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Black Women Rock returns
to Wright Museum

By Steve Furay - Special to the Telegram



Detroit poet jessica Care moore will headline the Black Women Rock concert in Detroit

Black Women Rock is Detroit's premier annual celebration of strong women rocking the stage of the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, and this year's show features an exceptional lineup not to be missed. The main event concert will take place on Saturday, March 7 at 7pm at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, with tickets, available online for \$35, expected to sell out.

Black Women Rock is presented by Detroit poet jessica Care moore, an artist who has gained international recognition over the past twenty years as a publisher, author, educa-

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Western Wayne Family
Health Centers
begins renovation to better
serve area residents



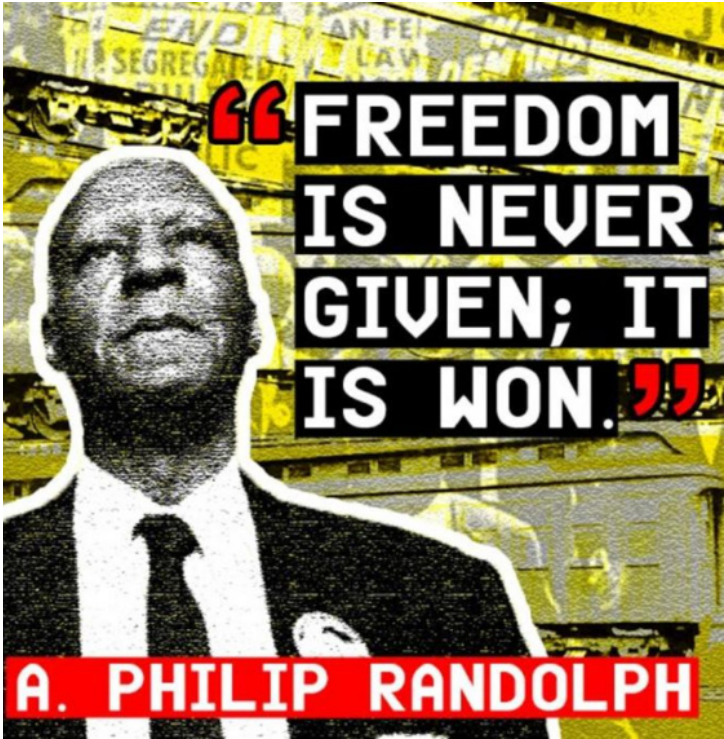
Western Wayne Family Health Centers has begun renovation of its' new Inkster facility located at 2700 Hamlin Court (at Inkster Road) less than a block away from its' current center. The new center is due to open in Summer 2015. The building is the former location of the Michigan Department of Human Services and is being fully renovated to become a model for patient centered care. This new facility will triple the space for WWFHC by offering 39 medical exam rooms, a dental suite with 7 chairs, dozens of rest rooms, an on-site pharmacy and house the administrative offices. "Our Inkster center has long outgrown the space we have, and our new site will let us continue to offer the most community centered and innovative care

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



The Wayne Rotary Club donated a dictionary to every third grade student at Hoover, Roosevelt-McGrath, Schweitzer and Taft-Galloway Elementary Schools. Shown here is Mrs. Saad's third grade class at Hoover Elementary School with Rotary members David Carpenter, Bridget Kelly and John Van Stipdonk.



CALL TO ACTION

Do Black Lives Matter?

Changing our image one family at a time



As we come to the close of another Black History Month, does that mean the history lesson is over? I hope not. For twenty-eight days the United States of America and maybe the world has heard more about Black Americans than they will over the next 10 months. Of course they heard the name Martin Luther King, Jr., Rosa Parks and Malcolm X. These are the names that most people think about during February.

But Black History doesn't end with those three or four people. There are so many more people that have played a key role in American History that go unnoticed. I'm sure you know of several Black Americans that have influenced your life or the lives of people in your family. During this year, it would probably be a good idea to plan some conversation time to share the rich history of people that you know that have made

an impact in your community. There are young people that do not know the names of other Black Americans than the three I named. When the rubber meets the road, youth need to know that their lives matter.


How will they know that their lives matter unless someone tell them so. The Telegram Newspaper is doing our part of highlighting other Black Americans that have impacted the lives of people in the community. But our efforts are sometimes overshadowed by other media such as Reality Shows, news channels and society ills. My life matters, my son's life matter, my family lives matter and my Godchildren lives matter. I count it my responsibility to exhibit values that demonstrate a positive role model. I also count it my responsibility to ensure the information within the pages of the Telegram also demonstrate that Black Lives Matter. Read the Telegram and share the information with your family and friends. We are here to be a positive venue for the community, help us reshape the image of Black Americans, one family, one household at a time.

Black History is Everybody's History.

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to anyone in the area who wants high quality, comprehensive primary health and dental care", says Linda Atkins, Chief Executive Officer.

The architectural plans were designed by Hooker DeJong of Muskegon using an integrated behavioral health model which embeds offices for behavioral health consultants and therapists into the patient care areas which allows improved communication and team based coordinated care. Atkins explains "there are distinct areas of care offered such as women's health, adult medicine, pediatrics, lab, dental, storage space, offices and meeting rooms. Everything is laid out to give excellent care and to operate more efficiently."

The renovation is financed by Level One Bank and supported by lead grants from Metro Health Foundation, Carls Foundation and the Ethel and James Flinn Foundation.

The new facility will allow WWFHC to serve more people, improve patient care, and provide timely access to care and expanded services to better meet the needs of the community.

WWFHC has centers in Inkster, Taylor and Lincoln Park and provided care to 9,429 patients in 2014 with 31,820 encounters. Primary medical, general dentistry and behavioral health services are open to all, regardless of health insurance status. Most insurance are accepted, including all Wayne County Medicaid and Healthy Michigan Plan coverage, and a sliding fee scale is available for those without health insurance. Insurance application assistance is also offered.



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Wayne County offers a series of educational programs in 2015

90 minute programs highlight Michigan's history and local heritage

Westland, MI - Wayne County Parks is offering a series of 90 minute local history presentations on select Saturdays throughout the year. For ages 12 and up, all programs are held at the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center in Westland.

"Learning is a lifelong process and it is important that we continue to exercise our brains," said Wayne County Executive Warren Evans. "Wayne County Parks offers a variety of educational programs and I hope residents take advantage of these fun learning opportunities."

Feb. 28, 2015 from
1:00 – 2:30

Underground Railroad in
Michigan

Local Underground Railroad history and the key role Michigan played in the "Flight to

Freedom" will be presented along with the fascinating lore from this important era.

March 7, 2015 from
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Native American History Part
I: Prehistoric Era

The story of the earliest days of human history in North America will be presented, including some of the earliest cultures in Michigan the Copper Culture and Hopewell mound builders.

· Advance registration and prepayment is required. The program fee is \$2.00 per adult for Wayne County residents and \$3.00 for out-of-county residents.

The Nankin Mills Interpretive Center is located at 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland, MI 48185.

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Cherishing History that’s in your Attic

By Julianne Malveaux - NNPA



We gather together this month to lift up the names that have been frequently lifted, to call the roll of those African Americans who have made a difference. While some names are the tried and true names of important leaders, we need to pay as much attention to the legacies of those whose lives and contributions have been swallowed.

Madame CJ Walker’s life and legacy is no secret. There is a woman who shares her name though, and she is rarely lifted up when the roles of Black women in our nation’s history are mentioned. Maggie Lena Walker, with a second grade education, established Penny Savings Bank in Richmond, Va. She was the first African American woman to establish such a bank. Through the Great Depression, and through bank regulation shifts, some version of Penny Savings Bank existed until the early 21st Century. This woman’s contribution has been overshadowed because it is easy to ignore her contribution to history.

Madame CJ Walker garnered public attention, and few realize that she was not the first to do “black hair.” Annie Malone developed a thriving hair care business in St. Louis and surrounding areas. According to some sources, she had at least two dozen training schools in the early 20th Century. Some say she mentored Madame CJ Walker. Many acknowledge that her hair care educational foci were a model for Madame Walker. Did Walker, more flamboyant and better connected, establish a place in history while Annie Malone and Maggie Lena Walker could not? What does it say about Black history when the glitz and glitter are substitutes for sacrifice and substance?

Far too often, we expect leaders to embrace and lift up our Black history. And far too often, we ignore the history in our attics. We forget the uncle who was a member of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, independent union of sleeping car porters and maids established in the 1920s to advocate for their rights. We forget the aunt who was a domestic worker in New York City. We remember the cousin who was a teacher in Mississippi, Alabama, or Louisiana (the last

states to desegregate schools), but we have never explored the sacrifices she made to manage such a segregated environment.

We glorify those whose names are represented in the headlines. We ignore those whose contributions, albeit important, hover on the sidelines. We know that we stand on mighty shoulders, but we are unwilling and sadly sometimes unable to call their names.

These are the names we must call. We call them when we pour libation. We call their names and say “ache.” Our next responsibility is to lift their names up, to claim them as the postal workers, the civil rights workers, and the activists. Our next responsibility is to remind ourselves and those around us that we don’t have to have a name to have “cred.”

We call their names when we read Howard Zinn’s A Peoples History of the United States that exemplifies “the people’s history,” not the celebrity history. We own our history and affirm our connection to it, when we own the papers in the attic.

As I move around during this Black History Month, people tell me stories that they need to tell others. There was the uncle who took his horn through the “chitlin circuit” backing up major artists, and leaving the circuit when the pull of family took him home. These are the revolutions that will not be televised, the stories that will only be told when we tell them.

We need to tell them year round. It is a travesty of history to reduce an accounting of our heritage to a one-month commemoration of the history that defines our nation. When we are unable to recount the occurrences of Tulsa and Rosewood, of the Red Summer of 1919 and the Poor People’s Campaign, we allow our history to be swallowed and appropriated.

Commemorate Black History Month, if you will. Attend the gatherings at your churches and colleges. And then go home and pull the history out of the attic. If you are a citizen of the world, race notwithstanding, you have some hidden history in your attic. When you share your family stories, you take ownership in a Black History Month that is not about those named, but those unnamed who have made a critical difference in our lives.

Julianne Malveaux is an author and economist based in Washington D.C.

My past is the past; Starting over is a blessing



My circumstance is not my character. My circumstance should not be the defining point of my future. But time and time again my circumstance has robbed me of progress, of opportunity and of forward motion. Like many who faced similar circumstances... ‘When will our past be what it is “The Past”?’ ‘Everybody has one!! A computer showing some of the adolescent decisions that I made, isn’t who I am. I started well in life having not come from the stereotypical upbringing associated with many young men who fall prey to the lure of the streets; namely a broken home and a love struggling parent. I’m grateful to be raised by loving parents whose attempt to guide me on the right path in life was not defeated, but only delayed. The middle child of my parents I found myself always feeling I had to stand out. Sure, I found sports early as a way to stand out positively. But, by middle school, the negative influences of the street life and that culture pulled me in and I began to express myself in ways that would lead to my incarceration. By the age of 25 after many encounters with the criminal justice system I found myself in the dubious position of standing out in a way that I never intended; namely facing a life sentence in prison. However God had other plans for me. With God’s Sovereign grace and wisdom what was intended as a path of destruction became my right of passage. I only served eight years in prison. While I paid my debt to society on an Involuntary Manslaughter conviction, I invested my energy in building a future outside of prison walls. I always say “Jail ain’t a place you want to be, but it may be a place you need to go.” During my incarceration I attained my GED and spearheaded many events for the prisoners and recently released prisoners to participate in. Some of the programs included; prisoners giving back to the community by walking

for breast cancer awareness, cleaning up eye-sores in our neighborhoods by donating funds to aid board up homes and cutting fields of grass. I excelled in every job I was assigned to and built a firm spiritual foundation under the tutelage of the Nation of Islam and debating peacefully with my father and brother. In 2009 I made my transition from prison to regain the life I almost lost. In having this second chance in living, I’m blessed to share a life now with the best thing to happen to me, my wife Kennie. Kennie and I have three boys and one

daughter. Yes, its beautiful being home, but the struggle remains of the stigma associated with prison. It’s where I have been; not who I am. I’m a business owner, a husband, a father, a son, a brother, not a thug, not a felon, not a bad seed. So please don’t write me off as a criminal in the history books. I served my debt to society and that part of Artie is over. I introduce you to me, Arthur Willis Jr.; a proud young black man.

Happy Black History Month!

LIBRARY NEWS

In honor of Black History Month, the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library presents “Celebrate!

The Music of African Americans” with a live performance by the renowned jazz ensemble, Straight Ahead! Seating is limited for this historical event at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library on Saturday February 28, 2015 at 1:30 pm.

Straight Ahead is a ground breaking jazz group with strong inventive instrumentalists and vocalists with roots in the Detroit music scene. The group is well known for their eclectic

approach to creating music. Straight Ahead has shared the stage with Nina Simone, Kem, Tony Bennett, Jean Luc Ponty, Stanley Clarke, and George Duke among others. These Grammy nominated recording artists have traveled throughout the United States, the Caribbean and Europe.

Please welcome Straight Ahead’s performance at the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library on Saturday February 28, 2015 at 1:30 pm. The library is located at 2005 Inkster Road; Inkster; MI 48141—one block North of Michigan Avenue. For more information please call the library at 313-563-2822 or visit www.inksterlibrary.org.

Romulus Public Library Presents a series of Programs Scheduled for Monday’s in March

Meet Author John Kozak for author talk & book signing. John Kozak’s book “Through the Eyes of Rose: A Mother’s Flight to Freedom in a Memory Mosaic” is a true account of his mother’s harrowing escape from Communist occupied Czechoslovakia with her two children. March 2, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Romulus Public Library

Astute Artistry will present and demonstrate Special Effects Make-up for eighteen and over. Space is limited for this program. March 16, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Romulus Public Library

What are your girls doing?

Small Seeds

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



Don't underestimate what God can do with a small seed. Don't be discouraged because of your little bit of whatever. A mustard seed is the smallest seed, yet it yields the largest tree that shelters many birds (Mark 4:30-32).

When God's favor is upon something, no matter how small, it can yield great fruit, or accomplish great and mighty unimaginable things. I am reminded of the parable of the talents in Matthew 25 where the master gave three servants talents. To one he gave five, another three and one got one. The ones with three and five planted theirs and they brought back fruit.

The one with a single talent buried his and it yielded no extra. Why did he do this? He was afraid. He did not have confidence in his single talent. Maybe he was intimidated by those who had more. I think when people have more, they feel like they have more room

for error and are less afraid. The risk quotient is lower.

The servant with only one talent likely thought it would be all or nothing. As a result, he was just too afraid, leary and skeptical to chance it, so he buried his talent figuring it was not enough. But that was the wrong answer and it did not end well for that servant.

I think we do the same thing when we have a small seed or just a little bit. We see it as not enough and we get discouraged. God has shown us how He can take a little and multiply it into more than enough. He did it with bread and fish from a boy's lunch and fed thousands. He took a widow's vial of oil and oil continued to run from it and she filled multiple containers. He took a widow's last little bit of meal, just enough for one cake and she was prepared for that to be her final meal with her son, but God multiplied the supply.

Faith and obedience caused something supernatural to occur. With our little bit of equipment, little bit of money, little bit of supplies, little bit of food and even our little bit of faith, we can do something huge! When we are faithful and obedient, we cannot underestimate the power of our small seed. Let's sow!!!

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ALETHER CHAPMAN
Dec. 24, 1942 – Feb. 6, 2015
Alether was born in River Rouge and graduated from the River Rouge School System. She attended Union Second Baptist Church until she became ill.
In 1971, she was united in Holy Matrimony to Osibe Chapman. She was employed and retired from General Motors, Fisher Guild Plant.
She leaves to cherish her fondest memories; her daughter, Kim Murray, grandson Aaron Murray, two sisters Yvonne Robinson and Vera Hawkins and a host of family and friends.
Funeral arrangements were entrusted at Stinsons Funeral Home.



DAISY ANDERSON
Aug. 4, 1928 – Jan. 20, 2015
Daisy was born in River Rouge and graduated from the River Rouge School System. She enjoyed entertaining at her home where she loved to decorate and cook. She also loved watching her sports (boxing, basketball, football and baseball. She was joined in holy matrimony in 1947 to Robert L. Anderson. She was employed at General Motors Corporation until her retirement in 1988.
She leaves to cherish her memories; her husband of 67

years, Robert L. Anderson, daughter Cynthia Hardy, sisters Yvonne Robinson and Vera Hawkins and a host of family and friends.
Funeral arrangements were entrusted at Stinsons Funeral Home.



RANDY LEE WARE
May 11, 1960 – Feb. 13, 2015
Randy was born in Southwest Detroit and he attended the Detroit Public School District. He worked as a Contractor, High-low Driver and CNC Operator for many years. He married his companion, Linda Jones on March 8, 2003. His joy came from cooking family dinners, gardening and spending time with family and friends. His quest in life was to be the best son, husband, father, brother, uncle, neighbor and friend.
He leaves to relive his memories; his wife, Linda, two sons, Devont'e and Demetrius, Stepchildren, Clifford and Shamear, his siblings, Betty Lark, Marvin (Gloria) Ware and a host of family and friends.
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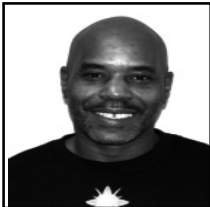
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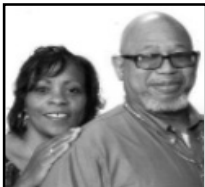
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Signing Day: Young men on the way to college River Rouge football players make committment to education



Coach Corey Parket with six of the River Rouge High School senior football players who made the decision to further their education and play football.

From Left to Right: Dontez Blackshear - Davenport Grand Rapids, Paul Mckuhen - William Penn - Patrick Mckuhen - William Penn, Daquan Butler - Sienna Heights, Terrell Griffin- Lake Erie, Chris Agee - William Penn

Romulus' Darius Jackson Commits to Ferris



Romulus High School senior Darius Jackson signs his National Letter of Intent to play football at Ferris State University, where he will be playing wide receiver.

He celebrates with his mother Denise and father Dwayne. Seated left to right (Denise Jackson, Darius Jackson, Dwayne Jackson) and standing in the back from left to right (Head Coach Mr. Thomas Patterson, Principal Flinnoia Hall, and Athletic Director Mr. Mark Woodson.)

Robichaud's Walker and Johnson sign to attend Waldorf College



Robichaud staff announce that Joseph Walker and Malik Johnson will be signing a letter of intent to play football at Waldorf College. Joseph played offensive line and Malik played inside line-backer for the Bulldogs this football season.

Malik Johnson is on the left with a red hoodie on with his mother behind. Joseph Walker is on the right with the gray sweater
They were joined by Athletic Director, Jason Malloy and Head Football Coach, Al Demps.

CONGRATULATIONS YOUNG MEN!

HOROSCOPES

FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 4, 2015

ARIES

Finding a way to do it better than others is not going to be hard this week. Share your wisdom with other seekers. All who receive your word will benefit this week. Happiness rules! Don't waste a moment of this perfect week on any negative thoughts.
Soul Affirmation: I give myself a chance to see all the good I can see in others.

Lucky Numbers: 36, 38, 55

TAURUS

Strong vibrations bring a series of dramatic interactions with others this week. Practice your charm. Let it come from the heart, and let your energy carry you upwards to your best, highest self. Keep emotions calm. Let the warmth from inside of you touch others and thereby make your world better.
Soul Affirmation: I go within and find what I've been searching outside myself to find.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 29, 34

GEMINI

You'll be energizing and inspiring others this week as you speak what's on your mind regarding spiritual matters and masters. The quality of your thoughts is very pure; write yourself a love letter. Move slowly with explanations. Others will not understand as quickly as you think they should.
Soul Affirmation: The truth that finds me is the truth I've been seeking.

Lucky Numbers: 20, 27, 31

CANCER

Rev up your engines. This is a fine week for making progress with projects that you've got in the works. Your energy is high and your mind is clear. Use every advantage this week to finish up your works. Look for love in the right places. Know the difference between love and lust.

Soul Affirmation: I forgive and set myself free.

Lucky Numbers: 19, 26, 39

LEO

Educate those around you in the area of personal growth. Their improvement will bring benefits to you. Humor in communication is the key. Humor in introspection is a must.
Soul Affirmation: Success that has been following me is trying to catch up.

Lucky Numbers: 16, 30, 39

VIRGO

This week romance is begins to percolate. Enjoy your feelings and let your brain relax. Sus-

pend all judgments of others. Being stern won't work for you this week.

Soul Affirmation: I go along to get along.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 6, 19

LIBRA

Romance will find you this week. Don't be looking the other way. Your "rap" is especially strong. Make as many of those important phone calls as possible. People will respond. They are waiting to be receptive,
Soul Affirmation: Friendships are shock absorbers on the bumpy roads of life.

Lucky Numbers: 11, 13, 20

SCORPIO

This week should bring an opportunity to further your education, don't pass it up. Pay special attention to details at work. A friend needs your support. Find joy in giving it.
Soul Affirmation: All things work together for good.

Lucky Numbers: 26, 35, 43

SAGITTARIUS

You and your mate should increase your saving for the future this week. Future plans should be spotlighted. A relationship is likely to take a serious turn. Be open to making an unusual purchase.

Soul Affirmation: I can see clearly now the rain is gone.

There are no obstacles in my way.

Lucky Numbers: 10, 30, 50

CAPRICORN

Don't take any big gambles this week, the time is not right for a flight into the unknown. A newfound harmony is in store for you and your mate. Your mate will understand your fears.

Soul Affirmation: New insights create new directions and a new cast of characters.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 48, 51

AQUARIUS

The air can be cleared easily. Admit your need for help. Seek understanding. You'll help another by seeking help from them. Communication problems will smooth themselves out.

Soul Affirmation: Moving slowly might be the fastest way.

Lucky Numbers: 33, 52, 54

PISCES

You and your partner are on the same wavelength. If you are presented with a contract this week, it's an ideal week to reach an agreement. Make the important phone call to set things up.

Soul Affirmation: What I've been waiting for has been here all along.

Lucky Numbers: 4, 6, 33

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BLACK HISTORY TRIVIA

How much do you know?

- Question 1
How old was Martin Luther King when he entered Morehouse College?

A. 12 years old
B. 15 years old
C. 18 years old
D. 21 years old
E. 24 years old
- Question 2
What is the largest Black University in the United States?

A. Grambling State University
B. Spelman College
C. Fisk University
D. Morehouse College
E. Howard University
- Question 3
Who wrote the novel THE COLOR PURPLE?

A. Whoopi Goldberg
B. Toni Morrison
C. Alice Walker
D. Oprah Winfrey
E. Maya Angelou
- Question 4
November 1945 was the date this well known black magazine went on sale.

A. Jet
B. Ebony
C. Essence
D. Savoy
- Question 5
Langston Hughes is best known for his:

A. poetry
B. novels
C. invention of the traffic light
D. invention of peanut butter
E. Civil Rights Movement participation
- Question 6
Kunta Kinte was a character in what Alex Haley book?

A. I know why the Caged Bird Sings
B. Out of Africa
C. A Raisin in the Sun
D. Roots
E. Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
- Question 7
Who signed the Emancipation Proclamation?

A. George Washington
B. Abraham Lincoln
C. Theodore Roosevelt
- Question 8
In what year was the historic march on Washington?

A. 1943
B. 1953
C. 1963
D. 1973
E. 1983
- Question 9
What was the slave voyage to the Americas known as?

A. The Slave Trade
B. The Middle Passage
C. The Great Pilgrimage
D. La Amistad
E. The Million Man March
- Question 10
Stevie Wonder, blind writer, composer, and singer helped make what national holiday?

A. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
B. Black History Month
C. Washington's Birthday
D. Memorial Day
E. John F. Kennedy Day

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S BLACK HISTORY QUESTIONS
1. B 2.A 3. C 4. A 5.B 6. B 7.B 8. A 9. C 10. A 11. B

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This event is Sponsored by the Taylor Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force funded in part by the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority (DWMHA)

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40 UNDER 40 CELEBRITY SPOTLIGHT: ROBBY NOVAK

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



“Love changes everything. So fill the world with it.” – Kid President

His name is “Kid President”, the tiny commander in chief whose mission is to make the world a “less boring” place for us to live in. He’s garnered more than 75 million YouTube views with his popular collection of online videos filled with entertaining pep talks and inspirational messages, while also scoring his very own television series on the Hub network. And to top it all off, he’s only 11-years-old. “Kid President”—whose real name is Robby Novak—made his internet debut in July 2012 on the SoulPancake’s YouTube channel. Under the creative direction of his adult brother-in-law Bradley Montague, the cleverly witty internet sensation—with his infectious smile and always dapper black suit and red tie—has evolved to become one of the most adorably popular faces in the country. And he’s done it all while battling Osteogenesis Imperfecta, a brittle bone disease that has already triggered 70 broken bones throughout his young life. Still, “Kid” has never let anything stand in his way. Some additionally cool facts about “Kid President”:

- In spite of his condition, he absolutely loves to dance (His signature move is called the “Pencil Sharpener”).
- He adores his family (“Kid” wisely points out that the word MOM flipped upside down = WOW).

3. The “Kid President” brand inspired a whole line of trendy merchandise that includes calendars, notebooks, posters and t-shirts.

4. Naturally, “Kid” gained a fan in the actual leader of the free world, and received an opportunity to meet with President Barack Obama at the White House in 2013. Also of note: The pint sized politician interviewed music superstar Beyoncé for World Humanitarian Day, and even danced with actor Steve Carell during one of his online YouTube episodes.

5. Earlier this month, “Kid President” released his first book titled “Kid President’s Guide to Being Awesome”. With that, the tiny president’s unbounded awesomeness only seems to get better and better by the day. His upbeat demeanor and resilient spirit never fails to encourage us to get out there and dance (He does so endearingly state, “Don’t be in a party. Be a party”), while also motivating us to stop being so unbelievably boring (That’s great advice, especially for the grownups). This amazingly gifted youngster serves as the ultimate source of inspiration through his obvious desire to become the change that he wants to see in the world—or as he so eloquently declared in his analysis of Robert Frost’s famous poem “The Road Not Taken”: “...If there really were two paths? I want to be on the one that leads to awesome.”



Which celebrity has impacted your life?

FORTY UNDER
40 2015



LaTasha C. Johnson, was born to Larry and Ingrid Johnson on February 5, 1986. God placed her right in the middle so she has a great role model as a big sister Shareia N. Carter and is the great role model to a little brother, Larry I. Johnson.

Just like her parents, grandparents, and great grandparents she was educated in the River Rouge School system and was

an honor graduate in the dynamic class of 2004. After high school LaTasha knew that college was the only option because “to whom much is given, much is required.” She attended Eastern Michigan University for two years and 3 years at the University of Phoenix where she graduated with a Dual Degree in Business Management and Marketing.

Her greatest accomplishment right now in life would have to be accepting that she has the gift of help. Often times we don’t want to accept the gifts that God has given us because they may not be things that you want. 1 Corinthians 12:7 says “To each person the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the benefit of all.” She is learning that her job here on earth is to just simply help.

She is currently working as the Learning Center-Specialist at Ann Visger Elementary School in the River Rouge School District. She is excited that God chose a path for her to help children. “Although I don’t have any children of my own I have always been a parent. I am elated to be able to assist with the education of children for it has always been my passion. Whether I am at work, home, or church, I am always helping others for I have accepted my Gift of HELP!!!!”



Jason Malloy

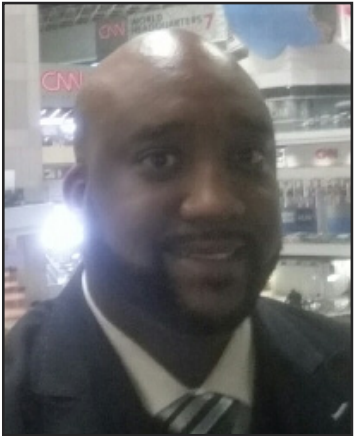
Jason is a graduate of Robichaud High School and he furthered his education at Western Michigan University on a full football scholarship where he received a Bachelor’s Degree in - Elementary Education, Math, Science and Physical Education. He continued his education and received a Masters Degree from Central Michigan University with a specialization in Sports Admin-

istration. His love of sports and dedication to excellence shown through as he received numerous awards and recognition for his skills throughout high school and college. He has attained over 11 years of coaching experience varying from defensive coordinator, linebacker and defensive line coach and head football coach. His love of children is evident as he worked as an elementary teacher and Dean of students at many school districts in the area. He has served as a positive role model to many of the students that he taught. Because of his love for the community and helping others he founded a non-profit - Next Level Sports 55. It’s focus initially was to provide football instruction, education awareness at an affordable price. But the need of the community, encouraged him to expand its vision that has included conducting a clothing drive, a turkey and canned good drive and started Dominate Diabetes a 5k Run/Walk raised funds for the American Diabetes Association. He is married to Ornella Malloy (10 years this June) his Middle School Sweetheart. They have two children: Arianna (7) and Jada (4) "It's Easier To Build Strong Children Than to Repair Broken Men." - Frederick Douglass



Rhonda Busette

Rhonda is a mother of three loving boys 14, 11, and 4. She loves football, shopping, zumba and stage plays. She attended Ferris State and Everest College. Rhonda has worked in the medical field for 13 years. Rhonda is an active member of Pentecost Missionary Baptist Church



Donald "Chip" Agee

Born and raised in the Downriver community. He went to River Rouge and Detroit Southwestern public schools and he works hard serving the community. God has truly blessed him and shows over and over how thankful he is.

He is serving his first term as an elected official for the City of Ecorse where he serves as a councilman. Donald is also a business owner & operator at Economy Shoe Repair in the community at 579 Visger Rd. His grandfather, the late Charles Bradley, founded the business and taught him the trade as a young child. Chip attends Gordy Memorial Church located at 455 Polk St., where he serves as a Deacon under the Pastor of Daniel R. Grandberry. Chip loves to witness to people especially to the youth. "The young men of today need more male role models. I believe if you reach one then teach one because it takes a village to raise a child. I feel that it was a need for me give back to the community. God has put us all here for a purpose and I believe that I'm walking in my purpose". We must save our sons and daughters from these streets. We can do it, but first we must change the way we think. This community needs a renewing of the mind and we must have faith. I believe great things are coming however, we all must work together. Team Work makes the Dreams Work.



Hailey Manson Wilson, 10

Hailey was born on May 31, 2004. She was a happy and well behaved baby. She has attended David Ellis Academy West since

kindergarten. Now in the 5th grade, Hailey currently has a GPA of 3.6 and has been on the Honor Roll every year. She has learned Spanish, Mandarin, and Chinese. She is also on the Academic Games team and was chosen to go to the Super Tournament. In addition, Hailey is a majorette and a member of the Robotics team. Hailey is an awesome, intelligent young lady with a big heart. She puts others needs before her own, and can always be counted on to be honest and respectful. Hailey wants to be a doctor when she grows up, and will be a force to be reckoned with in the future. She firmly believes in the saying: “Treat others as you want to be treated.”



CRIME ALERTS

POLICE BLOTTER

RIVER ROUGE

February 12th, 2015

At 1508hrs, officers were dispatched to River Rouge High School, 1460 Coolidge, for a Weapon complaint. A school staff member states a 15 year old male student was caught with a BB gun. The student was searched when they learned that student may have been armed. The student admitted bringing the BB gun to school to trade it with another student for a cell phone. The student also stated that at no time did he take the gun out of his book bag. He was advised about bringing this type of weapon into a school. The BB gun was left with the school staff member upon their request and was looking further into a punishment for the student.

February 13, 2015

At 1045hrs, an officer was dispatched to the 100 Block of Charles Street on a Larceny complaint. The 33 year old landlord states she was renting the residence to a 29 year old female and she was currently \$5,600.00 delinquent in back rent. The female tenant called her and told her she was waiting for income tax check to come and she would pay what she owes. The landlord hadn't heard from her so she went to her home. When she arrived she noticed the front door wide open and no one there. All of the furniture and other personal items were gone. So the landlord texted the tenant and she told her she was moving to Illinois and she wasn't paying her anything and decided when she left to take the landlord's refrigerator, washer and dryer with her.

February 11th, 2015

At 1133hrs, an officer was dispatched to Sumby Senior Housing, 240 Visger for a Larceny complaint. The 45 year old male administrator states when he came into today to noticed the television, a 52 inch Samsung, from the Community Room was missing, so he checked the

security camera footage. Officer checked the camera and identified the suspect who stole it, observed two males enter the building at 0117hrs, and one entered the Community Room and sat down was identified by the administrator and the officer. The second suspect walked past the mail room and went back to the Community Room where both proceeded to remove the television. A residence was identified as the one who allowed the two suspects to enter the Facility. We know who you are, take the television back before we come for you!

February 11, 2015

At 0322hrs, officers were dispatched to the River Rouge Coney Island at W Henry and Jefferson, on a male being assaulted by a group of males in the front of the restaurant. Officers arrived and observed the 26 year old male laying on W. Jefferson north of Henry. The male was unconscious and bleeding from several lacerations on his face. Health Link was notified. Officers spoke to the unidentified male who states he had the waitress call police. The witness states he was having breakfast in the restaurant with the victim, when the victim got into a verbal argument with another male who walked past him. The argument became heated and both went outside and the fight began and six other males who were already in the restaurant ran out and began assaulting the victim assault took place. The ambulance arrived and notified the officer that the victim was awake now. When the victim was questioned he couldn't anything. He was transported to Henry Ford Wyand.

for further medical treatment. Assault & Battery had taken

Tax Season is Here, and So are Scams



LANSING - Tax season is under way, with Forms 1099 and W-2 already in mailboxes and the Internal Revenue Service has also issued its annual list of the most common tax-related scams, called the dirty dozen.

At the top of the list is identity theft, followed by potential tax swindles pitched by phone and email.

Mike Dobzinski, media relations with the IRS, says to beware of IRS imposters telling you something like this ...

"You owe X amount of dollars.

If you don't pay up, we're going to arrest you, take you to jail. We'll deport you, revoke your license,' and a whole bunch of threatening tactics," says Dobzinski. "The IRS just doesn't make these kinds of calls."

Other tax deceptions on the dirty dozen list include schemes to hide money offshore, and false promises of free money for inflated refunds. Of the identity theft cases it tracks, the Federal Trade Com-

mission's Consumer Sentinel Network says in 2013, 30 percent were related to tax or wage fraud.

Dobzinski says with personal information on W-2 forms and others in mailboxes this time of year, it isn't hard for scammers to steal it and even attempt to file taxes in your name to claim your refund before you can get to it.

"I recommend contacting Internal Revenue Service, if you get a letter that's addressed incorrectly to you, to contact us," says Dobzinski. "It's possible that a return has been filed in your name. You may not know that, but that may be the first tip-off."

Dobzinski says the IRS also has made a special effort to alert businesses with large databases to take extra steps to protect client data.

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Felicia Rutledge
City Clerk

Publish Dates: February 19th and February 26th , 2015

CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ROMULUS 2015 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by APPOINTMENT ONLY for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll. Please come prepared, as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.

March 09, 2015: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

March 10, 2015: 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

March 11, 2015: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Residents and Non-Residents may appeal by (1) making an appointment to appear before the Board OR (2) in writing (personal appearance is not required). The Board of Review MUST receive all written appeals/documentation no later than March 11, 2015 at 3:00 pm.

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To schedule an appointment to appeal to the March Board of Review, please call the City of Romulus Department of Assessment at 734.942.7520.

For the purpose of addressing clerical errors, mutual mistakes of fact, poverty exemptions, veteran's exemptions, and principal residence exemptions, the Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on:

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December 15, 2015: 9:30 am

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City of River Rouge

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CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP 14/15-13 Two (2) Rescue Vehicle Chassis & Remounts

The City of Romulus, Michigan Fire Department is seeking proposals from qualified Companies for the removal, refurbishing and remounting of two ambulance modules onto two (2) new Ford, E-450 (of the most current model year) to be purchased as part of the contract.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a **bid must use the forms provided by the City.** Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the [MITN system @ http://www.mitn.info/](http://www.mitn.info/).

(2) Attendance at the mandatory pre-proposal conference is a requirement of this request for proposals. The conference will be held at the City of Romulus, Fire Administration Building (Fire Sta. #4) 28700 Eureka Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on Monday, March 02, 2015 at 3:00p.m.

(3) Pre-Proposal Question Deadline is Thursday, March 05, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time

(4) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All in terested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the proposer to obtain the available addenda and acknowledge any issued addenda on the Proposal Form for this solicitation, and further submit the Form as part of the required documents for this solicitation.

(5) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the [City Clerk's Office](#) no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, **February 11, 2015**. At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received proposals are to be publicly opened and their receipt acknowledged.

RESPONSE ENVELOPES MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED:

CITY OF ROMULUS CLERK'S OFFICE

RFP 14/15-13 TWO (2) RESCUE VEHICLE CHASSIS & REMOUNTS

11111 Wayne Road,

Romulus, Michigan 48174

(6) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposa s received.

(7) For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@ci.romulus.mi.us .

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CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE

CITY OF ROMULUS

PLANNING COMMISSION


NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL LAND USE

Aerostar Manufacturing/D&G Building Company~ 28275 Northline

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2015** for the purpose of considering a Special Land Use proposal. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus MI 48174-1485.

The Planning Commission has set the public hearing to consider a request from D&G Building Co. for a building addition to Aerostar Manufacturing that is greater than 80,000 square feet located on a 6.97+-acre parcel at 28275 Northline. Parcel# 82-80-097-99-0004-703. Zoning: M-1, Light Industrial District. Manufacturing facilities greater than 80,000 square feet are permitted in the M-1 Light Industrial District, subject to Special Land Use Approval. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.



All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, March 16, 2015 and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk


City of Romulus, Michigan

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ECORSE HOUSING PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice for Annual Plan

February 23, 2015



The Ecorse Housing Commission is submitting their Annual Plan for 2015. The Annual Plan will be available to the public for review at the office at 266 Hyacinthe, Ecorse, Michigan 48229 for a period of 45 days. The office hours are Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

A Public Meeting will be held at the office on Friday, February 27, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for public comments or questions.

CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

ITB 14/15-21 Fire Fighter Personal Protection Turn-Out Gear

(1) The City of Romulus Fire Department is seeking contract pricing for the protective clothing used by the department during structural fire fighting operations.

(2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid **must use the forms provided by the City.** Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the [MITN system @ http://www.mitn.info/](http://www.mitn.info/).

(3) **Two copies of your bid must be submitted. One clearly marked "Original" and on marked, "Copy".**

(4) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the [City Clerk's Office](#) no later than 2:30 P.M., Friday, **March 13, 2015**. At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.

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ITB 14/15-21 Fire Fighter Personal Protection Turn-Out Gear

11111 Wayne Road,

Romulus, Michigan 48174

(5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities.

(6) For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@ci.romulus.mi.us .

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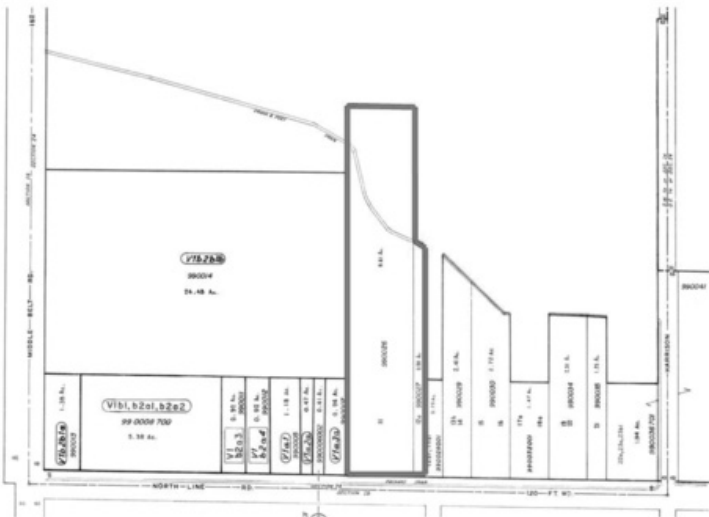
ON A PROPOSED CONDITIONAL REZONING

Northfield Trucking Co. – Northline Road

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2015** for the purpose of considering a proposed amendment to the Zoning Map for Northfield Trucking Co. to conditionally rezone approximately 10.7+- acres of property from M-1, Light Industrial District to M-2 General Industrial District to allow for the property to be used as a trucking company. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174-1485. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

The Planning Commission has set the public hearing to consider a request to rezone the following property:

Parcel ID #'s 82-80-095-99-0026-000 and 82-80-095-99-0027-000



All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, March 16, 2015, and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Economic Development Department, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

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This Week’s Varsity High School Varsity Basketball

By Butch Davis

Starting this Monday playoff action will begin for the Girls in varsity basketball. District Tournament, March 2, 4, & 6. Regional Tournament -- March 10 & 12. The MHSAA Quarterfinals - March 17, Semifinals - March 19-20, and Finals, March 21 will be played at the Breslin Center in East Lansing. On the other hand the Boys have one more week of varsity play before they jump into playoff action. Now, listed are the districts for the Girls playoffs and this weeks schedule for the Boys varsity games, 2/26/2015-3/3/2015. Enjoy.

Girls High School Basketball Playoff Grouping

No. 14-A Gibraltar-OA Carlson
Brownstown Township-Woodhaven
Gibraltar-OA Carlson
Riverview Community
Southgate Anderson
Trenton
Wyandotte-Roosevelt

No. 15-A Belleville
Belleville
Romulus
Taylor-John F Kennedy
Taylor-Truman
Wayne Memorial
Westland-John Glenn

No. 16-A Lincoln Park
Allen Park
Dearborn
Dearborn Heights-Crestwood
Dearborn-Edsel Ford
Dearborn-Fordson
Lincoln Park

No. 20-A Hamtramck
Detroit International Academy
Detroit-Cass Technical
Detroit-Martin Luther King
Detroit-Pershing
Detroit-Western International
Hamtramck

No. 39-B Monroe-Jefferson
Allen Park-Cabrini
Flat Rock
Grosse Ile
Monroe-Jefferson
New Boston-Huron
Romulus-Summit Academy
North

No. 40-B Dearborn Heights-Robichaud
Dearborn Heights-Annapolis
Dearborn Heights-Robichaud
Dearborn-Divine Child
Dearborn-Henry Ford Academy
Melvindale
River Rouge

No. 41-B Detroit-Consortium College Prep
Dearborn-Advanced Technology Academy
Detroit-Cesar Chavez Academy
Detroit-Consortium College Prep
Detroit-Univ. Prep Academy
Detroit-University Prep Science & Math

No. 72-C Dearborn-Riverside Academy-West
Dearborn-Riverside Academy-West
Detroit Cristo Rey
Ecorse
Melvindale-Academy for Business & Tech
Riverview-Gabriel Richard
Taylor Preparatory

No. 101-D Taylor-Baptist Park
Allen Park-Inter-City Baptist
Canton-Plymouth Christian Academy
Newport-Lutheran HS South
Taylor-Baptist Park
Westland-Huron Valley Lutheran

High School Boys Basketball Schedule

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 02/26, 5:00 PM
Dearborn Divine Child at Detroit Catholic Central

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 02/26, 7:00 PM
Allen Park at Belleville
Wyandotte Roosevelt at Dearborn Heights Annapolis
Inkster Peterson Warren Academy at Detroit Jalen Rose
Taylor Kennedy at Detroit Western International
Trenton at Redford Thurston
Dearborn Fordson at Southgate Anderson

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 02/27, 6:00 PM
Dearborn Hts Star International at Auburn Hills Christian
Warren Macomb Christian at Taylor Baptist Park

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 02/27, 7:00 PM
Ecorse at Detroit University Prep Science & Math
Dearborn Edsel Ford at Garden City
Westside Christian Academy at Melvindale
Detroit Community at Melvindale Academy for Business & Tech
Highland Park Renaissance Academy at River Rouge
Henry Ford Academy for Creative Studies at Taylor Preparatory
Hamtramck at Taylor Trillium

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/02, 5:00 PM
Allen Park Cabrini at Detroit Cesar Chavez Academy

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/02, 6:30 PM
Taylor Preparatory at West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/02, 7:00 PM
Detroit University Prep Science & Math at Dearborn Riverside Academy-West

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/03, 6:30 PM
Detroit DEPSA Early College at Melvindale Academy for Business & Tech

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/03, 7:00 PM
Dearborn Hts Star International at Ann Arbor Central Academy
Lincoln Park at Ann Arbor Pioneer

Black History Month “It’s Just a Thought” Commercialism with Black History Month and Sports

By Butch Davis



This is one of NIKE, Inc. products it celebrates Black History Month with.

National African American History Month found its origins in 1915 with the founding of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History by historian and author Dr. Carter G. Woodson. Eleven years later the organization initiated the first Negro History Week choosing February because it included the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, according to the Library Of Congress. Years later Congress passed the public law 99-244 in 1986 that designated February as the “National Black History Month”. The purpose of the month-long celebration was to “provide opportunities for the Nation’s public schools, institutions of higher learning and the public to gain deeper understanding and knowledge of the many contributions of Black Americans to our country and the world,” according to the resolution. However, Commercialism with Black History Month and in sports is an important issue today. Huge sums of money are being spent on sports every year. Before reaching a conclusion on whether this is justified, one needs to realize where this money is spent, and its effects. Money is invested in sports at a national and international level. However are the same amounts of investments in the Black community being made by the companies that so claim they are in support of Black History Month and the education it is meant to be celebrated or are they just taken part to make the al mighty dollar bill. AT&T and many more companies use BHM as a means to connect their brand to an idea of tolerance and progress in order to reach 13.1 percent of

the American population. Unfortunately, this approach takes away from the original celebratory purpose of the month and leads to the full-blown co alteration of black history. Nike for example has a line of clothing and shoes all to celebrate BHM. The limited edition 2015 BHM Collection includes 28 items, all featuring a black and white palette and mix of three different prints. The collection ranges from performance to lifestyle with 12 shoes and 16 apparel and accessory items for men and women. The 2015 BHM Collection includes: NIKE, Inc. celebrates Black History Month with a collection of products across basketball, football, running, soccer and skateboarding that honors six athletes and coaches who have positively impacted sport with their courage and determination: Theotis Beasley, Kevin-Prince Boateng, Jerry Rice, Brianna Rollins, C. Vivian Stringer and John Thompson. A portion of proceeds from the sale of the 2015 BHM Collection go to the Ever Higher Fund, which supports organizations that leverage the power of sport to maximize the potential of underserved youth. The fund’s mission is to assist communities with knowledge, resources and tools for the next generation of leaders. I call Nike Inc. to ask about the beneficiaries in Michigan of the organization the Ever Higher Fund and have not received a call back. Nicki Minaj recently used a picture of Malcolm X for the cover of her single “Looking Ass N*gga” again where is the educational value. On the other hand, MacDonald’s runs picture of famous Black Historians and verbally supports in it BHM 30 and 60 seconds com-

mercials spots participating in saying “ Black history should be everyday learning instrument”. All in all, it can be seen that commercialism in sports and BHM has its advantages and disadvantages. Direct advertising can appear on school walls, school materials (such as posters or book covers), buses, or athletic scoreboards. Such ads can be small or large, appearing on a school lunch menu, or on a huge billboard in a hallway or on a sports field. Channel One, the TV news and advertising program broadcast into middle schools and high schools, forces students to watch two minutes of TV commercials every school day. Reaching 8 million middle school and high school students each day, Channel One is the single largest form of commercialism in schools. Indeed also Black history events can provide an informative and interesting experience, for all and is an opportunity to engage with black members and others in publicizing and challenging the inequalities they face in the workplace and society. Now actor Morgan Freeman expresses, in his famous 60 Minute interview with Mike Wallace, that BHM should be treated as American history and not separate by reducing it to only one month. He also said that the annual BHM should be eliminated. So indeed let’s celebrate Black History Month (BHM), which means it is time to commemorate the legends of the civil rights movement, talk about Black inventors, poets, contributors in fine arts and music, have a discussion on slavery and the fight for freedom sequence of events, and yes, watch giant corporations take advantage of the time to associate their name with the black subject in 28 days because, efforts to associate with the black community are dropped as soon as the first day of March arrives and the next money-making opportunity arises: National Women’s History Month. “ It’s Just a Thought”



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Westside Christian Academy at Dearborn
Monroe Jefferson at Dearborn Advanced Tech
Dearborn Heights Annapolis at Dearborn Edsel Ford
Melvindale at Dearborn Heights Crestwood
Detroit Cristo Rey at Inkster Peterson Warren Academy
Taylor Kennedy at Taylor Truman
Ecorse at Utica Eisenhower

Basketball (Boys) Varsity, 03/03, 7:30 PM
Dearborn Fordson at Detroit Catholic Central



Five African American poems everyone should read during their lifetime

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter

“Poetry is language at its most distilled and most powerful.” – Rita Dove

African American poets have long used the beauty of written prose to shine a light on important themes throughout history. As Black History Month comes to an end, we want to celebrate writers whose profound impact has continued to inspire us through the ages. In commemoration of these momentous contributions, here are five African American poems you absolutely must read during your lifetime.

1. “If We Must Die” by Claude McKay

...O kinsmen! we must meet the common foe!
Though far outnumbered let us show us brave,
And for their thousand blows deal one death-blow!
What though before us lies the open grave?
Like men we'll face the murderous, cowardly pack,
Pressed to the wall, dying, but fighting back!

POETRY BREAKDOWN

The emerging militant consciousness of the early 20th Century “New Negro”, paired with the budding appeal of Marcus Garvey’s ideologies of Black Nationalism, are manifested in Claude McKay’s “If We Must Die”. Penned as a defiant response to an upsurge in race riots and mob lynchings during the Red Summer of 1919, this poem stands as a valiant declaration of the inherent right to human dignity and armed self-defense—principles that would later be reflected in the ideologies of transformative figures like Robert F. Williams, Malcom X and Huey P. Newton.

2. “I, Too, Sing America” by Langston Hughes

...Tomorrow,
I'll be at the table
When company comes.
Nobody'll dare
Say to me,
“Eat in the kitchen,”
Then.
Besides,
They'll see how beautiful I am
And be ashamed—
I, too, am America.

POETRY BREAKDOWN

Also written during the Harlem Renaissance era, “I, Too, Sing America” explores intersectional themes of race and identity as Langston Hughes unearths the dual reality of the “darker brother”—one whose pained experiences are wrought by the humiliating stipulations of racial segregation, yet stirred by optimism and a patriotic allegiance towards America and her potential for a brighter future in regards to race relations and social equality.

3. “Ego Tripping (there must be a reason why)” by Nikki Giovanni

...I am so hip even my errors
are correct
I sailed west to reach east and
had to round off the earth as
I went The hair from my head
thinned and gold was laid across
three continents I am so perfect
so divine so ethereal so surreal
I cannot be comprehended except
by my permission I mean...I...can
flylike a bird in the sky...


POETRY BREAKDOWN

With abstract imagery and a whimsical celebration of ancient African civilization, Nikki Giovanni’s “Ego Tripping (there must be a reason why)” brings readers on an ethereal journey that gloriously hails all things black and woman. Through a radical encapsulation of cultural pride and black power, this abiding masterpiece remains one of the most potent poems written in contemporary times with its consciously vain emphasis on the superior contributions made by women of African descent to the modern world, and their capacity to bring about endless possibilities for the future.

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Dear Alma,

I love my wife and we have a great marriage. She’s beautiful, funny, spontaneous and easy to get along with. I can handle her good and her bad except for one thing. She spends like crazy! Her clothes fill up two closets in our home and extends to the basement, depending on the season. She has shoes she’s never worn and clothes that still have the tags on them. At some point we need to save towards our retirement and other obligations. I’m tired of living paycheck to paycheck to vacation back to paycheck. I’ve talked to her about it and she promised she’d stop her outrageous spending, but lately I’ve found bags of clothes in the guest room closet and the trunk of her car. Obviously, she’s still spending. I can also see the charges that continue to pop up on our credit card statement. I can’t believe she’s trying to hide what she’s buying now. How can I insist that she stop spending short of threatening a divorce? I love my wife and I don’t want a divorce, be we can’t go on this way. Any suggestions?

For the Love of Money ~ you know I’m pattin’ my feet humming the O’Jays, right! It’s helping me get my mind fixed and ready to answer your question,

LOL. Some say it’s the root of all evil, money that is, I’m not sure if I agree. I think people are the root of all evil and money is an accessory. What I also know foshow is, couples have a hard time collaborating

when it comes to money.... and sex....sex and money, Honey, the more you get the more you want, that’s what a preacher once told me. But I digress, LMBO.

An addiction to spending is a tough place to be. If she’s hiding bags as you say, I see it safe to assume, she’s lost control or she thinks you really don’t mind her spending.

The two of you obviously need to start a household budget. You also need to discuss who will oversee it and how it will be determined. Will you put everything in one account, or will you opt for a mine-yours and ours bundle? There is no right or wrong way to do it. As long as you’re in agreement on what’s best for the two of you. Also agree to allow for spending money and you both have to stay within those allocated funds. That part requires a commitment, a bond of trust that can’t be broken.

It won’t be easy, you two need a serious sit down. Lay all your facts and concerns on the table. This is not a scolding regarding her spending, but a joint discussion about your future. Figure out and be honest where she lands between overspending and compulsion. If she’s a shopaholic, please, seek professional help. If she’s overspending because she thinks you guys have money to burn, it’s time to come up with a financial strategy.

There’s an amazingly thorough money management column, written by Rodney Brooks for USA Today. He also has a book on Amazon titled, Is a Million Dollars Enough? It would benefit you guys to check it out. Again, agree to write down your financial goals and commit to them. I love that you stressed the love you have for your wife. Take a lesson from Rodney and learn new ways and methods, together, on how to manage your money. Good luck!

Alma

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4. “When You Come” by Maya Angelou

When you come to me, unbidden,
Beckoning me to long-ago rooms,
Where memories lie.
Offering me, as to a child, an attic,
Gatherings of days too few.
Baubles of stolen kisses.
Trinkets of borrowed loves.
Trunks of secret words,
I CRY.

POETRY BREAKDOWN

As conceivably the most empowering writer of the 20th Century, famous poems like “Still I Rise” and “Phenomenal Woman” live on as signature stamps within Maya Angelou’s unrivaled legacy. Still, her many odes to love and loss are equally as noteworthy. With deliberate intent, “When You Come” pulls at the heart strings through somber tones of passion and emotion; memory and pain; words filled with softness, sorrow and vulnerability. Beautifully haunting and tragically mesmerizing, the piece remains one of the most moving compositions to lie within Angelou’s vast collection of timeless poetic gems.

5. “Liberty Needs Glasses” by Tupac Shakur

excuse me but lady liberty needs glasses
and so does mrs justice by her side
both the broads r blind as bats
stumbling thru the system
justice bumped into mutulu and
trippin on geronimo pratt
but stepped right over oliver
and his crooked partner ronnie
justice stubbed her big toe on mandela
and liberty was misquoted by the indians
slavery was a learning phase forgotten
without a verdict while justice is on a
rampage 4 endangered surviving
black males...

POETRY BREAKDOWN

Perhaps one of the most widely misunderstood figures in history, the great Tupac Shakur transcended the mere limitations of his label as a rapper. As the son of a former Black Panther, Tupac was a brilliant, radical intellectual who adeptly offered a glimpse into the bleak realities of a young black male struggling to survive in the concrete jungles of America—as personified through the poem “Liberty Needs Glasses”. Politically charged and forthrightly cynical, the piece presents a critical conversation on systematic racism and the hypocrisies of a criminal justice system designed to remain blind, deaf and dumb when it boils down to black life in this country—issues that still plague our nation as we continue the fight towards social equality in 2015.

Community Organizations
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Project We Hope, Dream and Believe and Equipped are co-sponsoring an 1st Annual Black-Tie Gala “Celebrating Unity in the Community.” The event will highlight selected youth across Wayne and Oakland County with the mission to help raise funds to ensure youth are equipped with the tools to compete in a global society. This year the Black-Tie Gala will be hosted February 28, 2015 at Wayne Tree Manor 35100 Van Born Rd Wayne, MI 48184 starting at 6:00pm. Pastor Solomon Kinloch, Jr of Triumph Church is the Keynote Speaker and the Master of Ceremony is Coco from the Mason and Coco Morning Show 105.9FM. Entertainment will be provided by Phase 5 musical group and youth from the community. Special invited guests will include: Wayne County Executive Warren Evans; Congressman John Conyers, Jr; and State Senator David Knezek
To be a part of the Black-Tie Gala contact Aaron Sims (734) 377-2481 or Dr. Fleda Fleming (313) 779-2933 Tickets are \$65 for the event.

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And Still We Rise:

Our Journey Through African American History and Culture



'And Still We Rise' is an Ongoing Exhibition at the Charles Wright Museum.

This long-term exhibition serves as the central experience of the museum. The 22,000 square-foot exhibition space contains more than 20 galleries that allow patrons to travel over time and across geographic boundaries. The journey begins in Africa, the cradle of human life. Witness several ancient and early modern civilizations that evolved on the continent. Cross the Atlantic Ocean, experience the tragedy of the middle passage and encounter those who resisted the horrors of bondage, emancipated themselves and sometimes took flight by way of the Underground

Railroad. Throughout this trip, the efforts of everyday men and women who built families, businesses, educational institutions, spiritual traditions, civic organizations and a legacy of freedom and justice in past and present-day Detroit are hailed. What an awesome journey!

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