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In general, I think the phrase is meant to inspire all of us to never give up and to realize there is always hope. This is extremely important to remember as we have all been through a year of unprecedented anxiety and community frustration.

It certainly "ain't over". And, in fact, this spring is set to usher in many of the events and activities we have been accustomed to in the past.

Our Southgate YMCA will be celebrating a jubilant grand re-opening in commemoration of their organization's 80th anniversary. Our seasonal tradition, "Concerts at Market Center Park" series, is scheduled to resume in July. In addition, our South Winds Golf Course is under new management and ready to serve your golfing needs.

Chris Grandy, our long-time golf pro, has retired after nearly 40 years of service. Through the years, his commitment to this community and the sport of golf is unprecedented. Best wishes to Chris on his well-deserved retirement.

Another expression worth mentioning, from British poet Alexander Pope, is "Hope springs eternal". As we welcome a new season, let us all hope for the ability to return to living our lives and interacting with the ones we love and care about.

My family and I look forward to seeing you "out and about" in the very near future.

Kind regards,



Joseph G. Kuspa
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library News

Site beautifications, summer reading programs on the horizon

By Don Priest, Director, Southgate Veterans Memorial Library

Despite the ongoing pandemic, the Southgate Veterans Memorial Library has been open since February 1 with limited access. Restrictions will slowly be lifted as time goes by. In the meantime, feel free to come in or give us a call at (734) 258-3002.

New and Improved

Another library renovation project is in the works. A walkway between the buildings was rebuilt, and landscaping will soon be going in. In addition, we

hope to acquire some nice patio furniture for people to use. The small project will do much to beautify the area and increase usability for our patrons.

Youth Summer Reading Program

The library will once again be holding its youth Summer Reading Program this year! Unlike in previous years, we likely won't be offering any virtual presentations or in-person programming, but kids under 18 can

still read and earn prizes during summer break.

There will be an online reading tracker, with its own built-in goals and

rewards, but even those without internet access at home can participate and snag some swag from our prize cart, including a book to take home and keep. As usual, there will be a drawing for raffle prizes, which will be announced at the start of the event.



Adult Summer Reading Program

The Adult Summer Reading Program is also returning this year! Sign up to enjoy two take 'n' make craft kits, along with local business gift card raffles, and a grand prize raffle of a \$100 Amazon gift card. Every participant has a chance to win!

We're currently working on setting everything up for both programs. Check our website for updates in early June, or come on in starting Monday, June 14 to register. Participation is completely free and open to anyone who is interested.

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South Winds Golf Course offers adult leagues, a Junior Golf League, outings, restaurant/bar, pro shop and golf instruction.



Bigest draws

Our two biggest programs are the Junior Golf League and the Frostbit Open Golf Tournament. The Junior Golf League is for ages 8-16 and runs from the end of June through August. Our Frostbit Open Golf Tournament is held in early December, and this year will mark the outing's 41st anniversary. The event usually sells out several months in advance.

South Winds is also home to our foot golf course – "The Footie" – which features nine holes of foot golf for all ages. For those of you who are unfamiliar with foot golf, the sport is played with a soccer ball and kicked into a larger hole in the ground.

We also offer nine holes of disc golf throughout the season and host a disc golf outing once a year.

Many thanks

We would like to wish a very heartfelt thanks to Chris Grandy on his retirement this year. Chris worked at the golf course since 1978, and since 1980 has been the PGA golf professional for South Winds Golf Course. Chris's commitment to our course has been above and beyond and we wish him all the best in the future.

Davey Golf Company will now be running the management operations of the golf course. Davey has been successfully running the maintenance operations of our course for several years now and it seemed to be the perfect time to extend our contract with them. The new golf course manager is Jeramie Lopez and we are excited for what the future will hold with our expanded partnership with Davey under Jeramie's leadership.

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Hardcore Pawn

American Jewelry and Loan expands to Southgate

By Terry Jacoby

Les Gold isn't going to be defined by 15 minutes of fame. For one, his popular and groundbreaking television show, Hardcore Pawn, lasted nine seasons – a lot longer than 15 minutes. But even his celebrity status and famous family won't define what Les Gold is and has always been about.

"Dealing with the unexpected is one of the reasons I became a pawnbroker and learning to love the craziness is one of the reasons I'm damn good at it," said Gold, owner and founder of American Jewelry and Loan.

Success in the pawn-broker business requires an Excel file of characteristics and traits including high energy, passion, ingenuity, integrity. It's these traits, along with running a successful business for almost five decades, that define Les Gold and American Jewelry and Loan.

"I still love it," he said. "I enjoy getting up and going to work today as much as I did the day I started in this business."

That business has recently expanded to five stores, with two new locations Downriver, including the newest site at 14336 Eureka Road in Southgate.



Why Southgate? And why now?

"We have a lot of customers Downriver who travel to our stores in Oakland County and Detroit and we felt that it was more convenient for them if we came to them," Gold said. "We wanted to make their life a little easier."

Seth Gold, who helps run the business with his father, said finding the right location in Southgate was a challenge.

"We did spend quite a bit of time looking for the best fit," Seth said. "We knew the old Payless Shoe Store on Eureka was a perfect location for what we wanted to do."

Last year, the FDIC reported



Les and Seth Gold

that approximately 7.1 million households in the United States do not have a bank account or a relationship with a bank from which to borrow money. Seth Gold said he hopes American Jewelry and Loan can be a resource for those households.

"The process is pretty simple," Seth said. "Someone comes in with a piece of merchandise, we ask how much they need and we evaluate the item. Ultimately, we provide a short-term loan. It's a 90-day loan at 3 percent interest plus \$3 a month in storage."

Pawn shops are considered non-recourse lenders, which allows people to pawn items without hurting their credit scores.

As a third-generation pawnbroker, Les Gold is a self-proclaimed, street-level economist. His first experience as a salesman took place at his grandfather's pawnshop at the age of 7.

While Les honed his skills in negotiating, sales and customer service from his grandfather and growing up in the business on the streets of Detroit, Seth learned much of his business knowledge in Ann Arbor. A graduate of the University of Michigan, Seth also has designations in diamond grading and colored gemstones from the Gemological Institute of America.

"My dad is very street smart, and he has taught me everything I know about this business," Seth said. "I do have different ideas on things and he's usually open to them. The way we did business 20 years ago isn't how we do business today."

Les, who wrote a New York Times best-selling book, *For What It's Worth: Business Wisdom From a Pawnbroker*, said businesses always need to change and evolve.

"I'm very open to change," he says. "The world is always changing and we need to change with it. And Seth has come up with some great ideas that have made what we do better and more convenient for our customers."

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WORKING FOR YOU

City rolls out vaccine distribution, providing easy access to residents

By Diane Gale Andreassi

Sometimes it takes a team effort to make a big project work efficiently and that's exactly what happened when the City of Southgate distributed COVID-19 vaccines provided by Wayne County.

One of the ways the city made it easier for seniors to get the shot was to provide a city SMART bus to pick-up and drop-off residents at Wayne County Community College, where the shots were administered by the National Guard March 11 and April 1.

Stepping up

Southgate resident Thurman Brewer, 82, said he appreciated the free service and from what he saw, everything at the distribution site ran smoothly, allowing him to be in and out in 30 minutes or so.

"There were people there to guide you on where to go and what to do," Brewer said.

He was among 46 seniors who were provided the shuttle service. More than 20 people volunteered to drive the buses, work at the distribution site and provide support wherever it was needed.

The city was given 1,500 Pfizer vaccines from Wayne County and the volunteers were a key component in making the distribution process run efficiently, explained Diane Grabowski, Southgate senior center director who organized the effort with Cassidy Tear, Southgate Downtown Development Authority



director. Their work was appreciated by "many Southgate residents" who called city hall to express their appreciation, Grabowski said.

Let us help

Fourteen people who were incapacitated and found it difficult to make it inside WCCC to get their shots received their vaccinations in their cars or in the parking lot. Wherever there was a hurdle, Grabowski and Tear found a way around it.

"We hope we can do it again," Tear said. "I don't know if Wayne County will be supplying it. We are waiting on word for that."

Southgate has about 6,000 residents who are 65 and older and about 12,000 who are 50 and older, according to registered voter lists.

Initially, the City sent out letters to all registered voters 65 and older to announce there would be a March 11 vaccination distribution. Then it was opened to residents 60 and older, and finally it became available to people who were at least 50 (as of press time).

They were invited to return April 1 for their second shots. The City went a step further by pre-printing the recipients' medical questionnaire forms, which eliminated long waits, Grabowski said.

"People were so excited, and they sent the mayor emails," she

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Shirley Mohney

said. "The atmosphere at the community college was lovely. There was a huge amount of thank yous. People still call and say that was very nice."

Southgate Fire Chief Mark Hatfield and Firefighter Jeff Moore helped run the program from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All the volunteers arrived at 7 a.m. and stayed until 3:30 p.m. City hall employees worked on the massive mailing effort, the recreation department printed the forms and the post office cooperated by making sure everything ran quickly to get the mailings out, Grabowski said.

Before the shots were available at Wayne County Community College, Grabowski helped seniors register for shots that were offered by Meijer.

"We've had many hundreds of seniors vaccinated through Meijer," she said, adding that she continues to help people get those appointments.

Long after the City's vaccination program was finished, Grabowski said, she encourages Southgate residents to call her office and she will help them get on a list to receive their vaccines. Many seniors, she said, aren't computer savvy and she's more than happy to help.

Coming together

Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa called the vaccination distribution a chance for the city to step up to the challenge and to "keep employees and residents safe."

He especially applauded Grabowski for working diligently to register residents for their vaccines.



"We wanted to make it effortless for them," he said. "It really made a difference to streamline the process."

Tear and Southgate Recreation Director Julie Goddard made sure the forms were filled out correctly and manned phones to help callers asking about the vaccination site, he added.

"It was a team effort to provide as many vaccinations as we could that day," Kuspa said. "We appreciate all the efforts, the seniors wanting to get the vaccination and the county being able to help us. This is county driven, and we were very pleased to coordinate this one. We would certainly be open to do it again."

Meanwhile, Brewer said he was happy the City provided the vaccines and even more pleased that he hasn't gotten COVID-19.

The shots, he said, are "for prevention."

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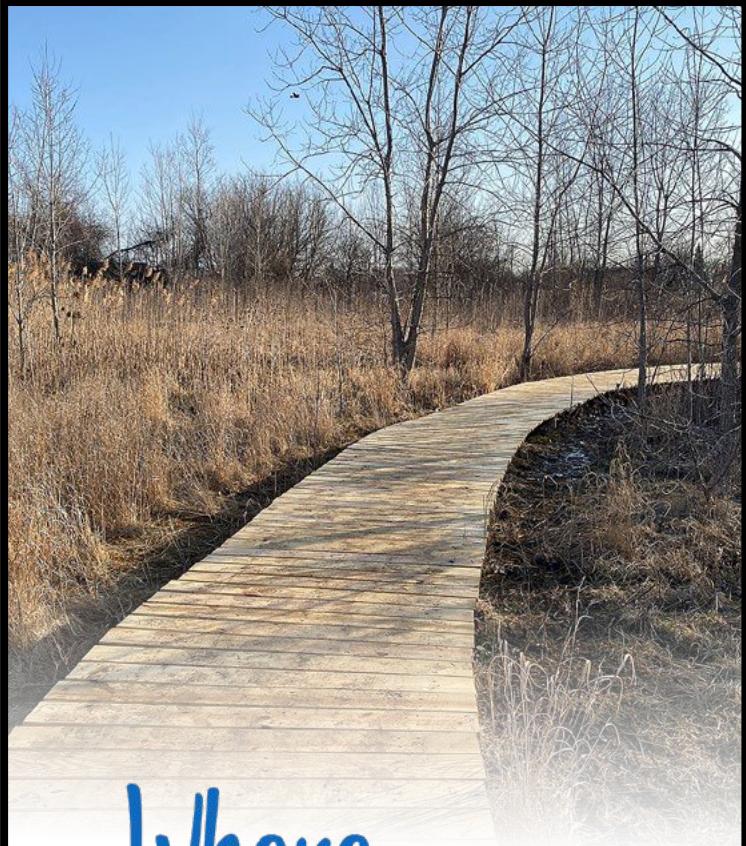
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Last issue's picture was of the train playscape at Kiwanis Train Park, and the winner was Barbara Harness. Congratulations, Barbara!

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Andrew Bedard	Torian Clemons	Emilie Fritts	Paige Hester	Haley Kretschmer
Caleb Belcher	Anthony Codrington	Jared Fritz	Brianna Heyer	Aiden Kuhn
Natalie Beltran	Caeden Coffman	Jeremy Fulwider	Nevaeh Hilden	Ilia Lami
Jasmine Benitez	Emma Coombs	Reyna Gaggin	Brandy Hinson	Collin Lawson
Nathaniel Bess	Anna Criteser	Emilio Gaglio	Jeffrey Hodnicki	Faith Leggs
Michael Bies	Alexander Cronenwett	Zaro Gaglio	James Hornick	Jaden Lilley
Sophie Bingham	Jade Cruickshank	Gisselle Garcia	Zakari Houston	Richard Limon
Nicholas Blair	Samuel Cunningham	Yadira Garcia	Rena Huang	Sydney Lockhart
Julie Bolash	Kaden Dailide	Gabriel Garza	Suling Huang	Irie Lopez
Samuele Bommarito	James Dailing	Emma Gasior	Annalyse Hudson	Francisco Lopez-Gomez
Tyler Bouldin	Jakob David	Kimberly Gawenda	Jordan Hunt	Riley MacDonell
Jovan Brandon	Jada Davidson	Timothy Gayney	Tyler Hunter	Kathrine Malmsten
Julian Brown	Sebastian Decker	Daphne Georvassilis	Michael Iwuagwu	Leslie Maloney
Kayla Brown	Derick Dietrich	Jada Gibson	Breyden Jackson	Adam Manick
Juliani Brown-Jones	Logan Dillon	Candice Glazar	Ryan Jacques	Salvatore Manzella
Brianna Bumgardner	Dominique Dixon	Glenn Nicholas	Chloe Jankowski	Nathaniel Markland
Antonio Burgos	Harrison Doherty	Avery Godlewski	Chica Johnson	Layla Marquez

Nicolas Marra
McKenzie Martin
Brett Mayher
Madison Mayhew
Brooke McClure
Angela McCown
Troy McCray
Isaac McGrath
Spencer McMahan
Alex Merriman
Jack Merriman
Madisyn Michalak
Paige Miller
Todd Miller
Dylan Milner
Charles Minella
Kevin Mitchell
Tanya Montano
Hannah Nasarzewski
Abbey Neal
Alexis Newman
Madalyn Newstead
Gordon Ng
Nicholas Nicoletti
Ian Norscia
Joseph Novotnik
Noah Packwood
Austin Paczkowski
Phoenix Page-Parker
William Palmer
Irlando Perez-Luciano
Neal Perok
Victoria Perry
Natalie Perry-Crain
Ava Peryam
Alexia Phillips
Kirk Phillips
Kara Pilkington
Joel Pittman
Faith Plummer
Anna Pochini
Steven Porter
Robert Price II
Alana Proudlock
Frank Rasizzi
Joselyn Raths
Nadia Redd
Selena Rivera
Michael Rodriguez
Adrian Rosas
Salvadore Rosas
Herman Ruiz

Sesha Rush
Jacob Rushlow
Katherine Ryan
Sara Saaidi
Olivia Sage
Alexandria Salazar
Rogelio Salcedo
Sarah Scheffler
Rebecca Schmaltz
Nicholas Schubert
Alexia Scurtu
Cassidy Seal
Dakota Sensing
Dezirae Shackelford
David Slitti
Elizabeth Smith
Kylie Smith
Chase Stambaugh
Olivia Stan
Brooke Staten
Amanda Steffey
Autumn Sternberg
Sirena Strong
Peyton Sturdahl
Stefanie Tasevski
Kaley Taylor
Lucas Thayer
Marcella Thomas
Seth Thompson
Steven Thompson
Robert Thomsen
Karlee Timmis
Cheyanne Tyson
Breanna Unis
Sofia Vargas
Isabella Vasari
Ricardo Vasquez
Adonis Wade
Ronnie Wall
Hannah Walsh
Evelyn Widener
Jaylyn Williams
Logan Willis
Skylar Witkowski
Lilliana Wittenberg
Cameron Wolske
Landen Wood
Skyler Wyrembelski
Victoria Yates
Jacob Young
Megan Zavicar



2021 Asher School Graduates

Candice Anteau
Ashley Aridi
Victoria Ayers
Harmony Babcock
Kniya Billingsley
Morgan Blevins
Jessica Bondy
Ashley Brewer
Edmund Cabodol
Billunico Cajote
Tyler Carawan
Alana Chavis
Alexus Coleman-Gates
Shell Collins
John Craft
Jerry Danieley
Thomas Evans
Amber Ferguson
Ulises Garcia
Quintin Griffor
Ciara Hardiman
Faith Henderson
Jerry Hickman
Savannah Hill
Benito Hinojosa
Austin Hood
Olaa Hussein
Alpha Jeanis
Aleshia Johnson
Carley Johnson
Melissa Kaatz
Jennifer Kimes
Dora Kimpian
Cassandra Lemieuze
Nikki Linton
D'Wan Little
Thalia Lopez
Makayla Louks
Gabriel McKellerey
Maxine Mercier
Tylerr Mitchell
Jocelyn Morgan
Melisha Morones
Lillian Mulheisen
Chance Murray
Robert Nero
Israel Ojo
Dominic Pallone
John Payter
Sydney Pepiton
Aidan Rasnick
Damian Reagin
Lisa Richter
Samantha Rudd
Taylor Sarazin
Laylah Schmitt
Jordan Schultz
Maria Sebastiani
Alexis Stevens
Alyssa Sutherland
Katelyn Swain
Freya Taylor
Shakayla Taylor
Aaunzhanae Thorn
Amanda Villarreal
Paige West
Nathan Wilkinson
Katelyn Worley
Blake Zebri

SOUTHGATE 2021 BUSINESS LISTINGS

Entertainment and Recreation

Anytime Fitness
Chuck E. Cheese Pizza
Dance Avenue Inc.
Downriver Gymnastics
Fitegrity Athletics
Grecian Center
Innovative Training Solutions
Longton's Martial Arts
Martial Arts Royce Gracie Jiu-Jitsu
Metro After School & Summer
Metro Jiu-Jitsu Martial Arts
Mills Gymnastics USA
MJR
Planet Fitness
Rising Sun Yoga
Southgate Community Players
Southgate Fun & Fitness Centre
Southgate Historical Museum
Southgate Veterans Memorial Library
Thomas Crystal Gardens
Weight Watchers
World Of Games
Zodiac Racquet Club & Lounge



Medical

A.N. Hiremath, MD
Academy Home Care
Action Rehabilitation
Admire Dental Of Michigan
Advanced Physical Therapy
Beaumont Urgent Care
Bella Vista Medical Center
Beller Chiropractic
Beltone
Binson's Home Health Care Center
Blanzy Clinic
Blue Paws Animal Clinic
Cad Vision
Castleman Eye Center
Center For Vein Restoration
Centria Healthcare, LLC
Cohen Dentistry
Consultants in Ophthalmic & Facial Surgery
Dix-Eureka Medcenter, PC
Downriver Urgent Care
DVA Healthcare Renal Care Inc.
Fredericks Family Homes
Great Expressions Dental
Juliana Physical Therapy
Koch Chiropractic Clinic
Lesnick Optical
Medical Weight Loss Clinic
Michigan Center For Oral Surgery
Michigan Integrative Wellness
Michigan Orthopedic Services & Team Rehab
Multi-Specialty Physicians/Epic Medical Center
Nephrology Hypertension Clinic
Northline Health Care
Oakstreet Health
Oakwood Healthcare Center
Pinnacle Pulmonary
Priority One Urgent Care
Reginal Medical Imaging, PC
Roberts Chiropractic/Achieve Performance & Health
Russell Chiropractic Clinic
RX Optical

Save 1 CPR
Seasons Hospice
Shore Chiropractic Clinic
Southgate Animal Hospital
Southgate Dental
Southgate Family Dental
Southgate Foot & Ankle Center
Southgate Medical Center
Southgate Medical Clinic
Southgate Medical Group
Southgate Surgery Center
Southgate Therapeutic Svcs.
Southgate Urgent Care
Sterling Hearing Center
Stroia Chiropractic
SVS Vision
Taylor Teen Health Center
Team Wellness Center
Therapy Institute Of MI
Veterinary Angel Animal Hospital
Wellness Counseling LLC
Woolbrook Dental

Restaurants and Groceries

3-Nicks Tap Room
A & W Drive-In
Aldi's Foods
Alex's - Kabob House
Andy's Pizza
Angelina's
Applebee's
Arby's Restaurant
Beirut Gardens
Better Health
Biggby Coffee
Bizzy Bee Coney Island
Black Pine Tree
Bob's Produce Market
Buffalo Wild Wings
Buffy's Mexi-Casian Grill
Burger King
Burrito Express
Caprara Bakery
Carrabba's Italian Grill
Chili's
Cloverleaf Bar
Dairy Queen
Del Taco
Domino's Pizza (Carry Out)
Downriver Coney Island
Dragon Buffet
Dunkin'/Baskin Robbins
Eureka Farm Market
Fit Bites, LLC
Foggia Brothers Pizzeria
Fraternal Order Of Eagles
Fresh Bean Coffee Co.
Fudgy's Ice Cream Palace
Galindo's
Get It & Go (Mr. Fresh)
Happy Taco
Happy's Pizza
Hungarian Rhapsody
Hungry Howie's Pizza
Iliria Café
Jet's Pizza/J & J Food Group
Jimmy John's
Joa Sushi
Joey's Famous Philly Cheesesteaks
Keko's Coney Island
Kentucky Fried Chicken
Kroger
Lefty's Cheesesteaks
Little Caesar's Pizza (Carry Out)
Logan's Roadhouse
Mallie's Sports Bar
Mandarin Kitchen
McDonald's
Meijer, Inc.
Mexican Gardens
New China Inn
New Hunan
Nutrition Unlimited
Old Chicago
Olive Garden
Oliver's Pizza (Inside)
Outback Steakhouse, Inc.
Panda Express
Polish Falcon's Nest #79
Rams Horn - Southgate
Ramsey's Family Diner
Red Lobster
Red Robin
Roma Pizzeria
Sam's Club
Shotmakers Sports Bar & Grill
Six Star Restaurant
Smoothie Café
Smoothie King
Sonic Drive In





Bella Granite & Marble



Sushi Q



World of Games



Fudgy's Ice Cream Palace



Downriver Gymnastics



SOUTHGATE TODAY 19

Southgate Grill
Southgate Nutrition
Stix Martini & Cigar Bar
Su Phan Thai Kitchen
Subway
Sushi Q
Taco Bell
Taza Fresh Grill
Thai Place
The Pasty Shop
Tim Hortons
Trentwood Farms
Twin Peaks
VFW Post #9283
Vic's Casual Dining
Walmart
Wendy's
Wheat & Rye
White Castle
White Horse Lounge
Wild Coney & Grill

Retail

14k Pawn Shop
7-11 Store
ABC Warehouse
Adam & Eve
Advanced Auto Parts
American Jewelry & Loan
Angelo's Party Store
Anime to Skateboards
Auto Zone, Inc.
B & D Vacuum Cleaners
Bath & Body Works
Beer Cooler Party Store
Belavista Drugs
Belle Tire Distributors
Big Lots
Bio Script
Bondy's Lighting & Fans
Boost Mobile
Brothers Fine Jewelry
Bruce Campbell Honda
Busatti's Party Store
Byron Drugs Health Mart
Pharmacy
Cada's Hair Fashions
Careward RX
Charlie's Car Partz
Chronic Releaf

Commonwealth Displays
Crystal Market
CVS Pharmacy
Dalton Direct Flooring
Dancin Feet Dancewear
Dick Genthe Chevrolet
Dix-Toledo Pet Shop
Dollar Castle
Dollar Tree
Dunham's Sports
Emery Brothers-Auto Repair
Express Flooring Outlet
Family Dollar
Floral Designs By Marcia
Genthe Honda
Genthe Honda Powersports
GNC
Good Care Auto Repair
Good Time Smoke Shop
Harbor Freight Tools
Hot Spot Smokers
I.O.G. Supply 2
Jabro Carpet One
L&M Hardwood & Skids
Liberty Drugs
Little Roses
Loveday's Quality Quick Lube
Lover's Lane & Co.
Lowe's
Lucky Smoke & Hookah, Llc
Maggie's Gifts
Mattress And Futon Shoppe
McLaughlin's Furniture
MD Royal Pharmacy
Merciland Farmacie PC
Metro Detroit Phone Repair
Metro PCS
Michael's Stores, Inc.
Michigan Tuxedo Warehouse & Rental
Michigan Vehicle Solutions
Midas Muffler Shop
Mona's Pharmacy
Motorcity Auto Care
Mr. Tire & Wheels
Muffler Man
My Relief Health
Nankin Hobby
NAPA Auto Parts
Office Max

O'Reilly Auto Parts
Paul's Diesel Service
Penelope's Resale
Pet Supplies Plus
Phil's Auto Parts
Play It Again Sports
Pool Time Co., Inc.
Pool Town
Primecare Pharmacy
Pro Golf Distributors
Pro Sports Shop
Protechs Auto Repair
Puff Puff 2 Smoke
Red Wing Shoes
Riverview Florist
Rowleys Wholesale
Salvation Army
Scrubs & Beyond
Sherwin Williams
Shiti Coolers
Southgate Ford
Southgate Lincoln Mercury
Southtown Market
SP Guns 'N' Ammo
Stoppin Pharmacy
Super Game Time
T. J. Maxx
The Bolt On Speed Shop
The Thrift Store
The Tobacco Stop
Thrifty Assets
Top Value Muffler Shop
Total Runner
US Mattress
Value Auto Supply & Warehouse
Value World
Verizon Wireless
Vs Supps & Nutrition
Water Works
Wild Bill's Tobacco
Wine Town Party Store
Zubor Buick

Service

50's Quick Lube Services
4 Bucks Car Wash
A & T Automatic Car Wash
AAA Of Michigan

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Aaron Harrison, Fin. Planning
 AARP Foundation
 Abtech Installation & Svcs.
 Ace And Sons Insulation
 Active Therapy Services
 Adkins & Sons
 Advance America
 Advance Group
 Advanced Telephone Promotions
 Advantage One Federal CU
 Adiva Credit Union
 Ali's Car Wash
 All Seasons Pest Control
 Allen Wealth Strategies
 Allstate Insurance
 Allure Medical Spa
 Alterations And More By Darlene
 American Lock & Key
 American Money Mgmt.
 Andrew Mechanical Htg & Cooling
 Aqua Beauty Salon
 Aqua Mist Inc.
 Arkay, Inc.
 Auto Detail & Tint
 Auto Lab
 Auto Owner's Insurance
 Bank Of America
 Base Modern Hair Studio
 Bella Granite & Marble
 Brandon & Associates
 Brochue-Szewc Agency
 C&J Appraisal Co.
 Cassino Construction
 CB's Computer & Electronic Repair
 Charter One Bank
 Check Smart
 Check-N-Go
 Child & Adolescent Center
 Children's Law Center
 Cindy's Nails
 Classic Accents, Inc.



Sakora Salon



Loveday's Quality Quick Lube

Clean Cut Abatement
 Colovos Law Firm
 Complete Hitch & Rental
 Credit Bureau Services
 Cruciani Law Offices
 Cube Smart
 Dalton Direct Flooring
 Downriver Auto Detailing
 Downriver Home Health Service
 Downriver Property Experts
 Dynasty Spa
 Econo Wash Laundromat
 Enterprise Rent A Car
 Epic Property Management
 Euphoria Nail Salon
 Extra Space Storage
 Farmers Insurance
 Fast Oil & Lube
 Fine Finishing
 Firestone Service Center
 Flagstar Bank
 Flo-Aire Heating & Cooling
 Gap Realty Group
 Gary Smith Insurance Agency
 Gent's Barbershop
 Gigi Nails
 Gill Plumbing & Heating
 Gold Star Mortgage
 Graphic Magic
 Great Clips
 Grendel-Wittbold Ins. Agency
 Guam Massage And Spa
 H & H Auto Wash, Inc.
 H & R Block
 Hair Bobbers
 Hair Lab Detroit Barber Co.
 Hair Mechanix
 Happy Paws Training Center
 Heart To Heart Hospice
 Henderson Glass Company
 Hennessey Engineers
 Hi Nail Tech
 Home Direct Realty
 House Of G. E. M. S.
 House Of Glam
 Huntington Bank
 Hydro Giant
 I & C Sales North
 J. Rosario Salon
 Jackson-Dawson Communications
 John Graziani/John Gyorgy
 K & M Heating & Cooling
 K Copy
 Keith's Major Appliance Repair
 Kiss Nails
 Kneaded Relief Wellness Spa
 Kool Radiator Service
 Krave Salon
 Lademan Insurance Agency
 Lady Jane's Haircuts For Men
 Lakin Electric Inc.
 Land Home Financial Services
 Landmark Realty
 Law Office Of John F. Gilhool
 Lawrence Technology Service
 Liberty Tax Service
 MI Choice Realty
 Micura Construction
 Minute Men Staffing
 Mira Hair Salon
 Mr. Instant Signs
 Mr. Sam Tailor
 Natale's Barber Shop
 New Oakland Family Center
 One Hour Martinizing
 Orthopedic Associates
 Penn Station Car Wash
 Perfect Place Drop In Center
 Petique Grooming
 Pine Tree Spa
 PNC Bank
 Poore Girl Family Salon
 Precision Haircuts For Men
 Prestigious Cuts, LLC
 Professional Unisex Hair Salon
 Pure Platinum Salon
 REJ's Accounting
 Remax Innovations
 Renkim Corp.
 River Oaks Realty Co.
 Royal Strokes Brow & Lash Studio
 Safelite Auto Glass
 Sakora Salon
 Salon 621
 Salon Bellissimo
 Salon DV8
 Smart Style
 Southbeach Sun
 Southgate Bike & Mower Service
 Southgate Coin Car Wash
 Southgate Computers
 Southgate Hair Salon
 Southgate Transmission
 Splash N' Shine
 Staffworkers Group
 State Farm
 Steve Menzel/Skyhawk Properties
 Stroia & Associates
 Stroia Security Services
 Super Shears
 T.L. Financial Group
 Tait's Barber Shop
 TCF National Bank
 TDK/Zapton & Assoc, Inc.
 The 50's Cruise Thru Oil Change
 The Glitter Vault
 The Guidance Center
 The Mitten Law Firm
 The Red Collection
 The Tutoring Center
 Thrivent Financial
 Tiny Paws
 Tittle Construction
 Treadwell & Associates
 Union Hair Co.
 Unique Beauty Salon & Spa
 Val's House Of Hair
 Vivi Salon
 Wadsworth Solutions
 Workbox
 Yeo & Yeo, PC
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SOUTHGATE MAKE EVERY DAY BETTER

Southgate Residents of all ages Make Every Day Better as active members, employees and volunteers of the YMCA



Jeff McIntyre, a life-long Downriver resident, currently serves as the Executive Director of the Downriver Family YMCA. Jeff had this to share, "One of the best parts of my job is the opportunity to collaborate with local organizations and municipalities." The City of Southgate and the Downriver YMCA have enjoyed a productive partnership over the last 18 years.

A safe place for seniors

"I feel safe here," said Catherine Kulchinsky, an active older adult who has been a member for the last year. Cathy has already reaped some incredible health benefits. "My blood



pressure is getting lower and I am getting healthier," she said proudly. Cathy typically exercises six days a week. She attributes the convenient location and Southgate residential pricing for helping her live a healthier life. "I love the YMCA," said Cathy, adding, the staff is friendly and helpful and the environment is clean.

A place where families bond

A truly healthy way for moms and daughters to build better relationships is through exercise. Mom and daughter Beth Anne and Hailey work out together regularly at the YMCA. One of their favorite activities is the YMCA's strength training class, taught by Jessica Howard. "Jessica has the best class ever," proclaimed both Beth Anne and Hailey when describing this fun, muscle-building, fat burning workout. Like Cathy, they appreciate the friendly



staff and discounted Southgate resident member pricing. Hailey said that the Y is a great environment, it feels like home.

A place where friends have fun

Cheryl joined the YMCA in December 2020 for the first time. The classes are great and the prices for Southgate residents are really affordable, she said. Cheryl shared, "I came to the Y because they provide a safe and clean environment during this time of COVID-19. The staff is friendly and the classes offer a well-rounded workout."



A place to care for your child(ren)

Maria Diaz serves as the Member Experience and Wellness Director for the Downriver YMCA. She has lived and/or worked in this community for over 25 years. "The YMCA is not only a gym, it is a family place," Maria said with a big smile. There are activities for the entire family. She added there are activities for the entire family. Maria shared that one of the many cool YMCA member benefits is child watch. "Families receive FREE Child Watch with



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SOUTHGATE RESIDENTS DISCOUNTED RATES

The City of Southgate partners with the YMCA to offer savings—Southgate families save \$25 monthly and individuals save up to \$20.



\$61 \$86
FAMILY

\$29 \$49
INDIVIDUAL



a Family membership, so moms and dads can work out while their child(ren) enjoys age-appropriate play time with caring, trained YMCA staff for up to two hours."

Join more than a gym

The YMCA distributes food, provides financial assistance to families to offset membership cost, swim lessons, summer camp and more. The YMCA operates a host of youth development programs inclusive of summer employment.

Did you know that in 2020 the YMCA distributed over 25,000 meals at the Downriver Family YMCA and provided nearly \$10,000 in scholarships to assist the downriver community?

More membership perks

As a member of the Southgate Family YMCA, you also have access to six other metropolitan Detroit YMCAs at no extra charge. In addition, you receive discounts on family camp at our lovely Camp Nissokone in Oscoda, Michigan, and discounts on residential camp at camp Ohiyesa in neighboring Holly. Learn more at ymcadetroit.org

MAY SPECIAL PROMOTIONS



Try the Y free
for one week!



Enroll early for Summer Day Camp for:
» \$25 registration fee waived
» \$10 off each week you register.



Summer Means Baseball

By Jerry Pesci, City Historian

Our city boasts 10 ball diamonds. Each is named, and their names account for the history of Southgate's recreation program. All fields are located in Homer P. Howard Park. Mr. Howard was an Ecorse Township Justice of the Peace. He saw to it that a portion of all fines he levied we set aside to purchase this parkland.

- Diamond #1 is dedicated to James McDermott, a coach who continued to serve long after his children passed through the programs. He was instrumental in bringing national and world USSSA softball tournaments to Southgate.
- Diamond #2 is dedicated to Bob and Anna Renaud. They donated their time, talent and treasure to the recreation program and the city in general.
- Diamond #3 is dedicated to DPS employee Bob Malicki, a true renaissance man. He maintained, umpired, coached and played on those fields.
- Diamond #4 is dedicated to James "Jimmy" Boyle, a two-sports man active in both youth baseball and football.
- Diamond #5 is dedicated in honor of President John F. Kennedy.
- Diamond #6 is dedicated to Ken Forte, a baseball coach and early advocate of computers. He was responsible for placing the baseball association's records on computer in the early 1970s.
- Diamond #7 is dedicated to Sandra Hilliard, an honor student at both Anderson and Aquinas high schools. She died of bone cancer at the age of 17.
- Diamond #8 is dedicated to Mark Tylenda, an avid player. When he developed cancer

and could no longer play, he kept score. He is remembered as someone who loved the game.

- Diamond #9 is dedicated to James Thomas, who coached both baseball and football. He was willing to do whatever was needed – from selling concessions to holding office in the Baseball Association.



- Diamond #10 is dedicated to Stan Kowaleski. Remembered as a cop and a coach, he spent his life helping people. He was one of the original managers in Southgate Little League, which began in 1951.



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2020 WATER REPORT

ATTENTION: THIS IS AN IMPORTANT REPORT ON WATER QUALITY AND SAFETY

The Southgate Water Department is proud of our long history of providing quality drinking water to our customers and is honored to provide this report to you. The 2020 Consumers Annual Report on Water Quality shows the sources of our water, lists the results of our tests, and contains important information about water and health. The Southgate Water Department will notify you immediately if there is ever any reason for concern about our water. We are pleased to show you that the water we purchase from the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) has surpassed water quality standards as mandated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). Drinking water quality is important to our community and the region. The Southgate Water Department and the GLWA are committed to meeting state and federal water quality standards, including the Lead and Copper Rule. With the Great Lakes as our water source and proven treatment technologies, the GLWA consistently delivers safe drinking water to our community. This year's Water Quality Report highlights the performance of GLWA and the Southgate Water Department professionals in delivering some of the nation's best drinking water. Together, we remain committed to protecting public health and maintaining open communication with the public about our drinking water.

ABOUT OUR SYSTEM

The Southgate Water Department provides water to approximately 30,000 residents, 10,000 homes, and over 2,000 businesses, schools, churches, apartment complexes and numerous guests and visitors. The Southgate Water Department also maintains over 100 miles of water main and approximately 1,300 fire hydrants. The Southwest Water Treatment Plant, owned and operated by the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA), is Southgate's major supplier of water. The Southwest Water Treatment Plant receives water from the Detroit River where underground pipes carry the water for treatment. The many miles of deep, raw water tunnels are periodically inspected – either by hard-hat divers or with cameras – for structural integrity and zebra mussel infestation. The City of Southgate and the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) are committed to safeguarding our water supply and delivering the highest quality drinking water to protect public health. If you would like to know more about this report or have any questions or concerns about your water, please contact the Southgate Water Department at (734) 258-3074.

Safe drinking water is a shared responsibility. The water that Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) delivers to our community does not contain lead. Lead can leach into drinking water through home plumbing fixtures, and in some cases, customer service lines. Corrosion control reduces the risk of lead and copper from leaching into your water. Orthophosphates are added during the treatment process as a corrosion control method to create a protective coating in service pipes throughout the system, including in your home or business. The City of Southgate performs required lead and copper sampling and testing in our community. Water consumers also have

a responsibility to maintain the plumbing in their homes and businesses and can take steps to limit their exposure to lead.

NATIONAL PRIMARY DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS COMPLIANCE

In 2020, the Southgate Water Department had zero (0) monitoring and zero (0) maximum contaminant level violations and did not exceed any health standards.

In 2020, the Southgate Water Department had zero (0) monitoring violations of fecal coliform. The regulation requires confirmation of any positive result and that location and all points surrounding to be re-sampled within 24 hours of notification or the next business day.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required the City of Southgate to sample water for Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR) between the years of 2017-2020. The City of Southgate had no detectable contaminants during this period.

“Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can dissolve naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemical, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in the water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.”

“Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in

drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791)."

Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the AL could experience delays in their physical and mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Southgate is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you have a lead service line it is recommended that you run your water for 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The City of Southgate has a total of

10,876 water service lines. Of these water service lines, 39 are lead, 3,145 are other materials (copper, plastic, cast iron or galvanized) and 7,692 are of unknown material at this time. The City of Southgate is actively inspecting the water service lines of unknown material and will begin replacing known lead lines in the summer of 2021. This information was not included in the 2019 Consumer Confidence Report, as required by The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE).

Your watersheds source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, Ecorse River, watersheds in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of the GLWA's Detroit River source water for potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale and ranges from very low to very high determined primarily using geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and potential contaminant sources. The report described GLWA's Detroit River intakes as highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four GLWA water treatment plants that service the city of Detroit and draw water from Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment and meet drinking water standards.

GLWA has initiated source-water

2020 SOUTHWEST MINERAL ANALYSIS

Parameter	Units	Max.	Min.	Avg.
Turbidity	NTU	0.50	0.04	.017
Total Solids	ppm	167	46	142
Total Dissolved Solids	ppm	162	89	127
Aluminum	ppm	0.172	0.022	0.072
Iron	Ppm	0.183	ND	0.114
Copper	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Magnesium	Ppm	8.36	6.88	7.54
Calcium	Ppm	34.8	24.6	28.4
Sodium	Ppm	7.78	4.51	5.35
Potassium	Ppm	1.31	0.93	1.04
Manganese	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Lead	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Zinc	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Silica	Ppm	2.7	1.6	2.0
Sulfate	Ppm	37.5	19.7	26.1
Chloride	Ppm	13.9	8.3	9.6
Phosphorus	Ppm	1.24	.012	0.48
Free Carbon Dioxide	Ppm	16.7	6.0	8.6
Total Hardness	Ppm	118	95	104
Total Alkalinity	Ppm	78	66	73
Carbonate Alkalinity	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Bi-Carbonate Alkalinity	Ppm	78	66	73
Non-Carbonate Hardness	Ppm	40	25	31
Chemical Oxygen	Ppm	6.0	ND	2.7
Dissolved Oxygen	Ppm	12.6	7.8	10.3
Nitrite Nitrogen	Ppm	ND	ND	ND
Fluoride	Ppm	0.76	0.56	0.68
pH		7.39	6.97	7.25
Specific Conductance @25 °C	μohms			
Temperature	°C	24.1	1.8	12.6

protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. In 2016, the Michigan Department of Environmental, Great Lakes and Energy approved GLWA's Fighting Island Surface Water Intake Protection plan. The plan has seven elements that include: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies, delineation of a source water protection areas, identification of potential sources of contamination, management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources, public participation and public education activities. GLWA is in the process of updating the plans which should be completed by September 2021. If you would like to know more information about the Source Water Assessment report, please contact GLWA at (313) 926-8102.

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Southwest Water Treatment Plant
2020 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Inorganic Chemicals – Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	03/10/2020	ppm	4	4	0.71	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	03/10/2020	ppm	10	10	0.61	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	05/16/2017	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products – Monitoring in Distribution System Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest LRAA	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2020	ppb	n/a	80	15.37	9.8 - 18	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2020	ppb	n/a	60	13.95	9.5 - 22	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Disinfection – Monitoring in Distribution System								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MRDGL	Allowed Level MRDL	Highest RAA	Quarterly Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Chlorine Residual	2020	ppm	4	4	0.62	0.49-0.72	no	Water additive used to control microbes.

2020 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU		Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)					Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.13 NTU		100%					no	Soil Runoff
Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.								

2020 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customer's Tap in 2020									
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation yes/no	Range of Individual Samples Results	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2020	ppb	0	15	5.0	0	no	0.0 – 11.0	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2020	ppm	1.3	1.3	0.5	0	no	0.0 – 0.2	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique						Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each quarter and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.						Erosion of natural deposits

2020 Special Monitoring							
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Violation yes/no	Source of Contaminant
Sodium	3/10/20	ppm	n/a	n/a	6.81	no	Erosion of natural deposits

Radionuclides – Monitored at the Plant Finished Tap in 2014							
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Level Detected	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Combined Radium Radium 226 and 228	5/13/2014	pCi/L	0	5	0.65 + or - 0.54	no	Erosion of natural deposits

Collection and sampling result information in the table provided by Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) Water Quality Division, ML Semegen.

2020 Key to the Detected Contaminant Tables		
Symbol	Abbreviation for	Definition/Explanation
>	Greater than	
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, di-bromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
Level 1	Level 1 Assessment	A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our system.
Level 2	Level 2 Assessment	A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow a margin of safety.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
n/a	not applicable	
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
pCi/L	Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity.
ppb	Parts Per Billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts Per Million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
RAA	Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for all samples during the previous four quarters.
SMCL	Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level	
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
umhos	Micromhos	Measure of electrical conductance of water
°C	Celsius	A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions.
ND	Not Detected	

The Southgate Water Board conducts meetings on a quarterly basis that are open to the public. For more information, call (734) 258-3074.

Odd / Even Outdoor Watering Schedule – 2021

There is a mandatory Odd/Even Watering Schedule in effect from: **May 24 – September 10, 2020**

Residents with an address ending in an even number would be permitted to water their lawns on even-numbered calendar dates.

If your address ends with: 0 or 2 or 4 or 6 or 8	You may use water outdoors on calendar dates ending in: 0, 2, 4, 6, 8
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Residents with an address ending in an odd number would be permitted to water their lawns on odd-numbered calendar dates.

If your address ends with: 1 or 3 or 5 or 7 or 9	You may use water outdoors on calendar dates ending in: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9
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Compliance with this watering schedule will be enforced.

INCREASE YOUR RETURN

These exterior home improvement projects could pay off in the long run

Once spring's initial bloom subsides, the days turn to summer. The extended daylight and pleasant temperatures offer more opportunities to spend time outdoors. What better time to take on home improvement projects? It's especially important for homeowners who are looking to make a life change by placing their homes up for sale.

Realtors are in the business of helping homeowners sell their houses for more than they bought it for and are willing to inspect the home as a courtesy. They can offer ideas for increasing the home's value.

Homeowners who are looking to sell but are not in a rush have a slightly different approach. Their best way to start investing in home improvements is to hire a home inspector. While home inspection does come with a fee, an inspector can spot otherwise invisible issues, preventing them from growing into expensive fixes.

Curb appeal matters

If neither the realtor nor home inspector spot any glaring issues, the most logical place to start is the exterior. Power washing the house creates a baseline of where the house stands before minor or major home improvements begin. The cost varies,

depending on whether or not you do it yourself or bring in the professionals. Depending on the type of exterior you have, power washing may reveal that

siding needs replacing, or that you had leaks you didn't know about.

Professional power washers offer new services, such as soft washing, which is effective and doesn't damage the home.

Making sure doors and windows are caulked properly reduces the chance of pests infiltrating the home, prevents wood decay, and improves the house's overall appearance.

You may also want to consider replacing the entry door and windows. This improves the look and lowers energy costs, which is a perk for the current homeowners and potential buyers.

A fresh coat of paint also gives the house a new look.

But let's not overlook the lawn space. More and more home buyers are



looking for outdoor living to add value to their lives and homes. Landscaping projects can vary greatly, depending on budget and how much effort you want to put into it, but simply making sure foliage is trimmed back and not overgrown, and adding spots of color around the house can make a big difference in your curb appeal.

And don't underestimate the power of fresh mulch every year, which helps reduce weeds and keeps moisture in around plants.

For homeowners who plan to sell further down the line, planting a tree can reduce the air conditioning bill with the tree's eventual shade over the house.

These are just a few ideas we've come up with – what projects are you thinking of taking on this summer?

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CREATING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Southgate Police Department names school resource officer, increases transparency

By Erin Fedeson

Public safety is the foremost objective for the Southgate Police Department in 2021.

Director of Public Safety Joseph Marsh and the Southgate Police Department have implemented two community-based initiatives. The first is the creation of the school resource officer position, onboarding Officer Morgan Parrish into the position. The second is acquiring body cameras for officers to wear on duty.

Initiative #1: Connecting through education

The conversation to have a school resource officer started about a year and a half ago when Keith Garland, the security guard, informed the school he was looking into retirement.

"We saw this as a good opportunity to fill in the void of his departure," said Police Chief Mark Mydlarz.

The police department implemented a selection process for the school resource officer position by posting the assignment for eligible officers to apply.

"Ironically, I was the only one to sign up for it," Parrish said, laughing slightly.

Mydlarz said the police department encourages its officers to visit the schools. The goal is to familiarize themselves with the staff and students; visiting during morning drop-off, afternoon pick-up, and recess; or for the purpose of educating. Officer Parrish often visited the schools on patrol, having been with the police department since 2018.

Southgate Community Schools administrators thought highly of Officer Parrish, Mydlarz said, adding both the previous superintendent and members of the board asked for Parrish to be placed into the role.

Parrish's desire to serve as a school resource officer originated in high school, when she lived in Warren. Before that, she wanted to be a teacher or a paramedic. Then Parrish took an

Introduction to Criminal Justice class during her senior year. She said that her school district had a resource officer, whom she described as "awesome".

Parrish sees her role of the school resource officer as the "best of both worlds." She enjoys children and her work for the police department. Parrish prepared for her new role in February 2020 by traveling to Lansing to participate in a training session held at Michigan State Police headquarters. Her training session, the Teaching, Educating, and Mentoring (TEAM), familiarized her with aspects of community policing as well as juvenile law. The class helped school resource officers prepare for tasks they may receive in their role.

Mydlarz shared they intended to have Officer Parrish receive more training in June, but COVID-19 delayed those plans.

Nevertheless, Officer Parrish started her new role in January, when the school district resumed in-person learning.

Parrish shared her first day went very well.

"The kids were awesome," she said.

When asked what her top priorities in the role are, she said:

"Safety and security of students and staff is number one. Building a better relationship between officers and children is next."



Officer Morgan Parrish

Officer Parrish will primarily be based at Southgate Anderson High School and Davidson Middle School. However, her role would require visiting the other schools, depending on schedules.

Superintendent Sharon Irvine shared that, "We are thrilled to have Officer Parrish. We appreciate her focus on relationships and support. The partnership is an important one for both of us."

Initiative #2: Connecting through transparency

In February, the police department received body cameras to incorporate into the police uniform.

Officers approached the police department's administration about getting the body cameras. At the time, the department only possessed body microphones and in-car dash cameras. These devices came with limitations. Officers wanted to have the body cameras for themselves and the community.

According to Director Marsh and Chief Mydlarz's joint email, "We felt that the acquisition of body cameras allowed for our department to have greater transparency in hopes of building even better community trust."

The police department approached Mayor Kuspa with the idea and he was extremely supportive. From there, the administration presented the body camera program to city council. They approved the \$212,000 expenditure on a five-year plan. Some factors that worked in favor of the purchase were the service, support and upgrades that came with the plan.

Mydlarz shared the initial investment came from the forfeiture funds. Forfeiture funds for the police department



come from the seizure of money from a narcotics deal or vehicle seizure. If the funds were found to be part of the case, they were eligible to be used by police.

The remaining cost for the body cameras will primarily come from their general fund. However, the police department will look into grant funding to assist with the cost.

Both Mydlarz and Marsh felt the body cameras' "...footage... [will]...not only help us with quality control of each incident but allows us to capture necessary evidence for any criminal cases as well."

The footage, however, would only be accessible by a FOIA request or a judge's request if the footage was necessary for court proceedings.

Each officer on duty will wear their body cameras during their shift on their chest to be visible to the public eye. They will activate it whenever they have contact with civilians.

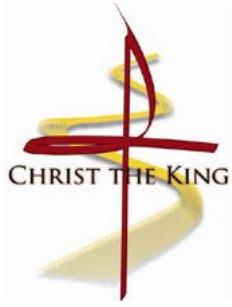


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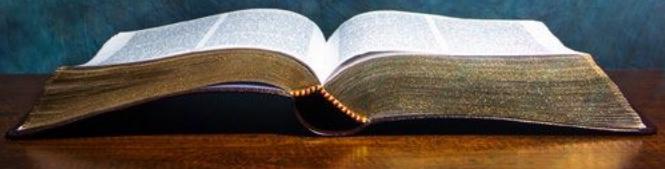
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Practically, the Bible was written over a couple of different centuries and by more than 40 different authors, yet, amazingly, not one time does the Bible disagree internally with any doctrinal teachings, keeping the message of Christ and his cross at the forefront of all Scripture (1 Cor. 2:2). We believe that the Bible is "living and active" (Heb. 4:12) and is the direct revelation from God, through the Holy Spirit, to each of the biblical writers. Its message is simple: Jesus Christ lived, died, and rose from the grave in order to pay the penalty of sin on behalf of mankind so that we might be able to experience his grace.

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