

ROAD WATCH

Road Improvements could cause delays on the following Oakland County Roads this week. Roads are open unless noted. Alternative routes are advised in all instances.

■ I-275 AT GRAND RIVER
Community: Farmington Hills
Details: The ramp from northbound I-275 to east Grand River will be closed through Nov. 16. A detour is posted.

■ I-696
From: Franklin to Inkster
Community: Southfield
Details: Shoulders will be closed along westbound I-696 through Sept. 20.

■ BALDWIN ROAD
From: I-75 to Delevan
Community: Auburn Hills and Lake Angelus
Details: The road is being widened from two lanes to a six lane boulevard. The project is expected to be completed by Oct. 31.

■ BRIDGE LAKE
From: Rattalake Lake Road to Davisburg Road
Community: Springfield Township
Details: A road paving project is being conducted through Sept. 15.

■ COMMERCE ROAD
From: North and south of Glen-
erry
Community: Commerce Township and Wolverine Lake
Details: The intersection is being resurfaced.

■ DEQUINDRE ROAD
From: Big Beaver to Wattles
Community: Troy
Details: Dequindre is being widened from two to five lanes. The project is expected to be completed by Oct. 31.

■ DIXIE HIGHWAY
From: Davisburg Road to the county line
Community: Springfield, Groveland and Holly Townships
Details: The road is being resurfaced.

■ EASTWAYS
From: Long Lake to 1,500 feet north of Long Lake
Community: Bloomfield Hills
Details: The road is being resurfaced through Sept. 4.

■ FLEMINGS LAKE
From: Clarkson Road to Waters Road
Community: Independence Township
Details: The gravel road will be paved by Oct. 31.

■ FOURTEEN MILE
From: Welch to Haggerty
Community: Commerce Township

ship
Details: The road will be closed through Oct. 6.

■ GRAND RIVER
At: Farmington Road
Community: Farmington
Details: Grand River will be reduced to one lane in each direction through Sept. 15.
From: Middlebelt to 10 Mile
Community: Farmington
Details: There will be intermittent lane closings through Nov. 1.

■ JOSLYN
From: I-76 to Pacific Street
Community: Auburn Hills
Details: The road is being widened to six lanes and the ramps to I-76 are being widened through Nov. 2.

■ NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY
At: Telegraph Road
Community: Southfield
Details: The right lane is closed. The ramp from northbound Northwestern to southbound Telegraph will be closed intermittently during non-rush hour periods. The ramp from northbound Telegraph to west I-696 and northbound Northwestern Highway will be closed until Oct. 30.

■ NINE MILE
From: Northbound Northwestern Highway and southbound Southfield Road
Community: Southfield
Details: One lane will be closed through Oct. 1.

■ O'DYKE ROAD
From: Square Lake Road to South Boulevard
Community: Bloomfield Township and Pontiac
Details: The stretch of road is being resurfaced.

■ PONTIAC TRAIL
At: Green Lake Road
Community: West Bloomfield
Details: The road is being widened to include a center turn lane through Aug. 24.
From: Decker to Haggerty
Community: Walled Lake and Commerce Townships
Details: The stretch of road is being resurfaced.

■ TELEGRAPH ROAD
At: 14 Mile Road
Community: Bingham Farms and Franklin Village
Details: There will be lane closings for road work.

■ WALTON BOULEVARD
From: West of Sashabaw to Clintonville
Community: Waterford
Details: Walton is being widened from three to five lanes. It is limited to one lane each way during construction.

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Money — sometimes called the "mother of politics" — flowed freely in Oakland County commission primaries, according to finance reports filed prior to the Aug. 4 election.

In the 25 contests — including seven with no primary contests — more than \$160,000 was spent collectively, according to reports on file at the elections office of the county clerk's office. Some officials say that is probably a record, although records were not available to substantiate that claim.

Commissioners are paid \$25,111 annually for their services and receive a variety of fringe benefits such as hospitalization and retirement benefits. They are expected to attend two county board meetings monthly in addition to at least two committee meetings.

Their primary responsibility is overseeing the annual county budget, which this year approaches \$560 million.

The top spender in this year's primary was incumbent David L. Moffitt of the 18th District in northern Farmington Hills who spent \$12,832, most of which was his own money. His Republican primary opponent, Linda Jolicoeur, spent \$8,207, including \$2,500 of her own money, according to reports filed prior to the primary election.

The next filing deadline is Sept. 3.

Moffitt will face Democrat Ryan J.

Gesund in the general election. Gesund

spent \$1,146, although he was unopposed in the primary.

Here are some highlights of other primary contests:

■ District 2 (Springfield and White Lake townships and part of Independence): Incumbent Republican Donna Huntoon, who lost to challenger David Galloway, was also outspent by her challenger, but not by much.

Galloway spent \$3,647, according to reports, while Huntoon expended \$3,343.

The largest single contributor to the campaign of Galloway was the Oakland County Political Action Committee which is influenced by County Executive L. Brooks Patterson.

Galloway will face Democrat Michael Kohut in the fall.

■ District 3 (Orion, Oakland and Addison townships): Incumbent Republican Lawrence Obrecht outspent challenger Douglas Brown \$9,443 to \$2,930. Obrecht does not have a Democratic opponent.

■ District 6 (Waterford and part of West Bloomfield): Incumbent Fran Amos spent \$1,299, according to her financial report, most of it of her own money. Opponents Greta Sets and James G. Keough spent \$2,324 and \$1,906, respectively. A fourth Republican candidate, Karen James, did not have to file a report after signing a waiver stating that she did not spend more than \$1,000 on her campaign. There were no Democrats running.

■ District 8 (Rochester and north Rochester Hills): Incumbent Sue Ann Douglas spent \$3,899, while GOP opponent Ronald T. Meuro signed a waiver and was not required to file a report. There were no Democratic candidates.

■ District 9 (south Rochester Hills and part of Troy): Incumbent John Garfield won

despite being outspent by challenger Thomas J. Delpup, \$1,473 to \$7,046. Both candidates

used much of their own money, but Delpup received a \$2,500 contribution from the Oakland County Political Action Committee.

Garfield faced Democrat Tim Dewan, who was not required to file a finance report.

■ District 12 (parts of Bloomfield and West Bloomfield Townships): Incumbent Shelley G. Taub spent \$2,848 in her successful re-election bid. GOP challengers Don Eby and Jeff Matte signed waivers and did not file reports.

Democrat Ilene Singer, who is challenging Taub, spent \$744 in her uncontested race.

■ District 13 (parts of Bloomfield and West Bloomfield): Incumbent Republican Thomas A. Law spent \$2,169 in his successful race against challenger Harley Harris, who spent \$4,370.

■ District 14 (Bloomfield Hills and parts of Troy and Bloomfield Township): Incumbent Republican Dan Devine and Democrat Gary Kohut, who were unopposed, each signed waivers saying they did not spend more than \$1,000.

■ District 15 (Birmingham and Berkley): Incumbent Republican Donald Jensen spent \$1,653 in his successful re-election bid, while his opponent Alan Kroll spent \$1,813, according to reports.

■ District 20 (north Southfield and Lathrup Village): Incumbent Democrat Vincent Gregory spent \$409 in his uncontested primary, while Republican challenger Linda M. Korchekian, also unopposed, filed a waiver.

■ District 21 (southern Southfield): Incumbent Democrat Eric Coleman spent \$565 in his uncontested primary, while the Republican challenger Mary Kathryn Decuir signed a waiver stating she did not spend \$1,000.

County doctor honored for life work on breast cancer

John Ingold, M.D. of Bloomfield Hills has been presented with the American Cancer Society's top achievement award for his lifelong achievements in the treatment of breast cancer.

Ingold is the medical director of the Comprehensive Breast Center at William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

He has been a guiding force behind the establishment of Beaumont's Comprehensive Breast Center, which provides a full team of specialists to consult with each patient and coordinate aspects of care.

Ingold received the award during the American Cancer Society's recent "Light the Night" gala at the Dearborn Ritz-Carlton.

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