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Ford Motor Co. to take over old Masco Headquarters and vacant Kmart property



The City of Taylor risked losing one of its largest taxpayers when Masco began downsizing and relocating its headquarters to Livonia, but it turned out there was a better idea available right around the corner.

Ford Motor Co. has agreed to takeover not only the massive former Masco headquarters building at 21001 Van Born Road, but will also occupy the vacant former Kmart property

right next door at 21111 Van Born. Masco owned both sites. Taylor's Kmart closed in 2016 as part of a nationwide shut-down of locations by Sears, its parent company. It was Downriver's last remaining Kmart.

"We've worked with Masco for the past couple of years," said Mayor Rick Sollars. "They never wanted to leave the City of Taylor in a lurch, and they

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Proposed outlet mall in Romulus halted

ROMULUS – The developer of a proposed 350,000-square-foot premiere outdoor outlet mall has withdrawn from the Romulus project, citing a lack of committed tenants.

Officials from Tanger Outlets, one of the largest outlet mall developers in the United States, told Romulus city officials that they were no longer moving forward with the Outlets of Michigan project at a 35-acre site at Wick and Vining roads near I-94.

The proposed premiere outlet mall is the third in Metro Detroit to be postponed or cancelled in the last three years. Other ventures came to a halt in Canton Township and Macomb County.

In late fall 2016, Tanger took over the Romulus site from a team of two developers: New England Development and Paragon Outlets.

New England brought the project to Romulus officials in 2014 and optioned 35 acres on the southeast corner of Wick and Vining. Paragon joined forces with New England in 2015 when Paragon's proposed mall venture in Canton did not come to fruition. At that point, Paragon was responsible for tenant leasing and government approvals at the Romulus site, while New England planned to handle mall management after the outlet mall opened.

All of the developers had raved

Trump's EPA Awards Flint \$100 Million for Water Crisis

By Lauren Victoria Burke (NNPA Newswire Contributor)



Flint Mayor Karen Weaver at one of the construction sites to replace the pipes

Buried in the 24-hour news cycle of Russian conspiracies, presidential tweets, and claims of White House nepotism, the Trump Administration found the time to set aside \$100 mil-

lion for the ongoing water crisis in Flint, Michigan.

According to a press release about the grant, the Environ-

mental Protection Agency (EPA) awarded the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) \$100 million to

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Tom Perez, Chair Democratic National Committee with Jordan Howard, the youngest Precinct Delegate at the Listening Tour that was held on Friday, March 24 in Detroit. The event was held at the Church of the New Covenant where Congressman Keith Ellison - Deputy Chair's brother is pastor. Congress Keith Ellison wasn't in attendance because he was in D. C. awaiting the vote on Health Care that didn't happen. However Perez spoke to a packed house about the plans for the Democratic Party.

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GETTING TO KNOW OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

Congresswoman Dingell’s Statement on Referral of Charges Related to Raheel Siddiqui Case



WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (MI-12) today released the following statement after the U.S. Marine Corps announced that charges have been referred to General Court-Martial against Gunnery Sergeant Joseph A. Felix and Sergeant Michael K. Eldridge, which include charges related to the death of Private Raheel Siddiqui from Taylor, Michigan.

“What happened to Private Siddiqui at Parris Island was more than a dereliction of duty – it was a tragedy that stole a son and a brother from his family and robbed a young man of his life and dream of serving the country he loved. We have a moral responsibility to hold those responsible accountable and pursue justice for the Siddiqui family, but the reality is, no matter what we do we can never bring him back. A young man is dead, and we must ensure a tragedy like this never hap-

pens again.

“As these proceedings move forward, I will continue to work closely with the Marine Corps to ensure those responsible are held to account. Additionally, since the investigation has given no specific evidence of suicide, I am determined to work with the Marine Corps, the family and all stakeholders to re-examine the autopsy report and get a more fair and neutral finding on cause of death. We will never know what happened that day, but it is very clear to me and others based on the facts revealed in the investigation that it was not Private Siddiqui’s intention to take his own life. I will not stop working alongside his family and the Marine Corps until the determination is changed to more accurately reflect the events of that day so we can bring some measure of peace to the Siddiqui family.”

Dingell has been in constant communication with the Marine Corps since Private Siddiqui’s death on March 18, 2016. She wrote General Neller seeking further clarification on the circumstances surrounding Siddiqui’s death, and consistently pressed for additional information about the investigation into drill instructors and senior leadership at Parris Island.

CBC Delivers “We Have a Lot to Lose” Paper to President Trump during White House Meeting

By Lauren Victoria Burke (NNPA Newswire Contributor)



Congressional Black Caucus meet with President Trump to discuss issues important to Black Families

Freddie Allen/AMG/NNPA

Carrying a 130-page document titled, “We Have A Lot To Lose: Solutions to Advance Black Families in the 21st Century,” members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) sat down with President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence to discuss a range of issues affecting the Black community.

Congressional Black Caucus Chairman Cedric Richmond (D-La.), and the CBC executive board, which includes Reps. Karen Bass (D-Calif.), Gwen Moore (D-Wisc.), Andre Carson (D-Ind.), Brenda Lawrence (D-Mich.) and Anthony Brown (D-Md.) attended

the meeting; senior CBC member Rep. Jim Clyburn (D-S.C.) also attended the meeting.

The CBC delegation discussed proposed federal budget cuts, Historically Black Colleges and Universities and jobs with the commander-in-chief.

The meeting, which was the first between CBC leadership and President Trump, started in the Cabinet Room and later moved into the Oval Office after members of the press recorded part of the gathering. There has been a lot of discussion about whether the CBC should take a meeting with Trump, because of the presi-

dent’s rhetoric regarding Black communities. On the campaign trail, Trump often painted the Black community with a broad brush, sensationalizing the poverty and violence that plagues some neighborhoods while neglecting the stories of

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Strategic Neighborhood Fund Begins Work in Detroit's Fitzgerald Neighborhood

Mayor Mike Duggan announced today the development team that will lead a 2-year-long project to revitalize the Fitzgerald neighborhood for the nearly 600 families who live there near Livernois and McNichols.

Fitz Forward is a partnership between local development firms Century Partners and The Platform as the developer for the Fitzgerald Revitalization Project. The holistic neighborhood project is the one of many supported by the \$30 million Strategic Neighborhood Fund announced by the mayor in his State of the City address in February.

The city and partners Kresge Foundation, Knight Foundation, JPB Foundation and Rockefeller Foundation will invest more than \$4 million in the Fitzgerald Revitalization Project through the Reimagining the Civic Commons grant via the Strategic Neighborhood Fund Initiative. This residential development is phase one of the investment in the Livernois-McNichols area. In phase two, residents in the Livernois-McNichols area can expect to see another \$5 million investment from the city and Strategic Neighborhood Fund partners for commercial development.

The project, which is expected to break ground later this spring, will include:

The renovation of 115 currently vacant homes, which will be a mixture of rental properties and for sale homes priced at the neighborhood market

rate. Of all the homes, 20% will be affordable for Detroit families making 80 percent or less of the area median income. Landscaping and maintenance of 192 vacant lots, creating productive landscape in place of overgrown and unkempt lots Creation of a 2-acre central park anchoring a new linked greenway, creating better connectivity throughout the neighborhood.

Mayor Duggan said the project is a way to grow our neighborhoods and improve the quality of life for the many Detroiters who call this neighborhood home.

“This project is about creating opportunity and working together to strengthen our neighborhoods,” said Mayor Duggan. “Whether you’re a renter or homeowner or someone who just wants to live in this neighborhood, there’s a place for you in Fitzgerald. This is the kind of work we’ll be doing in neighborhoods across the city.”

Project to revitalize 373 Land Bank-owned parcels

The mayor is also asking City Council to approve this Tuesday the transfer of 373 total parcels of land in Fitzgerald from the Detroit Land Bank Authority to the development team and the city. Fitz Forward will receive 323 parcels of land to rehab vacant homes, demolish blighted houses and create new productive landscapes. The city will receive 50 parcels of land to create new public community spaces in the new Ella Fitzgerald Park and greenway.

The Frozen Four is here

By Jim Abeare



Well the games are set and this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. start the semi finals for the Men’s Collegiate Hockey National Championship in Chicago.

First Game is number 3 seed Harvard versus number 2 seed Minnesota-Duluth.

UMD is on to its first Frozen Four since winning their first title in 2011.

UMD downed both Boston University and Ohio State in overtime.

UMD will need all of that higher-end talent to deal with 6-foot-5 Merrick Madsen, who patrols the crease for Harvard. He leads a strong back end that does not surrender much in its own end.

The second game of the night is number 1 seed Denver versus surprising Notre Dame.

While the Fighting Irish are hot of late, they will have play a near-perfect game if they want to catch Denver and keep them from using their team speed and relentless puck pursuit to their advantage.

The good news for Notre Dame is that they have scoring depth, something they can use to their advantage. They will need that depth as Denver will attack their breakout in waves.

It should end up being Denver and Minnesota-Duluth in the championship game but then I said Western Michigan was going to be in the Frozen Four.

Denver should win it all.
Read more:
<http://www.uscho.com>

IT’S TIME TO READ!!

Flint water

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fund drinking water infrastructure upgrades in Flint.

The press release said that, “The funding, provided by the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, or WIIN, enables Flint to accelerate and expand its work to replace lead service lines and make other critical infrastructure improvements.”

In the statement, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt said that, the people of Flint and all Americans deserve a more responsive federal government.

“EPA will especially focus on helping Michigan improve Flint’s water infrastructure as part of our larger goal of improving America’s water infrastructure,” said Pruitt.

During a March 22 meeting at the White House with seven members of the Congressional Black Caucus, Rep. Brenda Lawrence (D-Mich.), said that she and President Trump spoke about assistance for Flint.

“He said he thought it was awful and criminal...I was surprised he understood how that happened,” said Lawrence, who represents parts of Detroit. The congresswoman added that the president also wanted to know who was responsible for the lead in Flint’s water.

After the EPA announced the news, Flint Mayor Karen Weaver expressed appreciation for the funds.

“The City of Flint being awarded a grant of this magnitude in such a critical time of need will be a huge benefit,” Weaver said in a statement. “As we prepare to start the next phase of the FAST Start pipe replacement program, these funds will give us what we need to reach our goal of replacing 6,000 pipes this year and make other needed infrastructure improvements.”

Weaver continued: “We look forward to the continued support of the EPA and federal government.”

Additionally on March 28, a U.S. District Court settlement was announced, forcing the state of Michigan to set aside \$97 million to replace defective water lines in Flint. The settlement money will cover 18,000 homes in the city by the year 2020.

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TAKE TIME TO READ

Feeling Forsaken

By Janine Folks - Religion Columnist



FEELING alone and forgotten by people is one thing, but feeling forsaken by God is something else. Feeling forsaken by God is the worst feeling there is, especially for those who totally depend on God and realize that He is their only hope.

HOW devastating it is to feel that God has forsaken you. That feeling has destroyed many lives and many people have given up because they felt like God had left them.

WE are not alone in feeling forsaken at times. Even the most obedient and the most knowledgeable servants of God have felt that way at one time or another. Even Jesus Christ Himself felt forsaken by God at about the ninth hour when He cried with a loud voice saying, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” That is to say, “My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?” (Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34). If Jesus felt that way at one point, why would we be the exception?

IN His most horrific suffering and at His lowest low, Jesus

felt left and forgotten by God. As we know, God had not forsaken Jesus. God had to let His perfect plan unfold, no matter how painful it was to His only begotten son. Jesus was willing to be obedient no matter what the cost, but He probably never imagined how excruciating the pain would be.

SOMETIMES while we are feeling forsaken, a perfect plan is unfolding. God’s plans may not seem perfect to us, but we have to trust Him. We may have agreed to do whatever it takes to please God, but had no idea that the cost would be so high. It may hurt and it may not seem fair at times, but God is in the midst.

ALWAYS remember, even at you lowest low points, God promises never to leave nor forsake you (Hebrews 13:5). Even though you may feel that you’re being persecuted, you’re not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed (2 Corinthians 4:9). God is there.

DO NOT stop believing no matter how much pain you’re in. Always remember that no matter what, call on Him and He is with you. Be faithful to God. No matter how you feel, you are not forsaken.

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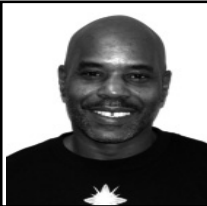
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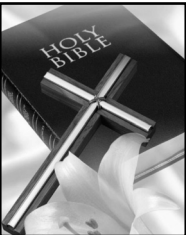


It's a good day, and we in Christ must thank God for it. Even if the day does not start or end the way we have planned the question is, what was God's plan? Did the day turn out the way He said it would? Have you ever thought, "If I was in charge of the world just for one day-what would I do?" I have! I've thought, I would do this or that, but the truth is I would have no idea what to do-unlike God. There is a big difference in being in charge and being in

God. Being in charge leads you to do the best you can. But we casts judgement way to soon, with way too little facts and surely not enough grace or mercy! Being God means you have done, is doing, and forever will do all the good that is to be done! Sometimes we can be guilty of trying to be little god's or judges of each other instead of letting God run our lives. Have you ever met a little god who tried to judge you? We who are in Christ can not judge our brethren but allow God do the judging and we do the serving. Sure this seems simple, but it is not easy. We can see it, learn from it, we can even state the facts, but we are not the final judge. Come to church this week. Lets talk about Christ who came to save us before He will judge us.

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had four options: sell, lease, donate the site to an educational institution or demolish the entire property and create a park, etc.

“We’re happy with this arrangement. Naturally, you want to land on your feet in these types of situations. This is a win-win-win – in fact, anytime you land Ford, it’s a big win. But Masco, the city and, of course, Ford all are winners in this situation.”

Many people – even those who have lived in Taylor all of their lives – don’t truly understand the size and importance of the Masco property. Its beautiful headquarters building is some 415,000 square feet alone, located well off Van Born, toward the I-94 interstate. The Kmart property, once a Super K, is another 170,000 square feet. As a comparison, while downsizing, Masco built a new headquarters in Livonia at less than one-quarter of the size of its Taylor headquarters.

The Ford takeover of the site offers many opportunities.

Mayor Sollars said that Ford plans to relocate approximately 1,000 employees to Taylor– more staffers than Masco ever had onsite. The headquarters building will house IT, human resources and administrative staff, while Ford’s Smart Mobility Program takes over the old Kmart property.

There is still plenty of work to be done. Taylor must rezone of the property. Leaders from Taylor and Dearborn Heights are already in conversations on ways to upgrade the Van Born Road corridor, which needs various improvements. The fact that 1,000 Ford staffers will be relocating there will create opportunities for spinoff businesses like restaurants, etc.

“We’ve been speaking with Dearborn Heights, and they may be as excited as anyone about this,” Mayor Sollars said. “Van Born needs improvements. It has for a while. We could be looking at some type of phased in improvements over a three-year period.”

Outlet

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about the Romulus location and suggested the issue of signing up tenants was significantly affected by the changing retail market, which has seen the closing or reduction in a number of major retailers as more consumers shop on line for goods and services.

Kmart, Sears, Kohl’s, Target, Best Buy, Office Depot, J.C. Penney, Macy’s, Sports Authority, The Gap, Aeropostale, Finish Line and even Walmart have faced store closures and/or bankruptcies and/or layoffs. In the process, some have increased their online presence.

“The developers simply could not get enough tenants,” said Timothy Keyes, the city of Romulus’ economic development director.

Keyes said Tanger’s deal with the land owner has lapsed and the development team has returned the land to the property owner.

“Naturally, we are very disappointed with the news, but we would prefer they not move forward with a project they would not complete,” Keyes said.

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Nearly 2,000 participants turned out for Detroit Public Schools Community District's first-ever "All Schools S.T.E.A.M. Showcase" at Eastern Market on Sunday, April 2 — with S.T.E.A.M. standing for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. DPSCD partnered with the city's largest and most exciting arts and scientific museums and venues to host the Showcase, which offered families a one-stop-shop event to help them discover everything they needed to engage their children in S.T.E.A.M. education. Representatives from more than 100 schools were on hand for this family-friendly event, including Academy of the Americas, Bennett Elementary, Harms Elementary, Maybury Elementary, Clippert Multicultural Honors Academy, Robert Clemente Academy, Neinas Dual Language Learning Academy, Earhart Elementary-Middle School, Western International School, Munger Elementary-Middle School, Priest Elementary Middle School— all in Southwest De-

troit. Mark Twain School for Scholars, a gifted and talented program for grades PreK-8 that offers an International Baccalaureate educational experience, showcased the school's Robotics program, among other opportunities.

"We were so pleased to showcase our exciting S.T.E.A.M. offerings, and we were happy to tell families about the expanded Accelerated Scholars Advanced Program (A.S.A.P.) for high performing kindergarten through grade 4 students," said Principal Mumtaz Haque. Ninety-two percent of kindergarten students in the new A.S.A.P. Program are already demonstrating proficiency at or much above the national level in Reading, as are 93 percent in math, she said. Twain's other offerings include Radio Broadcasting, Drama, Entrepreneurship, Journalism, Exploratory Art, Arts and Crafts, Drum Line & Tie Dye, Vocal Band and Instrumental Music, Spanish Club, Honor

Society, Academic Games, Sports and more. Some of the other fun opportunities at the Showcase included: a Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Giant Family Games, including Chess, Jenga and Operation; Special Guest Appearances by Members of Parade Company's Big Head Corps, and a book give-away by the Detroit Public Library. S.T.E.A.M. demonstrations were also offered by the Belle Isle Conservancy; Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit; Michigan Science Center and more!

The Showcase covered the entire span of Eastern Market's Shed 3, which housed the schools by geographic location and incorporated an "Innovation Lane," where families learned about exciting new programs planned for fall 2017. Those include expanded Montessori sites, such as the one offered at Maybury Elementary, a new Examination High School, the addition of Honors Academies at every K-8 school, a new partnership with the Detroit School of Arts and Detroit Institute of Music education, and much more. The All Schools Showcase also provided a Center Stage with ongoing student performances, dances and bands. The All Schools S.T.E.A.M. Showcase was the culminating event from a winter of S.T.E.A.M.y activities that including a series of free, fun and exciting events with a S.T.E.A.M. theme to engage DPSCD families in learning activities after school hours at the participating venues and at well-known family-friendly spots. Partners included the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Institute of Arts, Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, Belle Isle Nature Center, Michigan Science Center, Detroit Public Library, Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Music Hall, Eastern Market and The Rink at Campus Martius Park. Other partnering organizations include Downtown Detroit Partnership, Detroit Public Television, detroitpbskids.org, and the Detroit Public Schools Foundation.

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Spotlighting the Millennials

Karl Stafford - Intern

By Angel Frierson - Telegram Intern



Karl Stafford on the steps in Lansing

-Karl Stafford is one of the stellar Interns within the Michigan State Capitol for District 11. He has his own story to share with the world at the age of 19. —

Q: What made you want to engage in the political field?

A: I have always been interested in the political world. As a high school student I had a love for Medicine. But, in my 10th grade year I went to the National Young Leaders Conference in D.C where I did a lot of work with Congressmen. So, when I came back here I saw it was an opening for the intern position, I applied for it, and thankfully I got the position.

Q: As a young person what are some of the biggest issues you would like to see handled for all communities?

A: One of them would have to be the voting rules they have in place for college students. I have worked most of the voting polls for the past election. I saw how people who are registered here is denied to vote because they were not registered in their district. I strongly feel it's unfair, and a form of discrimination. I think we need to have people's addresses transferred so they can vote at their college instead of going back home.

Q: Can you tell me some of the people who are your motivators?

A: Yes, definitely my old boss Monique Marks. She is the CEO of Franklin-Wrights Settlements Inc. on the eastside of Detroit. She has been a great push in my life since the 8th grade. That is when I started to get involved in the community and did work with seniors, kids, and adults. We help them find resources to help better their lives. She was always a mentor to me and helped me achieve my potential. My mother is a striving force because she helped me to be Double Promoted.

Q: What community advice can you give to your peers?

A: I would like to see my peers become more 'Doers' than just saying what they want to see done and take action. We need to take the initiative and create things on our own.

Q: As another young black man, what new ideas do you plan to bring to the cities?

A: I would like to see a better Retention Program. So, we young people don't feel like the older adults are looking down on us. That we can actually work together. The Juvenile Reform System as well because I want to make sure people who actually go through the system learn from their mistakes before they come out into the real world.

Q: Being a Human Biology Major at Michigan State University where do you plan to take your career?

A: Eventually I plan to work with more doctors so I can work in Orthopedic Surgery for the Sports Field. Being an intern here I feel this will be great experience so I can meet people who are lobbyist who work in these type of fields so they can be my mentors as well.

Q: What other outside activities are you engaged in?

A: I am part of a group called MSU Advantage where we help the minority students on campus find resources and then we also put on shows; skits that portray real life situations. Recently, we did one that was about sexual harassment. We portrayed how it is not always the women being harassed but how the man can be sexually harassed as well and the serious consequences that comes along with it

I am also a part of the MGP (Midnight Golf Alumni Association Program) where the graduate alumni from Detroit helps high school students get ready for college and gives out scholarships through the game of golf on elite courses. I enjoy it all.

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Gwen Girvin has a young heart and a lot of spirit

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Gwen has a young heart and enjoying teaching yoga, piano, singing and voice lessons. She even teaches a Jazzercise class.

She has four children Tommy, Terri, Teddy and Timmy.

Gwen is colorblind to racial issues. She believes all people are equal and within God's love. She continually teaches loving one another, forgiveness, peace not war saying, 'what mother

would send her son to kill another mother's son?

Not only is she musically gifted, she also has creative artistic skills. She has personalized T-Shirts and pants and her husband, George, proudly wears and shows off her designs.

What she remembers most about growing up is that she was always the shortest and smallest girl in class. She has a mixed culture of Swedish and Danish. "I took to people that nobody paid attention to."

Her favorite actor is Shamar Moore.

Gwen is still giving piano lessons and performing. She teaches the children at LoveJoy MBC Church in River Rouge and she is the Music Director at Unity Chapel in Southgate. More information about Gwen and her soul-mate George can be found at gwengirvin.com.

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What do we have to lose

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Black achievement and success. Despite his parade of Black celebrity friends, Trump's relationship with the African American community is often defined by the incendiary media campaign he ran against the "Central Park Five," four Black and one Hispanic youth, who were charged and convicted for the brutal sexual assault of a young, White investment banker in New York City's Central Park in 1989. Trump paid for ads in four of the city's newspapers. "A couple of weeks after the attack, the real-estate developer Donald Trump reportedly paid \$85,000 to take out advertising space in four of the city's newspapers, with the headline: 'Bring Back The Death Penalty. Bring Back Our Police!'" wrote Quartz, the news website. "The boys' lawyer, Michael Warren, told the Guardian that Trump and his ad 'poisoned the minds of many people who lived in New York and who, rightfully, had a natural affinity for the victim.'"

Years later, all five men were cleared of all charges, their convictions were vacated and Mayor Bill de Blasio supported a \$41 million settlement in 2014. Trump and his father, Fred Trump, also faced housing discrimination allegations in the 1970s, when it was discovered that Blacks were routinely blocked from living in some of the apartments operated by the Trump Management Company. The case was settled, "with no admission of guilt."

So why meet with Trump? Members of the Black Caucus were pointed. "President Trump has met with various African Americans, however we're the only African Americans that are elected to the United States Congress that can develop policy and offer a different viewpoint," said Chairman Richmond as he left the White House. "The CBC represents 78 million Americans, we consistently fight [against] poverty, no matter who it affects."

Rep. Lawrence, who represents parts of Detroit, said that the CBC doesn't have the luxury of passing on a meeting with president. "If there's an opportunity to improve life for our constituents, we will take it," said Lawrence. The congresswoman spoke with Trump about recent news that the Environmental Protection Agency has set aside \$100 million to address the water crisis in Flint, Mich. Lawrence said she was surprised that Trump knew the details of the situation and asked her who was at fault. "It was a meeting where both sides listened and it was a meeting where we were very candid about disagreements," said Chairman Richmond at the White House. "The surprising part is when we talked about the goals; there were more similarities than differences. The route to get there is where you may see differences; part of that is just education and life experiences."

Each member at the meeting said that there were several direct and blunt exchanges with the president. Rep. Bass said that she told the president that his comments about African American communities were not only hurtful, but also had the potential to perpetuate negative stereotypes about Blacks and to shape the discourse surrounding mass incarceration and police reform. Rep. Carson, a former police officer who was the second Muslim elected to Congress in 2008, said that he confronted Trump about some of the negative comments that Trump made about Muslim Americans and Islam during his 2016 presidential campaign. The CBC members were surprised when Trump offered to meet with the group on a regular basis, perhaps quarterly. The members noted that it would take more than scheduled meetings in the Oval Office to affect systemic change in the U.S. The members also talked to the president about the impact of his recent budget blueprint that includes cuts to education and urban development. With Republicans in control of the U.S. Senate, the House of Representatives and the White House, the Black Caucus is gearing up for a series of tough legislative battles over the next 19 months, until the midterm elections in November 2018. "We never thought we'd agree on everything in this meeting, but the one thing we did ask for is [candor]," the CBC chairman told reporters at the White House after the meeting with Trump. "He listened, and we talked, and we proposed a lot of solutions, many of which, I think, he had not heard before, and we're going to keep advocating."

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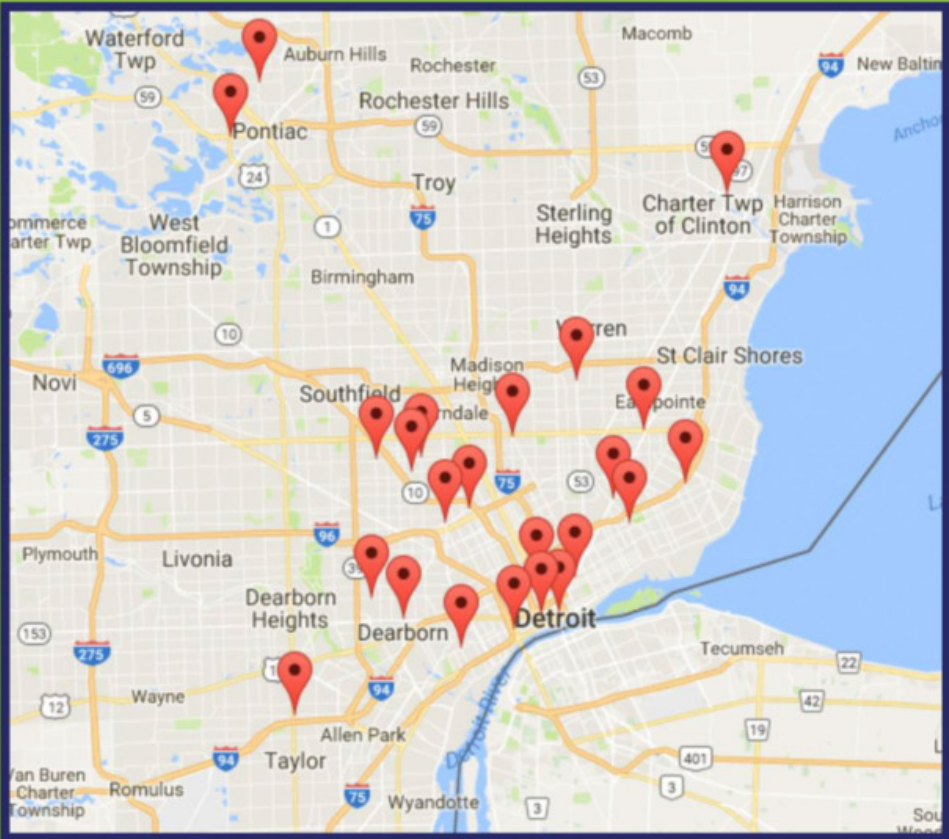


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Dana Hughes
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND RESERVED SECTION § 23-25., ARTICLE II. WATER, OF CHAPTER 23 UTILITIES, OF THE ECORSE CITY CODE, BY ENACTMENT OF NEW SECTION § 23-25. ESTABLISHMENT AND AMENDMENT OF CHARGES AND FEES FOR SERVICES TO CITY'S WATER SYSTEM TO PERMIT BOTH THE ESTABLISHMENT AND AMENDMENT OF CHARGES AND FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED RELATIVE TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF ECORSE BY SAID CITY, ITS AGENTS, APPOINTEES, DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES AND OFFICERS.

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APPROVED:

- Ø Approval of the Agenda.
- Ø Approval of the Consent Agenda.
- Ø A first reading of a proposed amendment to the zoning map.
- Ø Approval of two appointments to Boards and Commissions.
- Ø Approval of a Special Conditions Use.
- Ø Approval of an offer to purchase 26742 Dartmouth.
- Ø Approval of transferring five properties to Michigan Land Bank to demolish.
- Ø Approval of a street closure on June 24, 2017.
- Ø Approval of an intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County Land Bank.

Felicia Rutledge
City Clerk

Red Wings Play Their Final Game at the Joe this Sunday

By Butch Davis

Well Ladies and Gentleman a chapter of the life of the Detroit Red Wings is about to end and a new chapter in September 2017 is about to start. Yes, the Wings have played their home games at Joe Louis Arena since 1979, after having spent over 40 years playing in Olympia Stadium located at the corner of Grand River and McGraw and after this upcoming Sunday are scheduled to move into Little Caesars Arena for the start of the 2017–18 season. Some of you fans in the day remember the nightclub “The Soul Expression” was right down the street from the Olympia Stadium located at the corner of Grand River and McGraw. By the way for the historian the new arena is located where the old head quarters of the Motown Records offices were station at Woodward and the Fisher Expressway. Indeed the sad part this of chapter is that our home hockey team will not made the playoffs, the first time in 25 years that the team did not make the post season dance. Hey can you remember what was going on since the 1992-1993 season when the Wings didn’t make the playoffs? Here’s a hint, the Simpson’s began a weekly hit television show, the world wide web was being develop, the hit television show In Living Color was giving the Fox Network existence in its early days, and gasoline was \$1.24, that price was highway robbery in those days.

Pitching is Key for Tigers to Go to Playoffs

By Butch Davis

Detroit Tigers pitching was up & down in 2016. The team ERA was 4.24, which isn’t terrible, however not setting the world on fire. Only Detroit Tigers ace Justin Verlander & AL Rookie of the Year Michael Fulmer had over 10 wins. Jordan Zimmermann would have been in that category; nevertheless injuries slowed him down towards the end of the year. Expect Justin Verlander & Fulmer to continue to be top 1-2 guys at the top of the rotation follow by Zimmerman, Daniel Norris, with Matthew Boyd, and Anibal Sanchez battling for the fifth starter. Now the bullpen of the Tigers must be better than their performance in 2016 for the team to be in contention for the 2017 season. One reason is that in 2016, Verlander pitched over 227 innings, 73 more than the next closet Tiger, Fulmer. The 227 innings are the most innings Verlander has pitched since 2011 when he pitched 251. Verlander is getting older & older, which means ideally the Tigers should try to keep him at 200 innings. In addition, the bullpen when called must give relieve and pitch with bet-

The Detroit Red Wings this past Monday announced details surrounding the team’s “Farewell Weekend at The Joe” to celebrate the final two Red Wings games at historic Joe Louis Arena on Saturday, April 8 against the Montreal Canadiens at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 9 against the New Jersey Devils at 5:00 p.m. Prior to Sunday’s game, the Red Wings will host the Chevrolet Season Finale starting at 2:00 p.m. outside the East Entrance of Joe Louis Arena, in which all current players and alumni in attendance will walk a red carpet to enter the Joe, giving fans a unique opportunity cheer on their favorite current and former players up close. The celebration for the “Farewell Weekend at the Joe” will conclude with an hour-long “Farewell to the Joe Ceremony” immediately following Sunday’s game. The post-game ceremony will feature speeches, Q&A sessions and highlight videos with current Red Wings players and more than 50 Red Wings Alumni. Additionally, fans in attendance for the “Farewell Weekend at the Joe” will have the opportunity to purchase commemorative “Farewell Season at the Joe” merchandise and Dual-Logo Warm-up Pucks, collect one-of-a-kind giveaways, witness numerous historical highlights from the 38-year history of the Joe through in-game

videos and testimonials and much more. Doors to Joe Louis Arena will open a half hour earlier than normal – two hours before puck drop – for both games. “To conclude our year-long celebration of the ‘Farewell Season at the Joe,’ we have many special events, initiatives and giveaways planned to give Red Wings fans an opportunity to make a final memory at Joe Louis Arena and take home a piece of hockey history,” said Tom Wilson, President and CEO of Olympia Entertainment. “The ‘Farewell to the Joe Ceremony’ will feature Red Wings legends and revisit the iconic moments that helped make the Joe one of the most revered hockey arenas in the world, while the Chevrolet Season Finale will build off the success we witnessed for the red carpet walk during the Home Opener by including Red Wings Alumni and giving fans a chance to see their favorite players up close.” The Red Wings are one of the most popular franchises in the NHL, and fans, commentators and us working in the media refer to Detroit and its surrounding areas as "Hockeytown," which has been a registered trademark owned by the franchise since 1996. I hope to see you fan there to share in the history of the Detroit Red Wings playing at the Joe this weekend.

ter quality as Shane Greene, Bruce Rondón, Kyle Ryan, Alex Wilson, Justin Wilson, and with Francisco Rodríguez being the closer for this years Tiger ball club can give a opportunity for victory if the Detroit Tigers are going to get back to the playoffs. The Tigers Opening Day roster consists of 12 pitchers, two catchers, six infielders, four outfielders and one designated hitter. Detroit opens the 2017 season this past Monday afternoon at the Chicago White Sox however the rains wash the game out. The Tigers 25-man Opening Day roster is as follows: PITCHERS (12): Matthew Boyd, Michael Fulmer, Shane Greene, Daniel Norris, Francisco Rodríguez, Bruce Rondón, Kyle Ryan, Ani-

bal Sanchez, Justin Verlander, Alex Wilson, Justin Wilson, and Jordan Zimmermann. CATCHERS (2): Alex Avila and James McCann. INFELDERS (6): Miguel Cabrera, Nicholas Castellanos, José Iglesias, Ian Kinsler, Dixon Machado, and Andrew Romine. OUTFIELDERS (4): Tyler Collins, JaCoby Jones, Mikie Mahtook, and Justin Upton. DESIGNATED HITTER (1): Victor Martinez. With the type of offense the Tigers should have in 2017, and if the pitching can be above average, there isn’t a reason that the Tigers shouldn’t get a wildcard spot in the American League. By the way, opening day at Comerica Park is tomorrow, if it do not snow. Go get-em Tigers.

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March 30th, 2017
At 1108hrs, an officer was dispatched to the 1st Block of Haltiner Street to investigate a Larceny complaint. A 25 year old male stated that he parked his vehicle in the parking lot across the street at 0800hrs and when he went on a break and returned to his vehicle, he discovered his passenger side window was broken and money was stolen from the center console and an impact drill from inside the vehicle.

March 30th, 2017
At 1019hrs, an officer was dispatched to the police station lobby for a Threats complaints. A 18 year old female stated that her 50 year old grandmother has been harassing her. She was adopted by her grandmother since she was 14 years old and she receives a government disability check every month because she has a medical heart condition. She states her grandmother always collected the checks and told her just to sign them so that she can cash them and pay bills, never giving her any of the money. So troubles began on March 6th, when she moved out of her grandmother’s home and moved in with her boyfriend who lives in Detroit. On March 29th At 1530hrs, the grandmother went to her school and happened to pull up behind her and gave the granddaughter the middle finger, and followed her for about a half of mile before turning off and leaving her alone.

March 31st, 2017
At 1505hrs, officer were dispatched to a home in the 400 Block of Lenoir Court for an unwanted party. As officers arrived they could hear yelling and screaming coming from inside the home. Officers advanced to an upper apartment unit and made contact with a 30 year old female who appeared extremely agitated. She states while inside her unit she heard knocking on her front door. She went on to say a friend that there was visiting answered the door, and yelled it was her neighbor, a 25 year old female who was allowed to come in. The complainant states she was in the bathroom when she heard the fe-

male yelling profanity and asking where was the female hiding. She opened the bathroom door and the neighbor and 33 year old female tried to corner her against the wall. The complainant attempted to defend herself when the neighbor pulled out a can of pepper spray and began spraying it inside the bathroom and hallway. Then all were engaged in the hallway fighting and the two females ran out after. An officer observed several small children throughout the apartment coughing and their nose running. The officer heard an irate male’s voice coming up the stairs and the officer stepped out and observed a 44 year old male with a box cutter in his right hand. The officer advised the male to stop several times and the male dropped to his knees and put his hands in the air. He was placed under arrest for Possession of a Weapon. The officer tried to locate and speak to the neighbors but they fled. Rapid Response was notified to come and check the children with one known to have Asthma.

April 4th, 2017
At 1230hrs, officers were dispatched to the area of Polk & Eaton Street, on a report of shots fired,. As officers arrived in the area, an officer heard one gun shot and glass breaking and observed 3 to 4 males leaning out the front door of two residents in the 500 Block of Polk. A 29 year old female appeared waling in front of both units. The officer observed a broken window at one of the resident and then the males ran back into the residence and shut the door. The female was detained and questioned by the officer. She stated she heard a few gun shots prior to police arriving. After she walked to the gas station and when she was walking back she observed 3 males near the units. She states she ask them to stop shooting because she have a lot of children across the street and as she was talking the male a shot was fired and struck the glass at one of the units. When she was walking away from the unit she was stopped by police. A Damage to Property complaint was taken.

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ASK ALMA

My sorority sister is a home wrecker



Dear Alma, a male friend of mine moved to my city for a six-month work assignment. To welcome him to the area, I took him to dinner and introduced him to my local friends. Well, I just learned that he has been having a sexual relationship with a sorority sister, who's also my best friend. I am uncomfortable with this situation because my male friend has a live-in girlfriend who has been with him for over eight years. I feel like I need to say something, especially now that his assignment may be extended and his live-in girlfriend is planning a visit. My girlfriend says she knows it's temporary and that she plans to break up with him before his significant other arrives. She also confided to me that he told her that he loves her but cannot leave his live-in and doesn't know what to do. She is not a dumb girl. She's an attorney, and she's got it going on. I'm shocked this happened. Do you think it's really love? Should I get in-

volved or mind my business?
BFF Hooked

Dear BFF Hooked
If this were my BFF, Dee, I would say something like this: "What the hell...Really!! Chile Please!" LMBO Naaaw, I'm just kidding. Don't do that. I'm a firm believer in what my mama use to say: "You catch more flies with honey than you do with vinegar." You want to get her attention, so confront her in a manner that she can embrace. I can sense the pride and admiration you have for your friend when you talk of her accomplishments. Granted, one's occupation doesn't exempt them from making unwise decisions. Anyway, your attorney-girlfriend is rationalizing her actions by thinking she's really not being a skank because technical he's not married. And since technically he's not married, she can follow this yellow brick road and see where it leads. Step up to the bench, my sis-tah, so you can hear me when I say this ain't Kansas and, no, Sweetie, he's not in love with you. He's in really, really like, and I don't blame him. He's found a really smart woman to spend quality time with while he's away from home. He offered you his live-in truth and you accepted it. Sometimes we enter a "going

nowhere fast" relationship for the sake of not being alone. But truth be told, you can be in a relationship and still be lonely. As a matter of fact, I'd say that hurts more than being alone. Explain to your friend that recognizing her true treasures within allows her to be prepared when a mature man comes along. A mature man will offer her the proper love, commitment and devotion she deserves. It's time to cut it off. Don't wait for his main squeeze to visit; do it now. Remind her - don't settle for a second-hand man. Reach out, give her a fist bump and say: "Stop stumbling in the dark with Mr. Wrong, girl, when you could be dancing in the light with Mr. Right!" Now that's exactly what I would say to my BFF Dee.
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**Dearborn Heights
City Council Meeting**
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meeting at the Dearborn
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St.).

**Detroit
Drop in Ceramics**
Drop in every Monday and Fri-
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11:30AM - 3:30PM at the
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Ecorse
Ecorse Public Schools is now
offering ESL Adult Class (Eng-
lish Classes) to all downriver
community at the Grandport
Academy - 4536 6th St..

This first course is for 13
weeks started two weeks ago
on Wednesdays from 4-6pm.
Additionally, the program is of-
fering homework table for kids
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own basket.)

**Lincoln Park
Town Hall**
The Mayor and City Council
will hold a town hall meeting for
Monday, April 10th at the
Kennedy Memorial Building
(3240 Ferris Ave.), Room A at
6:30pm. The discussion will
center on the recent passage
of new medical marijuana reg-
ulations by the State of Michi-
gan, specifically, dispensaries
and growing and processing
facilities.

**River Rouge
Annual Easter Egg Hunt**
Join us Saturday, April 15th at
1:00pm in Memorial Park. (In
case of rain the hunt will be
held at the Ann Visger Gymna-
sium. Fun and prizes for kids
0 to 10 years old.

**Romulus
City Council Meeting**
Monday, April 10, 2017 at
7:30PM there will be a city
council meeting at the Romu-
lus Council Chambers of city
hall, located at 11111 Wayne
Rd.

**Westland
Egg-stravaganza**
April 8th from 10AM to noon,
there will be an egg hunt. \$3
for 1-13 year olds. \$1 for 14+
year olds. This event will be
held at the Wayne-Ford Civic
League, 1661 N. Wayne Rd.
There will be photos with the
Easter Bunny and crafts.

Egg Hunt
April 8th at 10AM at the Gate-
way Family Worship Center
(34645 Cowan Rd.) there will
be an egg hunt for 3 age
groups. Rain date is April 15th.
Bring your own baskets!

**Wyandotte
City Council**
Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7PM,
city council will meet in the
council chambers of Wyan-
dotte city hall (3200 Biddle
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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

By Wardell Montgomery, Jr.
September 1967

Photo by Dale Rich

There was a young lady who lived over a store
My cousin burned it down; she doesn't live there any-more.

Everyone was excited having lots of fun
And Daddy went out again with his shot gun.

Mama said we'll go window-shopping today
Through the broken windows we went shopping
And didn't pay.

It was better than a grand opening; everything was free
I got a bike, clothes and a color TV.

It must be Christmas in July
I got presents nobody had to buy.

One thing remains a mystery to me
It started over a pig that couldn't see.

I'm trying to remember something that I heard in the past
"People who live in stone houses shouldn't throw glass".

While we were out looting like it was a game
One of our neighbors set our home a-flame.

Looking at the burning cinders smoldering on the ground
A reporter ask if my house burnt up: I said no ...
It burnt down.

Mama is in jail because of her looting
Papa is dead because of the shooting.

I think we should have waited until December to buy
Instead of looting and shooting and having Christmas in July.

Somebody had to suffer so why shouldn't it be me
Anybody want to trade a daddy for a bike, clothes
And a color TV?

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SHOP TALK

Question of the Week

It seems like the number of crimes go up in the summer months, what are some things that the community can do to protect themselves and their family?

SPOTLIGHT ON HISTORY

Black History Quiz -

How much of your history do you know?

1. The first Black woman elected to congress was:
Patricia Harris
Barbara Jordan
Shirley Chisholm
Sadie Alexander

2. The first Black mayor of a major American city was:
Tom Bradley (Los Angeles)
Maynard Jackson (Atlanta)
Carl Stokes (Cleveland)
Harold Washington (Chicago)

3. The seventh day of Kwanza is observed on Jan 1 and is called:
Imani, meaning faith
Nia, meaning purpose
Kujichagulia, meaning self determination
Ukuumba, meaning creativity

4. Legislation to restrict the movement and freedom of freedmen was enacted in 1865 in Mississippi and was known as:
Black Rules
Negro Restrictions
Black Papers
Black Codes

5. The week-long celebration, "Negro History Week," which was expanded in 1976 and is now known as "Black History Month," was started in 1926 by:
Ralph Bunche
Nat Turner
Carter G. Woodson
John M. Langston

6. Gwendolyn Brooks, the first Black person to win a "Pulitzer Prize," won the prize for her book:
Jubilee
Soul on Ice
Annie Allen
The Fire Next Time

7. The first Black female aviator was:
Dr. Mae Carol Jemison
Ruth A. Lucas
Bessie Coleman
Phyllis Mae Dailey

8. The first Black person to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize (1950):

Dr. Ralph J. Bunche
Dr. Martin Luther King
Nelson Mandela
Dr. Benjamin Mays

9. One of the planners of what is now Washington, D. C.:
Booker T. Washington
Frederick Douglass
Hiram Rhodes Revels
Benjamin Banneker

10. The first Black-owned television station in the US began broadcasting in 1975 and was located in:
Los Angeles
Cincinnati
New York
Detroit

11. The first Black woman elected to the U.S. Senate in 1992 was:
Carol Mosley Braun
Barbara Jordan
Shirley Chisholm
Patricia Roberts Harris

12. All of the following were well-known Black poets except:
Langston Hughes
Arna Bontemps
Phyllis Wheatley
Sadie Alexander

13. Wilma Rudolph overcame scarlet fever and pneumonia, which left her crippled yet she emerged to win the 1960 Olympic Gold Medal in:
Ice Skating
Track
Tennis
Volleyball

14. Which Miss America went on to become a veterinarian?
Vanessa Williams
Kimberley Aiken
Suzette Charles
Debbie Turner

15. In 1970, he became the first Black person to

direct a movie for a major Hollywood studio:
Sidney Poitier
Harry Belafonte
Gordon Parks
Charles Mingus

16. His invention of an automatic traffic signal led to our present day traffic lights:
Phillip B. Downing
Garret Morgan
John Standard
Thomas Stewart

17. What is the oldest historically Black university in the United States?
Lincoln University (Ashmun Institute--Oxford, PA)
Lincoln College (Jefferson City, MO)
Fisk University (Nashville, TN)
Hampton University (Hampton Institute--Hampton, VA)

18. What year was the first Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday celebrated?
1981
1978
1993
1986

19. In 1960, what city became the first major metropolitan city to integrate its lunch counters?
San Antonio, TX
Greensboro, NC
Atlanta, GA
New Orleans, LA

20. Walter Francis White became the head of which civil rights group in 1931?
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NAACP
SCLC
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