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Executive Action on Guns: "A Move in the Right Direction"



New gun laws proposed by President Obama

Michigan News Connection LANSING - Michiganders working to end gun violence are commending President Obama for taking steps to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people. The president on Tuesday announced several executive actions on guns in response to a series of mass shootings in recent years.

ector of the Michigan Coalition Against Gun Violence, said one measure would expand mandatory background checks for some private gun sellers, including those online and at gun shows.

"There are people who do do the selling of guns without a license," she said, "and this will tighten up that procedure so

Linda Brundage, executive di-

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Community bear cold to protest killing of man by Dearborn Police

By: Gina Steward - Telegram Publisher



Members of the National Action Network along with family members of Kevin Matthews walk down Michigan Ave to protest his death

The death of Kevin Matthews , 35, an unarmed Detroit man by a Dearborn police officer

brings the crisis close to home. Several rallies were held as the community came out in

Photo by Dale Rich protest. The temperature might have been brutally cold, but the civil

Rally - 7A

Fort Street Bridge reopens

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



The bridge is finally open

2 ½ years after closing, the Fort Street Bridge reopened to traffic on Sunday.

Project reconstruction began in 2013, though complex repairs delayed the 278-foot structure's reopening, initially scheduled for late 2014. No formal announcements were made regarding the resurrec-

tion of the bridge, but traffic flowed freely last weekend as residents took advantage of the reemergence of a main fixture in the downriver community.

According to Michigan Department of Transportation

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Residents from through the Downriver community attended a public hearing held at River Rouge High School to address the request from Marathon Petroleum to install a new process to manufacture a lower sulfur gasoline that complies with the EPA guidelines. The outcry from the citizens was a resounding NO.

CALL TO ACTION

Know your credit score and improve it

It's worth your time and attention



will make the cost of the loan higher overall.

2. Once your score goes down, it takes longer to improve.

Messing up just once could result in a serious loss of points that will take a long time to correct. For instance, if you don't pay a bill and it goes into collections, you'll lose a lot of points from your credit score – perhaps as many as 100.

3. It's almost impossible to put a bad score behind you.

Your credit score will follow you everywhere you go for the rest of your adult life. Since it's checked under so many circumstances. You'll need it, and need it to be good, for as long as you're participating in the financial system. It is worth the effort to begin today to work towards improving your score.

4. It will influence your ability to find a place to live.

When it comes to basic human needs, shelter is at the top of the list. Most landlords will check your credit score as part of the rental application process, and many simply won't accept tenants with bad scores. Of course, the same is true if you're thinking of buying a home. If you don't have good credit, qualifying for a mortgage will be nearly impossible. So no matter what, building and maintaining good credit will affect your ability to find housing.

5. It could put a crimp in your romantic relationships.

It might seem strange, but your credit score could have an impact on your dating life. According to a 2014 NerdWallet analysis, more than half of single adults over age 25 are

“somewhat less likely” or “much less likely” to date someone with bad credit.

Most young adults realize that a significant other with bad credit might come with financial baggage and don't want to get serious with someone who might hold them back. Having good credit is a bigger deal than you may think. But as the year begins, this is a perfect time to make a plan to bring your credit score up.

Here are a few tips to help you establish a good credit score:

- Pay your bills on time.
- Avoid credit card debt, and avoid maxing out a credit card.
- Start establishing a credit history as soon as you can. The easiest way to do this is by getting a credit card early and using it responsibly.
- Don't apply for too much credit at once.
- Check your credit reports at least once per year. If you spot a mistake, have it corrected as soon as you can.

Lots of sites promise credit reports for free. AnnualCreditReport.com is the only official site explicitly directed by Federal law to provide them. If you follow these tips, you'll be on your way to a bright financial future.

Gina Wilson Steward
Publisher

The federal law allows you to get a free copy of your credit report every 12 months from each credit reporting company. The website is www.AnnualCreditReport.com. Once you get your report ensure that the information on all of your credit reports is correct and up to date. When you review your credit reports it helps you catch signs of identity theft early.

You may wonder why reviewing your credit report and addressing your credit score matters. It matters because your credit score may affect your mortgage rates, credit card approvals, apartment requests, your job application and car insurance rates.

Here are five reasons why your three-digit credit score is very important

1. It determines the cost of future purchases.

Lenders and insurance agents look at your credit score when they're figuring out how to price the products they're selling you. For instance, when you apply for your first car loan, the bank you're working with will run a credit check to decide how much to charge you in interest on the auto note. A low credit score will mean paying a much higher interest rate. This, of course,

NEWS FROM LANSING

Rep. Banks Invites Residents to Education Town Hall



Brian Banks
State Representative

tine Geerer, educator in the Grosse Pointe Public Schools; Gary Niehaus, Grosse Pointe Public Schools Superintendent; Dan Quisenberry, president, Michigan Association Public School Academies; and Brian Whiston, State Superintendent, Michigan Department of Education for an education town hall meeting.

The meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 11, at 5 p.m., at Grosse Pointe North High School Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier Road in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Topics will include teacher evaluations, third grade reading, the Education Achievement Authority (EAA), schools of choice, school funding, emergency managers, Detroit Public Schools, school technology and dual enrollment.

DETROIT – State Representative Brian Banks (D-Detroit) invites residents to join him and special guests state Representative Sherry Gay-Dagnogo, M.Ed. (D-Detroit), Urban Education Advisor; State Representative Amanda Price (R-Park Township), House Education Committee chairwoman; Todd Biederwolf, superintendent of Harper Woods Public Schools; Chris-

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Monday, January 18, 2016

The City of Romulus, the Romulus Ministerial Alliance and the Romulus Community Schools invite the Community to Celebrate!

Please join us at 8:00 am for the march from Romulus Middle School (37300 Wick Rd.) to Romulus High School (9650 Wayne Road).

(Shuttle Service provided from RHS to Middle School from 7:00 am to 7:45 am)

Schedule of Events:

- 7:30 am - Meet at Romulus Middle School
- 8:00 am - Community March Begins
- 8:00 am - Continental Breakfast in the Romulus High School Cafeteria.
- 9:30 am - MLK Celebration in the Romulus High School Auditorium

Please contact Rev. Arthur Willis, Committee Chairman, at (313) 701-2423 or Ellen Craig-Bragg at (734) 955-4545, for more information



What Will You Sacrifice for Justice?

By Julianne Malveaux - NNPA Columnist



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once wrote, "It may be true that the law cannot make a man love me, but it can keep him from lynching me, and I think that's pretty important." Those students who are protesting campus racism need to keep that quote in mind as they assert their right to feel safe and comfortable on campus. When the protests have been well defined and include an end game, such as the University of Missouri protests that toppled a President and Chancellor, they have been effective. When protests broadly address issues like comfort, they are less successful. And while it is satisfying to force a President (or a faculty member for that matter) to resign, the conditions of campus life will not necessarily change because there is a new leader. Structural racism is so firmly embedded in our culture that it will take years, if not decades, of focused work and commitment to eliminate it. Unfortunately, too many are less dedicated to eliminating institutional racism than they are to maintaining the status quo. Consider, for example, the rhetoric during these Republican Presidential debates. Or, consider the clumsily racist question Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia posed when he asked whether black students should attend "lesser schools" than schools like the University of Texas.

Student activism was one of the highlights of 2015. Without waxing nostalgic, though, I'd suggest that some of these young activists take a page from the playbook written in the late 1960s and early 1970s, when protests shut campuses down for weeks. Student protests led to curriculum review on some campuses, the development of academic departments like African American studies and Ethnic Studies, the addition of faculty of color, a commitment to enroll more students of color, and more. "Back in the day," we were far less concerned with "feeling" comfortable than with being empowered. We wanted change, and we were willing to fight for it. And, the change we wanted was tied to metrics. More scholarships, more faculty, more student admits. Not

necessarily more comfort.

From my perspective discomfort is a good thing. Discomfort is a sign that something is wrong. Clearly there is much that is wrong on our campuses and in our nation. Racism is alive and well, though it shows itself in different forms than it did decades ago. The signs don't say "white" or "colored" anymore. Few "civilized" Whites use the n— word, but expletives are hardly necessary when there is a coded language of exclusion.

Too many of us prefer complacency to discomfort. We prefer to think that everything is fine. Too many would like to pretend that inequality and injustice are minor matters until a headline shakes us out of complacency – a young man shot 16 times while he is on his back, a young woman supposedly hanging herself in a jail cell. Then there is protest, and anger, and rage. Still, too little done to develop a sustainable attack on the racism that plagues our nation. Student activists of 2015 could learn from the sixties activists, and they can also teach "mainstream" leaders twenty-first century organizing techniques. And across generations, there must be teaching and learning about complacency and discomfort, about what change looks like, and about what people are willing to give up to get change.

This 2016 election year promises lots of conversation about justice and change. Some political leaders will talk of "over-regulation", while others will suggest that we must pass new laws. Some will suggest that affirmative action is no longer necessary, while others are clear that there remains unequal access to higher education. When questions of law are debated, I find it useful to consider Dr. King's view of law – it won't make you love me, but it will keep you from lynching me and, as he said, "that's pretty important." Dr. King described himself as a "drum major for justice," not a drum major for comfort. The campus activists who are raising critical questions are motivated by justice and cannot allow themselves to be sidelined with conversations about comfort. Comfort will always be elusive in a racist society. And that's a good thing.

Julianne Malveaux is an author and economist based in Washington, DC. Her latest book "Are We Better Off? Race, Obama and Public Policy" will be released in 2016 and is available for preorder at www.juliannealveaux.com.

ARE YOU YOUR BROTHER'S KEEPER?

MONTH OF JANUARY AWARENESS

National Blood Donor Month

Winter is a time for blood donations. During this time, due to cold temperatures, less people donate blood, so there is less available for patients.

The Red Cross is accepting donors year round, but especially throughout the cold season. Please donate.

National Clean Up Your Computer Month

Everyone experiences it. The overflow of junk documents on your computer slow it down.

This January, spend time deleting old or duplicate files, and organize your folders to streamline your browsing experience.

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According to Glaucoma.org, over 3 million people are afflicted with glaucoma and the National Eye Institute predicts that there will be a 58% by 2030.

Once lost, vision is irreparable, which is why it's detrimental to have regular eye check-ups to detect any anomalies. Once found, treatment can begin.

Thyroid Awareness Month

The thyroid gland lies in the neck, yet it has the potential to affect many areas of the body, including skin, heart, brain, liver, and kidneys. An unchecked thyroid problem can cause an onset of many other health disorders such as osteoporosis and heart disease.

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The Los Angeles...?

By Jim Abeare - Telegram Columnist



But then, St. Louis was robbed of a team when the Cardinals moved to Arizona in the 1980's.

The NFL will only allow up to two teams to move to L.A. One team will stay in their current city.

The Chargers claim 25 percent of their fan base comes from north of San Diego.

If the Chargers was smart, instead of trying to join the Raiders in a stadium plan in Carson, California, they would build a new stadium somewhere between the two cities and draw from both markets.

The Rams' have only been playing in their current home, the Edward Jones Dome, since 1995.

St. Louis is proposing a new \$1.1 billion stadium along the Mississippi River.

The NFL has been using L.A. as a bargaining chip for teams to get what they want for 21 years, ever since the Rams and Raiders left.

What city will be used as the next bargaining chip? St. Louis? San Diego? San Antonio? London?

The Nfl might want to think about expanding.

Three teams, the ST. Louis Rams, San Diego Chargers and Oakland Raiders have petitioned the National Football League for permission to relocate to the Los Angeles area.

To move a team must win three quarter of the league owners (24 of 32 teams).

The team or teams that move will be required to pay a \$550 relocation fee.

The three teams at one time in their history played in L.A.

I am usually against a team moving, ripping the heart out of a city. This time is no different.

I was against the Oakland Raiders first move to Los Angeles in 1982. The Raiders belong in Oakland.

The Rams should've stayed in Los Angeles in 1994 when they moved to St. Louis.

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Stir Up the Gift

by Janine Folks By Janine Folks - Religion Columnist



Stir up the gift! There is a gift inside you! Maybe you already know what it is. It's that thing you're really good at. It's that thing that blesses people when you do it. Maybe it comes so naturally to you and it's so second nature, that you don't even realize it's a gift.

Your gift is that thing you do so well. It comes easy to you while others struggle to be as good. When you operate in your gift, you are in your element and you feel like you were put here to do this. It brings joy and meaning to your life when you do it. It makes others feel blessed too.

Maybe you used to exercise your gift, but not so much lately. Discouragement, disappointment, distractions or something may have removed you from your connection to your gift. Maybe your gift has just been sitting dormant for a while. Or maybe you're just too afraid to activate it because you don't think you have resources you need to do what you want with it anyway.

Well, I stopped by to say, "Stir up the gift!" Reacquaint yourself with the gift. Begin again using it. If you are already using your gift, how about taking it up a notch!? Do something bigger with it. A new business or new career? Hobby? Do something with it.

We can all do something greater with our gifts. What could possibly stop you? I believe that if you start moving forward, the resources will come.

What stops most people is not the lack of resources, but fear. Fear has to be the biggest hindrance that keeps gifts hidden and dormant. If we could ever break out of fear, we would be unstoppable. So where does fear come from?

Well it doesn't come from God. Therefore, we need to release the fear and move forward. Don't worry about who will like it, support it or think it's good. Don't worry about failure. Just keep trying and pray for wisdom to create new ideas and ways to pursue it effectively.

I pray that one of your mantras for 2016 will be "Stir up the gift." When we stir up our gift, things begin to happen. Proverbs 18, verse 16 says, "A man's (woman's) gift makes room for him or her, and brings him or her before great people." Doing your gift can take you places you never dreamed of. Just have the courage to take some steps. It can bless your life in many ways.

"Therefore I remind you to STIR UP THE GIFT of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given you the spirit of fear, but of POWER and of LOVE and of a SOUND MIND (2 Timothy 1:6,7 NKJV)."

Happy New Year, Sweet 16! Stir up the gift! Don't be afraid. "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things (including your gift) and be in good health, just as your soul prospers (3 John 1:2 NKJV)."

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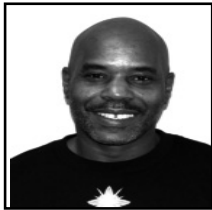
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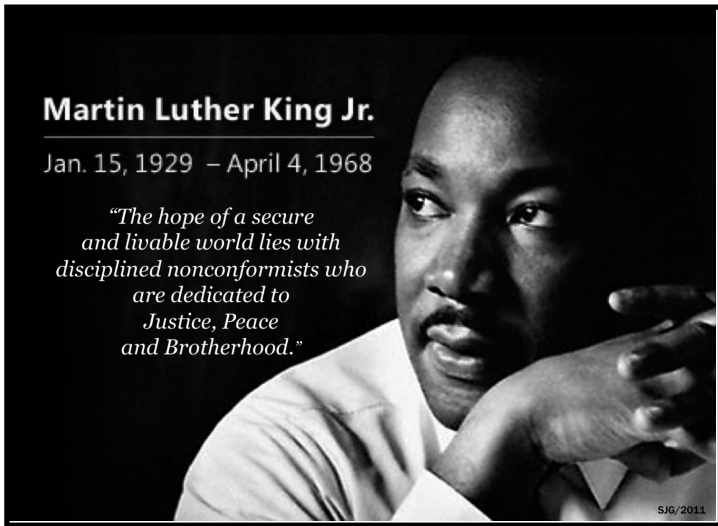
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Welcome Home!

The Transformative Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., in 2016

By Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. NNPA News Wire Columnist



There is no debate concerning the irrefutable fact that The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was one of the greatest leaders recognized, admired and affirmed by millions of people across America and throughout the world. King's activism and leadership changed America and the world, as did Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela in their respective global impacts.

As we prepare to celebrate the 87th birthday of Dr. King as part the official federal holiday celebrations, I believe it is very important to focus on how Dr King's legacy today is still relevant and transformative for all people who cry out for freedom, justice, equality and empowerment.

Martin Luther King, Jr. was a devoted man of faith and a committed freedom fighter for the establishment and building of "The Beloved Community." Dr. King was clear about the ultimate goal of the Civil Rights Movement. His vision went beyond changing laws and winning victories against the forces of injustice and repression. Social change for Dr. King was not an abstraction or just a dream or an unreachable goal, but it was a realistic, achievable and tangible outcome of the struggle for freedom and equality: "The Beloved Community"

In his own words, King emphasized, "The nonviolent resister must often express his protest through noncooperation or boycotts, but noncooperation and

boycotts are not ends themselves; they are merely means to awaken a sense of moral shame in the opponent. The end is redemption and reconciliation. The aftermath of nonviolence is the creation of the beloved community, while the aftermath of violence is tragic bitterness."

Today, in the bold tradition of Martin Luther King, Jr., we salute the Black Lives Matter movement. It is being led by young, gifted, talented and courageous activists, who are using nonviolent civil disobedience anew to challenge racial injustice and the wanton police violence and murders that have become too frequent against Black Americans and others.

But today we must also assert in King's transformative tradition that "All Black Lives Matter!" In other words, yes we have to stand up effectively against police brutality and prosecutorial misconduct. Yes, we urgently have to reform the criminal justice system in its totality. Yet, we must also stand up effectively with our activism to stop the self-destructive violence and murders that too many of us perpetrate on each other in our own families and communities.

In principle and in faith, the truth is we have to be against all forms of violence and all forms of the destruction of humanity. There is no justification to take the life of another human being. It would be a gross contradiction to everything Dr. King worked and sacrificed for if we remained silent about the surge in self-destructive gun vio-

lence that prevails today in too many of our communities.

Reconciliation for Dr. King was not reconciling or compromising to leave injustice or racial bigotry in place. However reconciliation was the active and involved process that resulted in specific social transformation that inured benefits to all people. The success of the Civil Rights Movement under Dr. King's leadership not only benefited Black America, but also the success of this movement for change provided benefits to all people.

King never suspended his faith in the God of justice and liberation. He refused to bend his principles and beliefs on the effectiveness of nonviolent social change activism and multiracial movement building. The organization of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) by Dr. King and other Black church leaders was a prophetic step forward that kept the Black church in America at the forefront of the battle for civil rights and human rights. King was an intellectual genius who stood on the universal theological principles of the oneness of God and the oneness of all humanity.

In my younger years, I personally worked with Dr. King, Golden Frinks and Milton Fitch in the North Carolina SCLC. I witnessed firsthand how Dr. King transformed and inspired the consciousness of people to believe and exert a grassroots power to promote social change. We could use that kind of grassroots power today to get a massive voter turnout.

Dr. King was not a "weak" leader who sought to appease or to entertain the powerful in the high places and principalities of oppression.

Martin Luther King, Jr. was in complete solidarity with the poor and marginalized, but yet determined to end poverty and injustice wherever those evils were manifested.

Thus, we should also revisit Dr. King's economic justice demands. It is my opinion that if Dr. King were alive today he would be encouraging "principled youth entrepreneurial development." Participating in the U.S. economy as business owners that help to financially sustain our communities should be a priority.

In his last public speech on April 3, 1968 on the night before his tragic assassination in Memphis, Tennessee, without fear Dr King asserted, "The nation is sick; trouble is in the land, confusion all around...But I know, somehow, that only when it is dark enough can you see the stars. And I see God working in this period of the twentieth century. Something is happening in our world. The masses of people are rising up. And wherever they are assembled today, whether they are in Johannesburg, South Africa; Nairobi, Kenya; Accra, Ghana; New York City; Atlanta, Georgia; Jackson, Mississippi; or Memphis, Tennessee, the cry is always the same: 'We want to be free.'"

In 2016, "We want to be free!" We want an end to racial injustice and all manifestations of inequity and inequality. But we realize from the living legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. that we all should remain vigilant and active. Let's keep Dr. King's transformative legacy alive and vibrant with renewed energy and support.

Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr. is the President and CEO of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA)

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News from the Ethel Stevenson Senior Center of Ecorse

By Earleen McDaniel - Contributing Writer

Activities at the Center

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ETHEL STEVENSON



Mrs. Stevenson will be 101 years young on January 8, 2016. She came to Ecorse as a young girl and was educated in the Ecorse School System. She's been a dedicated part of the governing of this city her whole life and still actively providing resources at

the senior center in Ecorse. May God continue to bless you and keep you strong.

This new year is showing promise of many new activities at the Center. The Kidney Foundation has increased its **Exercise Class** to twice a week starting January 11. Classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays at 1:00pm. Other programming will be announced soon.

The **Detroit Institute Of Arts, DIA**, will be sponsoring a day trip for our seniors. Transportation and a snack are provided. The trip will be January 14 at 10:00am. Call in advance to get your name on the

list.

There is plenty to do at the Center. **Bingo** is every Tuesday. Bridge is every Thursday. Daily there are arts and crafts classes. The Birthday Club will meet again on the 19th of January.

Stop by and see what we have to offer. Good people, good fun, good food. There is no need to sit home alone this winter.

The Center is located at 4072 W. Jefferson in Ecorse. You can reach the Center at 313-382-3305.

THE HENRY FORD is FREE on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day January 18, 2016 (9:30am - 5pm)



Come celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the many ordinary people who had the extraordinary courage and commitment to ask for more from their nation on civil rights. Bring your family and friends, because all of the activities in Henry Ford Museum on MLK Day are absolutely free, thanks to the generosity of Target. That includes free admission and free parking, plus live music, hands-on fun, make-and-take activities and dramatic presentations. Sit in the Rosa Parks Bus, and hear the story of Mrs. Parks' courageous act. Participate in and be captivated by the highly praised 30-minute show "Minds on Freedom," which celebrates the contributions of Dr. King, Mrs. Parks and other civil rights champions such as Fannie Lou Hamer, Gloria Rackley and the Freedom Riders. Sing, carry a protest sign and interact with the performers. You, too, can make history.

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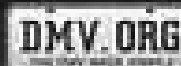
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Bridge opens

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spokeswoman Diane Cross, only select lanes remain open, though remaining paths will be made accessible in the coming months. Likewise, due to reduced power control, the new bridge takes approximately 20 minutes to go up and down. Nevertheless, operation times will be reduced to less than a minute in the near future.

"The more than \$46 million project has only one lane open in each direction so that roofing work can be completed on the maintenance room," Cross said. "Some issues with power are also keeping the bridge at 10% of its power, causing slow opening and closing of the 8.2 million pound bridge leaf. This is expected to be corrected in next month."

For citizens and business owners alike, Sunday's event brought a wide sense of relief to a region long affected by the bridge's inoperative status. Serving as a main transport between the downriver community and downtown Detroit, the closure of the Fort Street structure – paired with the shutdown of the Jefferson Avenue Bridge in May 2013 – brought significant economic hardship to the area. In fact, with both fixtures simultaneously defective, several resi-

dents lost jobs, while local businesses reported a steady decrease in consumer traffic. "These [bridge] closures have had a drastic effect because they relegate our local business district to a dead end street," River Rouge City Commissioner Dan Cooney said in December. "People used to roll through town to get to work in Delray or Downtown Detroit, but now they're forced to go around us to I-75, which has caused an additional problem with dangerous potholes on the [freeway] bridge. Top that off with the fact that people are losing jobs because some places have had to cut down on employees, and some businesses have closed altogether."

Indeed, while these changes produced negative effects on the downriver area, at last there is light at the end of the tunnel. In the coming months, as residents continue to utilize the Fort Street Bridge, they can also look forward to another long awaited reopening. Last December, Wayne County officials announced that work on the Jefferson Avenue drawbridge remains underway. The \$17 million project is expected to be complete by August 2016.

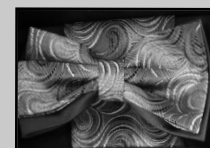
Martin Luther King Jr. celebration in Westland



The services will begin at 9 a.m. at John Glenn High School. A Freedom Walk will take place from John Glenn High School to the Friendship Center on Newburgh Rd. at which time, we will host a Prayer Breakfast. At 10:00 a.m., our formal presentation begins and surely will include inspiring words from local dignitaries. Please join us as we celebrate the life and legacy of one of America's most extraordinary men! For more information please call 734-722-7628.

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Celebrating National Mentoring Month

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



Famous celebrities are stepping up to be mentors to youth from the various communities

"In a Nation of limitless possibility, every child deserves the chance to unlock his or her potential. When young Americans have the support they need to make the most of themselves, they can achieve their dreams and strengthen our country, which has always moved forward by extending ladders of opportunity to the next generation."

–President Barack Obama

In 2002, Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health and the National Mentoring Partnership established January as National Mentoring Month. The campaign, first endorsed by President George W. Bush, highlights adult mentors who help shape America's youth, while also focusing on individuals, businesses, government agencies, schools, faith communities and nonprofits who can each contribute to increasing the number of active mentors in the United States.

On January 21st, National Mentoring Month is culminated by Thank Your Mentor Day, where Americans from all around thank and honor those who have guided and impacted their lives. Past national spokespersons for the campaign have included former Secretary of State Colin Powell, with a plethora of other prominent individuals endorsing the effort such as Maya Angelou and former President Bill Clinton.

Are you interested in becoming a mentor? If so, here are several organizations to get involved with during National Mentoring Month, 2016.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America of Metropolitan Detroit (BBBS)

Established over a century ago, Big Brothers Big Sisters now provides mentoring services to more than 50 states. With local offices in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, BBBS continues "to provide children facing adversity with safe, strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-

one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever."

Phone: (313) 309-0500

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bbbsinfo@bbbsdetroit.org

Website: <http://www.bbbsdetroit.org/>

4-H National Mentoring Program

4-H offers mentoring services that are supported by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDPD). With programs available throughout the country, the organization targets high-risk populations with a goal to reduce juvenile delinquency, drug abuse, truancy and youth unemployment. As an extension of Michigan State University, Michigan's 4-H chapter remains the largest youth development organization in the state, helping more than 200,000 youth reach their full potential.

Phone: (517) 432-7575 – Primary State Office

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Alternatives for Girls (AFG)

Alternatives For Girls is one of four Michigan based organizations included in the Runaway & Homeless Youth Regional Alliance. Through three main lines of services, AFG continues to successfully assist "homeless and high-risk girls and young women avoid violence, teen pregnancy and ex-

ploitation, while helping them access the support, resources and opportunities necessary to be safe, to grow strong and to make positive choices in their lives."

Phone: 313-361-4000

Email: resourcecenter@alternativesforgirls.org

Website: www.alternativesforgirls.org

National Cares Mentoring Movement (NCMM)

Founded by Essence Magazine Editor in Chief Emeritus, Susan L. Taylor, the National Cares Mentoring Movement is designed to uplift African American youth. Unlike other organizations of its kind, NCMM does not provide direct mentorship opportunities, but instead pairs children with different organizations that offer effective mentoring services. NCMM also strives to increase the number of black mentors throughout the country.

Detroit Cares Mentoring, NCCM's local affiliate, collaborates with youth-focused organizations in the Metro area to mentor children from kindergarten through the third grade. The organization is openly supported by various big name figures, from Oprah Winfrey to Harry Belafonte, Terrence Howard, Ciara and Spike Lee. Phone: 313-649-7633

Website: www.detroitcaresmentoring.com, www.caresmentoring.org

Looking for additional mentoring opportunities? Please visit <https://connect.mentoring.org/>.



Boys benefit from the interaction with men to help with schoolwork

Mornings with the Mayor



Mornings with the Mayor on the road! Our first Mornings with the Mayor on the road will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 12 and will be at the William P. Faust Westland Public Library, located at 6123 Central City Parkway. Westland residents have a great interactive way to con-

nect with the Mayor. Mayor William R. Wild and his staff are available to answer your questions, or you can simply voice your concerns or share ideas on improving our All American City. For more information please call 734-467-3200.

NO JUSTICE NO PEACE Rally

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One of the many signs that was displayed during the march
Photo by Dale Rich

rights groups and the family members of Mr. Matthews wanted to send a definite message to the Dearborn Police Department... No Justice No Peace.

There is conflicting stories about the incidence that lead up to the young man's death. Police say their officer opened fire on the Matthews, who was wanted on a probation violation warrant and suspected in a larceny after the man ran from police on Wednesday. The officer stated that they struggled over his gun.

Over 200 people along with family members of Matthews came out and walked down Michigan Ave to the Dearborn Police Station.

At a press conference on December 23rd at the Historic King Solomon Temple, President of the

Michigan Chapter of the National Action Network, Rev. Charles Williams, said, "We're going to fight this." "This is an injustice. ... We will receive justice in the name of our brother Kevin Matthews. It is time out for officers thinking they can go around gunning down our youth. It is time out for officers thinking they can go around gunning down our black men." Williams said Matthews suffered from paranoid-schizophrenia but was known in the community and to some Detroit Police officers as a harmless man. Williams called for the Dearborn officer involved to be sent to prison.

During the march to the Dearborn Police Station, Matthews sister said, "I really appreciate the support of everyone here."

Local government leaders ask Gov. Snyder to veto SB 571

Say state shouldn't ban local governments from providing factual election information



Local governments must use a different process to educate the residents before the election

Local government leaders from across the state today joined to ask Gov. Rick Snyder to veto Senate Bill 571, which would gag local officials seeking to provide constituents with factual information on election matters 60 days before the election.

City, township, county, school and other officials said that constituents need to have the facts to become informed voters on key matters that come before them, including local millage issues, charter changes, land transfers and other issues required by state law to go to local elections.

SB 571 includes provisions banning local officials or employees of local governments from using public funds for a communication 60 days before an election "by means of radio, television, mass mailing or prerecorded telephone message if that communication references a local ballot question..."

"In other words, in the weeks before an election we cannot use a mailing or local cable outlets to inform our constituents if a measure will raise or lower their tax rate, who it will affect, if it will mean the community will be selling a piece of property and where it is, how a charter change will affect them or anything else," said Dearborn Mayor Jack O'Reilly, president of the Michigan Municipal League.

"State law already prohibits electioneering using public resources, and rightly so," O'Reilly said. "But voters need to have facts – and in too many cases, there is no other source than local governments. Gov. Snyder should veto this bill, and then ask the Legislature to hold hearings to determine if there is a real issue here and if so, how best to address it in a more limited fashion."

Chris Barnett, supervisor of Orion Township in Oakland County, noted that this year the township plans to combine two fire millages, to help lower election costs. "If SB 571 is enacted, we cannot communicate to our voters that we are seeking to save money by

combining these two issues. We cannot rely solely on our local media to cover this important taxpayer issue. Voters could be in the dark unless the township provides information explaining why we are taking this action and how it will impact their taxes."

Terry Jungel, executive director of the Michigan Sheriffs Association, said that law enforcement in rural and metropolitan Michigan relies on local funding often provided by special millage. "Public safety millages can range from a small increase for road patrol in a township to a substantial increase to build a new jail to meet modern requirements," Jungel said. "Voters need to get factual information on where the money will go and what they will be getting for their additional tax dollars – or the consequences of not approving a millage. Then they can cast an informed vote."

"State law requires local elections on a wide variety of issues, from library millages to land sales, charter amendments to police and fire enhancements. Factual information is vital if we want informed voters," said Judy Karandjeff, president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan. "If local governments don't provide this information who will? We see newspapers cutting back coverage, and radio and television stations reducing staff. Voters trust their local officials to give them the facts. Gov. Snyder should too, and should veto this bill."

Others speaking at the news conference were Commissioner Matt Bierlein of Tuscola County, Rochester Mayor Bryan Barnett, Lansing School District Superintendent Yvonne Caamal Canul and Kalamazoo Public Schools Superintendent Michael Rice.

Others who have asked for a veto include the Michigan Association of School Boards, County Road Association of Michigan, Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association and the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Americans want Harriet Tubman on the \$20 bill



Tubman was the winner of a 10-week poll conducted by the nonprofit group Women On 20s, which wants to replace President Andrew Jackson with a woman on a \$20 bill.

Tubman, who helped hundreds of slaves escape to freedom on the Underground Railroad, received 33.6 percent of the 352,431 votes cast in the final round of the poll. Eleanor Roosevelt came in second, followed by Rosa Parks and Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Wilma Mankiller. Over 600,000 people submitted votes in the contest overall.

"Our paper bills are like pocket monuments to great figures in our history," Women On 20s Executive Director Susan Ades Stone said in a statement. "Our work won't be done until we're holding a Har-

riet \$20 bill in our hands in time for the centennial of women's suffrage in 2020."

Women on 20s also announced on Tuesday that they were launching an online campaign to urge the White House to adopt the changes. Obama has said that he thought putting a woman on the \$20 bill is a "pretty good idea."

Stone said that the White House could easily instruct Treasury Secretary Jack Lew to redesign the \$20 bill.

"I think it's really a very easy thing for the White House to do if they decide that they want to do it," Stone told The Huffington Post.

Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) and Rep. Luis Gutierrez (D-Ill.) introduced legislation in their respective chambers of

Congress last month to put a woman on the bill. Stone said that the legislation had given momentum to her group's campaign by showing that there was support for the idea in Congress.

Putting a woman on a \$20 bill is a "no brainer," Stone said, and is simply a matter of recognizing the contributions that women have made to the United States.

"Men and women really built this country and it's just that the women have been in the background," Stone said. "This is a chance to bring women into the foreground and recognize them for what they've accomplished and to show young people that if you make sacrifices and dedicate yourself to something, you will be recognized for it the same that a man would be."

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Tyson the Bullmastiff embarks on long road to recovery

By Shelby Jefferson –Telegram Staff Reporter



Tyson receives treatment at Affiliated Veterinary Emergency Service in Ann Arbor

RIVER ROUGE - Last week, animal control officers rescued a severely emaciated bullmastiff in River Rouge. Barely clinging to life, the dog was taken to the River Rouge Animal Shelter, and was subsequently transported to Affiliated Veterinary Emergency Service in Ann Arbor with help from Providing For Paws. Through it all, the mastiff showed unwavering resilience – eventually earning a new name based on his undying will to survive.

“When I brought him to the vet, the staff asked me if I knew his name,” said Patty Trevino, Director of the River Rouge Animal Shelter. “I told them that I didn’t know, but I knew for sure that this dog was a fighter. One of the girls there suggested that we call him Tyson. I said yes, that certainly works for me.”

Today, Tyson remains under the watchful eye of doctors at Affiliated Veterinary Emergency Service, where he remains in critical, but stable condition. According to Trevino, at the point of rescue, the mastiff’s body temperature read dangerously low at 82 degrees – much of which can be attributed to a complete shutdown of the circulatory system. Additionally covered in visible bite marks, Tyson weighed in at a mere 52 pounds, an aspect that completely hindered his ability to eat, stand, or walk.

Nonetheless, as he continues round the clock veterinary treatment, slow strides have been made in what certainly stands as a lengthy journey towards healing.

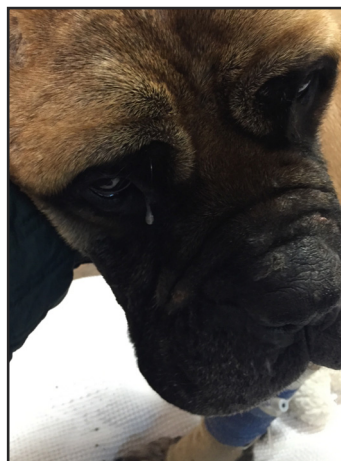
“I remember picking [Tyson] up to place him on a bed. I’ve never felt anything so cold that was still alive,” said Trevino. “He was nonresponsive; you could pick up his head and it would drop right back down. If

we weren’t able to get him to an emergency vet, he definitely would have passed away, but today he’s starting to do a lot better. One thing of note however is the fact that he is heart worm positive, so that will require long term treatment. It’s certainly going to be a lengthy road to recovery.”

For many of today’s veterinary facilities, funds for such an extensive recuperation are often hard to come by. But not for Tyson, who became a national celebrity once his story aired on Channel 7 News last week. To date, more than \$19,000 in funds have been donated to help with his care, while hundreds of concerned citizens continue to express interest in adopting the loveable mastiff. In the end, Trevino remains grateful that Tyson was saved, while expressing great optimism for the future.

“It’s wonderful that people have come together to help [Tyson],” she said. “If you look at him now, he’s walking around and showing off the huge personality he has. He’s like a big Marmaduke; such a sweet, loving dog. We’re all very thankful, and we definitely look forward to seeing what the future holds for Tyson.”

If you’re interested in donating funds for Tyson’s care, please visit:



A tear drops out of Tyson’s eye

Let’s be role models to the kids in the community

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The Detroit Public School Mark Twain School for Scholars, has powerful community partners, in particular the UAW Local 600. The Local made Christmas extra special this year. They gave a homeless family \$757.00, offered the parent a job at Ford and they also gave a family who lost everything in a fire \$1097.00. They also provided 43 students with Christmas gifts.

Mark Twain is located on 12800 Visger St. in Detroit. Mark Twain School for Scholars, a Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8 school, provides a rigorous college-preparatory education to help all students become academic and creative scholars. The school also offers a new gifted and talented program.



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The State of the Lions

By Butch Davis - Sports Reporter



Jim Caldwell
Lions Head Coach

Detroit avoided a last-place finish in the NFC North with its sixth win in eight games over the Chicago Bears this past Sunday. Now here are some good cheers about our Lions this season.

Head Coach Jim Caldwell is 18-14 after two seasons and will end this his second term as the only Lions coach since the start of the Super Bowl era with a winning record after two seasons. He chose not to point that out when asked about making his case to stay on the job this week. Running back Theo Riddick caught two passes to set a club record for running backs with 78. James Jones had the previous mark with 77 in 1984. Rookie RB Ameer Abdullah's 29.1 kickoff return average in 2015 set a new single-season franchise record, breaking the previous high of 28.4 by wide receiver Mel Gray in 1994. Abdullah finished second in the NFL in kickoff return average this season. Defensive end Ezekiel Ansah registered 1.0 sack at Chicago in the Lions' 24-20 win. Ansah's career high 14.5 sacks rank as the second highest single-season total (official since 1982), trailing only Robert Porcher's 15.0 sacks in 1999. There's more, Matthew Stafford set the franchise's 8-game record for completion percentage (70.0 percent) by surpassing the 68.9 completion percentage tallied

by QB Jon Kitna over eight games in 2006-07. Calvin Johnson caught 10 passes for 137 yards, including a 36-yard touchdown, in the Lions' 24-20 win at Chicago. Johnson finished the season with 1,214 yards and surpassed 1,200 yards in a season for the fifth time in his career.

Now Coach Caldwell read this statement this past Monday, on the state of the team at the conclusion of the season: "When you look at the team, I think our guys have done a tremendous job. What they accomplished in the second half is hard to do, it's very difficult to do when things aren't going well to end an eight-game stretch 6-2 and I've been on some great teams that had a tough time doing that down the stretch. But nevertheless, these guys hung in there; they battled through a lot of adversity. I certainly have to give them a lot of credit. I'm proud of them, did a tremendous job and the coaching staff. This day and age, just in terms of the scrutiny and the media and all the things they get bombarded with, it's tough to keep them all I think headed in the same direction, I think that's difficult. I think our coaching staff did a tremendous job with that, but also, the leadership that we have amongst our players I think is exceptional. I think there's a quote by, it might have been Kennedy who said that, 'Victory has many fathers, but defeat is an orphan.' But, what I think our guys have done is that, they've measured up and took responsibility like we all have for the things we didn't do well and there were a number of things we didn't do well. But I think also, you've got to give those guys credit for the things that they did do well this latter half of the season. Holding it together in some tough situations and winning on the road

and things of that nature. So all in all, it's one of those tough seasons, but I think with three wins in a row at the tail end of it, it leaves you, certainly have some hope."

Yeah, let get down, "to the real Nitti gritty". Will Lions coach Jim Caldwell be fired at the end of this 7-9 season? The owner of the team says no decision has been made. Whether the Lions bring back Caldwell for a third season is uncertain. Lion's owner Martha Ford spoke briefly to reporters after Sunday win at Chicago, and she said it's too soon to say what Caldwell's future holds. "I haven't gotten that far yet," she said. Lions President Rod Wood also spoke to us reporters and took issue with an ESPN report saying the Lions were planning to keep Caldwell. According to Wood, until the Lions hire a G.M., there are no plans on Caldwell's future. "Nothing's changed," Wood said. "I'm going to continue to let the G.M. make that decision." The Lions are planning to interview G.M. candidates this week. Only after that role is filled will Caldwell find out if he's going to be back.

As of this past Monday here are some names that are starting to emerge in the Detroit Lions' search for a new general manager as per talk with Dave Birkett, of the Detroit Free Press, Seattle Seahawks co-director of player personnel Trent Kirchner will be interviewed. ESPN reported New England Patriots director of pro scouting Bob Quinn had been also asked. In checking the New England Patriots Monday, Quinn had no comment. Detroit Lions Interim GM Sheldon White also will interview with the teams upper brass sometime this week.

Another coach on the Lions staff maybe have possibilities on moving from the team as the NFL Network reported late Sunday night that Teryl Austin, the Detroit Lions defensive coordinator as he has interviews scheduled this week with the Cleveland Browns and Miami Dolphins and could meet with the Philadelphia Eagles as well. The Lions have two potential replacements for Austin on staff if Caldwell is ask to stay to coach his third season in former coordinators Bill Sheridan and Alan Williams. The Lions (7-9) finished 17th in total defense this year, nonetheless Austin kept afloat a unit that lost Ndamukong Suh to free agency and DeAndre Levy early in the season to hip surgery.

Finally, with their roster locked until the day after the Super Bowl, the Lions couldn't cut any players for the next five weeks, even if they wanted to. Enjoy the playoffs.

This Week in Varsity Basketball

By Butch Davis

Vacation is over and all the students are back in school that means varsity basketball for Girls and Boys is talk of the towns. Please get out and check out game close to your neck of the woods. Here is this weeks schedule in the Telegram News reading area.

Varsity Basketball (Boys)

01/07 7:00 PM Allen Park Inter-City Baptist at Ann Arbor Greenhills
01/08 7:00 PM River Rouge at Ecorse
01/08 7:00 PM Allen Park at Brownstown Woodhaven
01/08 7:00 PM Dearborn Heights Robichaud at Dearborn
01/08 6:45 PM Redford Thurston at Dearborn Fordson
01/08 6:30 PM Dearborn Henry Ford Academy at Dearborn Hts Star International
01/08 4:00 PM Detroit Western International at Detroit Cass Tech
01/08 7:30 PM Riverview Gabriel Richard at Detroit Cristo Rey
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01/08 7:00 PM Westland John Glenn at Livonia Churchill
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01/08 7:00 PM Trenton at Taylor Kennedy
01/08 7:00 PM Detroit Allen Academy at Taylor Trillium
01/08 7:00 PM Melvindale at Taylor Truman
01/09 TBA Clarkston at Romulus
01/12 7:00 PM Westland John Glenn at Canton
01/12 7:00 PM Dearborn Heights Crestwood at Dearborn Edsel Ford
01/12 7:00 PM Redford Union at Dearborn Heights Annapolis
01/12 7:00 PM Garden City at Dearborn Heights Robichaud
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SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL TALENT

Downriver Butterfly Builds a Brand and Spreads Her Wings

By Xavier Jones – Telegram Intern



T Kay interviews an artist at the Mix and Mingle with My Stylist. Photo Credits – N'ior Visuals.

2013 River Rouge Alumna T'Kaira Montague comes in a complete package. The multimedia personality is known around the city as "T Kay", The 20 year old socialite packs a superstar in training character and an even stronger intellect. She utilizes her assets to host events, promote brands, and make a living for herself. T Kay has worked on OhSoRadio an internet based radio program and WHPR 88.1 FM as a radio personality. She has a lot to say never avoids a chance to get her voice heard. T Kay has also traveled to high school in the Detroit area to talk to the students about college, bettering themselves, and the importance of living a healthy lifestyle.

Social media has been one of the most effective utensils in her toolbox. Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram have tossed a plethora of notable clientele into her lap. She has interviewed R&B singer Tyrese and Sequoia B. One of her first gigs included working alongside Rayfield Rodgers at Panther Stadium gracing the crowd with her booming and unique voice.

Her inbox is almost overflowing with emails from people who are craving her presence

at their fashion shows, talent showcases, and loads of other events at various venues. The Wayne County Community College journalism major is no stranger to a heavy workload. T Kay is using 2015 to build her own brand. Her brand name is titled ThyRealTKay. The plan is to build a team of creative, professional and talented women who all share her dream.

The brand's goal is to unite and promote the working woman. ThyRealTKay plans on boosting and empowering the overall female image by networking, event hosting and spreading the love. That isn't the only goal. T Kay plans on releasing clothing, and hosting a web series where she interviews and interacts with her colorful guest.

Ms. Montague is definitely doing all the shaking and moving possible to achieve her dream, no stone is unturned on her journey to success. T Kay held buckets of excitement when she learned I was interested in interviewing her. She rushed me to her home so we could get it done.

Telegram- What is your vision for 2016?

T Kay- To grow, I would like to

get my high school tours starting again. Everything about this year has to be better than the last. The number one focus is to get my team assembled and build my brand. Once that is completed the next step is to get to work. The world will be seeing a lot more of my face.

Telegram- What exactly is your job description?
T Kay- I'm all about entertainment. I don't host parties, it's not my crowd. I know my crowd and I love my crowd. I am an event host, things like fashion and shows. Sit back relax and have fun. If you want to take your shoes off to party by all means party.

Telegram- How hard is it for you to find work?

T Kay- My email's inbox is pretty thick, I don't jump at every chance I'm offered I recently turned down a gig at a strip club. But I normally work 5 to 10 events a month.

Telegram- I can tell your biggest focus isn't working on yourself. You're putting a lot of work into building your brand why is that?

T Kay- What you do and how you work is a reflection of you. A lot of people know me as my brand, and they know I love my brand.

Telegram- What's the best thing about working with other people?

T Kay- You learn a lot about people. Every chance is a chance to network. But I learned you have to watch out for people and their intentions, anybody could be ready to put a knife in your back.

Telegram- Thank you for your time, good luck with 2016.

T Kay- Your welcome, same to you.

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01/08 7:00 PM	Southgate Anderson at Wyandotte Roosevelt
01/11 7:00 PM	Riverview at Carleton Airport
01/12 7:00 PM	Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard at Allen Park Cabrini
01/12 6:00 PM	Dearborn Advanced Tech at Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner
01/12 7:00 PM	Wyandotte Roosevelt at Brownstown Woodhaven
01/12 7:00 PM	Westland John Glenn at Canton Romulus at Dearborn
01/12 7:30 PM	Farmington Hills Mercy at Dearborn Divine Child
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01/12 7:00 PM	Dearborn Edsel Ford at Dearborn Heights Crestwood
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01/12 5:30 PM	Detroit Renaissance at Detroit Cass Tech
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01/12 5:00 PM	Dearborn Henry Ford Academy at Detroit University Prep
01/12 5:30 PM	Detroit Cody at Detroit Western International
01/12 5:30 PM	Detroit Leadership Academy at Ecorse
01/12 7:00 PM	Southgate Anderson at Melvindale
01/12 7:00 PM	Pontiac Academy for Excellence at River Rouge
01/12 7:00 PM	Taylor Baptist Park at Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest
01/12 5:30 PM	Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy at Romulus Summit Academy
01/12 6:00 PM	Detroit Public Safety Academy at Taylor Preparatory
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Gun Control

From Page 1A



President Obama

that fewer felons, domestic abusers and mentally ill have access to guns."

Other measures include expanding the role of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and making a \$500 million investment to improve access to mental-health care. Opponents are promising to fight them, although the president said he's confident the actions will withstand any

legal challenges. Obama also was criticized for bypassing Congress, but Brundage said past attempts at gun-control reform have failed despite public opinion.

"It's not a panacea. There isn't a panacea," she said. "But just because we cannot do everything doesn't mean we should do nothing. This is definitely a move in the right direction."

Brundage said polling shows 90 percent of Americans want all background checks on all guns sales. According to new FBI data, gun sales in 2015 were the highest recorded, with background checks on gun purchases and permits up 10 percent.

Video of the president's full announcement is online at whitehouse.gov/blog.

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NNPA Foundation launches Anti-Human Trafficking Campaign, UNdress



UNdress will target those who buy and traffic in women and children by placing public service announcements in places where buyers typically 'shop' for sexual services. This photograph shows an interaction between a prostitute and a potential customer in Western Europe. (Kay Chernush/U.S. State Department)

WASHINGTON, D.C. (January 4, 2016) — The National Newspaper Publishers Association Foundation (NNPAF) commences National Human Trafficking Awareness month by launching its own anti-human trafficking campaign called "UNdress," which stands for Undermining Nation-wide Demand for the Recruitment, Exploitation and Sexual Solicitation of women and children. The campaign will target those who buy and traffic women and children by placing public service announcements in places where buyers typically 'shop' for sexual services.

"The NNPA Foundation is in a unique position to address this

issue, because we can generate education and awareness by utilizing our own media products," said Kimberly Johnson, the Foundation's executive director.

Years before her term at the NNPA Foundation, Johnson conducted speaking and training events all over Georgia, working with trafficking survivors, local nonprofits, government agencies, advocates and local and national law enforcement. Johnson is certified to train on human trafficking and child sexual abuse and is an award-winning producer of the docufilm, *Sex Trafficking in Atlanta: A Survivor's Perspective*.

"The issue of human trafficking, particularly sex trafficking, is partly fueled by salacious images in media", Johnson said. "We plan to counter the effects of those images through our own content and resources. We are looking to partner with other organizations in this effort."

The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) will hold its Mid-Winter Conference in Coconut Grove, Florida on January 27-30, 2016 where the NNPA Foundation (NNPAF) will

announce its initiative during a press luncheon.

The NNPA Foundation has plans to host a series of human trafficking town hall meetings in 2016, including one in DC during the organization's Black Press Week conference in March. Other initiatives scheduled for launch include STEM Reach 2020. To support the NNPA Foundation, contact ED@nnpafoundation.org.

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TELEGRAM COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Dearborn Heights

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at City Hall located at 6045 Fen-ton, there will be a city council meeting beginning at 8:00PM.

Detroit

Friday, January 8, 2016 from 5:00-7:00PM, there will be a Martin Luther King Jr. Art Project for people 17 and older at the Williams Community Center located at 8431 Rosa Parks Blvd., room 48. Center membership required. For more information, please call 628-2039.

Wednesday, January 13, 2016 from 1:00-3:00PM, there will be a Cinema Series featuring Selma for ages 50+. The event is for members of the Williams Community Center. For more information, please call 628-2039.

Wednesday, January 13, 2016 from 6:00-7:00PM, there will be yoga at the Farwell Recreation Center located at 2711 Outer Drive 48234. Open to all ages. Youth 12-17 must be accompanied by legal guardian and have a signed consent form. Center membership required.

Thursday, January 14, 2016 from 6:00-7:00PM, there will be yoga at the Adams Butzel Complex located at 10500 Lyndon 48238. Open to all ages. Youth 12-17 must be accompanied by legal guardian and have a signed consent form. Center membership required. For more information, please call (313) 628-0990.

Romulus

Monday, January 11, 2016 the Romulus Public Library is hosting the Adult Winter Reading Program. The program will end March 30, 2016. Register with the front desk to receive

reading log. The first 20 to register will receive a free calendar. Record each book you read in your log. Each book is a chance to win a prize! Located at 11121 Wayne Rd, 48174.

Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:30PM there will be a city council meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Romulus City Hall, located at 11111 Wayne Rd., 48174.

Free Blood Pressure Checks
Wednesday, January 13, 2015 at 10:00AM the Corpore Sano Home Health Care, Inc. is providing free blood pressure checks at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36525 Bibbins St, Romulus, MI 48174.

Ready to Read Story Time
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Wednesday, January 13, 2016 beginning at 9:00AM, there will be a liquid nutrition program for seniors at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36525 Bibbins St, Romulus, MI 48174.

Wayne

Bingo!
Thursday, January 14, 2016 from 1:15-2:15PM at the Recreation & Exercise Club, located at 4635 Howe Rd., Wayne, MI 48184, there will be Bingo open to the public. You could win a \$50 jackpot! Refreshments available for purchase.

Westland

"Mornings with the Mayor"
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 beginning at 9:00AM, Westland residents have a great interactive way to connect with the Mayor. Mayor William R. Wild and his staff are available to answer your questions, or you can simply voice your concerns or share ideas on improving our All American City. Located at the Westland Public Library at 6123 Central City Pkwy, 48185.

Friends of the Library Meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 2:00PM. The Friends of the Library is an independent group of local residents and library users that helps support and promote the Library and its mission. The Friends fund special programs and collection enhancements in the Library by raising funds from membership dues, and selling used books and other library promotional merchandise (T-shirts, tote bags, etc.). The Friends promote the Library and reading in the community. The meeting will take place at the Westland Public Library located at 6123 Central City Pkwy, 48185.

Wyandotte

Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00PM there will be a City Council meeting in the Council Chambers of the Wyandotte City Hall located at 3200 Biddle Ave, Suite 300, 48192.

River Rouge

Tuesday, January 12, 2016 the River Rouge Historical Museum, located at 10750 W. Jefferson Ave., 48218, will be holding a meeting of the Economic Development Corporation at 6:00PM.

List compiled by Estefania Arellano

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Top Movies of 2015

By Dwight Brown - NNPA News Wire Film Critic



Dwight Brown says that "Straight Outta Compton" This is a full-fledged, big-budget looking homage to the L.A. rap scene, that smartly, emotionally and historically capsulizes the life and times of Eazy-E, Ice Cube, Dr. Dre. (Lionsgate)

Movies have become a great comfort in what has been a tumultuous year. They've entertained us. Made us laugh, feel courageous, scared, romantic and educated us too. It's a perfect time to reflect on the films, performances and Black artists who made 2015 special. And might as well get a head start on the high-quality movies that will contend for Oscars and be released in theaters and on DVD/VOD in weeks to come.

Amy (*1/2)** Amy Winehouse burned bright like a firefly and died just about as quickly. Her jazzy, smooth and tortured Billie Holidayish voice haunts the soundtrack. Her infamous drug addiction and self-destructive relationships are on view. A brilliant and sobering documentary by director Asif Kapadia.

Black Panthers: Vanguard of a Revolution (**)** Whittling down what must have been countless hours of possibilities (archival footage, interviews, photos) into a thought-provoking and coherent documentary about the Black Panthers was done expertly by director/producer/writer Stanley Nelson and editor Algernon Tunisil. Few stones are left unturned.

Creed (*)** Only an ingenious filmmaker (Ryan Coogler) could fathom a continuation of the Rocky saga that is as much of a crowd pleaser as the original. Michael B Jordan steps up as Apollo Creed's son Adonis, and he takes his punches with grace. Sylvester Stallone digs deep to render his best performance ever

as the aged pugilist Rocky Balboa. A knockout.

The Revenant (*1/2)** After the success of his Oscar-winning film Birdman, one might have thought filmmaker Alejandro G. Inarritu might miss a beat. He didn't. His tale of a frontiersman, who survives a brutal bear attack, is left for dead then seeks revenge for his son's murder, is a violent and riveting experience. Leonardo DiCaprio deserves the Oscar for Best Actor for sheer brilliance and guts.

Room (**)** A young woman (Brie Larson) and her vulnerable son (Jacob Tremblay) have been locked up in a shed and held hostage for years. They plot their escape. A deceptively simple script (Emma Donoghue), directed with skill and restraint (Lenny Abrahamson), turns into an astounding and heart-wrenching film that never loses its dramatic edge.

Sicario (**)** FBI Field agents Kate (Emily Blunt) and Reggie (Daniel Kaluuya) seek revenge when a drug cartel kills their colleagues. They team up with a smarmy Defense Department "contractor" (Josh Brolin) and a mysterious figure (Benicio Del Toro) to hunt the bad guys. Imagine Zero Dark Thirty tequila style. Genius direction (Denis Villeneuve), perfect screenplay (Taylor Sheridan) and superb ensemble acting.

Son of Saul (*1/2)** First time filmmaker László Nemes has written and directed a devastating Holocaust drama based on an innovative creative strategy: "The camera is his [Saul's] companion; it stays

with him throughout this hell." The audience witnesses a very personal story about a man determined to give a dead teenager a proper burial at Auschwitz. The claustrophobic cinematography keeps you astonished.

Straight Outta Compton (*1/2)** This isn't some chump change Sundance indie movie about the rap group N.W.A and hip-hop culture. This is a full-fledged, big-budget looking homage to the L.A. rap scene, that smartly, emotionally and historically capsulizes the life and times of Eazy-E, Ice Cube, Dr. Dre and everyone around them who caused the big bang that popularized West Coast rap music. An Oscar-caliber film.

Honorable Mentions

- '71
- Beast of No Nation
- Bridge of Spies
- Burnt
- Concussion
- Da Sweet Blood of Jesus
- The Danish Girl
- Ex Machina
- Freeheld
- Furious 7
- Inside Out

Worst Movies

- Fifty Shades of Grey
- Irrational Man
- The Man From U.N.C.L.E.
- Our Brand is Crisis
- Pan

Read more reviews by NNPA News Wire Film Critic Dwight Brown at DwightBrownInk.com.

ASK ALMA

My cousin steals from me



Dear Alma,

I love my cousin dearly and we spend a lot of time together. She and I grew up together, we're close in age and we have a ton of stuff in common. We both love to travel and the outdoors, we go hiking, skiing and scuba diving. Here's the problem: I think she's stealing money from me. On occasions when we're traveling, I noticed money missing from my wallet. When out to dinner, after I leave I find some of my money is missing. A few times it was all my cash and on other occasions she left a one-dollar bill. At first I thought I was crazy, so the other night, I counted all my money before we met and after and yep, she got me. I'm not sure what to do. I don't want to stop seeing her and I don't know how to bring it up on conversation. I don't have enough nerve. We are gainfully employed and she sure doesn't need my money.

What's your advice?

— Crushed Cuzzin

Dear Crushed Cuzzin,

Aww sweetie, like your cuzzin in this moment, I seem to be conflicted, wondering if she's taking advantage because she needs help or just doesn't re-

ally like you. Hmm, I wonder, could she really be that sad and lonely on the inside? Or is she just overspending and short when it comes to paying her bills? Nonetheless, her actions require consequences, because she is jeopardizing your relationship.

My hot-mess side says, dang, stealing from family is jacked up and she deserves a smack! While my highly favored and blessed side says, this is undoubtedly a devious cry for attention. The fact that you don't want to address her is a sure softhearted indication that you don't want to hurt her feelings. With that said, before you next excursion, I'd suggest that you stuff your dollars in your brassiere.

Family is family, and one things for sure, she doesn't like or respect you like long-time kin. Otherwise she wouldn't steal from you. Allow some time and grass to grow under your feet in between hook ups for outdoor adventures. This relationship is flighty, there's no debt or foundation. Sometimes what you want and what it is, are two different things. Forgiveness is fine, but don't lose sight that she's gone rogue.

— Alma

Alma Gill's newsroom experience spans more than 25 years, including various roles at USA Today, Newsday and the Washington Post. Email questions to: alwaysaskalma@gmail.com. Follow her on Facebook at "Ask Alma" and Twitter @almaaskalma.

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Residents Speak out against the Marathon permit request

Conyers Cautions MDEQ on Possible Raising of Sulfur Dioxide Levels in Detroit



Johnny Hanes of South West Detroit - 48217 speaks during the public hearing held on Wednesday in River Rouge

DETROIT – It was a full house at the public hearing in River Rouge as residents spoke out against the request of Marathon. In January 2016, Rep. John Conyers, Jr. (MI-13) released the following statement in response to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) consideration of a proposal from Marathon Petroleum refinery to allow them to expand facility operations in South-west Detroit:

"I am alarmed to hear that the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) may raise the ceiling on Sulfur Dioxide pollution in the Detroit area. Given the serious health consequences of Sulfur Dioxide pollution, such a measure should receive the highest-level of consideration and discussion.

"Unfortunately, the MDEQ's recent record demonstrates they are not fully weighing the consequences of their lax approach to regulation. The recent reports out of Flint, that tens of thousands of citizens were exposed to toxic lead levels while MDEQ ignored the threat, should give anyone in public office pause before trusting the word of MDEQ. Their rush to approve the hazardous storage of Petroleum Coke along the Detroit River in 2013 tells us this is a problem that goes back some time.

"It seems that whenever an urban or low-income community's air or water quality is in question, risks and costs are almost always deemed acceptable. For those of us who live in those communities, it hardly needs to be said that MDEQ's assurances are not as assuring as they once

were.

"As public officials, we are entrusted to provide for the health and welfare of our community, which means overseeing those employed by the state to protect us. As Detroiters and Michiganders, our families and friends have to live with the consequences of damage to our environment. I will be paying careful attention to this evening's public discussion on raising the allowable Sulfur Dioxide emissions. More importantly, I will be watching for evidence that our state's regulators have learned some lesson from their recent terrible mistakes.

Johnny Hanes made the suggestion that the DEQ should come to live in the area for two weeks to see what its like to live here. He asked what is the DEQ making their decision on.

Larry Kelsey from Lincoln Park said that the polluted air doesn't have any borders. He is encouraging the Legislators in Lansing to change the law. Erma Lockridge says No, No, No and No again. We can't take this anymore. Her words were 'Marathon, you are killing us.'

Many people that spoke expressed their lack of trust in the Department of Environmental Quality after the decision about the Flint water problem. The sentiment was that DEQ is siding with big business instead of the health and welfare of the citizens of Michigan."



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