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'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over' Campaign Starts March 16 Across Michigan



The Michigan State Police in conjunction with several county and municipal police forces throughout the state will begin their "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign Wednesday ahead of St. Patrick's Day, the NCAA tournament, and spring break.

"Bad decisions can stick with you for many years to come," said Michael L. Prince, director of the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) in a release. "Drunk driving can really mess with your life, but it can end someone else's."

This year, law enforcement officials will be conducting extra

patrols to arrest drunk drivers March 16-April 4.

In 2015, 2,182 people in Michigan were arrested for drunk driving during the NCAA tournament period. Of those, 672 were charged under the state's high blood-alcohol content (BAC) law with BACs of .17 or higher.

In Michigan, it is illegal to drive with a BAC of .08 or higher, although motorists can be arrested at any BAC level if an officer believes they are impaired. Motorists face enhanced penalties if arrested for a first-time drunk driving offense with a .17 BAC or higher.

Crime Prevention Summit to be held in Inkster

By Shelby Jefferson - Telegram Staff Writer



On March 17th, a Crime Prevention Summit will take place to discuss solutions for Inkster residents. The event will be held at the Booker Dozier Recreational Complex, hosted by Police Chief William Riley and 22nd District Chief Judge Sabrina Johnson.

"We want residents to have access to key information," said Johnson. "I've seen an increase in break-ins, which can generally increase once the weather gets warmer, so the timing is important to inform people of what they can do be-

fore spring really hits.

"Overall, our goal is to bring forth information regarding what's going on in the police department, and let residents know how they can protect themselves. This summit was designed to develop solutions for our citizens that can help keep our entire community safe."

The event will include appearances by various members from Inkster's Police Department, in addition to representatives from leading security companies. Throughout the

occasion, residents will also receive pertinent information regarding developing neighborhood watch groups, as well as the importance of community participation in decreasing crime.

For Johnson, the summit offers a vital platform that can initiate an ongoing community wide effort that involves everyone throughout the City of Inkster.

"Break-ins happen in every community, so as residents we Summit - Page -

Flint Residents Deserve Better than This

By Armstrong Williams - NNPA News Wire Columnist



As the proud owner of NBC 25 in Flint, Michigan, it is important for us to understand the community and to become a part of it as

much as we can. As a station owner, we have the ability to elevate the needs and concerns of the

downtrodden, hold those in power accountable and show-

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Is there an education needed to be an entrepreneur?



Is there really an education needed to be an entrepreneur? This is a question often asked by aspiring entrepreneurs.

Well, it all depends on the individual. There are times even when those that have no educational business background are still able to make it big in the business world. Some say that they owe it all to patience, hard work, and dedication. Most of the successful entrepreneurs on the other hand claim that it would take good education to become an entrepreneur.

So what will it be? Well, if you can afford to study a business degree, then don't let that chance pass you by. You're quite lucky if you can attend college especially for a business degree. You have to dedicate your time studying all your lessons because in due time, you will be able to use such information to the advantage of your business.

You can choose to study in a local university or college or those individuals with more money to spend can study abroad if they want to.

The important thing is to take your education seriously because you can use them when the right time comes. And while you're studying, you have to develop all the needed skills and characteristics of being an entrepreneur.

You have to participate actively in all school activities especially those that require you to exercise your skills in business planning, controlling, directing, etc.

There are many business degrees that you can choose from like commerce, business administration, economics, and many others. Make sure that you choose a course that you like and one that you can afford so that you can finish your way to college. Remember, passing alone is not important. You have to learn every step of the way and don't forget the things that you've learned.

Some entrepreneurs didn't have the proper educational background and yet they've become successful in their chosen field. The fact is, there are many successful entrepreneurs without the proper business education. How many times have you heard of an entrepreneur who started from scratch and yet ended up having a high-profit earning business? Perhaps there's more to just education.

You see, aside from education, you have to possess the right qualities and characteristics of being an entrepreneur like leader-

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Flint residents speak out

Photo by Dale Rich

case the resilience of Flint, and it's a responsibility that we don't take lightly.

We read about the water crisis facing Flint and the failure of the people in power and were appalled. It was the failure of government that abandoned the most vulnerable, leaving them with many unanswered questions. I even added my perspective on the crisis. But that wasn't enough; I wanted to feel the emotions on the ground, to understand the crisis through first-hand experience because too often in reporting, the people are ignored for political spin. And after our day in Flint, we can tell you that the personal resilience of the people of Flint is highly under-reported.

When we first arrived on Monday morning February 29, we went

straight to city hall where many were there in search of answers. It was at the counter for free water filters' that we met a young, single mother, who is also a student, and her young daughter. The mother relayed to us a story about how her daughter had elevated levels of lead. She was at a lost for what to do, but she knew she had to get the water filters for her daughter. She was worried about her daughter's future, what it would look like, and what could she do as a mother to improve her daughter's chances? We had no answers, but we did have empathy, and we genuinely cared, and it was obvious that the mother appreciated that someone wanted to hear her story. My heart goes out to her and her daughter, and reminded me that this is not a temporary crisis, but one whose effect will reverberate throughout Flint for a generation

if not more.

City hall was littered with people who wanted their stories heard. There were women there who had done their own research into the crisis and dug up documents that proved officials knew about the dangers of the lead levels long before the public. All of the people we met in city hall wanted answers, but more importantly, they were there to try as best as they knew how to help the community they love. This is how we started to love the people of Flint.

From city hall, we went to a firehouse where the National Guard was stationed handing out clean water to residents. The men and women of the National Guard were standing outside on a cold, damp day handing out cases and cases of water to anyone who drove up. They did not complain about the weather, or the heavy lifting, or about being on their feet all day. They were there for the community. We watched and even participated in loading the water into cars. We spoke to as many of the drivers as possible. We wanted to hear their stories. Most came daily to pick up multiple cases of water. Many had children who they worried about; most did not have the money to move away. It was after speaking to so many drivers that we came to understand why the National Guard did not complain about being outside in the freezing cold- they were the lucky ones.

After spending time with people at the firehouse, we wanted to see firsthand the living conditions of the city, where 40 percent of the population lives below the poverty line. It was there that we saw what seemed like abandoned houses on

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Where is Today's Madam C.J. Walker?

By Julianne Malveaux-NNPA News Wire Columnist



Women entrepreneurs have a powerful role model when they consider Madam C.J. Walker. One of our nation's first female self-made millionaires, her story of combining herbs to develop and manufacture a hair pomade, of empowering tens of thousands of women as sales agents for her products, and of establishing a beauty school to teach beauty techniques (and provide economic empowerment for even more women) are the stuff of legend. She was not only an entrepreneur, but also a philanthropist. She "lived large," owning two cars and a sprawling estate, Villa Lewaro in Irvington, New York, but she shared her wealth (Black millionaire Harold Doley purchased Villa Lewaro in 1993. It is a National Historic Landmark). She was possessed with an amazing self-confidence that served her well in business and in life.

Madam (as she is called by her great-granddaughter, A'Leia Bundles, the keeper of the family history and author of books about her ancestor (On Her Own Ground: The Life and Times of Madam C. J. Walker), Madam C. J. Walker: Entrepreneur (Chelsea House, 1991; revised 2008), Madam Walker Theatre Center: An Indianapolis Treasure (Arcadia Publishing, 2013)), was a character! She changed her name from Sarah Breedlove to Madam C.J. Walker to provide herself with a "classier" sounding name, and to help prevent white people from calling her "Aunt", as they called so many African American women. She didn't want whites calling her the demeaning "Aunt" (to close to Mammy, for my thinking), nor did she want the patronizing attitudes of Black men to affect the way she went about her business. For years, she sought the opportunity to speak at Booker T. Washington's National Business League, but was denied. As legend goes, she went to one of the meetings and took the mic and made her speech, despite official denial. Why should she not have spoken? She was one of the most successful business people of her generation. She was one of the most generous philanthropists. She financially sponsored the anti-lynching campaign. Perhaps Booker T. Washington was being a sexist, or perhaps (it is sometimes said) he had an ideological opposition to a woman whose product was perceived as straightening hair. By the way, Walker did not invent the straightening comb. Annie Malone, who preceded Madam Walker in making her fortune with beauty products and a

beauty school that Walker attended, invented the straightening comb.

Whether Washington wanted Madam Walker to speak, she had the audacity to take the mic and say her piece. She noted that she had promoted herself from a washerwoman to a businesswoman, speaking to the fact that few were available to help her to achieve her goals and the goals of tens of thousands of other women. Her audacity, her self-possession, her activism were notable during a time when few women, regardless of race, promoted themselves, instead choosing to walk softly and speak quietly. Today, women like Cathy Liggons Hughes (TV/Radio One), Sheila Johnson (co-founder of BET), and Oprah Winfrey stand on her shoulders.

And today, in time for Women's History Month, Madam C.J. Walker's products are making a comeback. Her historic formulas have been modified for contemporary use, with four formulas made available based on hair texture. A'leia Bundles has been supportive of the line which, as of March 4, is exclusively available at the Sephora cosmetics stores. I've not tried the products yet, but I can't wait to shampoo my hair with a little bit of history, with a product that derives from the formulas of Madam C.J. Walker.

The Madam C.J. Walker story takes on a special significance in these economic times. You may have heard that there has been an economic recovery, but if you are like most people in these United States, you haven't felt it. Incomes have hardly risen since 2009, when our current President took office. Not his fault – but that's not the point. The point is that too many people are hurting, and some of the pain is joblessness.

Barriers to employment entry are high, especially for some young African Americans who, despite similar qualifications to their White counterparts, take much longer to find meaningful and remunerative work. If the labor market won't absorb these young people, African American entrepreneurs, the inheritors of Madam C.J. Walker, must. Where is the business leader who can create tens of thousands of sales agents and provide entrepreneurship opportunities for so many?

African American women are increasingly likely to take up the mantle of Madam C.J. Walker and start businesses. Younger women, especially, are motivated by job markets that they perceive to be unwelcoming. While our colleges teach some educational fundamentals, they ought also be encouraged to teach entrepreneurship. If job market continues to generate an official Black unemployment rate of around ten percent, and an employment population ratio of sixty percent (which means that just 60 percent of the adult population is working – it is closer to 70 percent for whites, then the need for black entrepreneurs is critical. In the name of Madam C.J. Walker, let's keep our entrepreneurial gene thriving!

GETTING TO KNOW OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS ECORSE CITY COUNCILMAN GARY SAMMONS

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Writer



Councilman Gary Sammons with residents at the Ethel Stevenson Senior Center

The "Getting to know our elected officials" feature is designed to provide access into the minds of local public figures. This week, we interviewed **Ecorse City Councilman Gary Sammons** who spoke with us about why he chose to go into public service, the biggest issues affecting his city, personal hobbies and interests, and much more.

How long have you served as a councilman in Ecorse?
I've been doing this now for 5 years.

Why did you want to run for this position?

I've spent most of my adult life teaching American government, and I've also served as an Ecorse City Treasurer and City Clerk. I was also born and raised in this area, so I felt a council position would be a good fit to try and steer the city in the right direction.

During this term, what changes would you like to personally bring to the Ecorse area?

I recently made a proposal for what's called in field housing. This will change zoning ordinances in the city, allowing you to build brand new homes on lots smaller than 50 feet. This change will definitely increase tax revenue in Ecorse.

I just passed out a proposal to mayor and council, so no action has been taken yet. The issue may be featured at a future city council meeting.

What do you see as the biggest issue(s) affecting Ecorse today?

Money. We're broke and we need to raise revenue. In the end, if we have increasing expenses every year and declining revenue, it doesn't work.

How can residents help?

Residents can become more active by attending council meetings. They can also participate in several small projects occurring throughout the city. Unfortunately, we're understaffed due to a lack of revenue, so people can volunteer at places like Dingell Park, the local library, etc. This helps

everyone because we don't have the personnel to take care of those areas.

Are there any upcoming city developments or events residents should know about?

Hopefully O'Brien's Supermarket will be finished soon because it's greatly needed in the city. We have many citizens who don't own cars, so they can't drive outside the city to go to a supermarket. Also, the Breakfast with the Mayor event will be kept up for another month or two.

What hobbies/interests do you engage in during your leisure time?

I'm extensively active with the American Legion; I'm a past State Commander. I also enjoy golfing and reading.

How can residents get in touch with you if they have a concern?

They can reach at my home phone at 313-383-7727.

The Republicans

By Jim Abeare -
Contributing Writer



As I write this, the voting for Super Tuesday 2 is going on, though it looks like Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton will win their parties' nominations.

My problem, if it is these two, who do I vote for.

I don't like or trust either one.

I am kind of hoping that Ted Cruz will win (yeah right). It will give me someone to consider, even though the Republican establishment doesn't really like him.

It is starting to look like a contested convention in Cleveland.

I like to know how the Republicans can contest the nomination even if Trump wins it?

The people will have spoken and they want Trump.

Giving someone else the nomination will probably destroy the Republican party. They aren't far from imploding as it is.

I personally wouldn't mind seeing someone else with the nomination, but if Trump wins it, he should get it.

We will just have to choose between him and Clinton.

Hillary Clinton just might win.

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Pull the Plug

By Janine Folks - Religion Columnist



pulled, it felt like I received 'new life' as air resumed flow.

Recently, a friend inspired me to write some poetry and it felt like he pulled the plug on a writing blockage I had and suddenly, new ideas and creativity began to flow freely. I thanked him for pulling the plug. He dismantled a blockage that I didn't even realize was there.

For many people, their first thought when hearing 'pull the plug' is removal of life support. To many, it means to take away the supply that supports life. Pulling the plug could mean almost certain death.

Even when we pull the plug from electrical devices that depend on the electrical energy will lose power and stop working. Sometimes pulling the plug is detrimental. Sometimes it can be seen at life-saving. It depends on the circumstances and perspective.

Some plugs need to be pulled. There are some things that should not be feeding you energy because it is not the right kind of energy. Some things have attached themselves to you and they pour in all the wrong things and destroy your good energy. Pull those plugs.

Another way to see it is like this: A couple of years ago, I had a terrible nose bleed. It was so bad that it could not be stopped by common means. I had to get a nose plug to stop the bleeding. The only way the broken blood vessel could heal is if it was plugged up so nothing could get through. The plug was necessary for a designated time.

During the stint of wearing the nose plug, I was very miserable. There was no airflow through the right nostril and my breathing often felt constricted. When the plug was finally

So pulling the plug can take life and it can also give live. It just depends. Some things are being held up and held back in your life because something is causing a blockage. The plug just needs to be pulled so that blessings can flow in your life.

I am reminded of Daniel chapter 10. As soon as Daniel prayed, God sent a messenger to respond. But the messenger got held up for 21 days (v. 12, 13). On the way down to Daniel, the godly Messenger had to pass through territory that was being blocked by a prince (Principality). Apparently, the Principality had some kind of restraining power so the godly Messenger could not get through. Then finally, a BREAKTHROUGH! Archangel Michael came to help him and the plug was pulled (v. 13). He got through finally and was able to get Daniel his answer from God.

So pay attention to the plugs. Some plugs need to stay in and some need to be removed to unblock the way to make way for your breakthrough. Keep praying. Stay plugged in to God. I pray that for every blockage that is keeping you from your ultimate blessings and best life, that God will 'pull the plug!'

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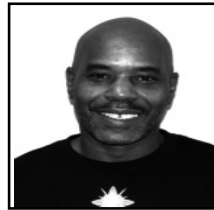
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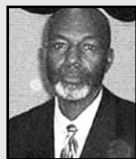
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Summit

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have to support our police officers by having their backs and watching our neighborhoods," she said. "During the summit, I certainly want to share my personal experience regarding a break-in that happened to me. I had my own alarm system, and thought I knew how to protect myself, but in the end I was under protected.

"For me, we must spark open dialogue that's solution based.

This marks the beginning of an ongoing conversation in the City of Inkster; we will definitely hold similar events in the future."

The Inkster Crime Prevention Summit will take place at 6 PM at the Booker T. Dozier Recreational Complex. For more information, please call 734-728-7530.

BIBLE VERSE

Deuteronomy 6:6-9

And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

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Barth Elementary School focuses on leadership



Students at Barth Elementary demonstrate their skills to the community

ROMULUS - Barth Elementary invited parents and community members to attend their annual student led Leadership Day. The event allows students to showcase how being a "Leader in Me School" has improved the overall learning environment. Throughout the day students performed a musical act, hosted tours for parents and shared their daily responsibilities.

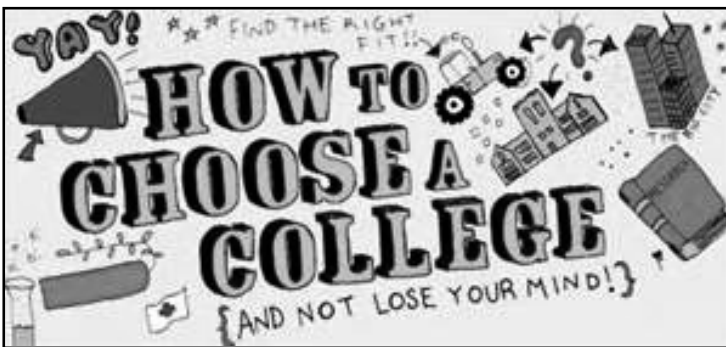
The staff has implemented the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People created by Steven

Covey. The habits are designed to prepare students for success by developing their self-confidence and teamwork skills. The habits comprise of timeless principles that help individuals cultivate personal and interpersonal effectiveness.

Principal David Thompson believes his staff and students have rallied around the program and it has created a positive atmosphere. Thompson says, "Everyone has the ability to lead, for some it just needs to be developed".

The "Leader in Me" framework is also designed to support national and state academic standards. The process teaches the skills needed for academic success in any setting. It provides a logical, sequential and balanced procedure for schools to design an ideal culture and a vision. Thompson added, "That after visiting other "Leader in Me Schools" I knew it was a perfect fit for our students and what we are trying to accomplish at Barth Elementary".

Top 10 Mistakes to Avoid in Choosing a College



Choosing a college is stressful and making sure you make the right decision can often feel like a daunting task. To help out with the process, here are some common mistakes to avoid along the way:

1. Rushing the process. Finding the right college takes time and effort, not to mention research and an often lengthy application process. Waiting until the last minute or just "falling into a college" is never a good idea. It takes the most important factor out of the equation—you.

2. Being a follower. Following a boyfriend, girlfriend, best friend to the college of their choice may seem like a good idea at the time because you want to be near them, but this is one of the most pivotal points in your life, too. You need to remember to make the best decisions for yourself and, if your relationships are strong, they will outlast time and distance anyway.

3. The legacy lure. We're aware the commandment states "Honor thy father and mother." However, only considering colleges your parents, siblings or other family members went to in order to follow in their footsteps may not be in

your best interest. It's always better to explore your options and find the right fit for your personality.

4. Rebellion. In contrast, only considering colleges your parents DON'T want you to go isn't beneficial either. Sometimes, they have some good insight that may help you decide on what may be best for you. Don't choose—or not choose—a college out of spite. This is sure to lead you down a path of regret. Choose a college based on what you want, not based on what someone else doesn't.

5. You're a die-hard fan. We've all got our favorite teams, but let's remember that just because they have a great sports team does not mean it's the right educational fit for you. After all, you're there to learn, not cheer them on. You can be a fan anywhere, but you can't learn everywhere.

6. The temptation to party. So, it's a great party school but is it a great learning environment? While you may be itching to get out on your own and party like a rock star, that's really not what college is about. Remember, when choosing a college that you want to choose somewhere what you can have a healthy social atmosphere but a

setting that's conducive to the real goal at hand—learning.

7. How a student body looks. You've heard the student body is attractive. So what? Maybe you like this, maybe you're worried you won't fit in, either way, you should ignore these stereotypes because they probably are just that. Also, the attractiveness of a student body shouldn't really make a difference in your decision on where to get an education.

8. Assuming the worst. Not applying to certain schools because you assume you won't be accepted underrates your potential and potentially limits your future. Come on, you guys, we have reach schools for a reason. You never know what you can achieve if you don't try, so at least make an attempt.

9. Location, location, location. Whether you're a homebody who wants to stay close or an escape artist who wants to get as far from home as possible, the location should be a factor in choosing a college, not the sole decision maker.

10. Cost obsessions or carelessness. Forgetting to consider the cost or only considering the cost as a factor are two major issues to avoid. While cost is a huge hurdle, there are many other factors to consider as well and students should not be blinded by this one aspect. Reversely, students who are applying for financial aid or whose parents are paying for college should not neglect to think about cost completely, as costs can add up quite quickly.

March is Reading Month! Leanna Hicks Public Library to begin Food for Thought program

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Writer



Inkster Library to feed the mind and the body

INKSTER - This month, Inkster's Leanna Hicks Public Library will begin its annual Food for Thought program, an initiative that collects non-perishable food items for families in need.

The program is made possible through a collaboration with the Library Network, the Suburban Library Cooperative and the Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeast Michigan, with contributions accepted from March 21st to April 29th.

At the end of the project, local donations will go to Mother's Food Pantry to alleviate hunger in the community.

"This our fourth time participating in this Food for Thought program," said Michael Wells, President of the Inkster Library Board. "Last year, 37 libraries were involved. We collectively

received 8,400 pounds of food that provided 7,000 meals to hungry neighbors in southeast Michigan. The goal this year is to raise over 10,000 pounds. We definitely want to do our part to help them reach that goal."

For the next month, two collection boxes will remain available for residents interesting in donating canned goods and other non-perishable items in support of the program.

Anyone interested in contributing can drop off donations during regular business hours: Monday: 10-8; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 12-8; Saturday: 10-4.

For additional information, please call 313-563-2822.

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Dearborn Heights
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at City Hall located at 6045 Fenton, there will be a city council meeting beginning at 8:00PM.

Harper Woods
Monday, March 21, 2016 beginning at 7PM there will be a city council meeting at city hall located at 19617 Harper Ave.

Inkster
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2016 at 7:30PM there will be a city council meeting at city hall, 26215 Trowbridge St, Inkster, MI 48141.

Lincoln Park
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2016 at 7:30 PM there will be a city council meeting at the city hall (1355 Southfield Rd., 48146).

Romulus
Brunch with the Bunny
Located Behind the Romulus Senior Center at 36525 Bibbins, Romulus, MI 48174. Pictures with the

Bunny following the Hunt are \$3 each. Bring your own Basket! Brunch with the Bunny starts at 10:30am. \$10 per child, \$4 per adult. Child tickets include pancake breakfast, a craft, and your picture with the Bunny before the Hunt. Must pre-register for Brunch by March 17, 2016 in the Mayor's Office at Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174. For more information, please call 734-941-8665.

\$5 Haircuts
The Romulus Senior Center (36525 Bibbins St, Romulus, MI 48174) is doing \$5 haircuts for senior citizens on Monday, March 21, 2016 beginning at 10AM.

Free Blood Pressure Checks
Corporate Sano Health Care, Inc. is providing free blood pressure checks at the Senior Center, 36525 Bibbins St, Romulus, MI 48174, on Wednesday March 23, 2016 at 10AM.

Taylor
17th Annual "Soup of Hospice"
Saturday, March 19, 2016 from

2PM-midnight the Hospice of Michigan is hosting an all you can eat soup day. \$10 for adults. \$5 for children under 12. The event will take place at 23900 Goddard Rd., Taylor.

Toddler Story Time
Toddlers and their parents or guardians can listen to Miss Julie tell stories during "Toddler Story Time" Tuesdays, March 1 through March 22. The program runs from at 10:30-11 a.m. at the Taylor Community Library, 12303 Pardee, Taylor, MI 48180. Phone (734) 287-4840 or click on <http://www.taylor.lib.mi.us/> for more information.

Wayne
Needles and Hooks for a Cause
Thursday, March 24, 2016 from 09:00am - 11:00am at Helium Studio, located at 3127 S Wayne Rd, 48184. Bring your own supplies and create for a cause. This month the cause is St. Mary's Open Closet. Make hats in different sizes! Can't make it in person? Create your hat(s) on your own

and drop off at Helium Studio during business hours.

Westland
Easter Egg-stravaganza
Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 10AM-2PM. The event is being held at the Wayne-Ford Civic League at 1661 North Wayne Rd, Westland Mi. We will serve pancake breakfast at 10am. Following breakfast there will be indoor crafts and complementary photos with the Easter Bunny. Outdoor Easter Egg Hunts grouped by age for children 0-12.

During the event there will be a DJ, Cake Walk, Face Painting, Crafts and more. Please dress for the weather as this is a rain or shine event. Tickets are \$2 for children ages 2-12 and \$1 for adults and children over 12.

City Council Meeting
Monday, March 21, 2016 at 7:00PM there will be a city council meeting held at the city hall located at 36300 Warren Road, 48185. Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mon-

day of the month, unless the meeting falls on a holiday.

Wyandotte
Coffee & Conversation w/the Mayor
Friday, March 18, 2016 from 10AM-noon, in the council chambers of city hall, 3200 Biddle Ave., Ste. 300, come join us for talks about the city and future prospects.

WBA Third Friday
Friday, March 18, 2016 at 5:00PM in Downtown Wyandotte. Many of the shops and restaurants in the downtown district stay open later than usual, offer giveaways, specials and discounts on these nights. In addition, there is musical entertainment and horse and carriage rides throughout the downtown district. For more information please visit www.wyandottebiz.org or call 734-324-4514. Third Fridays are funded by the Downtown Development Authority and run by the Wyandotte Business Association.

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TELEGRAM EVENT'S CALENDAR

Goodwill's Harmonies and Hope Event Concert with Boyz II Men

When: March 17th at 8 PM
Where: Sound Board at Motor City Hotel
Cost: \$40, \$45, \$60

Let's Dance: The Tour 2016
When: March 18th at 7:30 PM
Where: Fox Theatre
Cost: \$29.50, \$45

Dances Made for Camera: The First 30 Years of American Screendance

When: March 18th at 4 PM
Where: The Detroit Institute of Arts
Cost: DFT general admission tickets: \$9.50; Member tickets: \$7.50; Student and Senior tickets: \$7.50

'The First 30 Years of American Screendance' program features works by some of pioneers of the dance on camera field. The program highlights five groundbreaking works from filmmakers and choreographers that created an entire new genre of experimental film that continues to inspire artists today.

Dancing in the Streets
When: March 20th at 5:30 PM
Where: Fox Theatre
Cost: \$33, \$43, \$53 and \$63

Join the original and the best celebration of Motown's Greatest Hits with the spectacular, critically acclaimed 'Dancing in the Streets'. Expect your favourite songs made famous by The Four Tops, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye, Lionel Richie, The Supremes, Smokey Robinson & The Miracles, Martha Reeves & The Vandellas and many more.

From King's Dream to Obama's Promise Lecture & Book Signing

When: March 20 from 2 to 4 PM
Where: Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
Cost: FREE

Carrie Underwood: The Storyteller Tour
When: March 22nd at 7 PM
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills
Cost: \$46, \$76

Rhianna: Anti World Tour
When: March 24th at 7:30 PM
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills
COST: \$151, \$100.50, \$60.50, \$30.50

Kirk Franklin: "20 Years in One Night" tour
When: March 25th at 7:30 PM
Where: Fox Theatre
Cost: \$25, \$35, \$50 and \$75

Festival of Laughs featuring Mike Epps, Sommore, Earthquake, Gary Owen, and Tommy Davidson
When: March 25th at 8 PM
Where: Joe Louis Arena
Cost: \$52, \$59, \$75, \$125 and

\$175

Super 70's Soul Jam featuring Stephanie Mills, The Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston, Harold Melvin's Blue Notes and Ray, Goodman and Brown

When: March 26th at 7 PM
Where: Fox Theatre
Cost: \$59.50, \$69.50, \$79.50 and \$89.50

Tyrese "Fashion Affair" wsg Monica and Tank

When: March 27th at 7 PM
Where: Fox Theatre
Cost: \$59.50, \$99.50 and \$125

Black Tears & Dark Girls with Gloria G. Williams

When: March 30th at 6 PM
Where: Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
Cost: FREE

Books Make Great Easter Gifts for Kids



(StatePoint) Alongside all those delicious sweet treats this Easter, think about surprising your little ones with new books. They make an exciting addition to baskets, and are a fun find on egg hunts.

"Books are the perfect gift for young children on any occasion, but in an Easter basket, they can be an extra special surprise," says Nancy Ellwood, Editorial Director at DK, a publisher of adult and children's books.

For preschoolers, consider these titles, which are nice fits for the spring season.

Make Noise
Babies love reading with parents.

And infants especially love books that encourage them to make noise.

Guide babies in making fun, silly sounds with "Baby Cheep! Cheep!" Colorful pictures of favorite animals and rhyming text keep babies engaged and help them learn about the world around them.

Fluffy Bunny
With padded covers, simple images and a range of textures, "Baby Touch and Feel: Bunny" is a great choice for Easter. Part of the classic "Touch and Feel" series designed to capture the attention of budding readers, the book's textured format promotes sensory learning. Simple visuals and labels encourage recognition and naming of objects.

Hands-On Learning
Help preschoolers develop fine motor skills with "Follow the Trail: Farm." The book encourages little ones to use their fingers to follow the shiny trails. DK's new "Follow the Trail" series includes colorful photography and activities that teach children about shapes, sorting, and matching, as well as developing hand-eye coordination

and pre-writing skills. With trails that let toddlers circle the wheel of a tractor, explore around the farm, and connect farm animals and the products they give us, this title provides hands-on learning.

Educational Firsts
Packed with information and eye-catching images, "My First Tractor" is part of the re-launch of the iconic "My First" series. This revamp includes updated photography, contemporary design, and a modern approach to engaging preschoolers -- excellent for reading alone or with an adult.

With clear labels and 16 spreads of tractor images, the book builds vocabulary and language skills. Kids also learn about different types of tractors and their uses. The book includes counting and color-matching activities.

More kids' book ideas for Easter can be found at www.dk.com.

To treat children to special Easter surprises they can enjoy beyond the holiday, consider giving a book.

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V.O.I.C.E seeks to raise voter awareness in Inkster

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Writer

During the election season and beyond, Inkster citizens can gather major voting information through V.O.I.C.E (Voters of Inkster Continuing Education).

The organization – established by members Sandra Watley, Crystal Linton, Connie Mitchel, Norma McDaniel and Elizabeth Walker – strives to keep voters informed on key election issues, from local legislation to national politics.

“Our primary focus is to increase awareness and participation in the City of Inkster,” said Watley. “We want to inform and educate our residents, but we don’t try to sway anyone in any particular direction. All issues can be brought to us, and we’ll set up a forum to present citizens with detailed information, including the pros and cons surrounding each concern. Our goal is to help voters make an intelligent decision whenever they go out to the polls.”

To find speakers for local forums, V.O.I.C.E works closely with local officials and the Michigan Municipal League, with past discussions surrounding new mayoral candidates, the Inkster School District Non-Homestead Millage Proposal and potential amendments to the city charter.

To increase community participation, V.O.I.C.E also hosts Shop Talks, an event held at various beauty and barber-shops throughout the Inkster area. The forum is used to initiate a conversation surrounding the importance of voting, while also spreading informa-

tion about relevant political matters.

“We generally go to these shops during their busiest times, so we’re able to speak with numerous individuals about what impacts them the most, and why they don’t vote,” said Watley. “We’ve gotten great feedback; we’re always surprised by the input residents provide, and how angry they are that things aren’t going the way that they should. But we also address the fact that they have to contribute to make things better. You have to get in the game and vote.”

V.O.I.C.E additionally offers Election Day transportation, as well as a Commit 2 pledge challenging residents to register two new voters, while also ensuring that they get to the polls during voting season. For Watley, citywide voting numbers remain low, but V.O.I.C.E can play a key role in increasing voter participation – an aspect that can bring substantive change throughout the city, and beyond.

“Everyone knows Inkster doesn’t have the best voting record,” she said. “We have a lot of people who think that the process doesn’t work, but this is the system we have to go by. Overall government responds to the people who show up, so we must vote to ensure there’s something here for our next generation to build on.”

To contact V.O.I.C.E, please call (313) 204-6134, or email yourvoicematters.100@gmail.com.

Entrepreneur

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ship, innovativeness, creativeness, risk taker, and many others. Even if you have the proper educational background, you can’t become a successful entrepreneur if you don’t have these qualities and characteristics.

It seems that education and the right characteristics go hand in hand in producing an effective and successful entrepreneur. If you can have them both, take advantage of it right away. Education is something that money can’t buy in an instant and besides, you can use your knowledge for the best interests of your business.

This is not to discourage those that can’t afford to earn a business

degree in college. If you want, you can use the resources available on the internet and learn everything you can about being an entrepreneur. You must also develop the right attitude and characteristics as early as possible. If you can pull it off, then no one can stop you from entering the business world.

Is there an education needed to be an entrepreneur? This question can only be answered by you. If you’re an aspiring entrepreneur, try to assess your qualities, skills, and educational background. After that, you can already determine if you’re fit to become an entrepreneur.

Flint

From Page 2A

every block. A couple of people welcomed our team into their homes. There we heard and saw firsthand what it was like not to be able to take hot baths, or drink water from the tap. We saw cases upon cases of water stacked up everywhere the eye could see. We heard tales about how it took hours to fill up baths with enough clean hot water so they could clean themselves. A hot bath, something we take for granted, was so precious to them. They also relayed to us how many of their neighbors did not own cars, so they could not go to the fire stations to pick up the water. Instead, the community pitched in. Those with cars drove those without cars, or just picked up a couple of extra cases for the elderly or infirmed.

After witnessing the strength of the people, we headed to a town hall my WEYI NBC25 Flint station was hosting. We had elected officials, doctors, and professors all gathered to talk with the community about the water crisis. The goal was to bring together the community so the citizens could have their voices heard and so the people could learn what they could do to help. So many of the people we encountered wanted to help, but were unable to due to lack of guidance and a lack of answers about what would actually help.

At the town hall, the passion surrounding the crisis was evident. The auditorium was nearly packed and from the first question, it was evident that the residents were sick of excuses and wanted to action. There was blame enough to go around but instead of blame the citizens wanted answers. The time for political buck-passing was over; the time for answers was now. There was a couple of occasions where emotions rose to a fevered pitched and for good reasons. After being in Flint for nearly twelve hours digging into the issue, I found myself getting upset. I saw the pain and suffering the residents were enduring, and at the town hall, I experienced the hopelessness they felt. No one had answers. No one could tell the residents when the crisis would be resolved, how the city was going to deal with the long-term health issues, when they would be able to drink the water, or when the pipes were going to be replaced.

The hour and a half town hall allowed us to hear every side of the issue. When we walked in we expected we would have a better feeling about the crisis facing the residents, but sadly we felt worse. There was nothing we could do at the moment to help, other than listen to the citizens and give them a platform. But we could not change the pipes, we couldn’t fix all of their problems and no one on the stage could either.

The people of Flint deserve better. The elected officials need to stop seeking blame and start seeking solutions. They need to act now, because the people of Flint cannot wait any longer. The government failed them when it created the crisis and is failing now with their lack of response.

After we left the town hall, we came to one conclusion—the people of Flint are resilient, their elected officials are not, but that isn’t stopping the citizens of Flint from trying to save their community.

CRIME ALERT - RIVER ROUGE POLICE DEPT.

March 10th, 2016

At 0400hrs, A 23 year old female entered the River Rouge Police Station Lobby to make a Domestic Violence complaint. She states her 23 year old boyfriend physically assaulted her. The female states problems began when she sleeping at her home in the 100 Block of Richter when he came over and awakened her. They began to argue about a text on his cell phone. They argue upstairs and went downstairs into the living room. As they argue he became aggressive and threw her through a rear door into the backyard and then began choking her with his bare hands. She tried to get up off the ground and he continued to fight her. The female states she tried to gather her belongings to leave and walked out the front door when he grabbed her cell phone and smashed it on the ground and went back into the house. Officer asked her if she need the rescue and she refused but complained that her legs were hurting from fall. She was advised. Domestic Violence is a cycle that keeps on going.

March 9th, 2016

At 2020hrs, officers were dispatched to the area of West Jefferson & Abbott in front of Ann Visger School on a fight complaint. Upon arrival they spoke to a 38 year old and 34 year female. The male appeared highly intoxicated and was yelling at the female and another male subject. The suspect was placed in handcuff and detained for officers to determine what happened. The female stated she had an argument with her

boyfriend inside his vehicle and he struck her in the face with a closed hand fist. She states she began yelling and screaming for help when the other male was passing by on a bicycle had stopped to help her. The boyfriend threw a can of beer at him while calling him a derogatory name. The boyfriend was placed under arrest for Domestic Violence and transported to the police station.

March 10th, 2016

At 0905hrs, officers were dispatched to the 100 Block of Pine Street on an Attempted Suicide complaint, officers spoke to a 31 year old male who states his 32 year old female was feeling upset over financial issues she was having. She stated all she wanted to do was “go home”. One of the officers called for the rescue and they arrived on scene and tried to make contact with her. The female finally spoke and stated she needed to go to the hospital for Psychological Evaluation. Officer made contact with the female’s 18 year old daughter who stated she heard her mother crying and wanted to check on her well being and she was told by her mother she was upset with the ongoing problems with the boyfriend, At that point the mother was seen hold a knife to her chest while crying and when attempted to take it away from her she was told to leave the room and the mother threw the knife down. Help is always available when anyone tells you they want to harm themselves. Call the 24 hour Crisis Hotline at 80-241-4949 or the National Suicide Hotline 800-273-8255.

“ I GOT FLOWERS TODAY”

By Paulette Kelly

I got flowers today
It wasn't my birthday or any other special day.
We had our first argument last night,
And he said a lot of cruel things that really hurt me.
I know he is sorry and didn't mean the thing he said.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today.
It wasn't our anniversary any other special day.
Last night, he threw me into a wall and started to choke me.
It seemed like a night mare.
I couldn't believe it was real.
I woke up this morning sore and bruised all over.
I know he must be sorry.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today and it wasn't Mother's Day or any other special day.L
Last night, he beat me up again.
And it was much worse than any other times.
If I leave him, what will I do?
How will I take care of my kids?
What about money?
I'm afraid of him and scared to leave.
But I know he must be sorry.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today .
Today was a special day it was the day of my funeral.
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MHSAA Basketball Girls Finals this Weekend

By Butch Davis - Sports Reporter

This is a big weekend for Girls basketball, as the semifinals will take place in East Lansing, Michigan at the Breslin Center on the campus of Michigan State University. The semifinals for Class C and D will take place all day Thursday. Class A and B will determine its team with their semifinal played on Friday. 2016 MHSAA Basketball Finals for the Girls is March 19, Breslin Center, MSU with the following schedule, Class D-10 am, Class A – Noon, Class C - 4 pm and Class B - 6 pm.

Also, congratulation are in order for the Boys who by the way finish their districts last Friday and as of last night

finishing their regionals. Due to the lateness of the games being play we are unable to get the scores to you, however the Boys will be back in action this upcoming Tuesday for their quarterfinals. Here are the winners of the Boys district tournaments this past Friday. District 13 Ypsilanti Community, District 14 Brownstown Woodhaven, District 15 Belleville, District 16 Dearborn Fordson, District 20 Detroit Western International, District 39 Grosse Ile, District 40 River Rouge, District 71 Ypsilanti Arbor Prep, District 72 Riverview Gabriel Richard, and District 73 Detroit Loyola. Here some of regional results

from Mondays play in the Telegram News reading area. Regional 3 Ypsilanti Community 67, Belleville 43; Ann Arbor Pioneer 60, Brownstown Woodhaven 37 Regional 4 Detroit Western International 68, Dearborn Fordson 31; Detroit U-D Jesuit 74, Livonia Churchill 49. Regional 12, River Rouge 44, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 32; Onsted 74, Grosse Ile 51. Regional 20, Detroit Loyola 66, Monroe St Mary Catholic Central 53; Riverview Gabriel Richard 71, Adrian Madison 66. Regional 27, Lansing Christian 71, Novi Franklin Road Christian 55; Waterford Our Lady 41, Allen Park Inter-City Baptist 33.

Academics Plus Athletic Drive Make a Winning Combination

Families paying for higher education require comprehensive financial aid strategies that draw from all available resources to meet expenses.

Government-backed loans are key resources, but money borrowed for college eventually requires repayment. To avoid student debt, use academic and athletic excellence to land gift-aid scholarships that leave you free and clear after graduation.

Athletic scholarships for elite athletes are competitive; because like most merit-based financial aid, they are awarded to recognize high achievement. On the

other hand; grants like those disbursed by the the stalwart federal Pell Grant program are usually awarded based on need, rather than performance. Campus financial aid administrators use scholarships and grants to establish funding for star athletes, who increase their own access to student assistance by maintaining winning combinations of scholastic excellence and outstanding athletic achievement. athletic scholarships

Scholarships for athletes originate from a wide variety of public and private benefactors, including athletic organizations, foundations,

corporations, individual universities, women's groups and minority advocacy associations. Your access to college assistance is influenced by where you go to school, your academic major, what sport you excel in, and a host of personal characteristics germane to your academic and athletic success. Passion, commitment, talent and drive open doors to marquee athletic scholarships, as well as college funding for students who compete at smaller colleges and universities. In addition to athletic performance, scholarship eligibility takes into account. Visit www.collegescholarships.org

Minus Megatron, Lions Start Building the 2016-17 Team

By Butch Davis - Sports Reporter



Marvin Jones new Detroit Lions Wide-receiver

Detroit Lions wide receiver Calvin Johnson, who for the past nine seasons established himself as one of the greatest wide receivers in National Football League history, announced his retirement from the NFL effective almost two weeks ago.

Detroit Lions, objective number one for the Lions was trying to find a replacement for the retired Calvin Johnson so on the first day of the new 2016-17 NFL season they signed former Bengals wide receiver Marvin Jones to a five-year, \$40 million deal. They might try to add another receiver to help fill the void, however offensive line, cornerback and linebacker are much bigger needs.

Speaking of linebackers, the Lions told linebacker Stephen Tulloch last month of their plan to cut him, however a few days into free agency, his release has yet to become official. Cutting Tulloch will save the Lions \$6 million, on the contrary according to the National Football Post, he has \$500,000 roster bonus due on the fifth day of the 2016 league year, which was this past Sunday. Congratulation Stephen. "We have nothing to announce today," a Lions spokesman said in a text message in response to an inquiry about Tulloch. Now, the reason Tulloch is still on the roster is hazy, nevertheless the most likely scenario is the Lions are trying to trade him. When the Lions informed Tulloch of the plan to release him, they intended to make the move after the start of the league year, which was last Wednesday. The team has said nothing with regards to the roster bonus.

Bye the way, Lions players whom the NFL considered underpaid received notice this past Monday of a bonus coming their way. With each team receiving \$3.8 million for performance-based pay distribu-

tions, 14 players on the Lions will get six-figure bonuses for their efforts in 2015. Center Travis Swanson led all Lions players with a \$191,905.10 bonus. A third-round pick in 2014, Swanson had a base salary of \$520,000 in 2015, but his 14 starts earned him some extra cash.

Now if you are keeping scores here are the Detroit Lions that they have been re-signed, TE Tim Wright, CB Crezdon Butler, LS Don Muhlbach QB Dan Orlovsky and they have re-signed LB Tahir Whitehead.

In addition, the Detroit Lions announced that they have signed unrestricted free agent S Rafael Bush. Bush enters his sixth NFL season following previous stints with the Atlanta Falcons (2010), Denver Broncos (2011) and New Orleans Saints (2012-15). The Detroit Lions also have signed free agent DT Stefan Charles. Charles comes to Detroit following a three-year stint with the Buffalo Bills (2013-15). Unrestricted free agent CB Johnson Bademosi is also a new addition on the team.

An four-year cornerback and standout on special teams for the Cleveland Browns from the years of 2012-15. Unrestricted free agent S Tavon Wilson is a new member of the Lions. Wilson played the last four seasons with the New England Patriots (2012-15) after being drafted by the club in the second round (48 overall) of the 2012 NFL Draft out of Illinois. Of course the Detroit Lions announced the first day of the official start of the NFL 2016-17 season that they have signed unrestricted free agent WR Marvin Jones the replacement to former Lion Calvin Johnson. Jones joins the Lions after spending the previous four seasons (2012-15) with the Cincinnati Bengals.

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Date of meeting:	March 21, 2016	10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
	March 22, 2016	3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.
	March 23, 2016	10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF INKSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, the Inkster Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 4, 2016, 7:30 p.m. in the Inkster City Hall Council Chamber, located at 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, Michigan, 48141. The Inkster City Council will consider proposed amendments to the City's Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the Special Conditions and Land Use Standards for Medical Marijuana Provisioning Centers (§155.148) within the B-1 (Local Business District), B-2 (Thoroughfare Mixed Use District) and B-3 (General Business District) to reduce the required minimum distance between provisioning centers from 1000 feet to 500 feet.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear and consider amendments to the Zoning Ordinance that would have the following effect:

- Modifications the Special Conditions and Land Use Standards for Medical Marijuana Provisioning Centers (§155.148) within the B-1 (Local Business District), B-2 (Thoroughfare Mixed Use District) and B-3 (General Business District) to reduce the required minimum distance between provisioning centers from 1000 feet to 500 feet.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that complete text of zoning ordinance amendments, if available, can be reviewed at the Inkster City Clerk's Office, which is located at 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, MI, 48141 beginning March 17, 2016. All meetings of the Inkster City Council are open to the public. You are invited to attend this meeting. Persons unable to attend the public hearing may send their comments in writing to the attention of the City of Inkster Community Development Department, 26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, Michigan 48141. Comments will be received through 12:00 Noon, Monday, April 4, 2016. Information may be obtained from the Planning and Community Development Department at 313.563.9760.

The City of Inkster will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the public hearing, to individuals with disabilities upon written notice being received at least five (5) business days prior to the public hearing. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Inkster at 313.563.9770.

Felicia Rutledge, Inkster City Clerk
PUBLISH: March 17, 2016

CITY OF INKSTER PUBLIC NOTICE - HELP WANTED

CITY OF INKSTER TEMPORARY/SEASONAL LABORERS

Applications for temporary-seasonal laborers are being accepted for the Department of Public Services. We are seeking grass cutters. To qualify for the position you must be 18 years or older and have a valid drivers license. Some experience in heavy equipment is preferred. This position pays \$10.00/hr. with no benefits. Hours of work are from 7:00 am -3:30 pm, Monday-Friday. Work will begin in April and run through the end of October. Applications are online at www.cityofinkster.com/services/humanresources.

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PROJECT: River Rouge Housing Commission
2014 Capital Funding Program
Roofing Replacement

OWNER: River Rouge Housing Commission
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ARCHITECT Sauriol Bohde Wagner Architects and Associates, Inc.
46869 Garfield Road
Macomb, MI 48044
Telephone: (586) 532-9388
Facsimile: (586) 532-9377

PROJECT DESCRIPTION River Rouge Housing Commission –
Roofing Replacement

The project consists of roofing, fascia trim, soffit panels, gutter and downspout removal and replacement at twenty-three (23) multi-family housing buildings, located in Three (3) areas along Goodell Street, Beechwood Street and Polk Avenue in River Rouge.

Walk-Through Date: Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.
Location: 460 ½ Lenoir Court
River Rouge, Michigan
Bid Due Date: Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Location: 180 Visger Road
River Rouge, Michigan

INVITATION

Sealed bids will be received by the River Rouge Housing Commission, and will be publicly opened and read immediately after due date time. Bid Proposals will be received at:

River Rouge Housing Commission
180 Visger Road
River Rouge, Michigan 48218
Attention: Ms. Lori Long,
Executive Director
Office: (313) 382-1414
Fax: (313) 382-0228

BIDDING:

In order to receive consideration, make bids in strict accordance with the project manual and include, with the Bid Form, the following:

- a. Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders HUD – 5369A.
- b. Non-Collusive Affidavit
- c. Bid Bond
- d. Section 3 Implementation Plan
- e. Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

BIDDING DOCUMENTS:

Proposals shall be made according to the contract documents as prepared by Sauriol Bohde Wagner Architects and Associates Inc.

On March 16, 2016, Electronic Plans and Specifications will be available at the office of:

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Electronic Bidding Documents may also be examined at the following locations:

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RIVER ROUGE HOUSING PUBLIC NOTICE, continued

BID BOND REQUIREMENTS

All bids shall be accompanied by a "Treasury Listed" bid bond or a certified check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the aggregate total bid, made payable to the River Rouge Housing Commission and enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. The successful bidder's security will be retained until he/she has signed the Contract and has furnished the required Certificates of Insurance and Bonds.

LABOR REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Contractor must comply with the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

SECTION 3

Contractors shall comply with HUD Section 3 requirements as specified in Article 40 of the General Conditions, Section 00700, and shall make every effort to hire area residents. Contractor shall also provide with the bid the Section 3 Implementation Plan as required and further described in Section 00120, Supplementary Instructions to Bidders.

GUARANTEE BONDS

All accepted bidders shall be required to furnish at their expense prior to the execution of the contract, "Treasury Listed" bonds in the amount of 100% of the Total Contract Price for the faithful performance of the Labor and material obligations arising.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

A bidder may withdraw its bid, either personally or by written request, at any time prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

No bidder may withdraw its bid for period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date set for opening thereof or until the successful bidder enters into the contract. Bids shall be subject to acceptance by the River Rouge Housing Commission during this period.

Bid security may be forfeited by any bidder who withdraws his/her bid prior to the execution of a contract with the successful bidder of the expiration of the sixty (60) day period.

REJECTION OF BIDS

The River Rouge Housing Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The rejection may include but not be limited to any bid which is incomplete, obscure, or irregular. One or more items in the price schedule may be rejected. Any proposal in which unit prices are omitted, or in which prices are obviously unbalanced, may be rejected. Conditional bids, or those which take exception to the specifications, may be considered non-responsive and may be rejected.

SALES TAX

The Contractor shall pay all sales, consumers, use and other similar taxes required by law.

EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

The form of Agreement which the successful bidder will be required to execute is referenced in the Contract Documents.

Following the authorization by the River Rouge Housing Commission and responsible bidder, the Architect will issue a Notice of Award to that bidder. The bidder to whom the Contract is awarded shall within fourteen (14) calendar days after the Notice of Award and receipt of Agreement forms from the Architect sign and deliver required copies to the Architect.

PROJECT MANUAL

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"Scholarships can make a significant dent in out-of-pocket college spending, but finding and applying for them requires an up-front investment of effort," says Martha Holler, senior vice president, Sallie Mae.

The college financing experts at Sallie Mae are offering scholarship application tips:

- Applying is worth the time and effort. Even if the award is small, take the time to apply to every scholarship for which you are eligible. It is money that doesn't have to be paid back, and it can be used for textbooks, supplies or other college-related expenses.

- Deadlines and details matter. In the highly competitive scholarship arena, missing a deadline or overlooking application requirements will likely disqualify an applicant. Stay organized with a spreadsheet that includes due dates and other important information.

- Apply each year. Approximately half of available scholarships are for students already enrolled in college. Take the time to apply annually to ease the year-to-year tuition burden.

- Impress the judges. Something seemingly as small as a thank you note can have a disproportionately large effect on how an application is regarded. Be courteous and thoughtful throughout the process.

- Shop around. Go deep. There are scholarships for students who want to study subjects as diverse as candy making, potato growing and welding technology. Additionally, scholarships are available for particular circumstances, such as community college students transferring to four-year institutions, or students who are the first in their family to attend college.

- Don't spend. The goal is to save money, not spend it. Guidance counselors and school financial aid offices can recommend free, reputable scholarship search sites, such as Scholarship Search by Sallie Mae, which just added two million scholarships to its database, offering access to more than five million scholarships worth nearly \$24 billion. Those who register are automatically eligible to win the Plan for College Sweepstakes, which awards \$1,000 each month to a winner selected at random.

- Continue to save and plan. Landing a scholarship is just one component of being prepared for college. Continue to set aside savings. Free college planning tools are available online in Sallie Mae's College Planning Toolbox.

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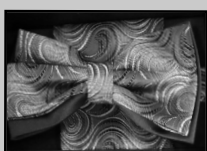
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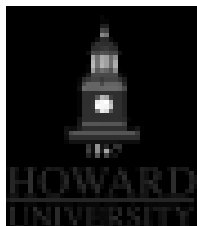
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Quick Facts

- Howard's MBA program was recently named the "greatest opportunity for minority students" by Princeton Review
- The school has awarded more than 100,000 degrees since 1867

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SPELMAN COLLEGE

Spelman is the nation's oldest historically black college for women, transforming into a leader among educational institutions for women since starting out as a Baptist female seminary in 1881. Today, Spelman offers a variety of majors to its enrollment of more than 2,100 students; popular topics include biological and biomedical sciences, English, physical science, psychology and social sciences. The college is home to more than 70 student organizations centered on academic achievement, personal enrichment opportunities and Greek life, including historically black sororities Alpha Kappa Alpha and Delta Sigma Theta.

Quick Facts

- The college reports a 76% graduation rate average over the past six years
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HAMPTON UNIVERSITY

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teemed reputation among top HBCUs for its commitment to both African-American education and the multicultural community. The Hampton campus is the historical site of the majestic Emancipation Oak, under which classes for freed men and women were held between 1861 and 1863; the tree was also the setting for the first Southern reading of Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation. On campus today, 90% of current enrollment is African-American. Among Hampton's many unique attributes is the establishment of the Skin of Color Research Institute for research and treatment of skin diseases afflicting people of color.

Quick Facts

- Programs at Hampton are designed to promote progressive education
- The School of Business was named the best department in the nation in 2005 by the National Urban Leagues' Black Executive Exchange Program

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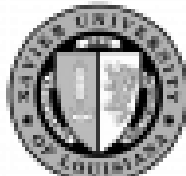
TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

A premiere science and engineering university known for facilitating groundbreaking research, Tuskegee University has built a reputation as one of the top producers of African-American aerospace science engineers in the U.S. Tuskegee's is the only campus in the U.S. to be declared a National Historic Site by the U.S. Congress since it was founded by Booker T. Washington in 1881. The university's roughly 3,000 students are active in a variety of student organizations on campus, including the Marching Crimson Piper Band, the National Society of Black Engineers and college chapter of the NAACP.

Quick Facts

- The only HBCU with a fully accredited College of Veterinary Medicine and doctorate offered; Tuskegee produces over 75% of worldwide African-American veterinarians
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XAVIER UNIVERSITY

Although Xavier was originally founded in 1915 as a high school for African Americans and Native Americans, the school added a four-year university in 1925. Today, Xavier continues its universal mission of promoting leadership- and service-based education initiatives. Current enrollment totals roughly 3,100 students, 73% of which are black and 27% are Catholic. All undergraduates study core topics that include 66 combined credits in African-American studies, natural sciences and theology. According to the U.S. Department of Education, Xavier is first in the nation in terms of producing African-American graduates with dual undergraduate degrees in biological/life sciences and the physical sciences.

Quick Facts

- One of only two pharmacy schools in Louisiana; among the top three producers of Doctor of Pharmacy degrees to African-Americans in the nation
- Xavier is awarded 522 degrees in 2013

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ASK ALMA

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Signed: Save me from the Crazy CEO

Hello Sweet Pea,

Since there's a little diva in us all, I'm sure you can handle this hurdle for a minute. Let me stop right here, cause I've just gotta say, your situation reminds me of the movie, "The Devil Wears Prada," LOL, and presents the dilemma - do you wanna

save your sole or your soul? Ok, that was stale, I know, let's keep it moving.

Landing your dream job is the greatest. When you finally arrive, you're totally consumed by it, losing all track of time and space. When you love what you do, you'd literally do it for free, so let's be thankful for that part of your blessing up front. My advice is to stick it out for the next 6-12 months, then reconsider new options.

Don't get wrapped up in the feelings, it's a job, not a marriage. You're still young, focus on the task at hand and what it's adding to your career. Submerge your attention in the duties, not the diva. When she ruffles your feathers, remind yourself, she's leading you towards an oasis of opportunity. Every great position has some drawbacks. Smooth mountains aren't scalable; you need the rough sides to hold on to, gain your footing and propel yourself to the next level. You've got this girl, you've prepared for this moment. All of what you learn and the contacts you'll create along the way, make it well worth the sacrifice and journey. Respect, admire, and absorb all you can from this diva, you'll one day say you defeated. While looking back on this big adventure years from now, reminiscing with more smiles and hallelujahs than tears, I'm sure.

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 @almaskalma.

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Key female inventions that changed the world

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Writer

Have you ever tried driving in the rain without windshield wipers, or reading with non-transparent eye-glasses? Most likely not because thanks to gifted inventors, the world stands enriched by some pretty remarkable creations (yes, the aforementioned contraptions were in fact created by women).

Indeed, countless luxuries throughout history can be attributed to female creators, with many receiving little recognition for their groundbreaking contributions. To commemorate Women's History Month, here are six key inventions that ultimately shaped the world we live in today.



Caresse Crosby, the modern bra (1914)

Inspired by firm, restrictive corset-wear worn under women's attire, Caresse Crosby combined two handkerchiefs and a ribbon to create a far more relaxing undergarment – an invention that came to be known as the modern bra.

Manufacturing and selling the product from her Fashion Form Brassiere Company, Crosby eventually sold the patent to Warner Brothers Corset, Co. – a business move that revolutionized the game for women with mass bra productions around the world.



Sarah Goode, Folding Cabinet Bed (1885)

Born a slave in 1850, Sarah Goode went into entrepreneurship after the Civil War – opening a Chicago furniture store alongside her husband, Archibald. At the time, many of their customers lived in apartments unfit for large furniture, prompting Goode's creation of the folding cabinet bed in 1885.

A predecessor to modern Murphy and sofa beds, the base could be unfolded for sleeping – also transforming into a desk when unused. With her invention, Goode made history as the first black woman ever granted a patent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.



Katharine Blodgett, non-reflective invisible glass (1938)

A pioneering scientist and inventor, Katherine Blodgett made a mark as the first woman to earn a doctorate degree in physics from Cambridge University – also breaking barriers as General Electric's first ever female hire.

As an independent researcher in surface chemistry, Blodgett used measures of transparent objects to create non-reflective glass in 1938 – influencing future physicists, chemists, and metallurgists in the field.

Today Blodgett's "invisible glass" is used to produce picture frames, camera lenses, eyeglasses, car windshields and computer screens.



Ann Tsukamoto, stem cell isolation (1991)

In 1991, Ann Tsukamoto created a process to isolate human hematopoietic stem cells – advancing the study of blood systems within cancer patients.

It is said that the invention could one day lead to a cure for the disease, with Tsukamoto – now Executive Vice President of Scientific and Strategic Alliances with Stem Cells, Inc. – continuing key research that will aid in future cancer treatment and innovation.



Mary Anderson, windshield wiper (1903)

During a trip to New York, Mary Anderson noticed that drivers were opening car windows to

clear windshields from rain and snow. From that experience, the Alabama native invented windshield wipers – receiving an official patent in 1903.

Crafted from wood and a rubber blade, Anderson's swinging wiper arms cleared snowflakes, raindrops and ice whenever a lever was pulled from inside a vehicle. The invention never caught on however, with companies expressing concern that the device would distract drivers.

Years later, Anderson's creation was appropriated by future designers, becoming a standard safety accessory for most cars by the 1950's and 60's.



Marie Van Brittan Brown (1966)

In 1966, Marie Van Brittan Brown created a closed-circuit television security system to counter slow response times from local police.

The invention included four peep holes, as well as an audio/video alarm system providing an image of anyone who came to her door. Likewise motorized cameras captured outside activity on a monitor (CCTV), with a remote control option to unlock doors.

In the end, Brown's invention transformed home protection, paving the way for numerous security systems now sold on the modern market.

We must carry forward the work of the women who came before us and ensure our daughters have no limits on their dreams, no obstacle to their achievements and no remaining ceilings to shatter."
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