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Mayor Hilliard Hampton will not run for reelection in Inkster

By Shelby Jefferson - Telegram Staff Reporter



Mayor Hilliard Hampton

After decades of involvement in public service, Inkster Mayor Hilliard Hampton officially announced that he will not run for reelection in this year's mayoral race.

"I want to thank all Inkster residents for allowing me to serve as mayor, councilman and school board member for the past 26 years," Hampton said in an official statement to the

Telegram. "I've tried to serve with distinction and honor, while also keeping personal issues out of public decision making to act in the best interests of the people. It has been a pleasure to hold this position, but it's time to transition into other possibilities that I've either put aside, or haven't properly addressed over the years because of my passion and commitment to public service. I am choosing not to run for reelection because at this stage in my life, I need to look forward for my family, my business interests and my financial future."

Nevertheless, Hampton maintains that plans to give up his mayoral seat will not affect his dedication to the City of Inkster. In the future, his involvement in issues affecting the municipality will continue, starting with active engage-

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Celebration for a Drug Free Taylor Set for April 30



Taylor Mayor Rick Sollars, Taylor youth and community leaders greeted Cory Schlesinger, fullback for the Detroit Lions, the keynote speaker at the 2014 Celebration for a Drug Free Taylor. (Photo by Dave Gorgon)

TAYLOR — The 22nd annual Celebration for a Drug Free Taylor will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Taylor Heritage Park Activities Building, 12111 Pardee

Road, Taylor.

The community event is open to the public and recognizes students, individuals and groups who encourage their peers to make healthy lifestyle choices. Sponsored by the Taylor Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force, students from Taylor Schools will be recognized for their participation

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Roll along the River Bike Ride

Scheduled for May 3
Wyandotte, Ecorse & River Rouge

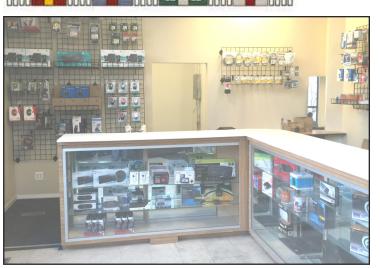


The Downriver Delta CDC, in collaboration with River's Edge Gallery in Wyandotte, is planning a bicycle ride called "Roll Along the River" to take place on May 3rd, 2015 between 12 noon and 4 p.m. This 12-mile recreational ride is FREE and

open to all age groups and experience levels. Riders will begin at Tongue's Coffee at 2958 Biddle Avenue in Wyandotte, and continue up W. Jefferson Avenue, experiencing

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Welcome to the Neighborhood!



New computer store opens in Southwest Detroit

All About Technology is holding a community event at its new store located at 6450 Michigan Avenue in Southwest Detroit from 10am to 6pm on

Thursday, April 23, 2015. There will be food, drinks, give-aways, product demonstrations, and the opportunity for community members to sup-

port the business in person. All About Technology is a certified disability owned minority business enterprise specializing in computer sales and service. Its mission is to build a bridge to the digital divide and make computing technology affordable for all. All About Technology provides a range of services and recycles electronic waste donations that would otherwise end up in landfills and repurposes those products for low income customers and non-profit organizations.

All About Technology gives back to the community through computer donations, employment opportunities, and youth mentoring.

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NEWS FROM THE LANSING

Senator Hopgood and Representative Pagan Encourage Residents to Attend DEQ Presentation on Fracking Waste



Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor)

LANSING - Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor) and Representative Kristy Pagan (D-Canton) are encouraging concerned citizens to attend a presentation by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on April 21st regarding the disposal of radioactive fracking waste at Wayne County disposal facilities. Sen. Hopgood and Rep. Pagan recently sent a letter to the DEQ requesting a public hearing on the issue. While it is not yet clear whether public comment will be accepted at the presentation, Sen. Hopgood and Rep. Pagan are hopeful that local residents will be given an opportunity to share their thoughts and concerns.

"This issue of housing radioactive waste is important to our personal, environmental and economic health, and the public should be allowed to weigh in on it," Sen. Hopgood said. "It is encouraging that the DEQ is providing information to Van Buren Township, but public hearings still need to be held locally and across the state to



Representative Kristy Pagan (D-Canton)

give residents a chance to ask questions and express concerns."

The presentation will be held as part of the Van Buren Township Board meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville, Michigan, 48111. DEQ staff and members of the Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (TENORM) Disposal Advisory Panel will give a presentation summarizing the panel's recommendations.

"Senator Hopgood and I have heard many concerns from our residents about the disposal of radioactive waste," Pagan said. "As Wayne Disposal continues to accept this type of waste, it is critically important for local residents to have a say in what is being stored in their backyards. I encourage interested residents to attend the upcoming presentation to learn more, and I urge the DEQ to welcome an open dialogue by holding full public hearings as this process moves forward."

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Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson Introduces Legislation to Put Body Cameras on Every Police officer in Michigan

Groups Calling on House Criminal Justice Committee to hold hearing on House Bill 4229.

Special to the Telegram Newspaper



State Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson is joined by Rev. Charles E. Williams II of the National Action Network, Attorney Isaac Robinson of the Truth, Trust and Transparency Project, and other body camera supporters at a press conference on House Bill 4229 held on March 26th at the Historic King Solomon Church in Detroit.

Detroit, MI – On Saturday, April 11th Michigan State Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson (Detroit District 4 - Democrat) met with downriver and Detroit residents at a meeting located at 2323 S. Fort Street hosted by the Truth, Trust and Transparency Project (Triple T Project), a group which supports putting body cameras on police officers.

Rep. Rose Mary C. Robinson discussed the introduction of the "Law Enforcement Body-Worn Camera Act" (House Bill 4229), a bi-partisan bill introduced last legislative session by term-limited Republican State Representative Tom McMillan. The legislation would mandate body cameras be placed on every police officer in Michigan.

Participants in the discussion included retired law enforce-

ment officer Tyrone Carter of Detroit, Vicki Dobbins of River Rouge, Detroit School Board Member Tawanna Simpson, Octavia Brown and Orelia Brown of the 14th Congressional District Democratic Party, and Detroit resident Donald Trice. Attorney Isaac Robinson and Elisa Grubbs of the Truth, Trust and Transparency Project facilitated the meeting.

"Putting body cameras on police is a win-win situation for police and citizens. It protects citizens from police abuse and protects police from false accusations," said Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson, a Detroit resident for over 50 years who has been active in the fight against police misconduct in Detroit since the 1960s. "We are talking about individual freedom and civil rights. People should be free from excessive police tactics in their

day to day activities."

Southwest Detroit resident Tyrone Carter was a guest speaker at the Triple T Project meeting in Detroit's 48217. Carter shared, "Mr. Walter Scott would still be alive if there was a little camera on the lapel of the South Carolina officer." Carter believes body cameras will have a positive impact for all parties involved including law enforcement officers. He shared FBI data that says body cameras are useful. added, "officers will be able to more easily defend themselves against frivolous allegations. Municipalities will also save money with less litigation."

Vicki Dobbins of River Rouge believes passage of this bill is also about support for personal freedom. "There are certain

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Hampton

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ment in citywide endeavors leading up to general elections later this year.

"I will always be an advocate for change and moving Inkster forward; in fact, now that I'm removing myself from this elected position, I can resort back to advocacy from a grassroots level," Hampton said. "As far as the approaching elections, I'm a public servant by nature so that means continuously staying engaged in the democratic process. I'll be supporting candidates, and making it known which candidates I feel aren't working in the best interests of the city. Hopefully I'll still have a voice in my community in that regard."

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Facing 'Officer Friendly' While Black

By Lee A. Daniels - NNPA Columnist



Without the video, North Charleston, S.C. police officer Michael T. Slager would likely have gotten away with murder.

Without the video, we wouldn't see Officer Michael T. Slager have the, shall we say, presence of mind, to quickly retrieve what appears to be his Taser and plant it beside the lifeless body of Walter Lamar Scott.

Without the video, Officer Michael T. Slager would no doubt have quickly been coached on the techniques of making himself appear in news media interviews the victim of the lethal encounter with the Black man he killed, 50-year-old Walter Lamar Scott.

Without the video, the conservative punditocracy and talk-show jockeys would be raging that the dead man's action again proved that Black and Brown civilians are "waging war" on police.

But we have the video – one of the technological innovations that increasingly have helped suggest what people of color face from an alarming number of White cops – and the first-degree murder indictment of Officer Michael T. Slager.

And so we are faced with a long list of powerful questions: Why did Slager pull over Walter Lamar Scott's vehicle? Was it really for a broken taillight? Or, was it because Slager, feeding off the power of his badge, wanted to show some Black person – any Black person – who's boss? What, then, was going through Slager's mind that led him to not give chase to the unarmed, slow-footed Scott when he ran, but quickly and calmly pull his gun and fire eight times at the fleeing man?

I think some part of the answer to these questions and the many others that must be asked can be found in a recent instance of a police encounter with Black teenagers that did not escalate to violence but was nonetheless revealing.

That incident – captured on a police car camera – occurred in Minneapolis March 18. Four Black teens of Somali descent, having just finished playing basketball at the YMCA, were driving home when they were pulled over by the police for making a U-turn. The police ordered the youths out of the car at gunpoint and handcuffed them, while they searched the car and ran background checks on the car to see if it was stolen and on the youths

to see if any had criminal records. They found nothing. None of the youths had a criminal record, and they were subsequently not charged.

But at the beginning of this hourlong ordeal, a police camera captured this exchange between one of the police officers and one of the youths he was hand-cuffing: "Plain and simple," the officer says, "If you [profanity] with me, I'm going to break your leg before you get the chance to run"

The youth responds, "I never said I was going to run."

The officer answers back, "I'm just giving you a heads up. Just trying to be officer friendly right now."

"Can you tell me," the youth persists, "Why I'm being arrested?

The officer responds, "Because I feel like arresting you."

Is that it: that some White cops' need to show these "colored people" a White man can control their freedom whenever he "feels like" it? Is that the attitude that explains why Officer Michael T. Slager pulled over the vehicle driven by Walter Lamar Scott? In the aftermath of Scott's murder, some Black North Charleston residents have said that police constantly racially profile Black drivers there. Comedian Chris Rock's recent social-media posting of his being repeatedly stopped by police while driving near his suburban New Jersey home suggests that, for Black and Brown drivers, that otherwise legitimate police duty remains laced with racist intent.

Further, we can go down the long, long list of just recent, controversial White cop-black or brown civilian encounters and ask is that why so many of them have a palpable undertone of menace: Is it because the White cops are acting on their "feelings?"

A final question: How often does a Black or brown person's chance of surviving an encounter with a White cops come down to whether that officer or those officers have decided to be or not be "Officer Friendly" at that moment?

To put that another way: How often does it come down to whether the police officer or officers have decided at that moment to be a public servant of integrity, or a criminal?

Lee A. Daniels is a longtime journalist based in New York City. His essay, "Martin Luther King, Jr.: The Great Provocateur," appears in Africa's Peacemakers: Nobel Peace Laureates of African Descent (2014), published by Zed Books. His new collection of columns, Race Forward: Facing America's Racial Divide in 2014, is available at www.amazon.com.

UPDATE Inkster Police Officer Fired

INKSTER (AP) — Police in Inkster have fired Officer William Melendez, one of the white police officers who was videotaped beating Floyd Dent, a black motorist during a traffic stop.

William Melendez, the officer who delivered the barrage of punches, was officially fired by Inkster after a five-day suspension Wednesday, says his union representative, Teamsters Local 214 Business Representative Al Lewis.

The January arrest of 57year-old Floyd Dent has drawn widespread protests. and concern from the community.

Wayne County Circuit Judge David Groner said Wednesday that Dent's lawyers could receive 12 more minutes of dash cam video. Defense lawyer Nick Bennett says he saw only highly edited video.

The video shows two officers throwing Dent to the ground and Melendez repeatedly punching him in the head.

Police say Dent refused to stop and had cocaine in the car.

Dent says police planted the cocaine. He returns to court April 29 on a drug charge.

The investigation is still underway.

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Drug Free Taylor

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in creating art, banners, multimedia, poetry and essays with the theme of Drugs and Violence Defeat Dreams. Celebration activities will include an awards ceremony, and free food and refreshments.

"This annual program encourages our youth to really consider the consequences of substance abuse and how staying healthy and violence free can create a better future," said Sandra Kluk, chairperson of the Task Force.

"Each year we receive creative and artistic student participation for this program," said Simone Calvas, project director for the event. "With help from the mayor's office and the Taylor School District, we are able to acknowledge our youth for their efforts."

The Taylor Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force is a

coalition of concerned residents and interested persons who are invested in the health, safety and success of the community. The task force upholds a core belief in no illegal or high risk use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs and supports this mission through collaborative, proactive prevention efforts. Residents and community volunteers are encouraged to participate in Task Force activities. Monthly task force meetings are held at 10 a.m. on the second Monday of every month at Journey of Hope Community Church, 8900 Pardee Road, Taylor. For more information email Taylortaskforce@gmail.com and visit the Taylor Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force Facebook page or Twitter page (@taylor_task).



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Grand Slam

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



I am not an avid baseball fan. However, being a former softball player, I am familiar with the basics. Driving in the car one day, with my friend riding shotgun and my children in the back seat, we listened to a Detroit Tiger game on the radio.

The announcer announced that the bases were loaded and a batter was up. It became a tense moment full of possibility. It's one thing to hit a home run, it's another thing to hit a home run while the bases are loaded!

He did it! He hit a home run! "It's a GRAND SLAM!!" I yelled along with the announcer.

"What's a grand slam mom?" my son asked.

"It's when all the bases have a man on them, which is called 'bases loaded, and when the batter hits a home run, all four men come home and each score a point," I tried to explain. One hit scores four points!" I explained.

In our lives, some of us have our bases loaded. We

have been lining things up, putting things in their proper place. We have taken some classes. We have read books and the Bible trying to prepare ourselves. We've been studying and applying ourselves trying to do better in life. We networked, fasted, have prayed, treated our neighbor better, sowed into good ground, and done all that we know to do to reap a harvest and be blessed.

Some of us are tapping our feet looking up toward heaven wondering, 'When God when?' Possibilities have been piling up. Expectations are accumulating. You are so close to a breakthrough, you can taste it! You feel like you're ready to burst, because you see the potential for a windfall of blessings right there in front of you.

So now you're up to bat. This could really be 'it'! Your bases are loaded. If only you can knock this opportunity out of the ball park, it will be your grand slam! I pray that God will quide your hands as you take that big swing!!! I pray that God will bless the work of your hands and that you will reap vour due reward!

Be faithful! A faithful person shall abound with blessings! (Prov. 28.20). Your hard work and dedication will pay off. God is not mocked, whatever you sow, you will reap (Gal. 6.7). Don't get tired of doing good, in due season, you will reap if you don't faint (Gal. 6.9). Keep at it, because your grand slam is near!!!

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MADELYN C. GOODMAN

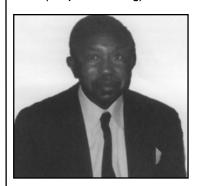
Dec 5, 1939 - March 2, 2015 Madelyn Carol Goodman was born in Detroit.

Madelyn graduated from Northern High School. She met and later married Furman Goodman, Sr., on December 24, 1956. To this union eight children were born.

She enjoyed "life"; spending time with loved ones, cooking, crossword puzzles, reading, decorating, traveling, volunteering at preschool classes, helping senior citizens, listening to her music, laughing, and of course, reading her Bible and having a good old conversation.

She leaves to cherish her memories, her husband Furman Goodman, Sr.; children, Pamela Moses (Charles), Lillian Goodman, Furman Goodman, Jr., Derrick Good-(Veronica), Lawrence Goodman (Shirley), Steven Goodman, Rhonda White (Darryl) and Nolana Goodman; 18 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and other family and friends.

Final arrangements were entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home (Chapelchimes.org)



ESPER RENDLES

August 25, 1921 - March 4, 2015 Esper Rendles was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He served in the United States Army during WWII. After serving, he relocated to Michigan where he was a dedi-

cated father and husband. He was a member of Womack Temple and a longtime member of the Elks Golden Gate Lodge of Inkster. #973. He believed in hard work and lived out his work ethic into his twilight years. He was a passionate gardener, known for growing and harvesting vegetables for family and friends for many years.

Esper departed this life at the age of 93. He leaves to cherish his memory, his devoted wife, Sayonya; his children: Esper, Jr., Douglas, Yvonne, Tony (Jane), Lynn (Latonya) and Terrisita (Reginald); his sister-in-law, Barbara Dixon; adopted son, Terrell A. Jackson; and many family members and dear friends.

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FRANCINE CLARICE JONES July 11, 1946 - March 10, 2015 Francine Clarice Jones was born in Detroit. She became a member of Second Bapist Church and graduated from Inkster High School.

She then moved to Detroit where she worked at Kirby Hospital as a Social Worker. It was there she met and married Ernest Jones, she graduated from Wayne County Community College with a degree in Criminal Justice. She worked as a Correctional Officer for thirty years.

Francine was a smart, outgoing, family oriented person and fun loving person. She love to play cards, she was known as the "Bid Whist Queen. Francine leaves to cherish her memory: her son, Jeffrey five grandchildren: Jones: Javonte, Joyelle, Jazmyne, Jeffrey Jr., and Joslynn; four siblings: Gwendolyn, Yvonne, Crystal (Jervis) and Richard; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends

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GARRISON SAM DALEO Dec 28, 1950 - March 12, 2015 Garrison(Gary) Sam Daleo was born in Detroit grew up on the east side of Detroit where he attended St. Jude Catholic Church and

School. In his teen years he drove trucks with his dad, liked to go to the drive-in and hang out at Elmo's, the local greasy spoon. His friends called him "Spaghetti".

He will always be loved and missed by his long time companion Debbie Wice; sister Grace Az-Pete zopardi(Tony), brother Daleo(Diane); children Jolee

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CASSIE COOPER

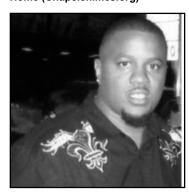
March 30, 1916 - March 21, 2015 Cassie was born in Chauncey, Georgia. From the time of her birth, she was nurtured and raised by her grandmother, Elizabeth until the age of 10 when her grandmother passed away. She moved to Florida with her mother and continued her education.

In her early 20's, she met and married her soul-mate William Cornelius Cooper, Cassie was a gifted seamstress who loved to make clothes, hats and quilts for her family and friends. In 1952 she was baptized as a Jehovah's Wit-

She leaves to mourn: Daughters, Willie Lee Payton, and Geraldine Shorter. Sons and Daughters in Laws: William C. Cooper, Jr., and Gayle Cooper, Ulysses and Stephanye Cooper, Ronnie and Dorothy Cooper; Sister-in-Law's:

Ola Mae Murray and Geneva Cooper; Brother-in-Law: Frank C. Cooper and 21 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren, 23 greatgreat grandchildren and many friends.

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JEREMIAH JONES

Dec. 23, 1982 - Mar. 21, 2015 Jeremiah R. Jones was born in Detroit MI. Jeremiah graduated from Belleville High School in 2001 and began studying for his **Business Communication degree** at Washtenaw Community College. To add to his accolades he began working for Iowa State Company and became the best of the best (King of the Steaks).

Left to mourn his passing is his loving fiancé and the mother of his two beautiful children, Briana; his children, Ariana Jones and Jeremiah Jones, his mother Delores Jones-Merritt, his stepfather Robert Merritt; sister, Shareice S. Jones; grandmother, Annie L. Jones; and a host of family and that will truly miss him.

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and the communities along it: Wyandotte, Ecorse, and River Rouge.

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ARIES

You have made many friends through a social network you've been involved with. Continue to cultivate those friendships this week. Long distance phone calls are worth the money. Your actions will speak much louder than words this week. Prove your love and your friendship. Others might need convincing. Soul Affirmation: My imaginaion is the source of my happi-

_ucky Numbers: 19, 21, 30

TAURUS

This is no time to try to be neat. Continue with your messy thinking. Others might not know how things fit together but your faith allows you to work without a plan this week. Faith will guide you through the chaotic mental atmosphere that surrounds you this week.

Soul Affirmation: I give extra attention to my mate this week. Lucky Numbers: 20, 29, 37

GEMINI

Call a family member and ask for advice. You know the one to call -the same person who has been level headed in the past. Your head is not as level as it should be. Move forward not on your own understanding. Allow advice to have a great affect on your decisions.

Soul Affirmation: I find peace in communing with nature this week.

Lucky Numbers: 29, 40, 55

CANCER

Your suspicions will give you misleading information. Now is a time for trust. Base the trust on the fact that nothing is in danger. No matter what the outcome of current affairs you are going to come out wiser and better.

Soul Affirmation: I release internal pressure by enjoying the beauties of the world around

Lucky Numbers: 1, 26, 34

Ponder your intimate thoughts when you feel that you would rather have stayed in bed. Treasure the remembered image of a friend and play the image over and over to uplift your sleepy spirit.

Soul Affirmation: I make a special effort to bond with old friends.

Lucky Numbers: 34, 36, 39

VIRGO

Give yourself a break this week. Coast! You might not feel it but you are on the top of a hill. You don't have to work to move forward. Just let your momentum carry you. Smile and things will get done. Spend some time on the phone taking care of social obligations and social diversions.

Soul Affirmation: I try to smile more often than usual this week

Lucky Numbers: 8, 15, 20

This week you're likely to notice

that your relationship with yourlover has been elevated into a strong friendship as well. Play up the friendship side this week. Don't feel inhibited when the two of you are alone. Act and speak freely. You will be pleasantly surprised at the reception your lover/pal gives you. Soul Affirmation: I open myself up for a glad surprise.

Lucky Numbers: 14, 23, 45

SCORPIO

It is true that the universe provides but you are part of the universe and so you have to be a provider for yourself this week. Willful activity is the key this week. Ego matters. Pursue it because you want it and are good enough to get it. Make the changes necessary to add dynamism and excitement to your body of affairs.

Soul Affirmation: This week I forgive myself for everything that has happened.

Lucky Numbers: 5, 34, 52

SAGITTARIUS

You definitely need to ease up on your work schedule and immerse yourself in some good quality quiet time. You have forgotten what it is like to relax hiding behind all those seeming necessities. Let it go. Smell the roses take a stroll in a real or imaginary garden. Chill!

Soul Affirmation: There are other fish in the sea waiting for

Lucky Numbers: 8, 52, 54

CAPRICORN

Your popularity is at a personal peak this week! Be sure to pick and choose among your social engagements so that you gather the best from the most. Financial matters, along with family members, will stir your interests in feathering your nest. Your smart business sense will make the most of an unusual opportunity. In your personal life, let your softer emotions speak.

Soul Affirmation: I focus on Iongrange financial security this week.

Lucky Numbers: 14, 31, 42

AQUARIUS

This week is better than last for financial goals. Put on the thinking cap. Think about money. There is a solution to money problems hidden in the way you conduct your home life. Make the adjustment. Reap the re-

Soul Affirmation: I change who I am by changing where I am

Lucky Numbers: 21, 39, 43

PISCES

Think about small stuff. Be petty. Know that details are important. Look not at the bigger picture. Go to the trenches. Get fine points taken care of. Step-bystep movement will help with the grand designs that you are seeking to manifest.

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GETTING TO KNOW OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc

By Shelby Jefferson - Telegram Staff Reporter



Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc and several other volunteers helping to rake lawns at the Commissioner's Annual Make A Senior Smile Day

The "Getting to know our elected officials" feature is designed to provide access into the minds of local public figures. This week we chatted with Wayne County Commissioner Richard LeBlanc about his decision to go into public service, the most rewarding aspects of serving as a politician, problems facing District 12 today, favorite pastimes/hobbies, and much more.

1. When you were growing up, did know that you wanted to go into public service?

I wish I could say that I planned it, but that's not how it happened. My wife and I were leading PTA efforts at an elementary school, and a friend of mine convinced me to apply for a school board position. I wasn't selected to fill the vacancy, and the Westland Observer wrote a blistering editorial about how it should've been me. After that, I ran for election and won. From that point forward it was in my blood; I had no choice but to continue.

2. Where did you go to high school? College?

I am a lifelong Westland resident so I went to John Glenn High School. I attended Schoolcraft College and graduated from Concordia College in Ann Arbor. I completed my graduate work at Wayne State University.

3. What do you enjoy most about your position?

My greatest satisfaction comes from helping people. Being able to connect the dots and cut some tape to get the average Jane or Joe a little bit of help is the best part about the position. I truly consider it a privilege to serve as an elected official, and I feel like a higher power is looking out for me because not everybody gets this type of opportunity. I tremendously enjoy public service.

4. Can you recall a specific experience where you were really able to reach someone?

I serve the Westland, Garden City and Inkster areas, and one of my greatest experiences occurred very recently in the



Richard LeBlanc **Wayne County Commissioner**

Inkster community. A lady contacted me because she received a family home by way of inheritance, and it was going into foreclosure due to taxes. My office, along with the Office of the Wayne County Treasurer and the Wayne County Register of Deeds Office worked together to put a plan together for this woman to keep her house. It was one of the coolest things.

5. What do you see as the biggest problems facing your district today?

I think it's trying to lift ourselves out of perhaps the most difficult economic period in our lifetime. It's affected each of us and our individual communities in different ways, but we're coming over the hurdle. I hope that fuel prices remain stable, and that job creators are allowed to do what's necessary to bring good employment opportunities that will sustain us during this recovery period.

6. What can Wayne County residents do to help initiate improvements throughout their communities?

Shopping locally is very important, whether you're buying gas or purchasing clothes from an area merchant. I'm really interested in the Michigan Ave corridor in Westland and Inkster; the opportunity to parlay that huge area can't be understated. If business is going to help our communities succeed, we have to support the businesses.

7. Do you have any specific places you like to frequent in your particular district?

I purposely try to buy my fuel at different gas stations, whether it's in Westland, Inkster or Garden City. I also like to try different restaurants throughout these communities because I like to support everyone and spread it around.

8. What qualities are necessary for someone to be a good elected official?

First, I think you must be approachable and accessible; you can't have an unlisted telephone number and be unwilling to connect with people. Also, you should have a reasonable level of experience outside of government. And lastly, there will come a time when a politician has to acknowledge that they've made a mistake; don't be so high and mighty that you choose to stick with a really bad decision.

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

I'm a single engine airplane pilot. I have three grandchildren, so I really love being a grandpa. And I like anything that has an engine or a motor so I have several boats, golf carts, jet skis and a few motorcycles. I also collect police memorabilia, and I absolutely love arcade games.

New Computer Store in the City



The store recently took advantage of an opportunity to relocate to a street level retail storefront. "This wasn't something I saw in our immediate future, but I knew we needed increased visibility in order to grow the business and be accessible to our customers," said store owner Willie Brake. All About Technology is located on one of the busiest roads in Detroit "but it's so hard to attract new customers when no one knows that you are there. We have informed our existing customers, but we still need more traffic" said Brake.

Prior to All About Technology, Willie spent more than 12 years holding increasingly responsible positions at Fortune 100 companies in the automobile, consulting, education and manufacturing industries in locations around the world, where he developed a passion and skill for solving problems. Willie is simultaneously the Executive Director for a local nonprofit and an adjunct faculty

member at Wayne State University and The University of Phoenix.

Willie has been recognized by Corp! and dBusiness Magazine for his achievements. He also serves as an employment partner and provides insight from a marketplace perspective to help youth, through internships and job shadows gain meaningful work experience.

Willie is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and earned a bachelor degree from Wayne State University and a MBA degree from The University of Phoenix.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Willie is the proud father of one daughter, Olivia Madison.

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Maya Angelou is the Face of the **Newest Forever Stamp**

By Jazelle Hunt - NNPA Washington Correspondent



Oprah Winfrey speaks during the Maya Angelou commemorative stamp unveiling ceremony i

WASHINGTON (NNPA) - Less than a year after her death, Maya Angelou has been further immortalized on a U.S. Postal Service commemorative Forever Stamp.

An all-star assembly gathered to witness the first-day-of-issue stamp unveiling ceremony, held at the Warner Theatre in Washington, D.C. The at-capacity audience included First Lady Michelle Obama, U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder, musician Roberta Flack; two of Malcolm X's daughters, Ilyasah and Qubilah Shabazz, and other notables.

Melissa Harris Perry, who first came under Angelou's wing in the early 1990s as her intern at Wake Forest University, emceed the event. Former UN Ambassador Andrew Young gave the invocation. Singer Alyson Williams, who was introduced as Angelou's "personal songbird," performed the national anthem and the Black National Anthem, "Lift Ev'ry Voice."

"The truth is, this Forever Stamp registers the applause of tens of millions of readers over the world where the prose and poetry of Maya Angelou is translated in 17 languages and still counting," said author and educator, Eleanor Traylor, just before reading a passage from I Know Why the Caged Bird

Traylor was on a short list of featured speakers at the ceremony, which included Oprah Winfrey, journalist, Sophia A. Nelson, and Nikki Giovanni and Sonia Sanchez, who each recited original poetry.

"On this past Saturday, her birthday April 4th, it would've been her 87th birthday," Winfrey said, adding that she had spent the day reading Angelou's poetry in commemoration. "I miss her so. I'm honored to be here, to stand as her daughter sister-friend at the unveiling of the Maya forever, Forever Stamp."

In the middle of her tribute, an area-wide power outage cut electricity to the theater, but Winfrey powered through a recitation of "Phenomenal Woman," without the microphone.

The image featured on the stamp is a reprint of the oil painting portrait by Ross Rossin on display at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington. The portrait's unveiling, held the day after Angelou's 86th birthday last year, was her final public appearance.

"Today, this new Forever Stamp serves as a tribute to Angelou's humanity, and contribution to our nation," said Megan J. Brennan, postmaster general and CEO of the USPS. "You will notice that there's some other words on her stamp: forever and USA. It is the postal service's way of honoring and remembering those who left an enduring and indelible mark on our society, and who represent the best of America."

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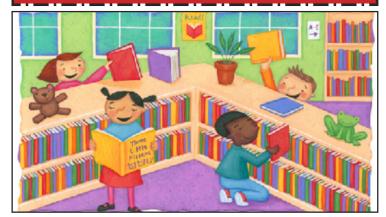
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LIBRARY NEWS



Inkster Library host activities for the community

The Leanna Hicks Public Library is partnering with <u>The Library Network and Gleaners</u> for the month of April to collect food. The campaign is called **"Food For Thought."** This is the library's second year collecting food for the local food pantry. In 2014, over 150 lbs of food was collected.

Once again, the <u>National African Business Association</u> is partnering with the Leanna Hicks Public Library to have **Financial Literacy Classes**. The Classes will begin Wednesday April 15, 2015 at 6:30 pm and will be held on Wednesdays and Tuesdays for six weeks.

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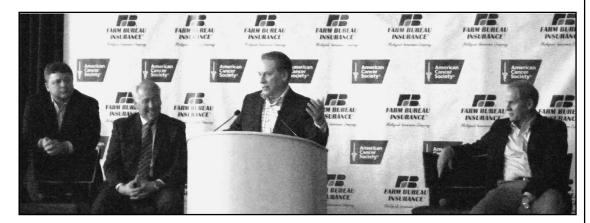
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Bid a College Coach for a Day

By Butch Davis



Oakland U Basketball Head Coach, Greg Kampa, Jim Robertson of Bureau Insurance, Michigan State Head Basketball Coach, Tom Izzo and Michigan Head Basketball Coach, John Beilein would like you to bid to hang out with them for 24 hours. Photo taken by Butch Davis

A multiparty idea from the minds of Oakland University and the American Cancer Society came to present to a sincere media individuals from around the country this past Monday at the Motor City Casino 16th floor Amnesia Room in Downtown Detroit. Chimene Anderson, Senior Market Manager of Community Engagement in Southeast Michigan American Cancer Society and Head Basketball Coach of Oakland University Greg Kampa jointly came with an idea that You the Fan can have an exclusive, one-of-akind experience features the opportunity to network, dine and golf with your favorite coach at one of the world's top courses, all while raising awareness and funds for the fight against cancer!

This wonderful idea is an auction which includes 10 spectacular packages, featuring a private dinner with elite basketball coaches, a one night stay at Motor City Casino Hotel on Sunday, May 31, and an afternoon of golf on Monday, June 1 at Oakland Hills Country Club. The winning bidders and their two guests will round out the foursomes with their selected 10 coaches that Kampa recruited remain the following: Steve Alford, Rick Barnes, John Beilein, John Calipari, Bob Huggins, Tom Izzo, Greg Kampe, Sean Miller, Josh Pastner, and Roy Williams. The bidding period takes place between 10:00 AM ET on April 13, 2015 and ends 11:59 PM ET on May 1, 2015. Winning bidders will be notified at the close of the auction. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. You can check the bidding website http://beatcancer.auctionbid.org/micro2.php or for questions about the auction experience, please contact (248) 370-4005 or basketball@oakland.edu.

Now I asked Ms. Anderson the question, what if one don't have \$10,000 for this event however wanted to take part in

helping the American Cancer Society in raising money on behalf of a relative, friend or loved one? Ms. Anderson replied, "We have volunteers and sponsors that support us in lots of different ways including giving your own community an event such as youth programs, in girls softball, football, baseball, basketball fund raisers and many other events teaming up with Farm Bureau Insurance and additional to bring awareness to the community of your organization in the fight of defeating this unwanted disease "Cancers" of all types." For more info on how your organization can join in the fight in defeating Cancer contact Chimene Anderson, Senior Market Manager of Community Engagement in Southeast Michigan American Cancer Society at 248-663-3472 or Amanda Bosherz, Senior Consultant Media Relations Manager at 248-663-3492.

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MIGUEL CABRERA, AMERICAN LEAGUE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

By Butch Davis



Miguel Cabrera has been named the American League Player of the Week for the period ending April 12th.

Detroit Tigers first baseman Miguel Cabrera has been named the American League Player of the Week for the period ending April 12th. The announcement was made earlier today on MLB Network. Cabrera batted .520 (13-for-25) with two doubles, two home runs, eight RBI and four runs scored over six games to claim his ninth career AL Player of the Week and his 13th weekly honor overall (last accomplished on September 7, 2014). Among his AL counterparts, the right-handed slugger was first in total bases (21), hits (13) and on-base percentage (.586), tied for first in RBI and second in batting average and slugging percentage (.840). Last week Wednesday, the

31-year-old went 2-for-4 with a

double and two RBI in a convincing 11-0 victory over the Minnesota Twins at Comerica Park. The two-RBI performance was Miguel's first of the 2015 season. Last Friday, the Venezuelan native was one of seven Tigers to record at least two hits, delivering three singles, an RBI and a stolen base to help spoil the Cleveland Indians' home opener in an 8-4 win over the Tribe at Progressive Field. Heading into the weekend, the nine-time All-Star continued his hot start, recording his first four-hit game of the season in a 9-6 win for the Tigers over the AL Centralrival Indians. His clutch, two-out RBI single in the seventh inning gave Detroit a 4-3 lead that they would not relinquish. The 2012 AL Triple Crown winner saved his best performance for Sunday, when he launched his first two home runs of the season as part of another four-hit afternoon, plating four Tigers to help complete the sweep for Detroit. It was the first time in Miguel's narrative career in which he logged four hits in consecutive games. The twohomer afternoon also marked Cabrera's 31st career multi-homer game and his 22nd with Detroit. The two-time AL MVP (2012-13) finished the three-game incline in Cleveland batting 11-for-14 (.786) with two homers and six RBI. For his career, the 13-year-veteran has owned Cleveland pitching with a batting average of .357, 37 homers and 118 RBI in 133 career

The Tigers as of this past Monday are now 6-1, outscoring their opponents 51-21 during their mo-

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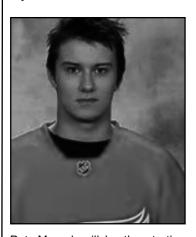
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Playoffs for the Wings Start Tonight

By Butch Davis



Petr Mrazek will be the starting goalie in Game 1 of their opening playoff series when the Detroit Red Wings goes against the Tampa Bay Lighting

Petr Mrazek will be the starting goalie in Game 1 of their opening playoff series when the Detroit Red Wings go against Tampa Bay Lighting who's

General Manager is former Red Wings great, Steve Yzer man. Since he shutout the Lightning on March 28, Mrazek has stumbled a bit. In his last four starts he's 1-2-1 with a 2.99 goals-against average and a .898 save percentage. He was also pulled after allowing four goals on 11 shots against the New York Islanders. However, Mrazek has grabbed the starting role from Jimmy Howard with a good performance against the Carolina Hurricanes this past weekend.

"When you're a big time goalie you don't talk about it," Babcock said. "You don't talk about bounce back games, you don't talk about the bad goals. You talk about how many saves the guy makes. That's all part of the business. It's a hard, hard

position. You need mental tougnness to keep playing, to believe in yourself, to find your game, to have your dips be short. We all go through cycles. You've got to keep them as short as you possibly can. Obviously, the more talent you have and the harder headed you are and the more passion you have and the more you work on your craft the shorter the down times are."

The Journey for the Red Wings 24th straight year in the playoff will start tonight in Tampa Bay at 7:30pm, and again, this Saturday afternoon on the road at 3:00pm before coming home to the Joe Louis Arena to take on the Lighting Tuesday and Thursday, of next week with a 7:00pm game time start. Let Go Red Wings!

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Notice on a public hearing to increase property taxes

CITY OF ROMULUS
NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED FY 2015/2016 BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that Romulus City Council has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Monday, May 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for the purpose of discussing the FY 2015/2016 Budget, including "The Property Tax Millage Rate Proposed To Be Levied To Support The Proposed Budget Will Be A Subject of This Hearing." Said Budget is available for inspection in the Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Ellen I. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk of Romulus, MI

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Body Cam Legislation

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Ecorse Sergeant Rick Mercado with police body camera during trial period in January 2015

communities where African Americans are afraid to drive in. With the cams, at the least we will be comforted to know that our interaction with police officers are being recorded."

Robinson's legislation:

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Community Discussion on Michigan
House Bill 4229
6 pm on Sat. April 25th

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TRIPLE T PROJECT

Calling on all elected officials to express their support for House Bill 4229

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Despite the recent tragedy in South Carolina and excessive force incident in Inkster, Michigan State Representative, Kurt Heise, Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee (Republican Northville –District 20) has not scheduled a hearing

"As we look for ways to respond to this national crisis, it is important that we have a hearing on this legislation so that we can discuss solutions. Michigan should take the lead on protecting civil liberties and freedom. We should be the first state out of the gate to mandate the body camera safeguard. It will build trust and make things better." said Attorney Isaac Robinson, Co-Founder of the Triple T Project.

The Triple T Project is urging residents to contact Michigan Republican Representative Kurt Heise, Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee, to hold a hearing on HB 4229.

Elisa Grubbs, Director of Field Action for the Michigan Triple T Project, told the Telegram, "We need to send a strong message that lives matter and relieving tensions is a priority. No More Dents. No more South Carolinas. President Barack Obama's task force is calling for more body cameras. Mayor Mike Duggan has rolled out pilot programs. Leaders in law enforcement believe body

cams will be instrumental in restoring the public trust. We need a hearing on HB 4229. Right now no debate is being allowed on this important piece of legislation."

The Western Wayne NAACP discussed House Bill 4229 on Monday April 13 at their monthly membership meeting. The membership voted to send a letter asking the State Conference of the Michigan NAACP to consider support for house bill 4229. The Western Wayne County NAACP chapter has a long history of fighting police brutality. Past Presidents of the branch Bishop Earl Truss, Rev. George Williams and Lucille Flint were all present and supported the motion asking the State NAACP to take action on the body camera mandate leg-Western Wayne islation. NAACP President Bishop Walter L. Starghill and the chapter's legal redress committee will send a letter later this week to Yvonne White. Michigan NAACP State Conference President.

State Representative Rose Mary Robinson, the primary sponsor of house bill 4229, is serving her second term representing Michigan's 4th House District, which comprises Hamtramck and portions of Detroit. A member of the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame, Robinson was the first woman ever elected to the Wayne County Commission in 1970. Before being elected to the Michigan House of Representatives, Robinson also served as a member of the Detroit Charter Revision Commission in 2009. Robinson holds a law degree from Wayne State Law School.

Robinson serves as the minority vice chair of the House Oversight and Ethics Committee and also serves on the House Judiciary Committee. She is a member of the Michigan Law Revision Commission

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CRIME ALERTS

RIVER ROUGE POLICE BLOTTER

April 8th, 2015

At 1355hrs an officer was dispatched to the police station lobby for a Domestic complaint. At 56 year old female stated she just walked from her home in the Block of Alexander Street because her 39 year old husband had just assaulted her. She states she was being verbally abused this morning during an argument with him when he grabbed her by her arm while she was lying in bed, and threw her down on the floor. No sign of injury appeared. She made contact with a neighbor and will be temporarily staying with her.

April 6th, 2015

At 1557hrs, officers were dispatched to the 100 Block of Maple Street on neighbor dispute in progress. Officers arrived and observed a large group of juveniles standing on the porch of a home. A 42 year old male states his 17 year old son had taken a pack of cigarette from his 18 year old neighbor friend and destroyed them. The 17 year old spoke to the neighbor's mother and told her he would replace the cigarette by buying her a new pack. The father thought everything was fine until his son went to go outside to play basketball in front of the house when several youth came across the street and started fighting with him. Several of these juvenile males went to a neighbor house and

took several landscaping rocks and began throwing them at the home and vehicle. The father got a soft pellet gun and went outside with it to scare the juveniles. All eventually left the area.

April 4th, 2015

At 0309hrs, officer were parked at Campbell & Visger, monitoring traffic when an auxiliary officer approached the vehicle and stated he was approached by a 57 year old male wearing a black leather coat with fur trim on the hood who just tried to sell him "crack cocaine". This same male was standing in front of the gas station at Polk & Visger. When officer tried to approach the male he ran. When he was told to stop running the male stated he had not done anything. He was told to get down on the ground and place his hands behind his back. The male had a stem(drug paraphernalia) on him and resisted when officers tried to handcuff him. Doing a search and pat down a glass pipe used to smoke crack was found in his pants pocket. The male was arrested for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and transported to the police station where he was booked allowed to make a phone call then housed.

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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, 2015, 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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CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC NOTICE

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING March 23, 2015

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Steve Hitchcock, Attorney

1. Moved by Crout, seconded by Makowski to accept the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-078 2A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on March 9, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-079 2B. Moved by Abdo, seconded by Roscoe to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on March 9, 2015 - 6:30 p.m. study session, City Rubbish Con-

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

3. Petitioner – PC-2015-005/006; 28275 Northline, building addition, special land use request for an industrial manufacturing facility greater than 80,000 sq. ft. Matthew Madden, from Gillette Architects and Planners, presented information regarding a request for special land use for an industrial manufacturing facility greater than 80,000 feet at 28275 Northline Rd.

15-080 3A. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Makowski to approve PC-2015-005/006, 28275 Northline building addition, special land use request for an industrial manufacturing facility greater than 80,000 sq. ft.- D & G Building Company.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Chairperson's Report: Mayor Pro-Tem Barden announced congratulations to the Romulus High School Boys Basketball Team on winning the District Championship this year. He also announced congratulations to the Romulus High School Girls Basketball Team on winning the District and Regional Championships this year.

15-081 4A. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Wadsworth to allow the mayor and clerk to enter into a Letter of Understanding with Teamsters Local 214.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth Navs - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-082 4B. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Crout to grant a no-fee permit for the closing of Goddard Road from the Historical Park to Wesleyan Church for the annual Good Friday Walk to be held on Friday, April 3, 2015 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4C. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Choate to accept the chairperson's report. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff asked Andy McKay, from the RAC, to announce the winners of the 2015 Mayor's Fitness Challenge. Saturday, April 4th is the Easter Egg Hunt, which will be held behind the senior center; the event is free, pictures may be purchased for \$3.00. If a resident is concerned about door-to-door sales persons asking about their energy bills, they may call the Michigan Public Service Commission at 800-292-9555.

Senior Alliance representative, Brenda Brotherton, gave an overview of the Senior Alliance Pro-

15-083 5A1. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to adopt a resolution recognizing the 60th wedding anniversary of Ray and Loretta Renke.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-084 5A2. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Cindia Len Hensley.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Navs - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-085 5A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to authorize payment for the Senior Alliance 2015 Fiscal Year match – for 2014 statistics - in the amount of \$1,838.00 Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-086 5B. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Crout to award Bid 14/15-13 to Mercy Sales Incorporated along with their subcontractor, Emergency Services, and that the clerk and mayor enter into a contract with the same in the amount of \$173,000 for the purchase of two new Ford Super Duty E-450 ambulance chassis and for the refurbishing and remounting of the ambulance boxes from R2 and R3 to the new chassis.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-087 5C. Moved by Abdo, seconded by Choat to extend Bid ITB 14/15-17 to purchase one (1) 2015 Ford Transit 250 MR Van per the bid specifications and at the bid price of \$27,500. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-088 5D1. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to award Bid 14/15-21 for the purchase of sixteen (16) sets of gear, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Phoenix Safety Outfitters in the amount of \$30,144.00.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-089 5D2. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Crout to authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an agreement with Phoenix Safety Outfitters Maintenance plan at a fixed price for seven years for the annual inspection services at a cost of \$110/set for the Hazard Care Program and \$220/set for the Complete Care Program.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Navs - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-090 5E. Moved by Abdo, seconded by Wadsworth to approve the DDA appointment of Doug Clark and Doug O'Leary to serve as members of the Downtown Development Authority with terms to expire on July 31, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-091 5F. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Choate to authorize the Department of Public Works to dispose of vehicles in accordance with the City's Property Disposal Policy through Martin's Towing with a disposal fee of \$50.00 per vehicle (\$100.00 add on if towed) with all other proceeds

CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC NOTICE

to be returned to the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk's Report:

15-092 6A1(a). Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Casmier "Cass" Kasperek.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-093 6A1(b). Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Jack Trumble.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Navs - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-094 6A1(c). Moved by Makowski, seconded by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Laverne T. Macon.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-095 6A1. Moved by Choate, seconded by Makowski to schedule two one-hour study sessions and a public hearing to discuss the proposed 2015-16 City budget. The first study session will be held on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. and the second study session on Monday, April 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. All the meetings will be conducted in the City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-096 6A2. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to schedule a public hearing on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. to review three proposed demolitions. The hearing will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-097 6A3. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Wadsworth to approve first reading to repeal City Ordinance Transient Merchants, Chapter 46, Article V, Divisions 1 and 2, Sections 46-203

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried Unanimously. 15-098 6A4. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to approve first reading of an amendment to City Ordinance, Part II, Chapter 26, Food and Food Handlers, Article I, Section 26-3, Permanent Structure and Mobile Food Service.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-099 6A5. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to approve first reading of an amendment to Appendix A, Zoning Amendment 1.218, Temporary Building and Uses.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-100 6A6. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Abdo to approve second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 46, Peddlers and Solicitors, Article IV, Divisions 1 and 2, Sections 46-139 and 46-176. This was approved for first reading at the Council meeting of December 8, 2014.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-101 6A7. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to approve second reading of an or dinance amending Part II, Chapter 52, Streets, Sidewalks, and other Public Places, Article II, Section 52-84. This was approved for first reading at the Council meeting of December 8, 2014. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

15-102 6A8. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Wadsworth to approve the proposed changes to the City Fee Schedule.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6B. Treasurer's Report:

Delinquent personal property tax statements have been mailed out to businesses.

15-103 6B1. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Orletta Mae Holcomb Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

7. Public Comment:

A new resident commented about cars speeding on Harrison Road, south of Eureka Road. 8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth announced the annual Animal Shelter Bowl-A-Thon will be held on May 8th. 9. New Business

10. Communication

15-104 11. Moved by Choate, seconded by Makowski to approve Warrant 15-06 in the amount of \$686.829.43. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Navs - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Makowski to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Nays - None. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on March

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE INVITATION TO BID

THE CITY OF RIVER ROUGE IS ACCEPTING BIDS TO PERFORM PAVE-MENT DEPRESSION PATCHING AT VARIOUS SPOTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF RIVER ROUGE UTILIZING A SPRAY METHOD. THIS PROJECT WILL BE FUNDED WITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS. BID PACKAGES CAN BE OBTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK OR BY CALLING (313) 842-5604. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON AN OFFI-CIAL BID FORM BY 3:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2015 AT THE OF-FICE OF THE CITY CLERK. BIDS WILL BE OPENED AT 3:00 PM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2015 AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK.

PATRICIA HUDSON-JOHNSON

CITY CLERK

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month





Lansing, — Since 1985, April has been nationally recognized as Child Abuse Prevention Month, and Michigan Governor Rick Snyder has officially declared it such once again in Michigan. The Michigan Children's Trust Fund has used this special time each year to acknowledge the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child maltreatment in all of its forms.

Recent news stories have highlighted the need for people to say something if they see or fear something is happening to a child. Michigan's toll-free child abuse hotline, 855-444-3911, is professionally staffed 24/7 year round.

"We can be a powerful voice for Michigan's children and work together to prevent child abuse and neglect," said Nick Lyon, interim director of Michigan Department of Human Services. "Whether we're focusing on improving our services to children through our programs, or calling to report concerns to Michigan's child abuse hotline, we all play a role in ensuring our children are safe and protected."

Between now and April 15, 2015, another simple but very effective way for taxpayers to help is to contribute to the Children's Trust Fund (CTF) when they're filing Michigan state income tax forms. All funds raised through this check off go directly to efforts to protect Michigan children. It is No. 6 on the Michigan Voluntary Contributions Schedule.

A highlight of the month is the seventh annual Michigan Prevention Awareness Day rally. This year's event will take place on the steps of the State Capitol in Lansing at 11 a.m. April 23, 2015. Nick Lyon and Children's Trust Fund Director Michael Foley will be joined by other child abuse and neglect prevention advocates for this important event. This year the theme is the "Power of One" to signify that one person, one community, one dollar or one action can be life changing for a child. Highlights of this day

are a rally, procession and the planting of a pinwheel garden to show support for child abuse prevention programs in the state. The pinwheel is the national symbol of child abuse and neglect prevention. It also symbolizes the belief that every child has the right to grow and flourish to his/her full potential within a nurturing environment. Pinwheel gardens will be sprouting throughout the month in communities across Michigan as a powerful sign of our collective commitment to protect children.

Prevention Awareness Day also serves as a legislative education day by giving advocates the opportunity to discuss prevention needs and current programming in Michigan with legislators.

"The Children's Trust Fund is excited and pleased to see our partners from across the state of Michigan engage in numerous public awareness efforts and activities," said CTF Director Michael Foley. "This is another opportunity to set the stage for a positive and affirmative commitment for all Michigan citizens to do their part to help assure that Michigan children are treated with dignity and respect."

Child abuse and prevention efforts recognize that people understand that child abuse and neglect is a serious problem, but often don't know how to prevent it, and that some of the issues they care the most about -- such as the economy and rising health costs -- are related to child abuse and neglect. Child abuse costs the nation an estimated annual direct cost of \$124 billion, approximately \$1,400 each year for the average American family.

For more information about Michigan Child Abuse Prevention Month activities and 2015 Prevention Awareness Day, contact Emily Wachsberger at 517-335-0671, or go to www.michigan.gov/PreventChild-Abuse.

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, 2015 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 in-

Dana Hughes City Clerk

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CITY OF INKSTER

In accordance with the City of Inkster City Charter Chapter 7, Sec. 7.9; an abstract of the proceedings of the April 6, 2015 Regular Council Meeting is hereby published.

APPROVED:

Approval of the agenda.

Approval of Consent agenda.

Approval of one board appointment.

Table of a Special Events Policy.

Approval to transfer city owned blighted residential properties to the Michigan Land Bank.

Failed to approve the City Attorney Contract updates.

Approval of an application to MDOT for the State Trunkline.

Approval of a contract with Lawnscape for grass cutting.

Approval to have a city-wide liquidation sale of excessive assets.

Approval to obtain three bids for soil erosion repair work on the Inkster Greenway Trail.

Approval of an offer to purchase 710 Middlebelt.

Approval to initiate an investigation subject to Chapter 7, Section 7.7 of the Inkster City Charter involving the Police incident on January 28, 2015.

Felicia Rutledge City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 15-002

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 46 PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS, ARTICLE IV, DIVISIONS 1 AND 2, SECTIONS 46-139, 46-140, 46-143, 46-176, and 46-179 of the CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF ROMULUS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Romulus City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 15-002 for the purpose of amending Ordinance Chapter 46 Article IV Division 1 Sections 46-139, 46-140, 46-143, 46-176 and 46-179. The amendment includes the adding of Sections 46-140, 46-143, 46-179 and adding definitions under Section 46-139. The ordinance will be in effect on April 16, 2015.

The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public review at the City of Romulus City Hall, Office of the City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ELLEN L. CRAIG- BRAGG, CMC, City Clerk

Within forty-five (45) days after publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than six percent (6%) of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

Introduced:12-08-14Second Reading:03-23-15Published/Effective:04-16-15

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CITY OF ROMULUS ORDINANCE NO. 15-003

ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II CHAPTER 52 STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES, ARTICLE II, SECTION 52-84 of the CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF ROMULUS.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

Chapter 52 Article II Section 52-84 is amended to read as follows:

Section 52.84 Approval required.

In order to properly provide for traffic, crowd control, property maintenance, and the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public, it shall be unlawful for any person to participate in any special event on any city street, park, or public area of the city unless such activity is granted approval by resolution of the city council. Applications shall be made in writing to the city clerk who shall distribute the application to the police department, department of public works/building and safety department, fire department, and planning department for their input to council prior to approval. The application must identify the type of event, the streets or public property to be used, the dates and time, and a diagram of the area indicating what type of barricading will be utilized for safety purposes. Once approved by the departments, the application will then be submitted to the city clerk for submission to the city council for approval.

ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Romulus this 23rd day of March, 2015.

LEROY D. BURCROFF, Mayor ELLEN L. CRAIG-BRAGG, CMMC, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the City Council of the City of Romulus at a regular Council Meeting held in the City Council Room in said City on the 23rd day of March, 2015.

I further certify that the foregoing was published in <u>Telegram</u>, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Romulus, on the **16th** day of **April**, **2015**. ELLEN L. CRAIG-BRAGG, CMMC, City Clerk

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Growing Together Earth Day Discussion Comes to WCCCD April 22



Keeping the environment alive and healthy is an opportunity for everyone to have say, and Earth Day 2015 in Detroit will be a chance for residents to come together and learn about the key issues facing our communities in the months and years ahead. On Wednesday, April 22, the official day of the worldwide Earth Day celebration, Wayne County Community College will host a special discussion titled Growing Together, bringing city leaders and environmental activists together to speak with residents.

The event will take place at the Wayne County Community College campus located at 1001 Fort Street in Detroit, and will begin at 5:30pm with a reception, followed by a panel discussion and resource fair from 6-9pm.

Confirmed speakers for the panel discussion will include Scott Benson, Detroit City Councilman District 3; Raquel Castaneda-Lopez, City Councilwoman of Detroit District 6; Simone Lightfoot of the National Wildlife Federation; Stephanie Young, Neighborhood District 1 Manager; and Riet Schumack of Neighbors Building Brightmoor. Poet and community organizer Tawana "Honeycomb" Petty will also be in attendance for a special performance.

The event is sponsored by Sierra Club, Keep Growing Detroit, Friends of the Rouge, and Wayne County Community College District. Attendees will also have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets to win a rain barrel for their home and garden.

This year will be the 45th anniversary of Earth Day, which began in 1970 as a way to bring about discussion about how to combat the numerous problems facing the world environment, and the ways that ordinary people can make small changes in their own lives to help conquer the greatest problems the country and world faces. The first celebration marked the beginning of the modern environmental movement, and helped the nation pass the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and the Endangered Species Act.

In Detroit and the surrounding cities, union factory workers were supporters of the first Earth Day, experiencing first hand the dangers of air, water and ground pollution from the plants where they worked. Southeast Michigan has dramatically improved in environmental quality since then, and with more issues to tackle, the Growing Together Earth Day discussion will be a chance for many to learn about how they can contribute.





ASK ALMA

Let him go...



Dear Alma,

Ok, I was with a police officer for 10 years. He did some awful things in our relationship. Meaning he cheated on me. A lot of it was through the Internet or through the phone. Meaning he was sexting many other women. Which he considered not cheating. We were living together and I was battling lupus. He said it was because I was sick often and didn't like to do the things I used to do. Long story short, I found a side phone with over 30 different women in the phone. I was devastated! Here I am battling lupus and he can't be loyal. I was heartbroken, so I kicked him out and our relationship over. He has tried to be my friend ever since, but I'm so angry that he hurt me. He's apologized and begged me to forgive him. He wants to be friends and be a part of my life. What's your take on this?

Name withheld

I'd have to say I'm glad this relationship is over and no, you don't need him as a friend. Friends don't deliver hurt and pain; friends show up with tissue and support. Nobody wants to admit it, but it's hard to love yourself more than the one you love when they instantly break your heart. Love's not like a cell phone, you can't turn it on and off ~ or put it on silent when it's convenient for the situation. Sounds like you still have feelings for him and if you can't have him as a lover, you'll consider allowing him to be your friend. Don't! You can forgive him, but don't forget. My "Ask Alma" super girl powers tell me that you're beautiful, smart and worthy of someone who will give you his best. You've spent enough time allowing Robocop to block your blessings. Unpack your big girl bloomers and let him bounce! Surround yourself with friends and family who love and support you – everybody else has got to go. You're living with lupus, God bless you! You ain't got time for no foolishness. Lupus didn't give you a choice, but you can chose to have devoted, faithful, compassionate friends and relationships that'll bring you joy. Don't be afraid of not having him in your life. He doesn't hold your happiness in the palm of his hand. Your light of happiness lives inside of you, under your control, 24/07.



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Western Wayne NAACP and Attorney Isaac Robinson co-hosting Free Foreclosure Prevention Counseling Session at Inkster Public Library



Volunteers are taking foreclosure relief information door to door. Pictured left to right: Inkster Council member Kim Howard, State Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson, Norma McDaniel, James Richardson and Deatris Richardson meet up at Dozier Recreation Center to go door to door in Inkster.

Wayne County Treasurer's Office Offers Extension for Property Owners to Pay Back Taxes and Avoid Foreclosure

Inkster, MI - New state legislation has created new programs to help taxpayers facing foreclosures. The Wayne County Treasurer has extended the time to access the programs and to redeem property for those who own and occupy residential property as their primary residence. The redemption period for property owners has been extended to May 12. This extension allows homeowners more time to access the new programs.

Bishop Walter L. Starghill, President of the Western Wayne NAACP, Attorney Isaac Robinson and local volunteers are continuing their grassroots campaign to inform residents about the new programs and connect residents with free advice.

A Free Counseling Session, hosted by the volunteer coalition, will be held on Monday, April 27, 2015 from 5:00 to 7:30 pm at the Inkster Public Library (address is 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141.) Volunteer housing counselors from the United Community Housing Coalition will be on site to provide free help and advice. Free advice is also available for residents with mortgage, land contract, probate or tenant issues. Residents coming to the session should try to bring a copy of their deed or land contract or probate order and a copy of their state ID or driver's license (names on the documents and ID should be the same).

"There are new programs that can cut taxes and rates for people who are behind." said Attorney Isaac Robinson.. "We need people to step forward to get the information they need to keep their homes. We want people to know their

rights no matter what type of housing issue they are facing. Owners and tenants are encouraged to attend the free session."

Two months ago over 1300 homes were on the foreclosure list in the city of Inkster, Michigan alone. As of April 1, 2015 the number in Inkster is down to 250 with 86 of these homes being owner-occupied.

"We have made strides but there are still thousands in foreclosure across the county. We must continue to get this relief info out door to door and inform residents about their rights."

Robinson is actively recruiting volunteers willing to distribute information about the new programs door to door or at local meetings.

Bishop Walter L. Starghill, President of the Western Wayne County made the fore-closure issue a major focus of his membership meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015 at Christian Faith Ministries in Garden City.

Starghill urged members to continue spreading the word about foreclosure relief programs at upcoming city council meetings and community meetings. Informational handouts summarizing the new programs and free help are available for volunteers. Daisy Truss, Vice-President of the Western Wayne NAACP, Inkster Council Member Kim Howard, Detroit State Representative Rose Mary C. Robinson, Attorney Isaac Robinson, Inkster residents Norma Mc-Daniel, James Richardson and Deatris Richardson participated in a door to door informational walk staged from the Inkster Recreation Complex on a recent week-end.

The Inkster/Western Wayne County Stop Foreclosure Campaign steering committee in-

cludes the Western Wayne County NAACP, Westland Mayor Bill Wild, Mayor Hilliard Hampton, Rev. Joseph Stephens, Attorney Isaac Robinson, Bishop Walter L. Starghill, Inkster Council Members Kim Howard and Tim Williams, Dearborn Heights Council members Ned Apigian and Lisa Hicks-Clayton, retired Inkster police officer Danny VanSchoiack, Realtor Rebecca J. Daniels, community leaders Deatris Richardson, Al Buckner and Norma McDaniel and a growing number of volunteers.

The outreach in Inkster and Western Wayne County was inspired by Councilman Gabe Leland's Walks to Defend our Neighbors program in Detroit's District 7 which he began in February of this year.

For more info about the free session or the volunteer campaign call Attorney Isaac Robinson at 313-739-5093 or email isaacrobinson313@gmail.com



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