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### Two erroneous facts about MCCC were shared in letter

In Jean Dahm's "Letter to the Editor" published on Oct. 22, there were two notable factual errors.

First, the recent event at Monroe County Community College honoring Congressman John D. Dingell, Sen. Carl Levin, and State Sen. Randy Richardville was hosted and sponsored by the River Raisin National Battlefield Park Foundation.

While MCCC waived the room rental fee as part of their continuing educational partnership, all other expenses were paid by the Battlefield

Foundation and their generous event sponsors. Ms. Dahm completely misrepresented the event as a "lavish party thrown for politicians" paid for by the college. Had she taken the time to verify who sponsored and paid for the event, she would not have wasted the community's time with this erroneous information.

The second factual error is that Ms. Dahm asserts that the proposed millage will provide an additional \$6 million annually to MCCC. Based upon Monroe County's 2014 taxable value, the 1 mill increase will generate an estimated \$5.5

million as is clearly stated in the ballot language. In her next point regarding property value increases, Ms. Dahm fails to mention the effect of the Headlee Amendment on capping revenue from property-assessment increases to the rate of inflation.

Endorsing candidates for political office is a long-honored tradition in our country. Equally important is supporting those endorsements with accurate facts.

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