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Millennial generation makes a difference

By Erica Perdue

In April 2009 Angela Talo, a Wayne resident and employee at the Wayne Community Center, applied and was selected to be the representative of Wayne in the Millennial Mayor Congress.

The Millennial Mayor Congress, according to Talo, is "an initiative put together by the Michigan Suburbs Alliance to close an intergenerational gap through focusing on an issue that will make member cities more attractive to live and work in."

The Congress was developed as a resource for the cities to hear the millennial generation. Angela stated that they are working on Wayne's first year focus and hopefully will be implementing it within the next year. Talo described the first year focus as, "for our cities to become sustainable, both financially and environmentally, while ultimately maintaining and creating jobs to retain and recruit young talent."

Talo has been able to attend two



Angela Talo

full Congress meetings and a reception at the Hard Rock Café.

She also attended the Suburbs Alliance Annual Meeting in June. Along with that, she was nominated and elected to be on the Executive Committee in June. She will be meeting with the rest of the Executive Committee on September 17 to determine what steps will need to be taken for the first year focus.

Talo said that she has learned

an exceptional amount from this program. "I've been able to see what other cities have done with grant and stimulus funds and bring some of their ideas back to the City of Wayne."

The city itself could learn a lot from this program as well. Talo stated that the first year focus of a chieving environmental sustainability would help improve the City of Wayne. "There are dozens of small ways our city can participate from curbside recycling to changing out current city building light bulbs to more energy efficient ones."

Personally from the program, Talo said that she has gained a selfawareness of her community. "There are so many great programs, businesses, and opportunities in Wayne that deserve to have a city to thrive in."

Talo will definitely help our city out in improvements. I'm sure the residents of Wayne will be waiting to hear more about the first year focus!

COPS provide two new police officers

By Jenny Johnson

The City Council got some very good news at their last meeting. Police Chief John Williams told them the Wayne Police Department has been selected as one of the recipients of the COPS Hiring Recovery Program Grant by the Department of Justice as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The city is one of 253 agencies that applied. Only 46 agencies in the State of Michigan were selected.

The CHRP grant will provide the funds for salaries and benefits for two new full time police officers for three years in the City of Wayne. The grant amount is estimated at \$431,850 for the three years. There is no match requirement but the City must retain the officers for 12 months beyond their initial three years. This will bring the Wayne Police Department to 40

sworn officers.

Williams said he hopes to have the new officers in place before the end of the year. The grant award package which includes the official award document, financial clearance and funding memos explaining how to accept the award has been sent. Williams has initiated the hiring process which includes testing, an oral interview, and background investigation for all candidates.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, announced by Vice President Joe Biden, allocates \$1 billion to the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) for the COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP). These funds will provide for 5,500 additional sworn law enforcement officers nationwide.



Just Married: Jillianne Gaudet and Stephen Rymsha

Congratulations are in order for Jillianne Gaudet, Executive Director of the Wayne Chamber of Commerce. She married Stephen Rymsha on August 22 in Birmingham.

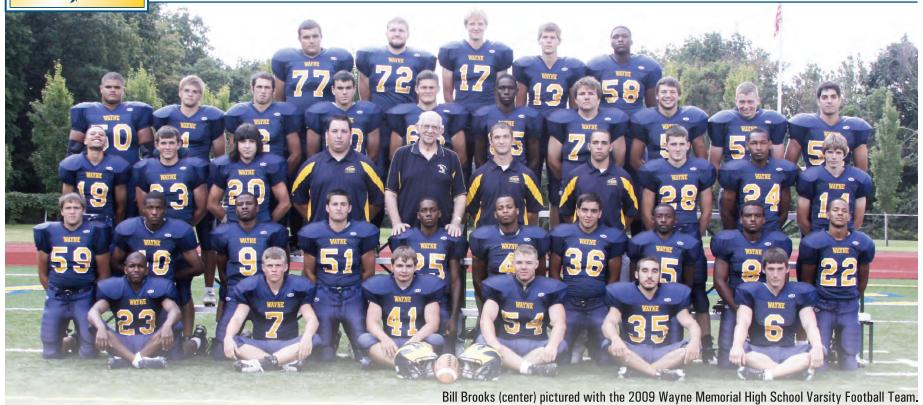
Rymsha is from St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada and attended Western Michigan University. He is a sales representative for Reebok CCM hockey and a professional hockey player for the IHL. This season he played left wing for Port Huron Icehawks.

Gaudet is from Livonia and has a bachelor's degree in advertising and public relations from Grand Valley State University and bachelors in anthropology from Wayne State University. In addition to her position with the Wayne Chamber, she is also a sales representative for Reebok CCM hockey.

After their honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii they will make their home in Huntington Woods. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Rymsha!







The voice of Wayne Memorial

By Valerie Orr

"The Zebras are on the scoreboard again!" Those who have attended a Wayne Memorial High School football or basketball game have bore witness to the voice of a true legend. Some refer to him as 'The Voice of the Zebras", while others affectionately call him "Blue." Mr. Bill Brooks, Wayne Memorial High School Athletic Announcer, has never missed a Zebra Girls' or Boys' Basketball or Football game since 1972. When asked about his dedication to Wayne Memorial, he says with a smile, "I like Wayne High kids. That is why I do what I do. The kids are the real stars."

Brooks' announcing career started at Wayne Memorial High School even before his teaching career there began. He was approached by then WMHS Athletic Director, Bill Hawley, in 1972 while Brooks was teaching English at Marshall Junior High School. He was announcing the Marshall basketball games at the time and had no problem taking Hawley up on his offer. His teaching career at the school soon followed in 1974 when Principal George Bell offered him a position as an English teacher at Wayne Memorial.

While his second home is the Zebra press box, Brooks' first home is in Westland where he has lived since 1961. He graduated in 1946 from Standish High school, after attending 12-18 different schools. "Someone once told me that I have attended as many as 18 different schools, but I can only account for 12 of them. Dad followed the oil fields and we followed Dad." Brooks is married and has three daughters, Laurie, Shannon, and Megan. He also has three grandchildren, one of which attends Schweitzer

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Bill Brooks

Elementary School and whom Brooks affectionately explains, "has divided the house. My granddaughter is a Michigan State Fan!"

Brooks' love of sports possibly goes back to his days of playing football and basketball in high school or in the United States Army. "While I was serving in Germany, we won the 7th Army Championship," he admits with a proud grin.

Retirement has not kept Brooks away from the classroom. He substitute teaches still today, and stops by the school all the time to see what is new. "One of the best traditions at Wayne High is knowing that Blue will be bothering you for a roster two weeks after the last season ends," says Varsity Head Football Coach Kevin Weber.

Bill "Blue" Brooks loves sharing his memories of Wayne Memorial athletics. "The 1986 District Championship was the best. The Zebras went into double overtime against Terry Mills and the team from Romulus. We lost by a point, 93-92 and Romulus went on to win the State Championship, I saw Terry Mills again. He said that the game against the Zebras was the real State Championship because nobody else gave them that much effort."

Current and former coaches and athletes have a special place in their hearts for Brooks. "It wasn't the same to play at other fields listening to their announcer. It just wasn't 'our guy'," former Zebra football player Jordan Dotter explains. "My parents and friends all say he was the best."

Lindsay Fallow is the current Junior Varsity Cheerleading Coach at Wayne and she says that hearing Brooks at the football games still brings back fond memories today of her high school experience. "When he announces my name as a coach during games, it brings chills to me. Hearing him say my name brings back the days of being a Wayne High cheerleader and how much I loved it."

Brooks' legacy stems from his work in the classroom as well as the press box. "There wouldn't be a Wayne Dispatch if it wasn't for Bill Brooks. My senior year I was failing French class the first two weeks of school and I transferred into Brooks' Journalism class. Within two weeks, I was transferred to Newspaper Staff and soon after I became Sports Editor," says Dispatch Publisher John Rhaesa.

While Brooks retired from teaching in 1995, he doesn't speak of leaving the Zebras anytime soon. "I work well with the coaches and I have the two best spotters an announcer can ask for. The kids here are still the best." Brooks thinks the facilities at Wayne are awesome, but only has one request. He tells the school's Principal, "I think you should put up a railing in the football stands so I will always be able to make it up to the press box."

Editor's Note: Valerie Orr is the Principal and alumni of Wayne Memorial High School. She will always be a proud Zebra.





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Choose your path

I have recently run into some people that graduated with me. As I was speaking to a few of these people the one thing that was running through my mind was the multiple paths that a young person can take.

For instance, two children who went to the same elementary school, middle school, and high school turned out completely different. Both lived at home with mom, dad, and one sibling. The parents in both houses worked and made similar amounts of money. opportunities were the same, and the two were actually best friends for a long part of their childhood. Now they have totally different lives, one being a full time student at a top university, having a good job, and an internship. The other involves no schooling and court ordered work.

In high school the cliques start happening and old friends separate, it happens to everyone. When entering high school all students are excited to meet new friends and do new activities...but sometimes the activities that are chosen aren't the best ones.

Walking down the halls at Wayne Memorial High School, I remember seeing all of the different groups, talking amongst themselves. I also remember seeing old friends who were headed in a positive direction at the beginning of high school heading down an entirely new path.

There are a lot of choices to make



the "right" decisions can seem boring at the time. I know that the teachers push it on students all the time, and I don't mean to sound boring to the students but I have to say it.

The path you choose early in high school and continue on will determine where you are after you graduate!

As school starts back I want all students to remember that there are so many fun things to do in high school that will keep you on track and make colleges beg for you to be a student at their school! There are plenty of groups to join, and plenty of ways to say no to things that will take you off your path. Start your path today. Be focused on where you want to go and remember where you want to be in the next few years. That path will determine your entire life...and I mean that.

I leave you with a quote from an idol of mine, Ralph Waldo Emerson, "by persisting in your path, though you forfeit the little, you gain the great." Gain the great students of Wayne, and choose the path that will take you above and beyond!

Looking for Friends for annual project

Friends - People Helping People is looking for volunteers for their annual project on Saturday, September 19. Friends is a one day event where volunteers gather to give help to a neighbor in need. Volunteers spend the day at a preselected home in Wayne helping with exterior fix ups like painting and planting.

The group is gathering at 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Activity Center for a continental breakfast and leaving for the site at 9:15 a.m. Lunch will be provided on site. Youth groups are welcome to participate as long as they have one adult for every five youth volunteers.

For more information, please call the Community Development Department at City Hall at 734-722-2002 .



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sept. 8 First Day of School

Full day for Wayne Westland Community School District K-12 students

Sept. 8 Little Sticks Hockey program for ages 3 and up

6:00 - 6:50 p.m. every Tuesday at the Wayne Community Center. Drop in only. No Registration.

\$6 - Residents and \$8 Non - Residents. Must know how to stand and move a little on skates and have approved hockey helmet. For more info, please call 721-7400.

Sept. 9 Protecting your computer

7:00 p.m. Spyware, Malware, and More...Protecting your P.C. presented by Rich Ballinger at the Wayne Public Library.

Sept. 14 Board of Education meeting

7:00 p.m. Timothy J. Dyer Service Center, 36745 Marguette, Westland

Sept. 15 City Council meeting

8:00 p.m. Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road

Sept. 19 Friends Project

8:30 a.m. Meet at the Senior Activity Center

Sept. 19 Annual Wine and Cheese Fundraiser

7:00 p.m. Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne

Sept. 21 Wayne Dance. Gymnastics. Cheerleading & Baton classes begin

Ages 3 and up. Register now at the Wayne Community Center or online at http://ci.wayne.mi.us/dance.shtml.

NEW BUSINESS UPDATE

The City Council approved the site plans for three new businesses. Road Runner Auto Sale II will be a used car sales office and lot located at 31731 Michigan Avenue East in the location of the former Church's Lumber site.

Future Healthcore will open in Metro Mall. This physical therapy office will be located in the former Michigan Works service center. Future Healthcore currently has their administrative staff in the Community Living Services area. They will be moving their physical therapy center from Dearborn and expanding their administrative services. This move will bring Metro Mall to full capacity.

Makky's Bar & Grill will open at 3614 Elizabeth Street in the former location of Rookie Sports Café. They plan to make both interior and exterior renovations and add outdoor seating on the south side of the building.

Tim Horton's is still on the way. Community Development Director Peter McInerney said the drawings have been submitted to the Building & Engineering Department for review and the purchase agreement is in place. They expect to break ground in September and open in January at 34441 Michigan Avenue.

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The Wayne Post Office serving the community for over 174 years

After one month off, I am back. It was nice to not have a deadline for a month and I am glad to know so many people enjoy my column. Thank you to all of the readers who have commented to me about how much they learn and read the paper cover to cover. Now, on to the good stuff....

Since the Wayne Post Office was listed as one of the more the 1,100 Post Offices across the nation that are on the endangered list, I thought it would be prudent to give some history about the Wayne Post Office. The first Post Office in what was known as Derby's Corners (later to become the Village of Wayne) was established in 1835 and William D. Prescott appointed the first Postmaster. That is 174 years of a Post Office in Wayne. The location has changed 13 times as the village began to develop. It moved so much because it was in a tavern, numerous stores, a house, the Masonic Temple and even a bank.



Mail service through the years has changed. For many years a mail train brought the mail about 3:00 in the afternoon and the people would then go and get their mail, talk with friends and get news reports. It was a daily social event but it was necessary as there were no modern conveniences such as radios or televisions. Also, the Post Office stayed open later during that time to allow everyone to get into town.

In 1896 RFD (Rural Free Delivery) was introduced and the mail began being delivered to the rural areas surrounding the village. Michigan was the second state (West Virginia was the first) to carry mail to the farmers at their homes. Harvey Heywood was the first RFD carrier from the Wayne Post Office. Not only did he bring mail but sold stamps, took outgoing mail and relayed messages to neighbors and friends. During the 1930's and 1940's the mail ran twice a day with morning and afternoon service. By 1950, the RFD service was changed over to "mounted city routes" and all houses were numbered and you were now required to place the address on the envelope.

The current building at 3716 Newberry Street was built in 1938, dedicated on June 30, 1938 and was the first federally owned post office. All the other locations were rented by the Postal Service. At that time, this was a model building and the dedication was quite the event. Almost every person in the village was present and the list of speakers included Governor Frank Murphy and a concert by the Wayne High Band. The original cost to purchase

the land in 1936 from Ralph and Fannie Raymo was \$8,500. That was almost an entire City block!! The building was added onto through the years and the large addition to the back was done in 1964. Years later, more property was purchased and the parking lot was expanded.

I find it so difficult to comprehend that our Post Office was the first in the area and helped get others started and in the end we will not have a place to take our mail without driving to another community. Please do your part, sign a petition or send a letter in support of the Wayne Post Office.

As with all of my articles, you can learn more about Wayne's history by visiting the Wayne Historical Museum, 1 Towne Square Street, 734-722-0113. The museum is open each Friday and Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

You can also contact me at matt@thewaynedispatch.com with any questions or comments.



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Wayne Post Office 1956. Photo courtesy of the Wayne Historical Museum





(CARS) program has rolled into Wayne. antifreeze and have them recycled. Scrap Busters is one of just a few scrap Business has really picked up at Scrap dealer. They also have to crush the body yards chosen to receive vehicles that were Busters since the Cash for Clunkers within 180 days of receiving the cars. But in turned in as part of the Cash for Clunkers program has started. "I've had to bring the meantime, they can sell many of the program. This is the federal government's back a couple of people to get this program parts from those vehicles -- headlights, \$4 billion new vehicle trade in program. running," said Norm Ackorn, Manager. fenders, doors, hoods, taillights, etc. Consumers can trade in their older During the first phase of the government get up to a \$4500 discount when they lease Cash for Clunkers program on their lot. or purchase a more fuel efficient vehicle. Now in the second phase, he anticipates economy and auto sales while putting more 400 vehicles. environmentally friendly vehicles on the

being environmentally friendly. They are said. Many of the vehicles that are coming ever seen it. enrolled in the End of Life Vehicle in are later models and are in great shape. vehicles by removing the mercury switches condition to qualify for a trade in. from vehicles before they are crushed.

for our customers. They can save money by Scrap Busters was already mindful of coming and pulling their own parts," he

engines. These have been disabled by the

"With all of the Cash for Clunkers cars vehicles that are no longer fuel efficient and program, they had 200 - 300 cars from the coming in, they have a better chance of finding what they need," Ackron said.
"We've been crushing a lot more cars so we The goal of the program is to boost the they will probably get about another 300- can make room for all of the new vehicles," he said. Currently there are about 150 -"This is a great opportunity for us and 200 cars waiting to be crushed. Ackron has been with Scrap Busters for more than 20 years and he said this is the busiest he has

Scrap Busters is a five acre pick and Solutions Corporation (ELVS) which was "They are really nice cars and a lot of trucks" pull lot that has between 500 - 600 vehicles created to reduce the amount of mercury and S.U.V.'s too," he said. Under the on site. They are sorted by models. It costs entering the environment from motor program, all cars must be in driveable customers \$1 to enter the scrap yard and for \$1 each. Customers should bring their a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more look for the part they need and they take it own tools. Ackorn said it is a lot cheaper to come to off the vehicle themselves. There are Scrap Busters also removes all fluids from Scrap Busters to get a used part for their wheelbarrows and chains available to rent Maple in Wayne. They are open seven days online at www.scrapbusters.com.



Norm Ackron shows some of the Cash for Clunker vehicles that came in to Scrap Busters.

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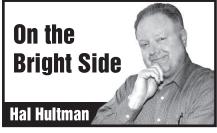
Hobbies are fun

The Woodward Dream Cruise has come and gone and many of the classic cars have been put to bed for the season. Others are still in various stages of restoration and will be worked on throughout the winter months and then emerge completed in the spring. And then some, like the '72 MGB roadster that I have been working on, will probably still be on jack stands come next August. I suppose I am stretching the truth a little when I say working on. In reality, if I had been faithfully working on it, it would be done by now. But that's the beauty of it, it's a hobby and not a job. There is no deadline and there is no pressure

Having a hobby provides you an opportunity to put everything aside and escape from the pressures of the daily grind. When you are doing your hobby, for the moment, nothing else in the world matters. Then you set it aside and reality returns again. But in the back of your mind, you know you'll return again soon.

Everyone should have at least one hobby. Several hobbies are even better.

In the mid 90's, I decided to stop being a spectator at watching people fly radio control airplanes and was determined to learn how to do it myself. After checking out several area clubs, I decided to join the Flying Pilgrims R/C Club. It was



convenient too, because the monthly meetings are held at the Wayne Public Library. I was warmly welcomed into the club and soon took advantage of the free flight lessons. Even the most skilled members of this club recognize that everyone has to start as a beginner and all were helpful in getting me airborne. Although nervous in the beginning, I soon reached a point where watching my plane in flight had a calming effect, that is until it was time to land again. After lots of practice and many rough landings, that too became a pleasurable feat.

I encourage anyone interested in watching or learning to fly radio controlled airplanes, helicopters or turbine jets to mark their calendars for September 12th and 13th as the club is hosting it's 26th annual air show featuring *Giant Scale* aircraft. Although admission is FREE, a \$5.00 parking donation is requested per vehicle. For more information, please visit the web site at www.flying-pilgrims.com.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Finance department wins award

The City of Wayne Finance Department has won the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 20th consecutive year. Finance Director, Tim McCurley, and Mayor Al Haidous were presented with the award from Thomas Skrobola, a representative from the Government Finance Officers Association at a recent city council meeting.

With the stock market and the challenges in the economy this year to get this distinction really tells a story, said Skrobola.

Elementary After School Recreation Program

Beginning November 2, students in grades 3 - 5 who are either Wayne residents or attend Hoover, Schweitzer, Roosevelt, Taft-Galloway or Vandenberg elementary schools can participate in a co-ed basketball or floor hockey league or the After School Recreation Program. The fee is \$20/resident each; \$25/non-resident each. Please register at the Wayne Community Center. For more information call 734-721-7400.

Red October Run

Lace up your shoes. The Red October Run sponsored by Oakwood Hospital will race through Wayne on Saturday, October 3. There will be a 10k run, 5k run, 5k walk and a Kids Junior Mile. To register or for more information, please visit www.oakwood.org/redoctoberrun.com or call 313-586-5486.

Wayne Garden Club

Wayne is more beautiful because of the Wayne Garden Club. They donated \$3000 to the city for flower planting at the Michigan Avenue Welcome Garden located at Michigan Avenue and Fourth Street and for spring clean up at the Wayne Historical Museum.

Go Green

The City Council approved a resolution to accept the Michigan Green Communities Challenge. This challenge, developed by the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth and the Michigan Municipal League, is designed to help municipalities incorporate energy efficiency and conservation strategies in an effort to 'go green.'

The council pledged to start working toward achieving the goals of the Basic Challenge over the next three years. The Basic Challenge is a six step process that includes signing a resolution, assigning responsibility, collecting data, identifying gaps, developing goals and activities and measuring performance.

This motive will demonstrate energy efficiency and conservation practices with daily governmental operations and infrastructure projects which will ultimately not only save taxpayers and the city money, but also protect and preserve the environment. The Challenge is also designed to help communities applying for funds under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program. The city encourages its citizens and businesses to also initiate practices that help to benefit their





It's time to rest, relax, and regenerate!

Aaahhhh! Summer is winding down. Days are getting shorter. For many of us, regular commitments have slowed down, and new ones have begun for the fall season. Throughout the year we become so involved in extra-curricular activities that we become over-committed. We put our needs aside, and that's a sure road to burnout. By taking time to rest, relax, and regenerate, we will refresh, renew and rest ourselves.

Learn to relax and include the "three R's". Number 1: Reduce mental activity. How do we take a break when there's so much to do? Get rid of activity clutter! Withdraw from as many extra obligations as possible. Relaxing is impossible when we're thinking about what we promised to do next. Number 2: Recognize tension. Number 3: Reduce respiration. To get relief from a stressful situation during the day, take a "time out" for five or ten minutes. Find a quiet place away from the situation with as few distractions as possible. Lie



down or sit, loosen your clothes, take off your shoes, and close your eyes. Then follow these steps: 1. Slowly inhale through your nose for about four seconds; then exhale, letting the air out slowly for about eight seconds. As you breathe, let your abdomen expand outward, rather than raising your shoulders. Do this several times. 2. Mentally visualize a pleasant image, such as a peaceful lake or stream; continue to relax and breathe deeply. 3. When your time is up, breathe deeply and stretch luxuriously.

The most often overlooked area of our daily lives is regeneration. Regeneration is the body and mind's ability to recover from the day's stresses at work or play (eg.,. exercise). To regenerate include the following activities:

- 1. Passive rest (sleeping) is crucial. It is essential you receive 7-9 hours of sleep per night. Relaxing the body prior to sleeping is important in receiving a deep night's sleep (e.g., reading or taking a warm bath beats counting sheep).
- 2. Active rest is important to allow you to take a break from strenuous activity at work or play (exercise). Active rest includes activities such as light aerobics training (e.g. light walking or pool exercise), stretching, or playing a game to take a mental break (e.g. frisbee, croquet, or tag).
- 3. Good nutrition is essential in minimizing fatigue and helping with the restoration process. For example, people should consume a ratio of 4:1 carbohydrates to protein immediately after exercising. Hydration (at least 60 oz./day) must be consumed throughout the day to minimize fluid loss and decrease

fatigue levels. Fluid loss results in physiological changes, which lead to reduced mental and physical performance at work and play (exercise).

4. Finally, include the combination of modalities such as hot/cold showers (duration of 30-60 seconds in each, repeating 2-4 times), dry/wet saunas (make sure to get your doctors permission), and massage.

When we're busy giving to and caring for others without taking time to regenerate ourselves, we eventually will have nothing more to give. By regularly scheduling a time to rest, relax, and regenerate, we will become more clear about what's important in life. This is not being selfish, it's simply taking care of ourselves so we replenish our reserves to continue being the person we want to be for ourselves and those dear to us. And, occasionally plan for doing a whole lot of nothing. Now that's commitment!

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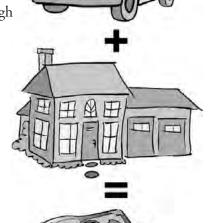
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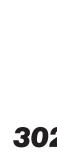
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Wayne Post Office future uncertain

The Wayne Post Office is one of 11 branches in the Detroit District that is under consideration for closing. As part of the U.S. Postal Service Station and Branch Optimization and Consolidation Initiative, the USPS is reviewing 3,200 postal stations and branches nationwide. The United States Post Office is gathering information and trying to identify opportunities to consolidate stations and branches in an effort to reduce costs.

"This is a serious issue," said City Manager John Zech. He said hundreds of people visit the Wayne Post Office daily. There are 560 P.O. boxes and 15 mail routes, as well as steady walk up service.

The Wayne City Council and administration indicated they do not want the Wayne Branch, which has

been in continuous operation downtown since 1835, to close. The administration has launched an effort to persuade the Detroit District not to close the Wayne Branch. They have started a petition drive for residents to sign at the Farmers Market and Mayor Al Haidous, Mayor Pro Tem Donna McEachern and Councilwoman Pam Dobrowolski have formed a subcommittee to help organize efforts.

"We will put up a full force effort," Zech said. One thing in their favor is that the USPS does own the building on Newberry Street between east and westbound Michigan Avenue.

With competition from e-mail, UPS and FedEx, the USPS is expected to have a \$7 billion shortfall this year.

Cell Phones for Soldiers

Cell Phones for Soldiers needs your help. If you have a used cell phone and charger - working or not - please donate it. The Wayne Police Department has set up several drop off locations in the City. They are: the police station, library, city hall and the community center. They have collected 350 cell phones so far. Their goal is 500.

Cell Phones for Soldiers was created by two teenagers to defray the cost of long distance phone calls for soldiers and help make family connections a reality. The donated phones are sent to ReCellular, which pays Cell Phones for Soldiers for each donated phone - enough to provide an hour of talk time for soldiers abroad. So far this program has distributed over 500,000 prepaid phone cards to soldiers serving overseas.

"This cause is exactly where we can do the most benefit," said Police Chief John Williams. He credits Officer Charles Kubinski for bringing this program to Wayne. For more information on the Cell Phones for Soldiers program, please visit www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com.

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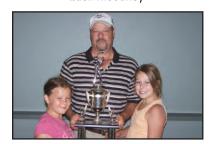
Open Div. Champions: from left - John Sobczak, Greg Gliha, Jerry Maynor



Livonia's Champions: from left - Tyler Bledsoe 3rd, John Jordan 2nd, Steve Mato



Canton Championship Flt.: from left - Bob Selberg, Zach McCurley



Men's Medalist: Kevin Ryan and daughters



Wayne Sr. Championship Ft: from left · Rick Stoner 1st, Buddy Stover 2nd, Doug Tompkins 3rd



Westland Championship Flt.: from left · Jim McComb 2nd, Kevin Ryan 1st, Brian Gabbeart 3rd



Westland Sr. Championship Flt: from left - Claud Johnston 1st. Bob Decker 2nd, Brian Pilarski 3rd



Wayne Championship Medalist: Ted Salvadori



Westland Sr. Medalist: Claud Johnston



Women's Championship Medalist: Sandy Felan



Women's Sr. Championship: from left - Darlene Hawley, Bev Woodard 3rd, Linda Grandfieldt 1st





2009 FINAL RESULTS CITY GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS and CHALLENGE AUGUST 8th & 9th, 2009

The 2009 City Golf Championships were held at the beautiful Fellow Creek Golf Course on August 8th and 9th. The City Challenge was a big success as players from Wayne, Canton, Westland, and Livonia fought it out to be the top golf city in the area, according to Bill Hawley, Tournament Director. This year Mother Nature had her way as the rains came on Saturday and the course became unplayable. Without a make up date, the tournament format was changed to a 18 hole shootout. Westland golfers edged out the teams from Canton, Wayne, and Livonia in the City Challenge. The Women's Medalist was repeat winner Sandy Felan (Wayne Memorial's new Women's Golf Coach), who shot 80 for the 18 holes. This year's tournament (50th year), brought back to the event some of Western Wayne's greatest golfers. Back this year was Kevin Ryan, Matt Wiley, Claud Johnston, Jim McComb, and Steve Mato. Kevin Ryan the Medalist this year shot 2 under par 70, beating out young Zach McCurley our champion the last two years by 3 shots.

City Challenge Scorer's:

Westland: Total 376

Kevin Ryan-70, Claud Johnston-74, Jim McComb-74, Brian Gabbeart-77, Rick Fontaine 81.

Wayne: Total 427

Ted Salvatori-78, Bill Hawley-84, Mike Lorenz-85, Rick Stoner-88, Buddy Stover-92.

Canton: Total 395

Zach McCurley-73, Matt Wiley-73, Bob Selberg-79, Ross Gerulis- 84, Ken Eck-86.

Livonia: No Score (fifth man dropped out) Steve Mato-86, John Jordan-89, Tyler Bledsoe-91, Mike Mato-109.

RESULTS FROM THE CITY CHAMPIONSHIP Medalist for the Tournament was Kevin Ryan shooting 70 to best out last year's

shooting 70, to beat out last year's champion Zach McCurley.



YOUR SOURCE FOR POSITIVE COMMUNITY NEWS







Food and fun await

OK...so Norman's Meat Market isn't technically in Wayne. But since we lost Plagen's Market, we've adopted it as our own. Stop in the store and you're sure to see a friend or neighbor. Norman Freese started the business in 1950. The location on Wayne Road is the same, but then the store was only a quarter of its present size. At one time Mr. Freese delivered food for Weyand's when that wholesale store was on Sims.

Jason Freese is carrying on the family tradition. He is the grandson of Norman, and the son of the late Dale Freese. Rick Ziolkowski has been at store for 35 years and is the proud owner of the fully restored 1937 Chevy panel truck with the Corvette engine, that makes all the deliveries for the store. Another long time employee, Ray Lawson, also had a band "The Incurables" until recently. He claims Norman's is really the "Cheers" of the meat market business.

Rick Z. says they believe strongly in giving back to the community. Norman's packages orders for St. Mary's Food Bank and helps with donations. Their help is extended to Veteran's Haven and at Christmas they give to the Goodfellows "No Child Left Behind" fund.

Norman's supplies the cube steaks and milk for the Congregational Church dinners. Other Wayne businesses being supplied by Norman's are Jake's, Stockdale's, the Village Bar, 112 Bar, Wayne Bowl, Moose Lodge, K of C, VFW, Eagles, and, soon to be reopened...Rookies.

These are the cheerful folks working behind the counters at Norman's: Linda Sluder, Stefanie



Sarten, Jeff Opoka, Duayne Suess, Ashley Squires, Michelle Smith, Mark Ritchey, Kody Johnson, Jake McEndree, Deby and Charlie Kuder, Tyler Diaz, Michael and Kim Bolton. Debbie Kinczkowski is the "meat counter babe", and behind the cash register is the Red Wings greatest fan...Donna Rembowski.

Since we'll probably be grilling into November, and since you've now been introduced to all the fine folks at Norman's...let them introduce you to their superior products.

The Motawi Tile project is up. If you haven't seen it yet, stop at the Library and check out this beautiful work of art. Lynn and Jerry Higgs were on hand for the dedication. With the Higgs were the children and grandchildren of Lynn's late sister, Barb Stuart. Lynn, along with Friends of the Library and the Garden Club, was a generous contributor to the Motawi project. Many thanks to Ed Marmon, the guiding light behind this project. A list of all who contributed to the project is on a plaque beside the mural.

Happy Anniversary to Sue and Al Damitio. A very happy couple, Al and Sue have been married 37 years. The Damitios have three children, Amy, Carey and David.



Clare Maloney, President of the Friends of the Library and Ed Maraman, President of the Library Board unveil the the Motawi Tile project at the Wayne Public Library. Photo by The Wayne Dispatch

Carol Weyand is back from Mackinac Island, where she and her granddaughter, Olivia, waited for her ship to come in. Well not really her ship...her son, Jim brought his sail boat, the "Chico 2", from Seattle last year and was one of the many sailors taking part in the Port Huron to Mackinac race in August.

Lots of Library news. The annual Wine and Cheese party will be Saturday, September19, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Dan McCarthy and his wife Kim have taken over the catering. They own the Cost Plus establishment in the Eastern Market. Dan's dad, Tim McCarthy, handled the festivities for many years. Dan and Kim will bring an ample and tasty variety of cheeses and appetizers to go with their fine selection of wines. Beer lovers can sample different brews and there will be nonalcoholic beer and wine available. Library Board President, Ed Marmon, will be bringing his many types of homemade chocolate. Who can resist such a menu? All this for a \$20.00 ticket! Tickets are on sale at the Library. This year Bridget Kelly and Bev Woodard are chairing the party.

On Wednesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m., the Library program will feature Rich Ballinger, our computer guru, who will present "Spyware, Malware and More". It's all about protecting your PC, but I know Rich will be glad to answer any questions you have about your computer.

As long as we're talking Library events, it's not too early to mark your calendar for the used book sale. That will take place Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 1, 2, and 3. The sale will be during regular Library hours. Phyllis Stein along with Lois and John Van Stipdonk will share Chairman duties.

People Helping People takes place on Saturday, September 19. That's when Ed McMurray's group will select a house that needs painting, landscaping, or minor repairs and refurbish it. This helps the homeowner who perhaps because of age or ill health cannot do these things.

Volunteers are needed. Even Scout Troops are welcome, as long as there is an adult for every 5 kids.

Call the Community Development Department at City Hall...722-2002, if you'd like to volunteer or need more information. Otherwise, show up at the Senior Center at 8:30 a.m. for juice and coffee, along with donuts supplied by Wild Bill.

On Mr. McMurray's team are Steve Davidson, Juan Bradford and Donna McEachern who tells me that Jimmy Johns will give you lunch and Dairy Queen will provide ice cream. Northside Hardware will partner with the team as well.

This will be the 11th year that 'People' have helped people. If you volunteer, you'll not only get lunch and ice cream...but a really warm feeling, knowing you've lent a 'helping' hand.



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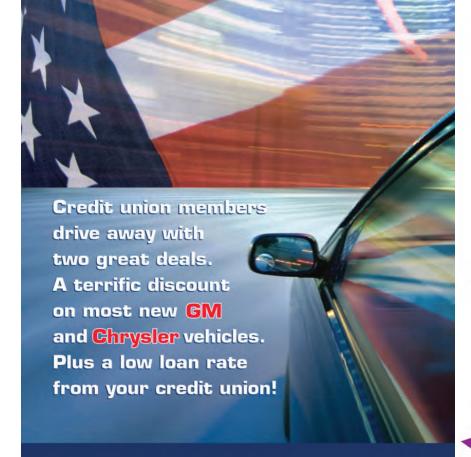
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