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A Perfect Mother's Day in Three Simple Steps



It's the simple things that matter most

(StatePoint) It's the things that she seems to do so effortlessly that make a Mom special: the encouraging words at the perfect time, the small affectionate gesture when you need it most, the thoughtful advice that only she could provide.

This Mother's Day, follow these three simple steps to show Mom how much you love her and appreciate all that she does.

1. Share A Kind Word. She is the one who always reminded you to say "thank you" – this Mother's Day, show her you were listening and put pen to paper and capture a few words from the heart. Whether it's a beautiful card or a simple heartfelt letter, your mother will treasure the personalized sentiment.

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Inkster celebrates its Heritage *Ball Moulin Rouge*



The planning committee for the Ball Moulin Rouge pause to take a photo

The City of Inkster came out to celebrate their heritage on Saturday, May 6th. It was sponsored by the Inkster Task Force, Inkster Police Department and the office of Mayor Byron H. Nolen. The committee worked

tirelessly to make sure everyone in attendance had a great time.

The sold out event was held at Inkster Preparatory Academy. During the ball, Mayor Byron Nolen presented Theola Jones with the Heritage Award

for always showing her love for the City. The Black Tie Ball shared the history of Inkster (Moulin Rouge) and it was the premier event that the committee had planned for.

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GOD COULD NOT
BE EVERYWHERE,
AND THEREFORE
HE MADE MOTHERS.
-Rudyard Kipling

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Students from Ann Visger Elementary School participate in Earth Day by beautifying their school. They had several projects throughout the day

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Perfect Day

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2. Find a Gift as Meaningful as it is Beautiful. Jewelry is a popular way to express love and admiration – making it an ideal Mother’s Day gift. If you’re not sure where to start, a trusted jeweler can help you find something Mom is sure to treasure. For example, at Jared the Galleria of Jewelry, experts take the time to work with each customer to select the right piece for every occasion and recipient.

This Mother’s Day you can celebrate the most important milestones of the past year with a piece of jewelry, such as one from the Brilliant Moments collection featuring hand-selected diamonds; show your appreciation for her impeccable style with a gift from the popular Le Vian collection, which features rare and exotic diamonds and gems from around the world; or, for an even more personalized gift, check out the Pandora collection where you can create a unique piece or gift

set.

“It was such a pleasant surprise, and caught me completely off guard in the best way possible. It made Mother’s Day truly unforgettable,” said Daisy Teh of “The It Mom” after receiving a diamond necklace from Jared’s Brilliant Moments collection, “Having this necklace, with all that it means in our lives, is something that will always remind me of all the love that surrounds us.”

3. Remember the Little Things. Treat mom to a day of relaxation - whether that means cooking her favorite meal or checking a few chores off her to-do list yourself. Mom is always there to do the little things for us, so on her day, do those little things for her.

With a few words from the heart, a meaningful gift and a small gesture of kindness and appreciation you can give her the Mother’s Day she deserves.

President Trump Fires FBI Director James Comey



President Donald Trump



Former FBI Director James Comey

The president has fired FBI Director James Comey, who was overseeing an investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 elections and possible ties to the Trump campaign and top aides. The White House pointed to Comey's handling of the probe into Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton's private email server while secretary of state as the reason for his dismissal. But Democrats were quick to call the move "Nixonian," saying that the decision by Trump was part of an effort to impede the Justice Department's Russia investigation which, in the view of many leading Capitol Hill Democrats, could now only be managed by a special prosecutor going forward. "Today, President Donald J. Trump informed FBI Director James Comey that he has been terminated and removed from office. President Trump

White House to derail the investigation.

Politics
'Nothing Less Than Nixonian': Democrats React To Comey Firing
"The first question the administration has to answer is, why now?" said Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y. "If the administration had objections to the way Director Comey handled the Clinton investigation, they had those objections the minute the president got into office. But they didn't fire him then. Why did it happen today?"
"If Deputy Attorney General Rosenstein does not appoint an independent special prosecutor, every American will rightly suspect that the decision to fire Director Comey was part of a cover-up," Schumer continued.
FBI director became a flash-point in 2016 election
Comey first made waves in July 2016 when he announced that the FBI was not recommending any charges against Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton over her handling of her controversial private email server while she was secretary of state during the Obama administration.

Comey had repeatedly reiterated he planned to remain at the FBI, saying in March, "You're stuck with me for about 6 1/2 years."

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The “100 Day” Presidential Milestone Is Meaningless

By Armstrong Williams (NNPA Newswire Columnist)



Cecilia Marshall, Justice Thurgood Marshall's widow, keeps his legacy alive.
(Thurgood Marshall Center for Service and Heritage)

Cecilia Marshall never imagined that the battle for equal rights in schools and elsewhere would still be as vital today as it was six decades ago when her husband, United States Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, fought to end legal segregation as a civil rights lawyer with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

“We haven’t made too much progress,” said Cecilia Marshall, 88. “Sixty-three years later, we’re still fighting in the courts for equal treatment and that’s not what my husband, nor I would have imagined would be going on today.”

There’s little argument that one of the greatest achievements in the long and illustrious career of the late-Justice Thurgood Marshall, who died in 1993 at the age of 84, was the landmark decision in the 1954 Supreme Court case *Brown v. Board of Education*.

According to the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, in 1940, “Marshall became the key strategist in the effort to end racial segregation, in particular, meticulously challenging *Plessy v. Ferguson*, the Court-sanctioned legal doctrine that called for ‘separate but equal’ structures for Whites and Blacks.”

The *Brown v. Board of Education* lawsuit began as five separate cases filed in South Carolina, Delaware, Virginia, Washington, D.C. and Kansas. The plaintiffs in all of the cases alleged that the civil rights of their children under the 14th Amendment had been violated.

A biography about Justice Marshall that appears on The Legal Defense Fund’s website said that, “Marshall won a series of court decisions that gradually struck down [‘separate, but equal’], ultimately leading to *Brown v. Board of Education*, which he argued before the Supreme Court in 1952 and 1953,” finally overturning the doctrine and acknowledging that segregation greatly diminished students’ self-esteem.”

On May 17, 1954, the Supreme Court unanimously ruled that separate educational facilities were “inherently unequal” and that racial segregation of public schools violated the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

The *Brown v. Board of Education* decision came more than a decade before Marshall’s appointment to the Supreme Court. The decision has been credited with in-

spiring the Civil Rights Movement that unfolded over the next decade and it also led to Marshall being recognized as one of the most successful lawyers in America.

“He accomplished so much and worked so hard, but I thought by now we would have come so much further. He would have thought that, too,” said Marshall, whom loved ones and others affectionately call “Cissy.”

Her work continues in her husband’s memory.

On the 63rd anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*, Marshall and the Thurgood Marshall Center Trust plan to host a fundraising gala to observe the historic decision and to announce a call to action, which she’s titled, “Equal Education for All Based on the *Brown Decision*.”

The event will be held at the Thurgood Marshall Center for Service and Heritage in Northwest, Washington, D.C.

“The problems remain and this event, this anniversary, comes against the backdrop of a significantly troubling retrenchment of access to education for African-Americans, Latinos and other children,” Marshall said.

She cited a Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights report that said there are numerous factors that appear to have combined to cause the rapid re-segregation of schools since 1991, the year her husband retired from the bench.

The courts began turning against desegregation plans in the 1980s—denying new petitions to desegregate schools, ending previous court imposed plans and even striking down voluntary plans created by local school districts, according to the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, a diverse collective of more than 200 national civil and human rights groups.

Further, executive branch agencies topped the aggressive campaign to enforce the *Brown* decision and the Civil Rights Act that proved successful in the 1960s and 1970s, the Leadership Conference reported.

In a statement about the report, the Leadership Conference said that the rapid growth of the His-

panic and African-American populations and growing income disparities have increased the concentration of minorities living in high poverty districts.

Leaders from the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) and others plan to join Marshall at the historic event to celebrate the life and legacy of Justice Thurgood Marshall.

“The NNPA reaffirms the living legacy of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall,” said Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis, Jr., the president and CEO of the NNPA. “We note this month the 63rd anniversary of the landmark 1954 Supreme Court decision. Marshall utilized his legal genius and courage to win that case.”

Chavis continued: “Today, it’s important to reassert the critical importance of continuing to demand equal, high-quality education for Black American students and all students across the nation.”

Marshall, she said that, she still gathers with the wives of former and current Supreme Court Justices.

“We’re a big family, we call ourselves ‘sisters,’” she said.

Those get-togethers, as well as the success of her two sons—Thurgood, Jr., and John W. —serve to further validate her husband’s legacy.

“Seeing his sons grow up to become adults—Thurgood, Jr. a lawyer; and John serving in civil service—has been a great joy,” said Marshall. “My husband gave me and all of us a great life and his favorite slogan was something we’ve always lived by and I still live by today, especially when I think of the state of things in this country.”

She said that slogan is, “Never give up.”

IT’S TIME TO READ!!

Representatives Ask for Attorney General Opinion on AK Steel

Michigan Strategic Fund board approved controversial tax credits

LANSING —State Reps. Stephanie Chang (D-Detroit), Abdullah Hammoud (D-Dearborn), Pete Lucido (R-Shelby Township) and Martin Howrylak (R-Troy) announced today that they are asking Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette for an opinion about the legality of the Michigan Strategic Fund board’s approval transferring Severstal North America’s tax credits to AK Steel. The legislators said that by going around the Legislature, the company may avoid answering questions about environmental protections for surrounding neighborhoods and could be violating Michigan’s Income Tax Act. Last session, Senate Bills 1162 and 1163 would have allowed AK Steel to claim MEGA tax credits that were awarded to the previous operator of the facility, but those bills did not receive a vote on the House floor. At their Tuesday, April 25 meeting, the MSF awarded both MEGA and brownfield credits without legislative approval.

“AK Steel has received several air quality violations from the Department of Environmental Quality since acquiring the Dearborn site — as recently as this February and last October,” Rep. Chang said. “The fact that this corporate tax break comes without any environmental protections or accountability adds even greater insult to the rushed, non-transparent process MEDC used to push through a proposal with questionable legality. This should have gone through legislative vetting and greater public scrutiny. We are hopeful that the Attorney General will weigh in on the legal issues at hand.”

“Dearborn residents are concerned about this plant and its effect on air quality, and yet they’ve been deprived of having their say in this process just as the Legislature has,” said Rep. Hammoud. “Citizens and

the Legislature should have had a say in this, but the MSF went around us and granted the tax credit agreement to AK Steel. I hope Attorney General Schuette will weigh in on this and argue for greater transparency so that residents and their elected representatives can have a say in these matters.”

“This whole process has been very convoluted,” said Rep. Lucido, “First, AK Steel wanted legislative approval, which is the proper venue for this request. However, when they couldn’t get it done through the legislature they go around us and get a dubious approval from the MEDC. With the implications in the business tax filings, and the jumping around the state government looking for what they wanted, it is proper for the Attorney General to review this matter to see if the law was broken.” “The Michigan Strategic Fund Board’s decision sets a dangerous precedent by allowing a specific company to acquire a tax loophole without going through the legislative process to amend the Tax Code,” said Rep. Howrylak. “In light of the precedent set forth by this decision, it is appropriate to request the Attorney General’s legal insight to ensure transparency and equal accountability under the law.”

The representatives are basing their request for an attorney general’s opinion on AK Steel’s filing for the credit. AK Steel filed its first tax return after Dec. 31, 2011, under the corporate income tax. Nothing in the documents provided by the MEDC to the Michigan Strategic Fund Board indicates what authority is being used to reauthorize AK Steel to file under the Michigan Business Tax Act. This would appear to be a requirement for receiving the MEGA and brownfield credits they intend to receive under the agreement.

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God Provides

By Janine Folks - Religion Columnist



A few days ago, I went to Kroger to get some groceries. I did the self checkout as I often do. I usually decline the cash back option, but on this day, I decided that \$40 cash would be good to have on hand. Almost at my next stop, to pick up my son at the barber shop, I reached for my cash and it was not there.

I thought about my cash back request and did not recall removing my cash from the dispenser. I hurried and called the location and headed over there. While on hold and driving, I was hoping that someone was honest enough to turn in my cash.

That thought prompted me to ask myself, "what would you do?" I like to think if I had found \$40 in the cash dispenser, I'd turn it in to be given back. But I also thought that whoever picked it up probably thought it was their lucky day to find \$40 and pocket it.

The finder might have also gone so far as to count it a blessing from God to have \$40 show up for them to pick up so easily.

When I arrived at the Kroger, before they could answer me by phone, I ran to the register area and asked an employee if anyone had turned in \$40. She went on to tell me how very common it is for this kind thing to occur. I found myself angry and not angry. What if the person who picked up the \$40 was in dire need of it? What if it really did bless them. What if a single mom was down to her last dime after buying food and needed that \$40? God knows I've been there. So I figured if they needed to take it that badly, they should have it.

When I thought about it that way, my feelings changed. I then felt grateful that it was only a \$40 loss. I reminded myself that it could have been worse. After my frustration calmed down, I prayed for peace and in my heart, I knew God would recompense for the loss.

Two days later, I decided to stop by the airport to purchase round flight tickets for my daughter so she could visit me. A few days prior, I went online and priced tickets at \$135 roundtrip. That was the lowest fare available and I knew I needed to hurry before prices skyrocketed. I have the attendant my travels dates and waited for a price.

I was hoping and praying that it did not go up from the \$135 the other day. I braced myself for price and the attendant said, "\$80." "\$80!" That's more than \$55 lower than the lowest price two days prior. This was a pleasant surprise and I almost hugged the attendant.

I thanked God for the \$55 savings and He reminded me of the \$40 loss the other day. This reminded me that in life, THINGS BALANCE OUT. When our perspective is right on losses and we pray about it, God is a faithful Provider who can replenish and restore. God will give you back more than you lost.

I leave you with this thought, "Trust God to provide." Genesis 22:14. Also, when you lose or find something, imagine how you would feel being on the other end and let that guide your choices. Will you return or keep something you find? When you lose something, will you trust God to replace it with greater? Consider Proverb 6:30 and Phil. 3:8. Peace and blessings to you. Pray always. Your Redeemer LIVES! God PROVIDES!

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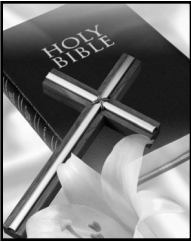
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Mary was born in Marianna Arkansas. She married her high school sweetheart John Jordan, Sr. and moved to Detroit. She later married Henry Wilson. She was a devout Christian and loved to cook. No one left Mary's Kitchen without being full, spiritually and physically. She leaves to cherish her memory her sons, John Jr and Kevin (Tanesha), Honorary Children: Choya and Joel Jordan and the children she raised as her own, Shaun, Erika and Ryan., 7 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and a host of family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted to Trinity Chapel Funeral Home 20226 W. McNichols Detroit.

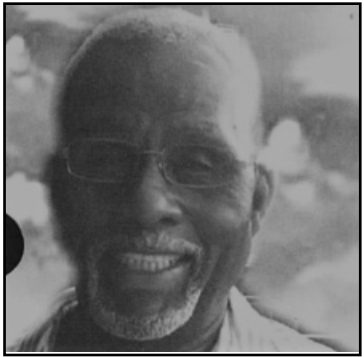


DEACON CLEOPHUS
ANDERSON
DEC. 7, 1936 – APR. 17, 2017
Cleophus was born in Memphis, Tennessee. His family relocated to Detroit while Cleophus was a young child. He was affectionately known as "Bubba" to his family. He retired from Walter Ruther Hospital and from Detroit Metropolitan Airport. He was known as a Bible Scholar and served as Deacon and security at Pentecostal Temple COGIC. He is survived by his wife Charlotte Anderson, three sisters Reather, Mamie and Gwenda, three brothers Clemmon, Joseph and Kenneth, his daughters and many other family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home 3015 Inkster Rd. Inkster, MI



O'DELL JACKSON
APR. 23, 1934 – APR. 18, 2017
O'Dell was born in Detroit and was a wonderful mother to her only son Duane Jackson who preceded her in death. She became an Entrepreneur in her early 20s owning several businesses and properties throughout her life. She was a fun and happy person who loved the Lord and her family and served as a member of the Nettie Carter Jackson Temple No. 1179. She leaves to mourn two grand-

daughters Dawnitta Evans (Tiki) and Duana Frazier and many grandchildren, great grandchildren, family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted Stinson Funeral Home 16540 Meyers Rd, Detroit, MI.



ALFRED COONE
MAR. 2, 1942 – APR. 19, 2017
Alfred was born in Detroit and known as the Peanut man at the plant. He worked at Ford Motor Company for 42 years starting at the age of 24. He proudly served his country in the Vietnam War. He loved to dress to impress and enjoyed cruising around in his cars often taking road trips from state to state. He leaves to cherish him memory his wife Deborah, daughter Ebony, stepson Jason, stepdaughter Tiffany, two brother-in-laws Roderick (Lenel) and Christopher, nine grandchildren and several family and friends as well as friends from Wayne Stamping Plant and Local 900. Final arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home 3015 Inkster Rd., Inkster,



VENITA BERNADETTE
LINDSEY
DEC 26, 1945 – APR 6, 2017
Venita was born in Detroit, MI. She worked as a laboratory technician at Annapolis Hospital where she worked for 20 years. She received her Associates Degree from Wayne County Community College. She was a Girl Scout leader for 10 years. In 2016, she gave her life to Christ. She was a woman who believed in living each day to the fullest. She leaves a husband Ronald Lindsey, Sr. who she was married to for 53 years, her father James Byrd and wife Agnes, brothers Dion and Tori Byrd, daughters Lynn Brintley, Lisa Walker and son Ronald Lindsey Jr. and many family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home 3015 Inkster Rd in Inkster, MI



JAMES E. BEARD SR.
AUG. 19, 1947 – APR. 17, 2017
James was born in Haskell, Okla-

homa and moved to Detroit in 1969. He obtained his Master Mechanic License and was a good mechanic. He began truck driving in 1982 and loved driving the 'Big Rigs'. He became a member of Palestine MBC and served as security captain and joined the men's ministry. He loved life and watching movies. He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife of 44 years, Lula; four sons Tommy (Dovie), Arnold (Joya), James (Tela), Eric (Ebony); one daughter Debra Jean; three sisters Doris Wood, Angel Filmore and Kim Beard, two brothers Min. Roger Beard and Keith Beard and a host of family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted to Trinity Chapel Funeral Home 20226 W. McNichols Detroit.



MOTHER SHIRLEY JEAN
HATHORNE
SEPT. 6, 1935 – APR. 24, 2017
Shirley was born in 'Black Bottom' (Detroit). She graduated from River Rouge High School and got her first job as a receptionist at Dr. Milton's and Thornton's Medical Office. She was an active member of International Gospel Center and was blessed to serve under the late Apostle Charles O. Miles. She heard the Master's Calling and the rest is history. She leaves to cherish her memory her children, Wanda (Tim) Bowman, Chrystal Hopkins, Joyua (Filmore) Bouldes. Her beloved husband Kenneth Hathorne and her children by marriage; Eddie, Kenneth (Tina), Ricky, Rose, Maria, Byron (Mary, Linda (Adolph) Smith, Helen (Karl) Boswell, Gloria Keith (Penelope), Marcus, Noel, Lillian, Luvenia, Jacquel (Carl) Senters and Prince and many family and friends. Final arrangements were entrusted to Trinity Chapel Funeral Homes, Inc, 1939 S. Fort St. Detroit, MI

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McClary Elected to Leadership of Michigan Funeral Directors Association Westland Funeral Director To Represent Region on State Board



LANSING - Gregory McClary president and owner of McClary Funeral Services Inc and Chapel of the Chimes in Westland was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association (MFDA). The MFDA is a professional organization representing roughly 1200 fu-

neral directors serving 500 funeral homes statewide and over three-quarters of all mortuary science licensees in Michigan. McClary was installed in Grand Rapids at the Association's 138111 annual convention.
In his new role as a member of the Board of Directors from District #1. which encompasses Detroit and western Wayne county, McClary will represent MFDA members from the Detroit area. A native of South Carolina. McClary matriculated to the Gupton.Jones College of Mortuary Science in Adanta Georgia. Since that time, McClary has amassed over 35 years of experience in the funeral profession as a licensed Funeral Director and

West Virginia Police Officer Fired for Not Shooting Files Suit Against Municipality



Officer Stephen Mader lost his job on June 7, 2016, a month after another police officer fatally shot Ronald "RJ" Williams.
WEIRTON, W.Va. – The American Civil Liberties Union of West Virginia and the Law Offices of Timothy P. O'Brien, Esq. (lead counsel) have filed a wrongful termination lawsuit against the city of Weirton, West Virginia, on behalf of Stephen Mader, who was fired from the Weirton Police Department because he chose not to shoot and kill R.J. Williams, an African-American male, during a domestic disturbance call in May 2016.

Williams' girlfriend had called 911 because he was threatening to hurt himself with a knife. When Mader reached the house, he found Williams outside with his hands behind his back. After several orders from Mader, Williams showed his hands, and he was holding a gun. He said to Mader repeatedly, "Just shoot me," and Mader kept replying calmly, "I'm not going to shoot you. Just put the gun down." Williams appeared to be choked up; Mader was certain he was suicidal. Two other officers arrived at the scene, and within seconds, one shot Williams in the head, killing him. The Weirton Police Department placed Mader on administrative leave and then fired him for supposedly putting other officers at risk by failing to shoot and kill Williams.

"When I arrived at the scene, Mr. Williams was pleading for me to shoot him. He didn't appear angry

or aggressive," says Stephen Mader. "He seemed depressed. As a marine vet that served in Afghanistan and as an active member of the National Guard, all my training told me he was not a threat to others or me. Because of that I attempted to deescalate the situation. I was just doing my job."

After the shooting, police confirmed that the gun held by R.J. Williams — as had been reported by Williams's girlfriend and as Mader suspected — wasn't loaded.

"The city of Weirton's decision to fire officer Mader because he chose not to shoot and kill a fellow citizen — when he believed that he should not use such force, not only violates the Constitution, common sense and public policy — but incredibly punishes restraint — when given the tragic, and, far too frequent unnecessary use of deadly force," says lead counsel, Timothy P. O'Brien. "Such restraint should be praised, not penalized. To tell a police officer — when in doubt — either shoot to kill, or get fired, is a choice that no police officer should ever have to make and is a message that is wrong and should never be sent."

After the city of Weirton fired Mader, he spoke to a newspaper about the death of Williams and his termination. In response, the city and its agents engaged in a campaign to harass Mader and tarnish his reputation by holding a press conference making false allegations against Mader, sending profanity-laced text messages and spreading misinformation about him at his job training program.

"Officer Mader did exactly what we want our police officers to do. He attempted to deescalate a tense situation. He attempted to save R.J. Williams' life. The Weirton Police Department so deeply misunderstands Stephen Mader's sensible attempt to prevent violence and death that it kicked him

Officer
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Detroit Drop in Ceramics
Drop in every Monday and Friday for a ceramics class from 11:30AM - 3:30PM at the Farewell Recreation Center, 2711 E. Outer Dr. For ages 50 and older.

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Introduction to Ballroom
Join us every Tuesday for an Introduction to Ballroom class from 1-3PM at the Farewell Recreation Center, 2711 E. Outer Dr. For ages 50 and older.

Harper Woods City Council Meeting
There will be a city council meeting May 1, 2017 from 7-9PM in the council chambers of city hall, 26215 Trowbridge.

Inkster City Council Meeting
Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7 PM there will be a special city council meeting at the John A. Aloise Council Chambers in the Lincoln Park city hall, 1355 Southfield Rd.

Lincoln Park City Council Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7 PM there will be a special city council meeting at the John A. Aloise Council Chambers in the Lincoln Park city hall, 1355 Southfield Rd.

River Rouge City Council Meeting
There will be a city council meeting May 16, 2017 at 7:30PM at city hall, 10600 W. Jefferson Ave.

Westland Permit Free Garage Sales
The City of Westland is offering a weekend of Permit Free Garage Sales the weekend of May 12th. Residents can host a garage sale/yard sale and avoid the normal \$12.00 permit fee. As an added bonus incentive to participate, and to help your sale be successful, the City will help promote your sale FREE on our website. Visit www.cityofwestland.com to learn more and to register your sale to send buyers right to you.

Westland Farmer's Market
The Westland Farmer's Market will be held at the Farmers Market Pavillion located at 1901 N Carlson. The Market will take place every Thursday from 3-7p.m through October.

Wyandotte City Council Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7PM, there will be a city council meeting in the council chambers of city hall, 3200 Biddle Ave., Suite 300.

CRIME ALERT - POLICE DEPT. BLOTTER FOR MAY 6, 2017 RIVER ROUGE

May 3rd, 2017

At 1130hrs, an officer was dispatched to the police station lobby on a report of Assault & Battery. A 25 year old female stated she broke up with her boyfriend and went to his home in Melvindale to pick up her belongings. She stated while she was there she was looking through the residence when she came across some of her old cellular phones that the boyfriend had taken from her. So she took her phones and her other property while her 23 year old boyfriend stood by. At 1030hr, the boyfriend and another female enter in the 100 Block of Haltiner Street without her permission, while she was lying in bed. They entered her room and grabbed her by her hair and pulled her out of bed. The boyfriend asked her where the cell phones were and she told him she didn't have them and that they were hers. The boyfriend told the female that was with him to hit her and she told him no and agreed that the phones belonged to his girlfriend. The boyfriend began moving things around in the bedroom until he located one of them under her mattress and he broke it. The girlfriend states she didn't have any injuries and the female that accompanied him was unknown and lived in Woodhaven.

May 2nd, 2017

At 1946hrs, officers were dispatched to the 500 Block of Beechwood Street on a Threats complaints. A 41 year old female states at 1730hrs her 18 year old daughter and her 19 year old boyfriend got into an altercation on 18th & Hyacinth Avenue in the City of Ecorse. When she was leaving he took out a semi-automatic

handgun and shot off several rounds. She states she fled with her month old daughter and fled back to her home. The boyfriend came to her home in the alleyway and threatened to shoot her because of their previous altercation. He told her to quit playing with him or he would shoot at her. He is known to ride on a bicycle and carry a weapon.

May 1st, 2107

At 1157hrs, officers were dispatched to the 200 Block of Goodell Street on a disturbance. A 19 year old female stated that a 19 year old female entered her home and pepper sprayed her residence. The officers smelled a strong odor of pepper and began coughing and choking on the fumes. The female told her daughter to stay outside and get fresh air. The daughter's eyes began to burn and she couldn't see out of them so Rapid Response was notified. The mother states the incident began at 1150hrs, when she heard a knock at the front door, and when she opened the door the suspect female was standing there and began making threats towards the mother stating she was going to beat her up for an incident that occurred with her daughter and the suspect. The mother told the female to get off her property while she walked back inside. Then suddenly the suspect female open her door and entered her living room and pulled out the pepper spray and began spraying. The suspect female left and went home in the 300 Block of Goodell Street.

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fun, interesting and relevant.

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cludes at about 11:45 a.m. This event brings thousands of people together to celebrate, honor and remember those touched by breast cancer, and to raise awareness and funds to help end this disease. For more information visit <http://www.karmanoscancer.org/KomenDetroit>.



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Many STD infections that can occur in pregnant women can also affect a newborn baby. However, the transmission of these infections to the baby may be prevented with proper testing during pregnancy. Testing pregnant women for HIV, hepatitis B and syphilis

multiple times during pregnancy will lead to better health outcomes for both the pregnant woman and her unborn baby.

“If a physician is aware of the woman’s infection be-

fore the baby is born, they can provide treatment to ensure the baby doesn’t become infected,” says Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for MDHHS.

FREE HIV Testing will be held on Monday, May 15th at the Telegram Building, 10748 W. Jefferson Ave. in River Rouge. Stop by from 11am - 4pm. Confidential testing and counseling will be available. Results will be available in 20 minutes.

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off the force and then publicly attacked his character when he spoke out,” said Joseph Cohen, Executive Director of the ACLU of West Virginia. “The Weirton Police Department, like so many others in West Virginia, needs training to appropriately engage with people, to fight the implicit biases that infect our society, and to make deescalation a primary goal.”

“I lost a job I loved,” says Mader.

“As a police officer, I took an oath to protect and serve my community. I feel like I was fired for trying to uphold that. Even still, I would have done the same thing.”

The complaint in Mader v. Weirton is available at: <http://acluwv.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/2017-05-09-Complaint.pdf>

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It shall be the duty of every owner, possessor or occupier of land within the City of Inkster, Wayne County, State of Michigan or of every person or persons, firm or corporation having charge of any such lands, to cut or cause to be cut down and destroyed all Canada thistles, milkweed, wild carrots, oxeye daisies, asclepiad, cornutus, ragweed, poison ivy, burdock, yellow dock, sweet clover, sand burrs, goldenrod, dodders, mustards, bindweed, perennial sow thistle, hoary alyssum, quack-grass, crab-grass and poison sumac or other noxious weeds growing thereon, at least twice each year, once before the first day of May and again before the first day of September, and as often as may be necessary to prevent said noxious weeds from exceeding a height of six (6) inches.

Felicia Rutledge
City Clerk
Inkster, Michigan

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

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BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ECORSE COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Ordinance # 17.31

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ECORSE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 731 TO PROVIDE FOR A SERVICE CHARGE IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR A PROPOSED MULTIPLE FAMILY PROJECT FOR PERSONS OF LOW OR MODERATE INCOME TO FINANCED OR ASSISTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACT OF 1966 (1966 [A 346, AS AMENDED, MCL SECTION 125.1402 ET. SEQ., MSA SECTION 16.114 (1) ET. SEQ.)

A copy of this ordinance is posted outside the City Clerk's office and outside the Council Chambers at 3869 W. Jefferson, Ecorse, MI 48229. Also a copy of this ordinance can be viewed at the Ecorse Public Library at 4184 W. Jefferson, Ecorse, MI 48229.

Dana Hughes
City Clerk

Published: April 27, 2017
May 4, 2017

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOXIOUS WEEDS ORDINANCE

To any Owner of Lands Situated Within the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne and State of Michigan

Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing and all dead grass and brush on any land within the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne and State of Michigan, must be cut down, destroyed and removed on or before the first day of May, 2017 to prevent such weeds from going to seed or blossom, as the case may be, and to prevent such dead grass and brush from becoming a fire hazard.

Failure to comply with this notice on or before the above mentioned date shall make any party so failing liable for the actual costs incurred by the City for cutting, destroying and removing said noxious weed and dead grass and brush by said City.

A statement of said cost shall be mailed to the owner and occupant, if any. If the statement is not paid by 1/1 following the cutting season, the unpaid sum shall be placed on the tax roll and be charged against the parcel or property involved.

Dana Hughes
City Clerk

PUBLISH: April 27, 2017
May 4, 2017

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

New Ordinances

The following new ordinances were approved by City Council on April 18, 2017.

Ordinance 17-465 - An ordinance to control the parking of vehicles, trucks, recreational vehicles and storage trailers

Ordinance 17-466 - An ordinance to provide for the establishment of a Parking Violations Bureau

Sue Joseph - Deputy City Clerk

CITY OF INKSTER PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF INKSTER

In accordance with the City of Inkster City Charter Chapter 7, Sec. 7.8; an abstract of the proceedings of the May 1, 2017 Regular Council Meeting is hereby published.

APPROVED:

Approval of the Agenda.

Approval of the Consent Agenda.

A public hearing on the FY2017-2018 budget.

Approval of one appointment to a Board and Commission.

Approval of amending the word "City Manager" to "Mayor" in all city codes.

Approval to open up city IT Services for RFP.

Approval accepting the HAVA Grant and purchase of a tabulator.

Approval of change/alter work rules consistent with the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Approval of a closed session item.

Felicia Rutledge
City Clerk

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CUT WEEDS AND GRASS

Please take notice, that all noxious weeds and/or vegetation growing and all dead grass and brush on any land within the City of River Rouge, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, must be cut down, destroyed and removed on or before the 15th day of May, 2017, to prevent such weed and/or vegetation from going to seed or to blossom, as the case may be, and to prevent potential breeding ground for mosquitoes, rodents or other, that would pose a threat to the public health, safety and welfare.

Failure to comply with this notice on or before the above mentioned date and the periods stated in the ordinance, being as often as required during the months of May through October of each year, shall be cause for the city to remove the violation and assess the cost cutting, destroying and/or removing to be levied and collected against said lands in the same manner as prescribed by the City Charter and Code of Ordinances.

Patricia H. Johnson
City Clerk

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Odyssey Media’s ‘Keys to Success’ Elevates Black Women-owned Businesses

By Lauren Poteat (NNPA Newswire Contributor)



Linda Spradley Dunn is the CEO and founder of Odyssey Media. (Odyssey Media)

In an effort to increase opportunities for Black women entrepreneurs, Odyssey Media launched “Keys to Success: Access to Capital,” a \$25,000 business pitch competition and digital workshop series for women of color who own and operate small businesses. The Coca-Cola Company’s “5by20 Initiative” supported Odyssey Media in the launch of the competition and workshop series. The digital workshop series, which is available until May 5, features three different 45-minute segments that walk participants through applications for traditional loans, alternative financing, strengthening their financial image, and revitalizing company brands. Participants must view the entire digital workshop series and complete the application process by May 5 at 10 p.m. EST to be eligible for the \$25,000 grand prize. A press official with Odyssey Media, a Black-owned marketing and communications company, said that the business pitch competition, is only open

to businesses that are certified minority- and women-owned, or are in the process of getting these certifications, and have been established at least three years. Linda Spradley Dunn, the CEO and founder of Odyssey Media, said that when it comes to accessing capital for minority female business owners, race and gender do play a big role. “However, I tell female entrepreneurs, all the time, not to beat themselves up about it; understand it and move on,” said Dunn. “Once you fully understand the way capital and funding works, it then becomes easier to access it and that’s what ‘Keys to Success’ is all about: providing a platform to solve the number one issue facing women minority business owners—access to capital.” In the 2015 State of

Women-Owned Businesses Report, commissioned by American Express OPEN, the number of Black female-owned businesses increased from one in six in 1997, to one in three in 2015, making them the fastest growing group of entrepreneurs in the United States. While this trend proves to be promising, only 14 out of the 30 percent of women-owned businesses in the U.S. are run by minority women. The Odyssey Network Business Retreat, scheduled for May 22-May 26 at the Ritz-Carlton on Amelia Island, located off the northeast coast of Florida, is the finale event for the program. The retreat will feature keynote addresses from top-level businesswomen of color, panel discussions and wellness activities, according to a press official with Odyssey Media. The event is open to the finalists of the business competition. Cheryl McCants, the Keys to Success program manager, said that the annual Odyssey Network Business Retreat will give participants the opportunity to receive on-site coaching and to rehearse their pitches in front of body language specialists. McCants added that the experience is a “fabulous opportunity” for businesses at any stage.


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CITY OF RIVER ROUGE HOUSING PUBLIC NOTICE

PRE-BID MEETINGS FOR RRHC INVITATION TO BIDDERS 2017

Pest Control	@10:00am	Tues. May 23, 2017
Lawn services	@12:00pm	Tues. May 23, 2017
Snow Removal	@12:00pm	Tues. May 23, 2017
Plumbing Services	@10:00am	Wed. May 24, 2017
Heating & Cooling	@12:00pm	Wed. May 24, 2017
Janitorial Services	@10:00am	Thur. May 25, 2017
General Labor Services	@10:00am	Thur. May 25, 2017
Comprehensive Maintenance	@12:00pm	Thur. May 25, 2017

***NOTE: NO FEE FOR BID PACKETS

1. Lawn Services
2. Snow Removal
3. Plumbing Services
4. Heating and Cooling
5. General Labor
6. Comprehensive Maintenance
7. Pest Control
8. Janitorial Services

ALL PRE-BID MEETINGS ARE HELD AT:
HYACINTH COURT
460 ½ LENOIR CT., RIVER ROUGE, MI 48218

**** ALL PACKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON:** May 11, 2017
****ALL PACKETS ARE DUE IN THE MAIN OFFICE ON:** June 8, 2017 BY 2:00pm

LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED **NO EXCEPTIONS**

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE HOUSING PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO BIDDERS

The River Rouge Housing Commission request bid proposals for the services listed below for its 300 Public Housing dwelling units, Hyacinth Court II Community Center and its Main Office. Bid packets will be available for pick up on Thursday May 11, 2017 at the River Rouge Housing Commission, 180 Visger Rd., River Rouge, MI 48218. Sealed bids will be received for the list below by the River Rouge Housing Commission until 2:00pm Thursday, June 8, 2017. Bids received after 2:00pm on June 8, 2017 will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder. For more information contact River Rouge Housing Commission Monday-Friday during normal business hours from 8:00am – 4:30 pm at 313-382-1414.

No fee for packets

1. Comprehensive Maintenance
2. General Labor Services
3. Heating and Cooling Services
4. Janitorial Services
5. Lawn Services
6. Pest Control Services
7. Plumbing Services
8. Snow Removal Services

Interested bidders may obtain bid documents from the River Rouge Housing Commission.

All Bids must be addressed to:

River Rouge Housing Commission
180 Visger Rd.
River Rouge, MI 48218
Attn: Lori D. Long, Executive Director

NOTE: ALL AWARDED CONTRACTS WILL BE FOR ONE YEAR
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2. Representations, Certification and Other Statements of bidders (HUD Form 3569-A completed by bidder)
3. Contractor’s Qualification Statement (AIA Documents A305 completed by bidder)
4. Certification of Non Segregated Facilities (completed by bidder)
5. Section 3 Form

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Pistons Academy Summer Schedule

By Butch



The Detroit Pistons announced this past Monday the summer schedule for "Pistons Academy" presented by Kroger youth basketball camps that begin Monday, June 19 at Franklin Athletic Club in Southfield, MI. The camp tour will visit 15 metro Detroit locations, with the newest additions of downtown Detroit, S.A.Y. Detroit and at the YMCA Southgate on Northline road.

"We are excited about this year's Pistons Academy youth basketball camp schedule," said Geo Thomas, Director of Basketball Fan Development. "With the addition of downtown Detroit, S.A.Y. Detroit and Southgate to the camp tour, along with working in conjunction with other YMCA's, our outstanding staff is looking forward to delivering dynamic basketball fun and instruction to kids throughout Michigan."

"We are pleased to expand Pistons Academy youth basketball camps in Detroit," said Charlie Metzger, Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing and Communications Officer for the Detroit Pistons. "Our continued commitment to youth programing helps provide a safe and inspiring environment for youth to learn, play and develop skills."

"Pistons Academy" youth basketball campers receive NBA-level instruction and individual skill development in an atmosphere that promotes increased passion for the game. Three and five-day camp sessions are available for boys and girls entering grades 2-10 and range from \$100-276 per camp. Each day

consists of professional instruction and innovative skill development during the morning hours followed by full-court games and contests in the afternoon. All youngsters participating will receive an exclusive Pistons reversible jersey, a personalized skill-evaluation report card, and visits by Detroit Pistons' personalities, and a complimentary ticket to a 2017-18 Detroit Pistons home game at Little Caesars Arena. All campers will have an opportunity to win awards at the completion of each camp day.

In addition, for the second consecutive year, "Pistons Academy" will offer a hoopsfest to high school students entering grades 9-11. The High School Hoopsfest will take place July 10-14 at The Palace of Auburn Hills from 5-7 p.m. with a \$125 admission fee.

Parents can follow the daily progress of camp and view live updates by visiting www.pistonsacademy.com on the web or on the Pistons Academy Facebook page at Pistons Academy. For more information on "Pistons Academy" Youth Camps and registration, please visit us online at www.pistonsacademy.com or call (248) 377- 8653.

Here are the dates of the Pistons Academy Youth Basketball Camps presented by Kroger for the readers in the Telegram News reading area.

July 5-7, Grade 3-9, Boll YMCA, 9 am-3 pm, 1401 Broadway St., Detroit, MI.

July 10-14, Grade 9-11, High School Hoopfest, 5 pm-7 pm, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 6 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills, MI.

July 17-21, Grade 3-8, Downriver YMCA, 9 am-3 pm, 16777 Northline Rd., Southgate, MI.

Aug. 28-30, Grade 3-9, S.A.Y. Detroit Play Center, 9 am-3 pm, 19320 Van Dyke, Detroit, MI.

Inkster Legends' Banner gets new location at Booker Dozier Recreation Center



Last week Booker Dozier Recreation Director Craig Lewis unveiled the new location for the Inkster High School Basketball Hall of Fame Banner shared by the Basketball Legends of Inkster and President-Director Fred Smiley.

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O'Neal	1959 Jessie
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Bonam	1966 Richard
Walker	1967 Jerry Allison
	1970 Duane Fox
1971	Eartha (Boo Boo)Faust
	1972
Alvin(Bo)Dukes	1979 Al-
bert White	1995

Time for the Tigers to Make Changes

By Butch Davis



Do you feel all alone in life after the Detroit Tiger and number 57, Francisco Rodriguez, AKA, K-Rod this past Sunday, having already blown a 6-5 lead thanks to a leadoff walk and Jed Lowrie RBI double, K-Rod tried to sneak a 1-0, 89 mph fastball past Ryon Healy of Oakland who pounded the game-winning home run over the fence. This happen after last Saturday's Tigers 5-4 led with two outs and nobody on base when a walk, a double and then a two-run single by Adam Rosales of the A's sent Rodriguez and the Tigers to the showers with a loss and Tigers Brad Ausmus defeating K-Rod after the game. That's already four blown saves for Rodriguez, nonetheless all blown saves aren't created equal. His four blown saves were also all defeats on his ledger. Francisco Rodriguez, AKA, K-Rod is 1-4 with an 8.49 ERA and 24 base runners allowed in just 11 2/3 innings pitched this season, including four home runs.

Now sports fans there shouldn't be a discussion, Ausmus can't keep losing games as Rodriguez wrecks the Tigers' season. K-Rod has lived on the edge for years, succeeding with that motion that is all arms

and legs, hoping there is enough trickery in his delivery. However, the Detroit bullpen remains a mess, yet again. Former closer-of-the-future Bruce Rondon was sent back to the minors after allowing six runs in 1 1/3 innings early this year. Current closer-of-the-future Joe Jimenez was called up served up two home runs in five appearances and was sent back down to AAA Toledo. How about Shane Greene? I give up!

Ausmus needs to get this figured out now, because this Detroit team isn't strong enough to carry a weak pen like it has in some years. Jordan Zimmermann looks terrible at time after five innings, and Daniel Norris continues to struggle with control and high pitch counts. So, sure, have a discussion, then I suspect Ausmus will be handing the ball to someone besides K-Rod the next time the Tigers lead in the ninth inning. You can't judge Ausmus for the talent he has in the bullpen; however, you can judge him for how he handle the pitcher in has in the bullpen. Yes the melody goes, other than the Wilson Brothers, he does not have a good bullpen to work with.

In addition, guess what? It

would not be react excessively for the Tigers to act now. It's incredible how much they've relied on aging pitchers and gotten burned in the pass. They released Mark Lowe and Mike Pelfrey before the season, and still are searching for any kind of role for Anibal Sanchez who is pitching awful. Is it that current GM Al Avila seem to scuffle when it comes to putting together an organization that can get outs consistently after the starter leaves the game, or else keying on the players in the field to execute the defensive fundamentals elsewhere in the game for that matter.

Indeed patience's has to be nearly exhausted with Rodriguez, who might have to find his command in earlier innings, if that's possible. That old baseball adage it's baseball, or saying it's a long season and you can't make rash judgments is getting very old and ugly for us fans to listen to and watch in person or on the television. If the Tigers stay in contention despite Rodriguez's struggles, it'd be up to GM Avila and owner Chris Ilitch to make bigger moves to keep the Tigers in contention in the Central Division of the American League.

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ASK ALMA

A Christian with a Short Memory



Dear Alma,
I have a friend who is the ultimate Christian. Since she's been "saved," she has been more judgmental of others, as if she doesn't have a past. Back in the day, she was the one who experimented with drugs, clubs, partying, etc. Now she looks down on others who may be going through the same thing. At times, I hate talking with her. How can I make her see that what she's doing is no different than what those she is complaining about are doing?
Dear Friend,
Your question is an interesting one, not because it's the first time I've heard of this happening, but it's the first time I've addressed this topic.
My advice column is open and accepting. I can relate to and will discuss anything — love, hate, sex, work, family, you name it. Religion, however, is one subject that I try to shy away from. My father was a minister for almost 40 years, so I see this question as somewhat of a test. LOL. I've prayed and pondered my response, taking into consideration that believers and nonbelievers both read my weekly column. I found myself gravitating to a book my friend Nia loaned me, a book titled Grace Happens Here by Max Lucado. His book details how God's grace is not purchased or earned by faith acts or good works. Believing in God doesn't require that we live our lives without making mistakes or wrong decisions. It doesn't mean we never think, speak or react negatively or in-

appropriately. Believing in God means that one has accepted Him as savior, our many faults. It means accepting His "grace."
Grace is one of God's greatest offers and ideas. When we are demonstrating the worst of ourselves, God — with our permission — begins to turn us around. In this transformation, some folks find it necessary to point out every flaw, negative behavior or bad habit in others. I often wonder why, as humans, we find it easier to correct others than to make corrections within ourselves. But that's another story for another time.
There's nothing you can say to your friend right now. She has recently been saved, and so are you, so "save" your "oh-no-you-didn't" comments for another time. Fold and put them away in your "help-me-Lord" drawer.
In these early stages of salvation, since your friend is listening only to God, I'd suggest you pray to Him. Pray that God will help her consume the peace and grace that she will read about in her Bible. The scriptures that say we should be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God forgives us.
Be the example and offer her the grace that you seek. I have read and believe that we will never be asked to offer anyone more than what God has already poured deep down inside of us. Here's a reminder of something much easier preached, then lived: When in doubt, discouraged, overwhelmed or simply pissed off, seek first not to offend or correct —but — to be a blessing.
Alma Gill's newsroom experience spans more than 25 years, including various roles at USA Today, Newsday and the Washington Post. Email questions to: alwaysaskalma@gmail.com. Follow her on Facebook at "Ask Alma" and twitter @almaaskalma.

Things to do With Mom – On Mother's Day



Take your mom to the park on Mother's Day

Spending time with mom on her special day is always a great idea. However taking mom to a restaurant is nice but it's one of the busiest days of the year for people dining out so expect crowds and longer waiting times for a table. Taking mom out for a nice brunch or dinner is a great idea but if you're looking for something different to do, here's are a few ideas she might appreciate.

Go to the museum of her choice if she enjoys doing that. You could also pick up a little something (if they have a gift shop) that you could give her as a memento of an enjoyable day together.

Take mom for a girl's day out getting manicures and pedicures. Or spend the day together giving yourselves manis/pedis while you visit.

Play board games with her. If mom has some favorite board games, (or video) why not spend an afternoon playing them with her? You could even buy or make some snacks that you know she enjoys.

Go to church with your mom. If you don't attend the same church as your mom, she'd probably be delighted to show off her child to her fellow church members. Most of the florists and grocery stores will be selling corsages this weekend so you could also pick one up for her to wear.

Take mom to a local park, botanical garden or nature center (weather permitting). You could pick up some subs or pack a picnic.

Go bowling. You could get the whole family to participate in this or just the two of you. And who cares if you get more gutter balls than strikes....you can laugh about it on the way

home.

Enjoy a movie together at the theater or buy or rent some of her favorites and spend time together laughing or crying to some oldies or something new.

Spend the day going down memory lane by looking at old family photos and/or watching old family videos.

Hit a flea market or any garage sales going on that day if your mom has fun doing that.

Take mom to the zoo for the day.

If your mom likes to garden but hasn't had time or the physical ability to get the yard or flower beds ready for summer, spend the afternoon helping her in the garden.

Cook together. If your mom has some "specialty" recipes, you could ask her to show you how to cook them so you can pass the recipes on to your own children. Or if mom likes canning or making jams, you could pick up all the ingredients and make up some batches she can enjoy for

weeks to come.

If your mom doesn't drive, **why not offer to drive her to an old friend's house** for a visit or offer to pick her friend up for a visit at her place.

The point of all these activities is just spending time with your mom. If you're not sure what she'd like to do, simply say, "Mom I love you and would enjoy spending time with you. What would YOU like to do?" Sometimes it's hard to coordinate schedules or you may have your own family that wants to spend the day with you. If so, plan to do it with her at a later date. Even if your family tradition is to have all the family get together for the day, you can make plans to have some special one on one time together at another time. If you have children and your mother enjoys seeing the grandkids, you can do a lot of the activities above that include them. And while you're having fun with your mom on her special day, you're also creating memories for the future.

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

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Clothing needed to help clothe the needy. New and used clothing for men, women and children are needed. We are accepting donations from April 15 – May 30, 2017. The drop off site is the:

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Prophet Cedric Banks
Interview with Detroit Police Department
11th Precinct
Captain Octavious Miles



Prophet Banks and Captain Octavious Miles

Prophet Banks

We are here today at the 11th Precinct with Captain Miles. You have the Easter Egg Hunt here today, we participated with you all here, it was great. Do you have this event every year? Can you tell us how did this get started?

Captain Miles

Well first of all, I am glad the rain held . We were expecting rain and it did not come, so that is definitely a blessing. We have been doing this since 1999. We have been giving back to our community. We have a partnership with the Community and that partnership is just phenomenal. We get a hold of our Community Groups, Community Leaders and we eggs, we get popcorn, and we provide a fun safe environment for the families, children, and we do this every year.

Prophet Banks

Is this just open to this Community District 3 or is it open to the entire Community?

Captain Miles

It is open to the entire Community, and the other precincts are having similar functions as well. It is a Community Policing atmosphere in the department and we work hard and long to maintain that Community Partnership.

Prophet Banks

I understand that you have Hustle classes here.

Captain Miles

Yes, every third Thursday, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm we have Ballroom and Hustle Classes here. In addition to that, we have Movie Nights and we have our Community Meeting the 1st Thursday of every month. It is always something going on here. The atmosphere is a family atmosphere, the Community is always welcome here and we are engaging the community and coming up with new ideas, reinventing the relationships in this area and continuing the love and commitment that we have to each other.

Prophet Banks

We are right outside the 11th Precinct on Nevada Street with Captain Octavious Miles. What takes place at the Community Meetings?

Captain Miles

Well first of all it gives the residents of the Community an opportunity to express themselves, to express their concerns to the Commander, myself and the officers. We talk about the crime patterns in the precinct. Things they should be aware about. We talk about Social Community gatherings and those types of things. But most of all, it creates that human aspect where the people can see, and talk to us first hand, and we can hear from them as well.

Prophet Banks

You say people can come out and express their concerns, the Community? They can talk to the Police Officers?

Captain Miles

Yes. We encourage that. We cannot do it alone we definitely need the Community Involvement. We don't know what their problems are. You have to come out and share with us. You tell us what we are doing right, what we are doing wrong, and what we need to improve in. That is open dialogue that we encourage here and we are open.

Prophet Banks

Now a lot of people Captain are afraid of Police Officers? What do you do in a situation like that?

Captain Miles

Now that is exactly why we have the meetings with the Community, so we can have these open dialogues. We can discuss what they are afraid of then we can express and explain the laws to them. We work for the City, we work for the residents, we work for you.

Prophet Banks

You got a lot of coverage for the folks in the Community. You have bingo, movie night, you got Community Relations where the Community can come out and express their concerns. What else do you have?

Captain Miles

In law enforcement you want to know what you are doing wrong what you are doing right and we have community involvement because we can't know. You have to let us know so we can work together to get it right.

You can view Prophet Banks websites for more information www.cedricbanksfordetroit.com, youtube.com/district3blockclubdevelopmentassociation, and youtube.com/cedricbanks4detroit

On Thursday, May, 11, 2017, at 6:30 pm, Prophet Banks will be Ministering The Word of GOD LIVE on TCT Television on the program TCT Celebrate, hosted by the World Famous Gospel Singer, Dorinda Clark. The TCT Network reaches 200 Countries, 80 million homes and over 100 million people. Also, this will take place in front of a LIVE Studio Audience. You can view the TCT Network on Comcast Channel 399, Direct TV Channel 377, Regular TV Channel 18, Roku, and IT TV.

Prophet Banks is the Senior Pastor of The Heart of Jesus International Deliverance Church, located at 14111 E. 7 Mile Rd at Gratiot. (Behind Ross Innovative Systems) The Worship Service starts at 2:00 pm. Also, you can view Prophet Banks Television Program, The Community Shall Be Restored every Saturday at 8:00 pm on Comcast TV 90.

NAACP CALLS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY, ARREST, AND PROSECUTION IN THE FACE OF PERSISTENT POLICE VIOLENCE



Jordan Edwards, the 15 year old killed by a police officer

BALTIMORE---We join families and communities in mourning and action as our nation is again confronted with the depth and consequences of our national policing crisis.

This is a time of immense grief for those who have lost loved ones to police violence. Jordan Edwards's family is dealing with fresh pain due to his senseless murder, which robbed him of his future, deprived his family of their son, and traumatized his siblings. Although the successful prosecution of Walter Scott's killer was an unusual ray of hope in the fight to hold police accountable, pleas for justice for Alton Sterling went unheard when the Department of Justice failed to prosecute those who killed Alton Sterling.

These individual cases raise deep concerns. Another Black child has been senselessly gunned down by police. A false scenario was initially used to justify Jordan's death, and it was only retracted when contradictory video evidence came to light. Without the video, the police narrative would have been taken without question and Jordan would have been depicted as the aggressor. Although we applaud the firing and murder charges brought against one of the police officers involved, this alone is not enough. A murder has been committed, and the person who committed it has been caught on tape. Yet, a week later, the perpetrator was left to turn himself in and is now walking free until trial. This situation is a grim reminder of a fundamental lack of accountability and the unequal justice often received by victims of police violence.

The hope for true accountability that was raised by Michael Slager's guilty plea was dashed by the DOJ's actions today. As Attorney General Sessions has publicly expressed his unwillingness to criticize local police actions, we cannot have confidence in the decision not to prosecute. The DOJ's statements about Mr. Sterling's death do not change the facts we know. Mr. Sterling was shot while pinned on the ground by several police officers. In this case, the decision not to prosecute relied heavily

on statements by police officers that were not confirmed by the video evidence. The DOJ did not give a federal jury the opportunity to determine whether it would believe the officers' narrative. Justice for Alton Sterling has not been provided, and we will work to ensure that the State of Louisiana properly investigates and prosecutes this case. We will also continue to push for the DOJ to live up to its legacy as a frontline defender of civil rights.

We cannot let Jordan Edwards become just another hashtag. We will stand with his family and others who have been victims of police violence. We will pursue justice for Jordan, for Alton Sterling, and for Walter Scott. But we must do more than that. We must work to ensure this story is not repeated. We need to pursue structural changes to ensure that police officers will not threaten our children and our community but will instead fulfill their charge to protect and preserve our lives.

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Happy Mother's Day to Dads Who Have to Be Moms, Too



This Sunday is Mother's Day, a day we traditionally honour and celebrate the mothers in our lives. Moms, grandmoms, great-grandmothers, step-mothers, adopted moms, surrogate mothers, mothers-to-be: they all get at the very least a nod of appreciation (if not a full-out display of love and affection). So they should, of course. But I have been thinking more and more of the unofficial 'mothers' who never get recognized on Mother's Day, and I'm talking about the dads.

This is not to say that dads are mothers in the truest sense of the word. They will always be first and foremost a father -- and as such, will always place most importance overall on their interactions with their kids as it concerns their being a father. But for some families, particularly for those who have lost a mother due to death or separation or some other form of difficulty, dads are playing both parental roles to the best of their ability. Let me pause to say that I also recognize women do these very same things (act in dual parental roles), but let me save that blog article for Father's Day when I recognize mothers. Back to the fathers. These guys are moms to their kids, all while they are still being that incredible father they always were. I can think of one such dad close to our own family's heart who lives this reality. He is currently dad and mom to his girls (girls who are still needing his love and attention in both a maternal and paternal way), as well as he is doing what his girls' mom formerly did for them prior to her death. As I watch the various dads I am coming to know and truly appreciate, many of whom have lost wives to cancer, I can't help but observe the grace with which they have handled the passing on of their spouse. I am amazed and humbled to see that being a mother has been added to their job description. In true motherly-form, they are willing to do what it takes to be there for their kids. What a legacy they leave for their beautiful families. These guys are doing things they never use to do (as per the varied division of labour that occurs in any given family), and they are doing some of the things that Mom only once did. And playing these dual roles, solo; without the benefit of an-

other partner to complement their parenting. Things like being that sole parent there when their kids get home from school. Things like planning birthday parties, attending festival performances and watching shows they aren't accustomed to watching. Things like attending meetings, appointments and practices without the advantage of tag-teaming with their other parenting counterpart. Things like letting their kids know it is okay to cry -- because they do too. Things like arranging work schedules around their children. Things like brushing hair and putting up ponytails. Things like being that soft, warm place their kids can fall when life gets rough -- be-

cause kids need this sometimes. Are these aspects of parenting solely mom's domain? Of course they are not. Surely, there are fathers out there who take charge in all these areas at the best of times, freeing up their wives to do other just as important parental tasks. But for those dads who NEVER had to take leadership in some of these areas before (or weren't quite comfortable assuming this predefined role), this is new territory for them. These are uncharted waters. And the fact that they are doing these new tasks solo is what endears them to me, a mother myself. Rather than being criticized, these dads need to hear the words that they are doing an amazing job at parenting their children -- playing the role of both partners in the absence of their female counterparts. To all the dad-moms out there: "I know Father's Day is coming up, but it is never too early to say that we appreciate you. As moms, we support you. You are doing an absolutely fabulous job at being there for your kids. Keep on keeping on, Dad. You make us all proud to be a parent." Happy Sunday to one and all - mothers, fathers or otherwise. And for all those dads out there who are both dad and mom: "you've got this, man."

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