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For the second year in a row Wayne Memorial Ethics Bowl team has won the State Championship. The team Back row: Javon Johnson, Shivam Patel, Zoe Wolf, David Kangas, Khushi Patel, Karim Gharib. Front Row: Van Tu, Ashley Highland, Sarah Craig.

Ethics Team continues reign as State Champions

By Carolyn Marnon

State champions for the second year in a row, the Wayne Memorial Ethics Bowl team is heading off to the April 20 National Championship in North Carolina where they will face off against approximately 24 teams in their quest to become National Champions.

The Ethics Bowl team is only in its third year at WMHS and is showing what dedication and teamwork can do when you work together. Only 7 members strong, the team is led by Faculty Coach David Kangas, an English teacher who just happened to fall into his position. He was looking for a way to teach his students ethics in regards to climate change when he came across the website for Michigan high school ethics in Ann Arbor. He says a philosopher from the University of Michigan was sent to visit him and guide him in setting up the team. He learned how to coach on philosophical and ethical theories. Students on the team are getting a world-class education.

How does an Ethics Bowl work? The teams are given about 15 cases



at the beginning of the season (October) to prepare for. There are two teams who face off against each other on an ethical dilemma. The team will present an interpretation of the dilemma and use theories that support the best course of action to take. The team that is listening to the speakers ask questions to delve deeper into the subject. This is not like debate; it is a dialog between two teams. Points are scored based on

how well members are organizing their thoughts, their responses and how well they ask questions of the other team. There are three judges made up of philosophy professors, teachers and students. Judges also give points for how open-ended questions are answered by the students on the team. Students learn to think on their feet, says Kangas. The kids become passionate about the subjects and learn to articulate their po-

sitions and thoughts.

One of the final cases the Wayne students had at the Michigan High School Ethics Bowl on their way to becoming champions involved a hospital and a hurricane. What would you do if you ran a hospital on an island and a hurricane was headed your way? You need to move people. There are people who need urgent care. You only have so many boats and so much room on them. Who do you put on the boats? How many hospital professionals do you let on the boat? Students had to do cost/benefit analysis and wrestle with what is considered right and wrong. Soon after winning the state championship, the team received a new set of 15 cases to start preparing for the national championship. There are only 25-26 states in the US who do Ethics Bowl competitions.

The Ethics Bowl team is open to everyone. They meet October-February and “practice” once a week. Students are expected to also do individual research at home on the cases.

Marihuana ordinances being reviewed

The issue of marihuana facilities in Wayne has come before the City Council. To approve or to disapprove? At a previous meeting, the council chambers were packed when residents thought a new marihuana ordinance was going to be on the agenda. When it was discovered it would not be, the majority of the crowd left the meeting, leaving mostly those who regularly attend the bi-monthly meetings.

On March 20, the council agenda included the first reading of Ordinance #2018-03 for Chapter 838 Medical Marihuana Facilities—an ordinance to add chapter 838 to the Wayne city code to provide and establish a process and procedures for the application and licensing requirement for medical marihuana facilities within the City of Wayne and to provide for the suspension and revocation of violations thereof. This ordinance would allow no more than 8 facility licenses—four provisioning centers and a total of four other licenses as either grower, processor, secure transporter and/or safety compliance. The annual license fee would be \$5000.

After several different failed motions, Councilman Christopher Sanders made a motion to approve as originally presented. The motion passed by roll call vote 5-2.

Also included on the agenda was the first reading of Ordinance #2018-04 to repeal Chapter 836-Medical Marijuana Dispensaries. This ordinance would amend the codified ordinances of the City of Wayne by repealing Chapter 836. Councilman Tom Porter made a motion motion to approve the repeal of



The City is looking to allow commercial growing of marihuana.

Chapter 836. The motion was unanimously carried.

The “second” reading of these ordinances was held at the April 3 council meeting.

A motion was made to amend Ordinance #2018-03 chapter 838.06 (8) so that a provisioning center could not be within 1000 feet of any other provisioning center (rather than 500 feet in the original ordinance). This motion passed. Since there was a change made to the ordinance by council, this reading became the “first” reading. A second reading will now occur at the next council meeting on April 17.

Although the first reading of Ordinance #2018-04 was approved at the March meeting, a second reading at the April 3 meeting could lead to the passing of the ordinance to repeal the current ordinance of med-

ical marihuana dispensaries in Wayne. The city would not want to be without an ordinance regarding this matter, so a second reading could not be done.

There are five different types of licenses: grower, processor, secure transporter, provisioning center and safety compliance center.

According to the Cannabis Attorneys of Michigan website:

- Provisioning Center: “a licensed commercial entity that purchases marihuana from a grower or processor and sells, supplies, or provides marihuana to patients, directly or through the patient’s caregiver.”

- Grower: “is licensed to cultivate, dry, trim, or cure and package marihuana for sale to a processor or provisioning center. A Grower cannot be a registered primary caregiver. There are three levels of Grower license based on the amount of product grown.

- *Class A-500 plants

- *Class B-1,000 plants

- *Class C-1,500 plants”

- Secure Transporter: “is a licensed commercial entity that stores, transfers, and transports marihuana between separate marihuana facilities for a fee.”

- Safety Compliance Center: “is a licensed commercial entity that receives marihuana from a marihuana facility or a registered primary caregiver, tests it for contaminants and for tetrahydrocannabinol and other cannabinoids, returns the test results, and may return the marihuana to the marihuana facility.”

- Processor: “is a licensed commercial facility that purchases marihuana from a grower and extracts

resin from the marihuana or creates a marihuana-infused product for sale and transfer in a packaged form to a provisioning center.”

Under the ordinance, the Provisioning Center could not open earlier than 8:00 a.m. or do business beyond 8:00 p.m. and would be closed on Sunday. A physician would not be allowed to conduct a medical examination or issue a medical certification document on the property for the purpose of obtaining a registry identification card.

A grower or processor cannot cultivate, grow, manufacture or process marihuana in a manner that would emit odors beyond the interior of the structure or which is otherwise discernible to a person.

Smoking or use of marihuana is not allowed at any facility. Signs cannot use words or images that refer to marihuana.

Wayne currently has three provisioning centers.

According to the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs website “The Bureau of Medical Marihuana Regulation (BMMR) is frequently asked why marihuana is spelled with an “h” instead of a “j.” Both spellings, marijuana and marihuana are acceptable. Many in the industry, to avoid confusion refer to the botanical plant—cannabis.

While the spelling with a “j” is more common today, you will still see Michigan law using the “h” spelling.”

To read the full ordinance, check out the City Council Agenda packet posted April 3, 2018 on the city’s website: www.ci.wayne.mi.us



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Village Dance and Company students - Elizabeth Rupert, Carlee Allen and Rylee Nelson practice in front of the wall to wall mirror. Photo Courtesy of Kristin Morgan.

By Carolyn Marnon

Melissa Tracy and Emily Rodler believe it takes a village to raise a child. It also takes a village to train a child in dance or gymnastics. They took that quote with unknown origins and used it as the philosophy behind their almost 2-year old business - Village Dance and Company hidden inside the Metro Place Mall at the entrance near Nick's Coney Island. "Be your own kind of beautiful" is a message on the wall.

Melissa and Emily met when they both worked for the Wayne Parks and Recreation Department at the old Wayne Rec Center. When the Parks and Recreation Department closed, they stayed in touch and held an 8-week class together at the Romulus Parks and Recreation Department. The students culminated that class with a big show.

After that, the duo were antsy to get back to teaching dance together. They felt like something was missing in their lives. Emily had been checking out some sites for a possible dance studio, but it wasn't until the fall of 2016 that they located a spot at Metro Place Mall that worked for them. They knew they wanted to be in Wayne. The kids they knew lived in Wayne. They also wanted to be close to where those kids lived.

Neither lady appears to be a lady of leisure. Both work 9-5 jobs during



Melissa Tracy (left) and Emily Rodler (right) with their 2-3 year old Gymnastics class.

the week. Melissa works on the line at Michigan Assembly Plant. Emily works for a corporate insurance company. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights and Saturday mornings find them at their dance studio teaching ballet, gymnastics, tap, hip hop, lyrical and some jazz dance.

Pleased that former students from their Parks and Rec days have found them, they also have students that came from the Romulus program as well.

Melissa started her dance career at the age of 5 in the Parks and

Recreation programs. As she got older, she danced at other places. As a high school cheerleader, she got into gymnastics. After graduating from Wayne Memorial High School, she started coaching cheer. She did a short stint as coach of the Detroit Diesel's cheerleaders. Her three children were all in dance at one time or another. Her son, currently a high school senior, uses a front hand-spring as one of his moves in wrestling. When the Parks and Rec closed, it left Melissa with a sad feeling. She had worked at almost all the

fireworks shows since she was 16 years old so her association with the rec center and its programs was a long one.

Dancing since she was 3 years old, Emily started her dance career at Susie's Dance Pointe in Westland which has since closed. She danced recitals and competitions until she was 14. When she attended college, she danced on the Schoolcraft College dance team with about 20 other girls. She also danced with Full Circle Dance Company at Henry Ford Community College for a semester. Her favorite forms of dance are ballet and lyrical although she does teach all forms.

The classes are small, around 5 students. They do have a "big" class with 10 students and another class has only 3 students; this class has a dancer in a wheelchair. Students range in age from 2 years to adult. They stress that adults don't need to have a dance background to attend a class. "We'd rather you have fun and want to learn something," says Melissa. It's all about having a good time and not "you're not doing it right," she emphasizes.

They want their students to be exposed to culture and to be able to take their dance experience and apply it to their lives outside the classroom. They want to help their students build confidence. Their student in the wheelchair? She's a ballerina.

Students do not attend competitions. "We don't have the extra hours for competitions in our life," both say. The students do local performances.

Emily says, "We are all about our students! We really strive to create a fun, family-oriented, no pressure type of environment for our students, and we really want them to be able to learn how to dance and tumble while having a good time. We do all of this for them." "We're here because of them," adds Melissa.

If you would like to see them in action, there is a dance recital Saturday, May 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Stockmeyer Auditorium at Wayne Memorial High School.

Tickets are \$7 in advance at the dance studio or \$12 at the door the night of.

Village Dance and Company will be taking registrations for their next session in the summer. They can be contacted through their website at www.villagedanceandcompany.com

You can be the change

By Carolyn Marnon

Do you want to see change in Wayne? Do you complain because you don't agree with what your current City Council is doing? Now is the time you can step up and participate in the government of your city.

It is time to prepare for the 2018 Election Cycle with the August Primary and the November General elections.

The City Charter requires that candidates obtain 25-50 signatures for nominating petitions. The signatures can be at-large (city-wide) for

the city council vacancies and at-large (city-wide) for the Mayor. The Clerk's office can receive petitions from April 10 through April 24, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

The petitions must be obtained at the City Clerk's Office, 3355 S. Wayne Rd, and will be typewritten by the office. The office has the Affidavit of Identity forms that are also required to be filled out and returned with the petitions.

Wards 4, 5 and 6 have council openings for a four-year term and the Mayor's term is for two years.



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Police Chief Al Maciag congratulates Wayne Police Officer Nicholas Boruta at the April 3rd, 2018 Wayne City Council meeting. Officer Boruta was honored with a special recognition by being named Police Officer of the Year for 2017.

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Healthy Wayne, the community group that supports healthy lifestyles, is gearing up for their 3rd annual Healthy Wayne Community Walk which will take place on Wednesday, April 25. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Goudy Park Amphitheater behind City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Rd. The walk will begin at Noon.

Come join Wayne Mayor Susan Rowe, local business leaders and community members for the ¾ mile walk. Bottled water and light snacks will be provided. There will be a drawing for a free Fitbit. Come dressed for the weather and wear comfortable shoes.

In the case of severe weather, call HYPE Recreation Center for cancellation confirmation at (734) 721-7400 and press 2 for the new date to walk. Severe weather notice will be given by 9:00 a.m. on the day of the walk.

During the month of April, the American Heart Association is en-



Juanita Davis is the latest winner of the Healthy Wayne Walking Club quarterly Fitbit drawing with Jose Kottoor, Vice President of Beaumont Wayne.

couraging Americans to move more and more and commit to being physically active.

If you don't want to come alone, bring a co-worker, a neighbor or a friend. If you arrive by 11:45, you can warm up with Certified Yoga instructor Dominique Theophilus from Lifetime Fitness Center of Canton.

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New grade configurations considered

By Carolyn Marnon

On March 12, the Wayne Westland School Board agreed to postpone a vote on new grade configurations for the school district until the April Board Meeting to give board members time to consult with community members and gather more information regarding the options presented to them.

A preliminary bond program analysis and Choicework configuration were presented.

The first configuration proposes nine K-5 elementary schools, three middle schools and two high schools with anticipated bond costs of \$150,157,239 that is expected to result in a savings of \$1,888,603.95 per year. This configuration would be implemented in the 2019/20 school year with two elementary schools closing and an upper elementary/middle school closing.

The second configuration proposes eleven K-8 schools which would be in current elementary schools that would have additions built on and two high schools.

The anticipated bond costs of \$164,792,891 would include demolition of the middle schools and is expected to result in a savings of \$2,704,496.31 per year after all changes have been made.

K-4 would shift to K-5 in 2019/20 and 6-8 would combine into two upper elementary or middle school buildings. In 2020/21, K-5 would shift to K-6 and 7-8 would stay at the two UE/MSs.

In 2021/22, K-8 would be fully implemented. In all cases, the high school would contain 9-12.

The next school board meeting is April 9 where the board will review the bond application and approve a meeting with the Department of Treasury. WWCS and Plante Moran Cresa will meet with the Dept. of Treasury to review the bond application in May. In June, WWCS can adopt a resolution approving application for issue bonds. Ballot information would go out to the public June-October. November 6 is the election.

New development being seen in Wayne

Thanks to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority recently established in Wayne, the work on constructing Metro Storage-Wayne, will continue. The property on Michigan Avenue had been occupied by various service and/or gasoline stations since the 1960s. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality identified the property as a Leaking Underground Storage Tank site and remediation was needed.

The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority will facilitate the clean-up and redevelopment of brownfields within the city's communities. A brownfield is a site that has been affected by environmental contamination. The property Metro Storage wants to build on has soil contamination. It is expected that shovels will hit the ground in May.

Taco Bell on the corner of Michigan Ave and Venoy is being demolished and a brand-new structure is being built to conform with Taco Bell's latest incarnation.

The former Frank's Furniture



City of Wayne Economic Development Director Lori Gouin checks out the new Planet Fitness site at the old Save-A-Lot building on Michigan Avenue.

property will become the 4300 square foot home of Saints, Inc. when they build their new offices on the site this spring.

Planet Fitness made a \$3 million investment in the old Save-A-Lot building on Michigan Avenue and

plans to be open the end of summer.

On Michigan Avenue near the Ford Assembly Plant and the Moose Lodge, a retail space will take over with a \$5.1 million investment with four buildings slated for business use.

The Village Bar on Michigan Avenue is being proposed as a new restaurant and bar by past owners.

Many residents have been vocal about wanting certain types of businesses in their hometown. Come to the city council meeting on April 17 when a proposal for the WABC building is presented to the council. City of Wayne Economic Development Director Lori Gouin thinks it will be very exciting!

In just the first three months of 2018, seven businesses have submitted zoning compliance applications with the City to open.

Lori has been working really hard to ensure the success of projects in Wayne. It takes "some creative economic development tools to save projects," she said.

"It's been an absolute pleasure being able to work in my hometown. It's very exciting that we now have a story to tell with all the recent investment. Wayne is truly becoming a destination for new investors and developers."



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Chocolate walk tickets on sale

Organizers are planning for this year's event to be significantly larger than last year's Chocolate Walk.

Wayne Main Street's Third Annual Chocolate Walk will take place in downtown Wayne on Saturday, May 12, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tickets for last year's Chocolate Walk completely sold out. Wayne Main Street anticipates a sold-out event once again this year with more than 150 people expected to attend and 12 downtown businesses committed to participating.

Wayne's Chocolate Walk will begin at the Wayne Historical Museum located at 1 Town Square. Each participant will be provided an empty chocolate box and a map of participating businesses. Participants will then be invited to explore the historic downtown and pick up their individual chocolates at the participating businesses. "This event is important to our downtown. It encourages community members and folks from surrounding communities to shop and explore downtown Wayne's unique offerings," says Cindy Schofield, Board Member for Wayne Main Street.

Tickets to this event are \$12 if purchased in advance and \$15 at registration (if available) and can be purchased at downtownwayne.org. Proceeds from this event benefit Wayne Main Street's programs and services. The event is being sponsored by Wayne's Downtown Development Authority.



'Dynamic Duo' come to Wayne

Supreme Court Justice Richard Bernstein and Supreme Court Justice Elizabeth Clement joined the Wayne Rotary Club for a luncheon and question and answer session to a packed out room at the Wayne Public Library.



Transforming Derby's Alley into a Useable Public Space

Derby's Alley, located next to the Flagship Boutique on Michigan Avenue, is getting a substantial makeover from Wayne Main Street. In 2017, we obtained funding from the American Association of Retired Persons, the Greater Metropolitan Area Realtors Association, Michigan Realtors, and the Wayne Rotary Foundation for phase one of the project. With this funding, our organization was able to purchase and install bistro tables, benches and festoon overhead lighting for the space. The results are spectacular, Derby's Alley is quickly being transformed into a space that residents will be able to enjoy year-round.

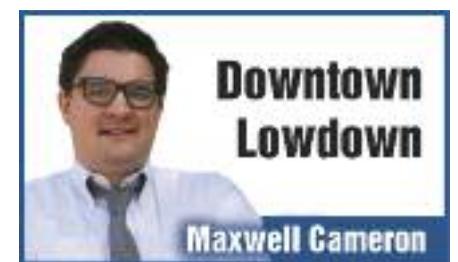
This project is also a credit to the dedication and commitment of Wayne Main Street's Board and Volunteers. We began working on Derby's Alley in 2016 with the goal of transforming an underutilized space in the heart of downtown Wayne, into a community gathering



New lights and picnic tables have been installed in Derby's Alley.

and events space. We were able to host three events in Derby's Alley in 2017, a cardio drumming and Tai Chi fitness series that took place in September and October, our annual Scarecrow Reception in October, and a Visit with Santa which took place in early December. The goal was to

get the ball rolling by demonstrating to the community a wide variety of events that are possible in a space like Derby's Alley. Now, with the addition of permanent seating and lighting in Derby's Alley, Wayne Main Street hopes even more people will be drawn into the space, especially



as weather begins to improve.

Although Derby's Alley is starting to take shape, we are not done improving the space. We are hoping to install signage, and undertake repairs to the concrete by the end of 2018. Phase two of this project, which we will complete over the next couple of years, involves concrete work and some additional landscaping. For now, Wayne Main Street is excited to share this space with the community and encourages Wayne residents to take advantage of the newest destination in our historic downtown.



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Flames extinguished

By Carolyn Marnon

Flames were raging skyward out of the roof of one of the buildings at Little Creek Apartments on John Hix in Wayne Wednesday, March 21, when the Wayne Fire Department rolled up to fight the fire. Ash could be seen floating down like snowflakes.

Inkster firefighters were on the scene with their ladder truck to put out smoldering fires on the roof after Wayne fire fighters put out most of the fire.

Wayne Deputy Fire Chief-Fire Marshall Jeremie Schneider said the official cause of the fire is an undetermined accidental fire. The fire started on a second floor balcony. There were rumors that a space heater started the fire. DC-FM Schneider said there was a space heater, but it was not plugged in, and the fire was not electrical.

Eighteen units were initially affected by the fire in the building. What appears as one building is actually two buildings that are sepa-

rated by a fire wall. The occupants of the affected units were put up in a hotel by the property management company who was on scene.

There were units affected by water damage but not by the fire itself. Minor water damage occurred on the first floor. Belfor Property Restoration arrived on the scene to take out the water and dry the walls that same day. DTE Energy was able to work with everyone to get the electrical power cut off on one side of the firewall and yet still provide electrical to the other side of the building.

Thursday afternoon, the Fire Department was able to release the building back to the property management company after having performed all their inspections and investigations.

During the investigation, the building is boarded up and locks are put on all the doors which only the Fire Marshall has the key to. This procedure secures the site and the belongings of the property owners/tenants. Throughout this



On Wednesday, March 21, the Wayne Fire Department responded to an apartment fire at Little Creek Apartments on John Hix in Wayne.

process, the fire department does not need to seek permission from anyone to enter the property to carry out their duties. Once they do turn over the property to the owner, they would then have to be granted permission to enter.

The fire was the first large incident to occur since DC-FM Schneider took over the position last fall. Cathy Lutkenhoff, Wayne Fire Department Administrative Assistant said it was the first fire where he

wasn't being told what to do since he was the one in charge. He does say he was grateful that Wayne-Westland Fire Chief Michael Stradtner was on scene. Schneider said this was a "cut and dry fire" that was contained from the outside. "I'm very impressed with how well they did," he said of his fire fighters.

The last apartment fire DC-FM Schneider could recall in Wayne was at Cadillac Square Apartments on Michigan Ave.



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Memorial Day Parade

The annual Wayne Westland Memorial Day Parade will be Sunday, May 27, at 1:00 p.m. The parade will start out of the Ford Civic League parking lot on Wayne Rd in Westland and wind its way to the Veteran's Memorial Garden of Westland located behind the William P. Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland.

Art show

Come to the Wayne Historical Museum during open hours anytime between April 4 and May 10 to view the First Annual High School Art Show featuring works of art from current students at Wayne Memorial High School and John Glenn High School. The museum is open 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Admission is free. Art will include ceramics, painting, drawing, digital media and sculpture. While you are at the museum, have a look around at the newly refurbished displays of history in Wayne.

Play auditions coming up!

Inspire Theater of Westland is looking for actors, singers and non-singers ages 13-70 for its upcoming production of "Yankee Doodle Dandy: Song and Dance Man." The angelic spirit of Broadway's great song-and-dance man, George M. Cohan, reappears on earth to help stage a centennial pageant for the Rocky Mountain town of Snookersville. Grumpy old Emily Snooker, great granddaughter of the founder, tries to force the town to stage a hilariously dull and phony historical play but is outmaneuvered by Cohan and friends. Lots of laughs and a flag waving love story, too! Add five original rock, ragtime and western ballads to many Cohan favorites like "Yankee Doodle Dandy," "Give My Regards to Broadway" and "You're a Grand Old Flag" and you have a show that really bounces.

Auditions will be held on April 10 and 12. Plan on arriving before 6:30p.m. and staying until 9:00 p.m. Be prepared to sing "Give my regards to Broadway." Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Inspire



Wayne Pride

The Lady Zebras beat Hartland 54-44 to earn a trip to the state semi-finals in Grand Rapids. The girls lost in the semi-finals to East Lansing 52-60. Great season girls!

Theatre is located in the Westland Center for the Arts at 33455 Warren Rd in Westland. For more information, call (734) 751-7057.

Wayne bicycle club season opener

The Wayne Bicycle Club will be rolling out on their season opener Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to ride. The Club meets at the State Wayne Phoenix Theater. The Club is planning some great rides for 2018 including Belle Isle, I-275 trails, Metro trails, Zukey Lake bike trail, downtown Detroit, downtown Ann Arbor, Depot Town in Ypsilanti and perhaps a few overnight trips to Lake Michigan.

Diabetic prevention program classes

Free classes start Tuesday, April 17, for Beaumont's Diabetes Prevention Program led by trained lifestyle coaches who will give you the skills you need to make lasting, healthy lifestyle changes. Classes are at 6:00 p.m. and last an hour. Small changes can make a big difference in your health. This program will show you how to prevent the development of type 2 diabetes. There will be an informational session on Tuesday, April 3, at 6:00 p.m. if you would like more information. The informa-

tional session and the classes will be held at HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Rd. Call 313-586-5488 or visit beaumont.org/classes-events to register.

Downtown Wayne clean up day April 21

Volunteers are wanted for the annual Downtown Wayne Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon. Help Wayne Main Street and other community organizations as they come together to make downtown Wayne more beautiful. Preregister to volunteer and you will receive a free t-shirt! You can preregister at downtownwayne.org or call Wayne Main Street at (734) 629-6822. Volunteers will gather at 29th

District Court parking lot, 34808 Sims St. Parking will be available there. You can also register the day of the event. Participating organizations include Friends of the Rouge, The Interact Club, Healthy Wayne, Phoenix Theaters, Rouge-a-Palooza, Wayne Chamber of Commerce, Wayne DPW, Wayne Rotary and Wayne Main Street.

Cooking matters-diabetes

This 6-week workshop is a commitment of fun, interactive sessions presented by a trained culinary and nutrition instructor. Hands-on presentations demonstrate the link between nutrition and health, the affordability of healthy eating, healthy meal planning and cooking tips. Free groceries and cookbooks are included to practice new skills at home. This workshop provides specialized recipes and information for adults living with diabetes and their caregivers. The class starts Tuesday, April 4, and goes until May 9; meeting time is 6:00-8:00 p.m. Class is free and open to adults who have not previously enrolled in a Cooking Matters course. Visit beaumont.org/classes-events or call 800-543-WELL (9355).

The D.U.R. streetcar system

The Wayne Historical Society invites you to come learn about the Detroit interurban streetcar system that ran from Detroit to Wayne and beyond. The presentation will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, at the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Towne Square.

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Sometimes travelers club

Several trips are being planned by Wayne Senior Services. You can join in and alleviate the hassle of planning and driving. You can pick up trip flyers at City Hall or the Senior Services office located inside HYPE Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Rd, or you can call Nancy at (734) 721-7460.

*District Detroit- Wednesday, April 11

Guided tour of Little Caesars Arena, lunch at PizzaPapalis and three hours at Greektown Casino to try your luck

*Memory Lane/Grand River Avenue, Wednesday, April 25

Guided tour of the Redford Theatre which has been open since 1928 and is currently owned and operated by the Motor City Theatre Organ Society, lunch at Stillwater Grill and shopping at Heart of Michigan and Sweet Sensations

*Spring Mystery Tour- Thursday, April 26

This trip has something for everyone. Four planned stops plus lunch with travel approximately two hours away. In which direction, we cannot say. Proof of citizenship is not required.

*Holland Tulip Time- Tuesday, May 8

Lunch at the Beechwood Inn, shopping in downtown Holland, Michigan, and a visit to Windmill Island Gardens.

Zebra Safari coming soon

Get your tickets to the annual Zebra Safari sponsored by the Zebra Parent Advisory Council at Wayne



Giving back

Wayne City Councilman Jerimiah Webster reads "When Papa Snores" to approximately 300 students at Roosevelt/Mcgrath Elementary School for National Reading Month in March.

Memorial High School. Proceeds from this event benefit the Class of 2018 for their Farewell Event and other student activities. Entertainment will be provided by WMHS students. Food will be provided by the William D. Ford Career Tech Center Culinary Arts staff and students. The event will be Friday, April 13, at the Dyer Senior Center, 36745 Marquette, Westland. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and are available until March 23. You can drop by Wayne Memorial High School 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday to get your tickets or call (734) 419-2200 to make other arrangements. Sponsorship levels are also available. Please call for more information or if you have any questions.

Spring rummage sale

First United Methodist Church of Wayne, 3 Towne Square, will be holding its annual Spring Rummage Sale on Thursday, May 10, and Friday, May 11, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Saturday, May 12, from 9:00 a.m.-Noon is Bargain Bag Day. Two bag sizes will be available for \$3 or \$6 where you can fill your bag as you wish. The church is handicap-accessible.

Fairy garden workshop

Create your own miniature fairy or succulent garden at the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Towne Square) on Saturday, April 7, at 1:00 p.m. Pot, dirt, 2 plants and some décor will be provided. Tickets are \$30 and are available through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fairy-garden-workshop-at-the-wayne-museum-tickets-4355652072>. Reserve your spot today. Ages 12 and up.

Ships, shipping, shipwrecks and genealogy

A guest speaker from the National Museum of the Great Lakes will be at the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Towne Square, on Thursday, April 12, to talk about ships and how to track your ancestors. The talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. and is brought to you by the Wayne Historical Society.

Inaugural school district speech

Wayne-Westland Community School District will be holding its Inaugural State of the District Address at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, in the John Glenn High School auditorium, 36105 Marquette, Westland. Staff, students, parents, community members and elected officials are all invited to hear about the latest news and plans for the district. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There will be a Gallery Walk of student projects available at that time.

Superintendent Shelley Holt, Ed.D. will report on the District's accomplishments and share plans for the coming year.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Jenny Johnson, WWCS District Communications Director, at johnsonje@wwcsd.net

Swim night for women

HYPE Recreation Center is hosting Women's Only Swim Nights on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Cost is \$6 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Girls and women must be age 13 or older.

No children under 13 and no boys allowed. HYPE is located at 4635 Howe Rd.

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Wayne Memorial JROTC members show off their Zebra Pride as Drill Team Champions.

JROTC heading to national championship

By Carolyn Marnon

The Wayne Memorial JROTC program recently travelled to River Rouge High School for the annual Drill Team Competition. WMHS won this event last year and the cadets have been preparing all year to retain their title.

After rising to the challenge, the JROTC repeated as champions and were invited to the 2018 Army National Championship being held in Louisville, KY on April 14.

The following cadets received awards:

1st Place IDR Platoon Team led by Lizbeth Cortes

1st Place Exhibition Platoon led by Jacob Callahan

1st Place Exhibition Squad led by Jacob Callahan

1st Place First-year Cadet Color Guard led by Judy Ward

1st Place Female Exhibition Team led by Olga Malcolm

1st Place Varsity Color Guard led by Denisesia Thompson

2nd Place IDR Squad led by Kayla Newberry

Individual Knockout winners are:

- Lizbeth Cortes 1st Place
- Denisesia Thompson 2nd Place
- Olga Malcolm 3rd Place
- Dakotah Wells 10th Place

First Year Winners were:

- Emoni Patton 3rd Place
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Oh the places you can go when you attend "Suessical-the Musical" being presented by the Wayne Memorial Theatrical Guild April 26-28 at 7:00 p.m. This whimsical production will take place at Stockmeyer Auditorium, Wayne Memorial High School, 3001 Fourth St. Advanced tickets are available online at Showtix4u.com and are \$12. You will also be able to buy tickets 30 minutes before the show at the box office.

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Recall election May 8th - What you need to know

By Carolyn Marnon

The City of Wayne will be holding a special election on Tuesday, May 8, for the Recall of Ward 1 Councilman, Christopher Sanders.

According to Gregory P. Mahar, Director of Elections, Wayne County Clerk's Office, election results are unofficial until the Wayne County Board of Canvassers certifies the election which may take up to 14 days after Election Day. A candidate cannot take the oath until the election is certified by the County Board of Canvassers and certification forwarded to the local clerk. Until the certification of the recall election results, the officer whose recall is sought continues to perform the duties of the office. The candidate receiving the highest number of certified votes in the recall election is elected for the remainder of the term.

What does this mean for the City of Wayne? On May 8, citizens will go to the polls and vote to elect Jeremiah Webster as the councilman to represent Ward 1 or to keep current

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City Councilman Christopher Sanders in office. Mr. Webster is currently an appointed councilman at large whose term will expire this November; he wishes to represent his ward, Ward 1, as a councilman.

After the election, the Wayne County Board of Canvassers has 14 days to certify the election results. During those 14 days or until the election is certified, whichever comes first, Councilman Sanders will continue to perform the duties of the office. Once certified, the results

will be sent to Wayne City Clerk Matt Miller. If Mr. Webster receives the highest number of certified votes, he will be elected to serve the remainder of the Ward 1 term which expires in November 2020. If Councilman Sanders receives the highest number of certified votes, he will continue to serve as Ward 1 councilman until 2020.

If Councilman Sanders decides to resign from office now that the call for a recall election has been issued, the recall election would be cancelled. The vacancy would then be filled in accordance with existing law. If Councilman Sanders is recalled, he cannot be appointed to fill a vacancy in an elective office in the City of Wayne for the duration of the term of office that he ordinarily would have served. After the filing of a recall petition that has been circulated and after conducting a recall election, no further recall petition shall be filed against the same incumbent of that office during the remainder of the unexpired term.

If you are unable to vote in person on the recall election day, you can make a request in writing to the election official responsible for administering the election. The written request may be on a preprinted application form supplied by your city/township, in a letter or on a postcard. A written request must include a statutory reason why you will be eligible to receive an absentee ballot and your signature. Call your city/township clerk and ask for an absentee voter's ballot application. You may vote absentee if you are registered to vote and are 60 years of age or more, unable to vote without assistance, expect to be absent from your community for the entire time the polls are open, are in jail awaiting arraignment or trial, have been appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence or unable to attend the polls due to religious beliefs.

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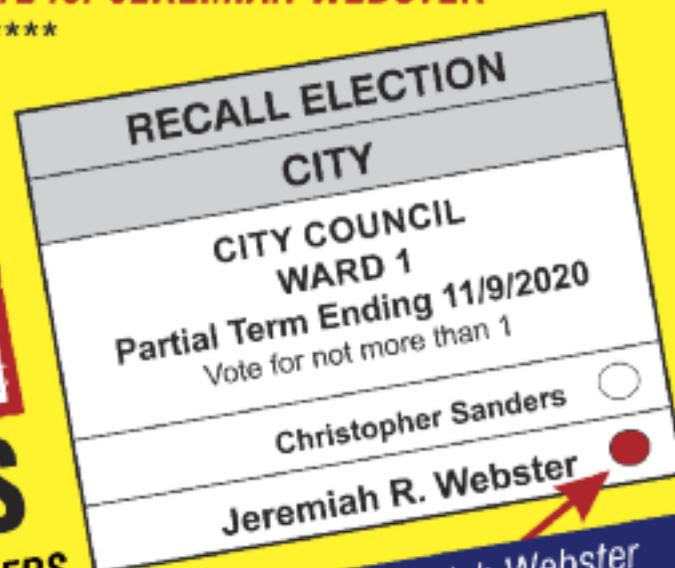
****1,281 residents signed petitions demanding the Recall of Councilman Sanders for extending his term. Circuit Court Judge Robert Columbo ordered that the Wayne County Clerks Office hold a special election for the purpose of recalling/filling the remaining term of Wayne City Councilman Christopher Sanders. Now all that is needed is for the residents of Wayne to VOTE for JEREMIAH WEBSTER to complete the recall and remove Councilman Sanders from office.****

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Warm Regards,
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