be provided to the seller until the item is sold.

(g) Immediately remove the personal property or other valuable thing from the website if the local law enforcement agency determines that the personal property or other valuable thing is stolen.

(4) This section does not exempt a person purchasing or selling articles of nonferrous metals from compliance with the nonferrous metal regulatory act or Westland ordinance 26-901, et seq. Sec. 26-2.-Second hand or junk dealer; license, issuance; terms; transferability; fee; inspection.

(1) The City Clerk may grant to any person, corporation, co-partnership, or firm, a license authorizing that person, corporation, co-partnership, or firm to carry on the business of a second hand

dealer or junk dealer subject to the provisions of this article. (2) The license shall designate the particular place where that person, corporation, co partnership, or firm shall carry on that business. The business shall be conducted only in the place

designated in the license (3) The license shall be for the period of 1 year from date of issuance unless sooner revoked for cause and is not transferable. The fee for the processing and issuance of the license shall be \$50.00.

(4) As a condition of receiving a license under this section, an applicant for a license shall provide the following:

(a) The name, address, and fingerprints of the applicant.

(b) The name and address under which the applicant does business.

(c) The name, address, and fingerprints of all agents or employees of the proposed licensee. Within 24 hours after hiring a new employee, the licensee shall forward to the city clerk agency the name, address, and thumbprint of the new employee.

(5) This act shall not be construed to excuse a licensee from complying with the local zoning ordinance or any local ordinance regulating commercial activities. (6) Upon receipt of the application described this section, the City Clerk shall issue a license in accordance with this section.

(7) Upon receipt of the license, the licensee shall post it in a conspicuous place in his or her place of business.
 (8) Not less than 10 days before a licensee changes the name or address under which the licensee does business, the licensee shall notify the City Clerk of the change.

(9) The City may inspect the premises of a licensed second hand or junk dealer during normal business hours.

Sec. 26-3.- Definitions.

As used in this article:

(a) "Automotive recycler" means a person who engages in business primarily for the purpose of selling retail salvage vehicle parts and secondarily for the purpose of selling retail salvage motor vehicles or manufacturing or selling a product of gradable scrap metal or a person employed as a salvage vehicle agent as that term is defined in section 56c of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.56c.

(b) "Industrial scrap" means materials that are a direct product or by-product of any form of manufacturing, shaping, or cutting process from a person, company, corporation, co partnership, or firm whose principal business is the manufacturing, shaping, or cutting of materials at a fixed place of business.

(c) "Internet drop-off store" means a person, corporation, or firm that contracts with other persons, corporations, or firms to offer its personal property or other valuable thing for sale, purchase, consignment, or trade through means of an internet website and meets the conditions described in section 1 (3).

(d) "Local law enforcement agency" means the Westland Police Department.

(e) "Scrap processor" means a person, utilizing machinery and equipment and operating from a fixed location, whose principal business is the processing and manufacturing of iron, steel, nonferrous metals, paper, plastic, or glass, into prepared grades of products suitable for consumption by recycling mills, foundries, and other scrap processors.

(f) "Second hand dealer" or "junk dealer" means any person, corporation, or member or members of a co-partnership or firm whose principal business is that of purchasing, selling, exchanging, storing, or receiving second hand articles of any kind, scrap metals, cast iron, old iron, old steel, tool steel, aluminum, copper, brass, lead pipe or tools, or lighting and plumbing fixtures. Second hand dealer or junk dealer does not include a scrap processor, an automotive recycler, or a junkyard that deals principally in industrial scrap and is licensed by the City.

(i) The term "Second hand dealer" includes a "pawnbroker" as that term is defined in section 3 of the Pawnbrokers act, 1917 PA 273, MCL 446.203(e)

Sec. 26-4. - Second hand or junk dealer; sign; prerequisites; record; inspection.

(1) A second hand dealer or junk dealer shall post in a conspicuous place in or upon its place of business a sign having its name and occupation.

(2) A second hand or junk dealer shall make and maintain a separate book or other written or electronic record, numbered consecutively, and open to inspection by a member of the Westland Police Department and the Michigan state police, in which shall be written or entered in the English language at the time of the purchase or exchange of any article a description of the article, and all of the following:

(a) The name, description, fingerprint, operator's or chauffeur's license or state identification number, registration plate number, and address of the person from whom the article was purchased and received. The second hand dealer or junk dealer shall make a copy of the operator's license, chauffeur's license, or state identification card as part of the book or record.

- (b) The day and hour the purchase or exchange was made.
- (c) The location from which the item was obtained.

(d) Payment for an item shall be made only by check or by an electronic payment system. The record shall indicate the method of payment.

Sec. 26-5.- Second hand or junk dealer; articles purchased or exchanged; retention; tagging; record; requirements; exceptions.

(I) The articles purchased or exchanged shall be retained by the purchaser for at least 15 days before disposing of them, in an accessible place in the building where the articles are purchased and received. A tag shall be attached to the articles in some visible and convenient place, with the number written thereupon, to correspond with the entry number in the book or other record. (2) The purchaser shall prepare and deliver on Monday of each week to the chief of police or chief law enforcement officer of the local unit of government in which that business is carried on,

before 12 noon, a legible and correct paper or electronic copy, in the English language, from the book or other written or electronic record, containing a description of each article purchased or received during the preceding week, the hour and day when the purchase was made, the description of the person from whom it was purchased, and a copy of the documentation required under section 4 regarding the person from whom it was purchased. The statement shall be verified in a manner acceptable to the chief of police.

(3) This section does not apply to old rags, waste paper, and household goods except radios, televisions, record players, and electrical appliances and does not require the purchaser to retain articles purchased from individuals, firms, or corporations having a fixed place of business after those articles shall have been reported.

Sec. 26-6.- Second hand or junk dealer; person without business place; retention of goods, record for police.

If the purchaser or receiver, by exchange or otherwise, as described in section 3, is a peddler or goes about with a wagon to purchase or obtain by exchange or otherwise, any of such articles, and does not have a place of business in a building, he need not retain such articles for 15 days before selling them, provided on Monday of each week he files with the chief of police or chief police officer of the city or village in which he is located a report showing the place of business of the person to whom such sale was made; a copy of the record required by such section to be kept in a separate book of the articles purchased or received during the preceding week, including a description of such articles sold, to whom sold and his place of business.

Sec. 26-7.- Second hand or junk dealer; unlawful purchases; misappropriated property.

(1) No person shall purchase or receive by sale, barter or exchange or otherwise, any article mentioned in this act from any person between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m., nor from any person who is at the time intoxicated or from an habitual drunkard or from any person known by said second hand dealer or junk dealer to be a thief or any associate of thieves or receiver of stolen property or from any person he has reason to suspect of being such.

(2) If an appropriate law enforcement official has probable cause to believe that property in the possession of a pawnbroker is misappropriated, or if a person files an official police report alleging misappropriation of property, the official may place a written hold order on the property. All of the following apply to a written hold order under this subsection:

(a) The hold order shall specify a holding period. The length of the holding period shall not exceed 90 days, unless extended by court order.

(b) The appropriate law enforcement official who placed the hold order may rescind it in writing.

(c) An appropriate law enforcement official may place only 1 hold order on a particular item of property.

(d) The hold order must include all of the following information:

(i) The name and mailing address of the pawnbroker.

(ii) The name, title, and identification number of the appropriate law enforcement official who placed the hold order and, if applicable, the number assigned to the claim or report relating to the property.

(iii) A complete description of the property in the possession of the pawnbroker, including model number and serial number, if applicable.

(iv) The name of the person that reported that the property was misappropriated, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

(v) The expiration date of the holding period specified under subdivision (a).

(3) An appropriate law enforcement official must sign and date a copy of a written hold order he or she placed on an item of property under subsection (1) as evidence that he or she placed the hold order and of the date the holding period specified under subsection (I)(a) begins.

(4) On the tenth day after a hold order placed under subsection (1) expires, if the pawnbroker has not received notice from a court that it has granted an extension of the hold order on the property, title to the property vests in and is considered conveyed by operation of law to the pawnbroker, free of any liability for claims but subject to any restrictions contained in the pawn transaction contract and subject to the provisions of this act.

(5) A court shall not grant an extension of a hold order placed on property under subsection (1) unless a person that claims an interest in the property that is adverse to the pawnbroker or pawner has filed a report with a law enforcement agency and provided a copy of the report to the court and a copy of that report accompanies the notice from the court that it granted the extension described in subsection (3).

(6) Except as provided in subsection (6), a pawnbroker shall not release or dispose of property that is subject to a hold order under this section except pursuant to a court order, a written release from the appropriate law enforcement official, or the expiration of the holding period of the hold order described in subsection (1)(a).

(7) While a hold order is in effect, on request, the pawnbroker must release the property that is subject to the hold order to the custody of the appropriate law enforcement official that placed the hold order for use in a criminal investigation or proceeding related to the ownership claim. The release of the property to the custody of the appropriate law enforcement official is not considered a waiver or release of the pawnbroker's property rights in, interest in, or lien on the property.

(8) A law enforcement official or any other person that obtains custody of property under this section shall not deliver the property to any person that claims ownership of the property unless both of the following are met:

(a) The property is delivered after a hearing at which a court determines the merits of the claims to the property (b) If the court finds against the pawnbroker, the court orders the pawner or seller of the item that was pawned or pledged to make restitution to the pawnbroker for all money that the pawnbroker advanced, and the total interest and charges accrued since the pawnbroker first advanced that money, together with reasonable attorney fees and costs that the pawnbroker incurred in defending the action related to the disputed property.

(9) If the court after a hearing described in subsection (7)(a) finds in favor of the pawnbroker, the property must be returned to the pawnbroker.

(IO) A pawnbroker is not liable to any person for any property that is seized from the pawnbroker based on the pawnbroker's inability to return the property to that person because of the seizure.

(11) As used in this section, "appropriate law enforcement official" means a sheriff or sheriff's deputy of a sheriff's department in this state; village or township marshal of a village or township in this state; officer of the police department of any city, village, or township in this state; or office of the Michigan state police.

Sec. 26-8.- Violations; penalties; remedies.

(1) Except as otherwise provided for in this section, a person who violates this article is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by up to a \$500.00 fine and/or 90 days imprisonment.

(2) The license of a person, corporation, co-partnership, or firm that is found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this act shall be considered to be revoked upon entry of a conviction and such person, corporation, co-partnership, or firm shall not be permitted to carry on the business of being a second hand or junk dealer within the City for a period of 2 years after that conviction. (3) The remedies under this act are independent and cumulative. The use of one remedy does not bar the use of other lawful remedies.

Section 2. That all other provisions of Chapter 26 of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

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Section 4. Repeal. All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

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Section 5. Publication. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

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CITY OF WESTLAND

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Westland Purchasing Division, 36300 Warren Road, Westland, MI 48185, on April 24th, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (no exceptions will be made for late filings) for the following

CROSS CONNECTION PROGRAM

Complete specifications and pertinent information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office or at www.CityofWestland.com. The City of Westland reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

> Devin J. Adams City Controller

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04-19-0093 Motion by Webster, seconded by Miller, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve penalty fees for Vacant Properties.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE

GENERAL NOTICE REGARDING PENALTY FEES FOR VACANT PROPERTIES

Any property owner who owns a vacant property shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 1473 of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Wayne and shall be liable to the imposition of penalties and expenses incurred by the City of Wayne.

Penalty Fees for vacant properties are established by the City Council and are as follows:

30 Days – less than 1 year	\$180.00
1 year – less than 2 years	\$1,000.00
2 years - less than 3 years	\$2,000.00
3 years – less than 5 years	\$4,000.00
5 years – less than 10 years	\$7,000.00
10 years or more	\$7,000.00 plus an additional \$1,000.00 per each year over 10 years
If you have any questions re	garding this notice, please contact the Ordinance

Division at 734-728-9100.

Tina M. Stanke, CMC City Clerk

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04-19-0090 Motion by Webster, seconded by Porter and unanimously carried , it was resolved to approve the Second Reading and adoption of Ordinance Chapter No. 620: Opting out of Recreational Marihuana.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE **ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE. THE CITY OF WAYNE ORDAINS:

Section 1. THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE CHAPTER 620.02 AND 620.99 REGARDING RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA AND TO PRESCRIBE CERTAIN PENALTIES AS ARE APPLICABLE AS DESCRIBED IN **CHAPTER 620.99**

ection 2. That this Ordinance shall be published as required by law.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and upon publication thereof.

The entire Ordinance may be examined in the City Clerk's office Mon. - Thurs. 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

> Tina Stanke City Clerk

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Adopted: April 2, 2019 Effective: April 12, 2019

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04-19-0092 Motion by Porter, seconded by Dowd and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the Second Reading and adoption of Ordinance Chapter No. 1473: Providing for the registration, maintenance and inspection of vacant properties, to adopt registration and inspection fees and to provide penalties for non-compliance, set forth abatement procedures and method of appeal.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE **ORDINANCE NO. 2019-04**



CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING April 22, 2019 7:00 pm

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm. regarding an ordinance of the city of Garden City providing for the authority of city council to convey or authorize the conveyance of tax foreclosed real property located within the city, having acquired the parcels of real property from Wayne County pursuant to MCL 211.78(M); providing for repeal or severability; providing for publication and effective date.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should contact the City of Garden City City Clerk, Matthew K. Miller, at (734) 793-1620, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the Public Hearing, if requesting accommodations.

> Matthew K. Miller City Clerk / Treasurer

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INVITATION TO BID SOUTH REDFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be submitted electronically through Building Connected, opened and read aloud, by South Redford School District at the District Administration Building located at 26141 Schoolcraft, Redford Charter Twp, MI 48239 on April 30, 2019 at 11:00 AM local time for the following work:

Thurston High School - Football Field Lighting Upgrades

Contract documents will be available electronically for examination and distribution on or after April 10, 2019 by emailing: jared.marinelli@bartonmalow.com.

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2019 at 1:00PM at Thurston High School, 26255 Schoolcraft Ave, Redford Charter Twp, MI 48239.

The School Board will not accept any bid submitted after the indicated due time and date. Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid Proposals a Bid Security by a qualified surety authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located. All Bid Proposals shall be accompanied by the following two forms: Familial Disclosure Form (in accordance with MCL 380.1267) and an Iran Economic Sanctions Act Form (in compliance with Michigan Public Act No. 517 of 2012). Bid Proposals that do not include these two sworn and notarized forms shall not be accepted.

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04-19-0091 Motion by Miller, seconded by Dowd and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the Second Reading and adoption of Ordinance Chapter No. 1040: Providing for regulations regarding the Illicit Discharge Elimination Program.

CITY OF WAYNE PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 2019-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE. THE CITY OF WAYNE ORDAINS:

THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE BE Section 1. AMENDED TO INCLUDE CHAPTER 1040 - the Illicit Discharge Elimination Program and to set forth the regulation, prohibition and establishment of legal authority as prescribed in the Ordinance

That this Ordinance shall be published as required by law. Section 2. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and Section 3. upon publication thereof.

The entire Ordinance may be examined in the City Clerk's office Mon. – Thurs. 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Adopted: April 2, 2019 Published: April 11, 2019 Effective: April 12, 2019

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LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS **15125 FARMINGTON ROAD** LIVONIA, MI 48154-5474

(734) 744-2500

The Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, Livonia, Michigan, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for the purchase of: Boiler Replacement at Holmes Middle, Hoover Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Hayes Elementary and Johnson Upper **Elementary Schools Bid**

(See Attached Specifications)

Request for Proposal (RFP) documents can be obtained at the Livonia Public School Website, www.livoniapublicschools.org under the section titled DISTRICT, Purchasing Bids, 2018-19 school year, Open Bids OR the SIGMA Website, www.michigan.gov/SIGMAVSS. Please feel free to include additional pages of information if necessary. For bids to be considered they must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE. THE CITY OF WAYNE ORDAINS:

Section 1.THAT THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYNE BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE CHAPTER 1473 - Sections 1473.01 through 1473.15 to provide for the registration, maintenance and inspection of vacant properties, to adopt registration and inspection fees and to provide penalties for non-compliance, set forth abatement procedures and method of appeal.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall be published as required by law.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall become effective ten days after enactment and upon publication thereof.

The entire Ordinance may be examined in the City Clerk's office Mon. - Thurs. 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

> Tina Stanke City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG. 7 4/1/19

Presiding: President Godbout

Present: Green, Hammons, Hart, Herzberg, Johnson, Londeau 46: Minutes of regular meeting held 3/18/19.

- Minutes of study session held 3/18/19.

- Art Van Tent sale 4/29 - 5/16/19.

- Traffic Control Order 2019-01: Install 1 "RIGHT TURN ONLY" sign at the driveway of

35000 Ford Rd. for vehicles exiting the parking lot onto Christine St. - Traffic Control Order 2019-02: Install (1) "SCHOOL ZONE" 25 mph speed limit sign indicating Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. also indicating "ALL YEAR" on the north side of Ann Arbor Trail near Donna St. & Install 1 "SCHOOL ZONE" 25 mph speed limit sign indicating Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. also indicating "ALL YEAR" on the south side of Ann Arbor Trail near Liberty St.

- Proposal from Armored Group for SWAT Vehicle Repair; amt. \$8,480.

- Bid for security camera/access system upgrades at DPS fleet yard to Actron Security Alarm Systems; amt. not to ex. \$43,634.55.

- IGA w/Wayne Co. for walkway improvements at Stottlemyer Park; amt. \$8,690.

- Adopt Ord. 220-A-3 re. Second Hand/Junk Dealers.

- Adopt Fire Dept. Cadet Program Resolution.

47: Adopt resolution to honor Mayor G. McKinney.48: Close nominations for ZBA member for 3 yr. term to exp. 5/12/22.

49: Conf. re-appt. of B. McGough to ZBA for 3 yr. term to exp. 5/12/22.

50: Close nominations for ZBA member for 3 yr. term to exp. 5/12/22.

51: Conf. re-appt. of E. DeHart-Schoof to ZBA for 3 yr. term to exp. 5/12/22.

52: Close nominations for ZBA member for 3 yr. term to exp. 6/12/22.

53: Conf. re-appt. of M. Vellardita to ZBA for 3 yr. term to exp. 6/12/22.

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54: Appr. checklist: \$1,831,148.70.

Mtg. adj. at 8:46 p.m.

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James Godbout **Council President** **Richard LeBlanc** City Clerk

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mandatory walk-through will be held at 10:00 a.m., on April 10, 2019, at Holmes Middle School, 16200 Newburgh Road, Livonia; then Hoover Elementary, 15900 Levan, Livonia; then Kennedy Elementary, 14201 Hubbard, Livonia; then Hayes Elementary, 30600 Louise, Westland; then Johnson Upper Elementary, 8400 Hix, Westland, Michigan.

Sealed bids marked Boiler Replacement at Holmes Middle, Hoover Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Hayes Elementary and Johnson Upper Elementary Bid will be received until 1:00 p.m on the 17th day April, 2019, in the Operations Office at the Board of Education complex, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan. Mailed bids should be sent to the attention of: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations, Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, 48154. Livonia Public Schools is not liable for any delivery or postal delays.

The Bid Opening will take place at 1:00 p.m. on the 17th day of April, 2019, at the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education Complex, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after the date and time specified and will not be opened. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will not receive consideration.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement of disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner and any employee of the bidder and any member of the Livonia Board of Education, the Livonia Public Schools Superintendent or Director of Finance, any member of the Wayne RESA Board of Education or the Superintendent of Wayne RESA. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

All bids must be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Affidavit of Compliance - Iran Economic Sanctions Act. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this sworn and notarized statement.

All bids must be accompanied by the Equal Opportunity Statement. No bid shall be accepted that does not include this statement.

All bids must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Livonia Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each bid over \$23,230.00 and must be submitted with the bid forms furnished with specification.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet and all sheets must be returned for the bid. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part: to award to other than the low bidder: to waive any irregularities and/or informalities: and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the district, including awarding by line item, with rationale to support such a decision. Livonia Public Schools local preference resolution will be followed for all proposals.

Prices bid are to be F.O.B. Destination. All purchases are to be exempt from all taxes, including state and federal taxes. Exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

Any bid submitted will be binding for ninety (90) days subsequent to the date of the bid submission. All bids must be submitted on the attached bid form and signed by the bidder. Two (2) signed copies of the bid package are to be addressed to the attention of:

Phillip Francis, Director of Operations Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road

Livonia, MI 48154-5474

"Boiler Replacement at Holmes Middle, Hoover Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Hayes Elementary and Johnson Upper Elementary Schools Bid"

One (1) copy of the bid package should be retained for your files. Any questions regarding bid specifications should be referred to Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations, hlau@livoniapublicschools.org, 734.744.2511, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. EST. All samples should be sent to Harry Lau, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48154.

LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

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