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Wrongful Death: What Happened to Sandra Bland?

by Jeffrey L. Boney
Special to the NNPA from the Houston Forward Times



It is still unknown whether 28-year-old Sandra Bland was murdered by Waller County law enforcement officials or whether she committed suicide, but whatever the cause of death there is one thing for

certain – it was a wrongful death.

Concerned citizens and community activists from all across the Greater Houston

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Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. and Groupon Provide Ultimate Protection for River Rouge Police Patrol K9



Steel



The River Rouge Police K9 Steel has been awarded a ballistic vest thanks to a nationwide GROUPON EVENT that has raised over \$39,000.00.

The “Goods Pet Collection ” campaign for Groupon Grassroots to outfit police K9’s with bullet and stab protective vests ran May 11th through May 25th at 11:59pm Central Standard Time. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is the nationwide non-profit organization and charity partner selected by Groupon Grassroots to participate. The online \$10 donation suggested interested persons purchase a GROUPON (a tax deductible donation) through www.groupon.com/k9 where 100% of the funds were allocated to purchase ballistic vests for the four-legged crime fighters who put their lives on

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River Rouge School District to open new STEM Academy



Dunn School, the home of the new STEM Academy

A new choice is coming to River Rouge School District; designed to enhance instruction and provide innovative lessons in science and math-related subjects for students. River Rouge School District announces the opening of the district’s first Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

(STEM) Academy. The STEM Academy is Slated to open in Fall September 2015, the STEM Academy will provide students in kindergarten through eighth grades a unique opportunity to build a strong foundation in subjects that are increasingly important in today’s technology-depen-

dent society. The STEM Academy will be a specialized school that focuses on science, technology, engineering and mathematics, which will be woven through the curriculum. Additionally, STEM promotes discovery and

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First Annual Roamin’ Chrome Raises \$1,600 for Local Veterans



ROMULUS - On Saturday July 18th, the Romulus VFW Post 9568 and the City of Romulus Veterans Outreach Committee held a Roamin’ Chrome charity poker run. There were motorcycles, classic cars and hot rods that all came out to help support local veterans in need.

Blue Sky Ice Cream and Hamburgers, Wheat n Rye, Playoffs Bar, Detroit Radiator, Wild Willy’s, Time Family Restaurant, AM Leather and McNasty’s Saloon all were participating stops and sponsors of the event.

“It was a good turnout for the first year and we look forward to an even better response next year. Everyone had a really good time and the VFW members held a great celebration for all the participants afterwards,” said Bob McCraight, Chair of the Veterans Outreach Committee and Director of Public Services for the City of Romulus.

There were about 30 participants in the inaugural event that helped raise almost \$1,600 for assisting local veterans. Committee members have a goal of accumulating a fund to do home improvement projects and other initiatives for veterans living in Romulus.

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We have all heard or read stories about what it took to earn the right to vote. We must not forget. Many of our family members died and were beaten trying to earn the right to vote. *(Watch the movie Selma if you don't know about it)*

Our forefathers went through so much to earn their right to vote; whether it was taking an oral test, being sprayed with water, bitten by dogs or beaten by local public safety officers. Voting is something that we must do. We owe it to our forefathers and foremothers who went through so much to earn their right to vote and to make our lives better.

If you don't vote, you have no right to complain about how your government is operated. But, voting gives you that right. Every registered voter should take advantage of this awesome right.

Several local races are on next week's ballot. The outcome of these races will have a direct effect on the decisions that are made in your city over the next few years. If you have not already voted via absentee ballot, please take a few minutes on Tuesday to go to your local poll and VOTE.

Gina Wilson Steward
Publisher

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the line for the community and their partner.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. will provide law enforcement dogs nationwide with the protective body armor in memory of K9 Kye of the Oklahoma City Police Department who sacrificed his life in the line of duty on August 24th, 2014. K9 Kye suffered stab wounds while pursuing and subduing a burglary suspect. He was rushed to surgery but failed to recover.

All vests will be embroidered with the sentiment, "In Memory of K9 Kye, Oklahoma City Police Department".

"We are truly appreciative of the donation for Steel," said the RRPD in an official statement. "This will help protect him as he serves and protects the citizens of our city. Steel is a part of our family and we only want what is best for him. We are fortunate and thankful to have Vested Interest in K9's doing this to help our four legged officers."

In 2014, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. partnered with Groupon and was named as one of "The Best of 2014" campaigns. In just over two weeks, the nonprofit raised \$335,000.00 providing ballistic vests for 370 law enforcement dogs in 49 states.

K9

**ABOUT VESTED INTEREST
IN K9S, INC.**

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c (3) charity located in East Taunton, MA whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. Each vest costs \$1050.00 and has a 5 year warranty. The nonprofit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their four legged K9 Officers. Through private and corporate sponsorships, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 1460 law enforcement dogs in 49 states with protective vests since 2009 at a cost of over \$1.3 million dollars.

New K9 graduates as well as K9's with expired vests are eligible to participate. The program is open to law enforcement dogs who are US employed, certified and at least 19 months of age.

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For more information, please call 508-824-6978. Tax deductible donations are accepted by mail at Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. PO Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718 and via the website: www.vik9s.org.

HOROSCOPES

JULY 30 - AUGUST 5, 2015

ARIES

At home, projects flourish as family cooperates. They do love you and they are tired of being difficult. However, time spent by yourself leads to important insights. It's a favorable time for research and study. Soul Affirmation: I let my luck work for me.

Lucky Numbers: 4, 24, 45

TAURUS

Lover, friends, relatives are in your corner. They just have a hard time verbalizing it. Their support gives you the boost you need if you'd swallow your pride and reach out for it. Their help may not come in the form you want it, but it is in the form you need.

Soul Affirmation: I find joy in facing responsibility this week.

Lucky Numbers: 10, 34, 37

GEMINI

It wouldn't hurt to be a little less independent. Depend on someone. Declare a truce. Decide that you are not right. Elevate a friend's opinion to your guiding principle for this week. Compromise. Be a team player and watch the reward unfold.

Soul Affirmation: I calm my emotions by forgetting about the past.

Lucky Numbers: 24, 26, 54

CANCER

A positively alerted attitude will draw opportunities to you this week. You'll see more of the big picture if you take a mental step backward. You'll hear exactly what you need to hear if you take the time to listen.

Soul Affirmation: Jewelry reflects the beauty of my feelings about myself.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 21, 39

LEO

Don't waste time thinking about the past. Sure they were wrong, but what does it matter now. Enjoy the present. Find something good to do for the rest of the week. Avoid conflict. Nothing is so important that it needs to be resolved this week.

Soul Affirmation: I find comfort in the familiar.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 16, 37

VIRGO

You face a big challenge that allows you to take big steps toward your career goals. It'll be on your mind for the next few weeks. Spend some time planning. Life is not always for fun and games. Games are not your biggest satisfaction anyway.

Soul Affirmation: The key to my happiness lies in my sympathy for others.

Lucky Numbers: 42, 46, 54

LIBRA

Reconsider a business offer, it might be a good one. You've got time so sit down and weigh the pros and cons. Doing it alone is not best. Make a phone call. Talk to someone who knows you well. Get an objective opinion.

Soul Affirmation: I graciously anticipate joy and this gives me the ability to give.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 31, 40

SCORPIO

Your intuition is very high this week. You see where things are going even before they start. This will keep you from making false moves. Be careful not to let your suspicions keep you from making the moves that are definitely called for.

Soul Affirmation: My mood is created by the company I keep.

Lucky Numbers: 18, 44, 51

SAGITTARIUS

Beware of financial pitfalls. Your thinking on money matters is not as clear as it could be this week. Someone will try to catch you off guard. This week your luck turns for the better, so spend it with the one you love or want to love!

Soul Affirmation: A slowing of pace is just what I need this week.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 41, 49

CAPRICORN

Your mate has a sweet surprise. He or she might be a little timid about revealing it unless you present a very receptive mood. Choose your words carefully. You will receive good news about a loan or financial investment.

Soul Affirmation: I look to distant horizons to find truth this week.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 2, 16

AQUARIUS

You and your mate should start saving for a joint project. It will make you feel closer to each other. It'll give you something with which to bind the relationship. Otherwise you might feel that you are drifting apart.

Soul Affirmation: Self confidence is the key to my success this week.

Lucky Numbers: 17, 37, 45

PISCES

Challenges will be ever present for you this week. Work at it calmly knowing that you are getting some things out of the way. Tackle tasks using your famous self-control rather than your passion. Use your passion on the weekends. Let loose! Be free!

Soul Affirmation: The sunlight of my spirit shines in the land beyond the horizon.

Lucky Numbers: 23, 34, 51

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What Happened to Sandra Bland?

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area have been up-in-arms and gravely concerned after receiving the news that Bland, an African-American female, was found hanging in a jail cell by a plastic bag on Monday, July 13th.

Authorities immediately released reports saying Bland hanged herself in her Waller County jail cell – which is about 60 miles northwest of Houston – three days after having her head slammed to the ground and being arrested for allegedly getting into a physical altercation with an officer during a routine traffic stop – Bland supposedly failed to signal a lane change.

Bland had recently come back home to Texas to take a job at her alma mater, Prairie View A&M University, and was stopped on Friday, July 10, by a Waller County state trooper. Another driver recorded cell phone video of the incident is her telling the officers she is in pain and cannot hear after her head was slammed on the ground by the male arresting officer.

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has identified the law enforcement official who made the initial traffic stop of Bland as Brian Encinia. According to state records, Encinia, 30, has served at the department for one year and one month after earning his peace officer license in June 2014 and after receiving 1511 hours of training from the agency.

This past Monday, the Waller County Sheriff's Office released a three-hour surveillance video taken from outside of Bland's jail cell on the morning she was found dead in her cell.

Although the video released was three hours long, the video itself only covers 9 minutes and 26 seconds of actual footage because the camera is motion-activated. At 7:17 a.m., the video shows an officer stop by Bland's cell for several seconds and according to investigators, Bland told the officer that she was fine. Less than an hour later, another officer – a female officer – checked on Bland and you see the officer bend down, stand up and then start running for help.

According to Captain Brian Cantrell of the Waller County Sheriff's Office, "the jailer looked through the window and observed Miss Bland hanging from her privacy partition in her cell." Cantrell stated that Bland was then placed on the floor for jailers to perform CPR and then five minutes later, paramedics went in but she was already dead.

According to the Harris County Medical Examiner, her death

was ruled a suicide.

So far, authorities said they see no sign of foul play, but Bland's family and supporters don't believe she committed suicide and believe foul play may have been involved. "The family of Sandra Bland is confident that she was killed and did not commit suicide," the family's law firm wrote in a statement. "The family has retained counsel to investigate Sandy's death."

Pastor Jamal Bryant, of the Empowerment Temple AME Church of Baltimore, has been in Hempstead at the Bland family's request and believes Bland was murdered.

"This was not a case of suicide, but homicide," said Bryant. "I stand in solidarity with the family, but we have to enlarge the narrative. This issue is bigger than Sandy. There is an attack on Black people in America and it must be acknowledged and dealt with immediately."

Waller County District Attorney Elton Mathis said the Texas Rangers, along with the FBI, are analyzing the video to make sure it has not been altered and are investigating the death of Bland.

"It is very much too early to make any kind of determination that this was a suicide or a murder because the investigations are not complete," said Mathis. "This investigation is still being treated just as it would be in a murder investigation. There are many questions being raised in Waller County, across the country and the world about this case. It needs a thorough review."

Mathis has asked the Texas Rangers to do extensive scientific testing for fingerprints, touch DNA and use any other valid investigative techniques in an attempt to "figure out and say with certainty what happened in that cell."

Bland's sister, Shante Needham, said that Bland called her from jail the afternoon after her arrest, informing her that she had been arrested for unknown reasons and disclosed the details surrounding her accounts that an officer had placed his knee in her back and she thought her arm had been broken.

According to the Department of Public Safety, Bland "became argumentative and uncooperative" during the routine traffic stop; was arrested for assault on a public servant; and that paramedics were called to the scene to offer Bland a medical evaluation, but she refused.

The Houston Forward Times will continue to follow this story and provide updates as they arise.

This smells in more ways than one

By Jim Abeare - Contributing Writer



Here is a new one. It seems there is an ordinance in Pinellas County, Florida against the smell of your BBQ leaving your property.

Yes my friend you can get a visit from Air Compliance in Florida if the smell of your grill leaves your property.

I am sure some people out there love this idea, especially the climate change crowd, but I am sure that most will fine this silly.

This started when one neighbor called the police on the other who was grilling.

The offender, Mr. Scotty Jordan, has had the police and fire departments called on him before.

This time his across the street neighbor found a willing partner at Air Compliance.

A person came out and

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Veterans

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"This event and Committee is important for us and supports those that have served and given their all to our country. We want to be able to give those in need, something back," said Mayor LeRoy D. Burcroff.

Throughout the year the Veterans Outreach Committee conducts clothing, blanket and food drives to support the Detroit Veterans Center, as well as coordinates the Romulus Veterans Day Parade.

made a report of objectional odor.

I can see neighborhood fueds starting up over this. "The smell of your steak offends me!"

The nature of the visit comes from the fact that in Pinellas County,"Commercial barbecue cookers are not exempt from causing a nuisance odor," according to their website. It is part of a larger set of rules governing air quality normally reserved for things like trash burning and asbestos.

People on the left have been trying for years to put limits on outdoor grilling, now it looks like they might have an in.

Read more at <http://the-freethoughtproject.com/video-objectionable-odor-backyard-barbeque-brings-nanny-state-amused-resident>

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Be a Blessing

By: Janine Folks



Sometimes we see people in need as a burden. Now I know we cannot save and rescue everyone. If we tried to help every person in need who crossed our path, we would be depleted. We would wear ourselves out and stay on empty or in a deficit.

We have to know when it is our time to be a blessing. We need to discern when it is the right time or if we are being manipulated. Giving should never feel forced or like an obligation. When we give, we should do it cheerfully. Giving and being a blessing should not feel bad or like a burden.

"The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he (or she) has decided in his (or her) heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:6-7 ESV).

If you are selfish, you might not know as much as others how good it feels to give. You may not know what a blessing it is

or how it warms your heart to know you helped someone. When it's done right and under the right circumstances, it should make you feel cheerful.

If you cannot give, you cannot give. Don't feel bad about what you are not able or in a position to do. But if you are in a position to help and it's in your hand and will not be detrimental to your livelihood, consider it. Sometimes when we tell others about how good it felt to give, make sure you're not doing it just to brag. Bragging about your giving will not earn you points with God. He already knows what we do in secret and what we do openly. When we give in secret, He blesses us openly (Matthew 6:1-4). If you choose to share, be an inspiration to others so that maybe they can experience that kind of blessing as well.

May God guide and bless you in your giving. "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you" (Luke 6:38 ESV).

God bless you. Just a reminder that the Business and Education Symposium is this Saturday, August 1, 2015 at 9am at the Telegram Newspaper Bldg. We hope to see you there. It is a FREE EVENT.

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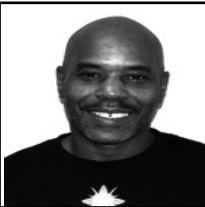
BIBLE VERSE

Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. 3 If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. 4 Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, 5 for each one should carry their own load. 6 Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor.

Galatians 6: 1-6
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35625 Vinewood in Romulus.

The lecturer for the evening is Rev. Pierce from Beulah Missionary Baptist Church -Westland

The Speaker for the evening is Rev. Kenneth Pierce - Pastor Hopewell Baptist Church - Detroit

IN LOVING MEMORY



Michael J. Sloan
July 24, 1950-July 4, 2015

Michael John Sloan was born in Detroit, MI to Melvin and Ocie Lee Sloan of River Rouge Michigan. Michael attended River Rouge schools, graduating in 1968. It was in high school that he met and would later marry Linda Anderson. To this union, two children Michael A. and Michelle S. were born. Michael attended Wayne County Community College and would later advance in his career by becoming the Executive Public Housing Director for the City of River Rouge. His passion, as well as his compassion, allowed him to serve the people of the city that he loved and the housing department for more than 30 years.

Michael had a love for family, music, travel and all things sports. This would include baseball, football, softball, racquetball and the passion for the game of golf. Michael was an avid golfer and could be found on the golf course most days, rain or shine.

A friend to many and loved by all, Michael will truly be missed in the downriver area. He leaves to cherish his memories, a loving wife Linda of 45 years, 2 children Michael A.(Angela) and Michelle S.(Shannon) five grandchildren, Brandon A., Brittany A., Miles A., Morgan A., and Maxwell A.; one great-grandson Bryce A., brother Marvin (Danette) and a host of relatives, friends, golfing buddies and his friends for life, The 7 Crowns.

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SHELBY'S LITTLE KNOWN
BLACK HISTORY FACT

Did you know that the American Tennis Association is the first and oldest black sports organization in the United States?



Similar to the Negro Leagues' correlation to Major League Baseball, the ATA was created in response to the all-white United States Lawn Tennis Association, which prevented blacks from competing against white competitors. Serving as a primary space where premier black players could display their athletic prowess, the ATA began their own national championships and competitive tournaments in 1917, most of which were held at historically black colleges and universities. With the inclusion of formal

dances and fashion shows, these competitions ranked amongst the most anticipated events in black America, ultimately displaying some of the greatest professional talent in the world. Have you ever heard of Margaret and Roumania Peters, the first sister duo to dominate the tennis world, ultimately winning 14 ATA doubles titles during the Jim Crow era? How about the great Althea Gibson, the first black player to compete in the U.S. National Championships and to win a Grand Slam tennis title, or Arthur Ashe, the first black

man to win Wimbledon? Each of these pioneering players were bred and molded by the ATA, eventually laying the foundation for numerous African American tennis stars that continue to excel in modern times. Today, as the world celebrates Serena Williams' unprecedented sixth Wimbledon title and 21st major overall, in addition to emerging players like Sloan Stephens and Dustin Brown who continue to make a mark on the sport, the ATA stands in the shadows as the pioneering organization that made it all possible.

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From Page 1A



Krystal Muhammad
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Can this be the Year of the Lions?

By Butch Davis - Sports Reporter



Jim Caldwell - Detroit Lions Head Coach

Jim Caldwell and the brass of the Detroit Lions will open up the seasonal training camp on August 2nd, in Allen Park, Michigan. Last year the Lions made the playoffs in coach Jim Caldwell's first season and had chance to win NFC North before losing at Green Bay in Week 17. Although the defense shut down opposing running games, and Detroit allowed only 282 points, second fewest in NFC the secondary late in games fail to get the job done in significant competitions against other teams best receivers and quarterbacks. Speaking of quarterbacks, Matthew Stafford and offense didn't quite live up to expectations, however he threw only 12 interceptions, fewest of his career in full season. Losses of players on defense are the following: defensive tackles Ndamukong Suh and Nick Fairley; defensive end George Johnson; cornerbacks Josh Wilson and Cassius Vaughn. So now let us find out how the loss of Suh and Fairley mean repeating last season's impressive performance defensively as it could be difficult to repeat. Lions acquired Haloti Ngata right away as Suh left via free agency. Nevertheless, second year player defensive end Ezekiel Ansah and veteran Jason Jones will have the opportunity to show coaching staff, players and fans that their play in their games last year was a blessing and will not turn into a bugaboo. Backup defensive player such as Darryl Tapp, Devin Taylor, Larry Webster, Phillip Hunt, and Kerry Hyder will need to learn the Lions scheme of plays on defense in case of, well, you fill in the blank. The loss of players on offense includes the following: running back Reggie Bush; center Dominic Raiola and guard Rob Sims. Free agent wide receiver Lance Moore, rookies guard Laken Tomlinson and

running back Ameer Abdullah are new addition to the offense. The Lions coaching brass with need work with and find out how quickly G Laken Tomlinson and RB Ameer Abdullah, team's top two draft picks this year, can contribute. There's room for them to play right away after departures on offensive line and in backfield. Abdullah in particular could be counted on to produce in running game along with RB Joique Bell now that Bush is gone. Despite of the losses of players on offense the Lions coaching staff beliefs are that a restructured offensive line will help keep pressure off Stafford. Calvin Johnson and Golden Tate remains impressive receiving tandem. Many see Matt Stafford taking a step forward this season as the offense becomes more familiar with plays and opening up to the scheme of thing. Now he needs to stay consistent while keeping those interceptions down and trust the rest of his team to do its job. Nevertheless, an improved running game drastically helped out another strong-armed slinger's numbers. Now for the record, the following players have not sign a contact past 2015. I give you the name of the player follow by their age and the salary they are working under this year. Haloti Ngata, 31, \$12.1M. Tyrunn Walker, 25, \$1.75M. DeAndre Levy, 28, \$3.25M. LaAdrian Waddle, 24, \$498K. James Ihedigbo, 31, \$1.575M. Jason Jones, 29, \$3.1M and Tahir Whitehead, 25, \$578K. 2015 could represent their best shot especially a defense that's heard all offseason how far it'll fall without Ndamukong Suh. Lions have won one postseason game in last half-century, during 1991 season. They almost added to that total last season and will be eager to earn another chance.

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By Butch Davis - Sports Reporter



Dr. Jen Welter is first woman coach in the NFL

The Arizona Cardinals have hired Dr. Jen Welter, who is believed to be the first woman to hold an NFL coaching position of any kind, as a training camp/preseason intern working with the team's inside linebackers. Eric Edholm at Shutdown Corner reported to me that Head coach Bruce Ar-

rians was asked at the owners meetings in March about the possibility of female coaches in the NFL, and his response foretold this move: "The minute they can prove they can make a player better, they'll be hired," Arians said. Welter is a leading light, it turns out. She has a master's degree in sport psychology and a PhD in psychology. Welter also

was the first female to play a non-kicking position in a men's pro football league, spending time at running back and on special teams, for the Texas Revolution in 2014. On February 12, 2015, the Texas Revolution introduced Welter as their new linebackers and special teams coach. She is the first woman to coach in a men's professional football league. Welter is a graduate of Boston College and is a veteran of several semi-pro women's football teams (including the Dallas Diamonds and Dallas Dragons). She was a gold medal-winning member of Team USA at the International Federation of American Football's Women's World Championship in 2010 and 2013. Congratulations to Dr. Welter, the Arizona Cardinals new linebackers coach.

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RIVER ROUGE

July 20th, 2015

At 0017hrs officers were dispatched to the 500 Block of Palmerston Street on a domestic assault. Upon arrival a 21 year old female told officers she was slapped in the face and thrown to the ground by her 23 year old boyfriend. She states he would not let her leave the front yard of his home and when she tried to leave he became assaultive. She states she grabbed a black pole from the front yard to defend herself. Officers observed a bruise on the inner art of her right arm, and a cut to the inside of her lower lip. The boyfriend states he became frustrated when he went into his home that she grabbed the pole and swung it at him and threw it down and began throwing chairs around in the garage. He had a small bump on his forehead and scratches on the arms and a bite mark on his chest. He was placed under arrest for Domestic Violence and transported to the station where he was booked allow to make a phone call then housed.

July 17th, 2015
At 1639hrs, officers were dispatched to the 1st Block of East Pleasant Street on a Domestic. Officers arrived and spoke to a 63 year old male and 45 year old female. The married couple state they were arguing with their 21 year old son, and he was upstairs in his bedroom swinging a machete, damaging the furniture. The son refused to come downstairs and came half way yelling at his parents and turned around and went back upstairs. He was ordered to come down and officers handcuffed him. The parents states he came upset when the father accused him of stealing \$80.00 dollars from his bedroom. The son grabbed the machete and threatened to hit the father with it and started swinging at the furniture. The parents went downstairs to wait for the police to arrive. The son was placed under arrest for Domestic F/A and transported to the police station where he was booked allowed to make a phone call then housed.

Ecorse Police catch two suspects connected to local Facebook robberies

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



Last week, two suspects were arrested in connection to an armed robbery in Ecorse. The incident occurred on June 13th following an online Facebook correspondence, where two brothers, Rashard and Willie Thomas, lured an Inkster woman and her friend to an Ecorse home for a date. Upon arriving, the women were held at gunpoint, robbed of their phones, purses and accompanying possessions. The loaded gun was stolen from Lincoln Park. The Thomas brother's repeated the offense on the following day, robbing a Detroit

woman of \$400 after inviting her to the same home. Both incidents were reported to police, though they were unsuccessful in making an arrest upon their first investigation. Suspects were eventually apprehended however by Officers Rick Mercado and Darren Johnson from the Ecorse Police Department, both of whom recovered cell phones and victim's ID's at the scene. Facing armed robbery charges, both suspects remain in custody on a \$250,000 cash bond. With the recent wave of attacks against female subjects in Detroit and

surrounding areas, Ecorse Police Chief Michael Moore indicates that this may not be the only incident involving the two brothers. For any other victims out there, he urges you to speak out by contacting EPD. "People are getting kind of brazen," Moore said. "Most of us have heard about the situation in Detroit involving the rapes of several women, and then in other cities they're robbing young ladies. So it doesn't necessarily surprise me that these guys were setting these ladies up to rob them. We don't know if these were their only victims, so for anyone out there who's had this happen =, please contact us." With that, Moore also offered wise words regarding personal safety when engaging in online dating. "In this situation, the lady had a friend with her, and they ended up robbing them both," he said. "You have to be aware of your surroundings and who you're dealing with. My advice is that you be very selective of who you date, because you kind of don't know who you're with nowadays."

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Deputies found woman armed with reported stolen gun after disturbance.



Surrayyah Ansari

Detroit – A woman found with a loaded gun reported stolen in another state will appear in court this morning. The suspect is facing charges of making Terroristic Threats, CCW violation in a Weapon Free Zone and Felony Firearm. She will be arraigned at WCJ Division 1 via video at 10:30 a.m.

WCS deputies arrested the 43 year old woman on the WCCCD downtown campus on July 24, 2015 after the she allegedly made a violent threat

in front of administration officials. Witnesses stated that while attempting to enroll her son in college courses, the woman became enraged when her son was asked to return on Monday. The woman reportedly threatened "I'm gonna blow this b---- up" in the presence of officials who immediately informed campus security.

The woman was tracked down on campus a short time later and had a pocket knife, pepper spray and a .25 caliber loaded pistol in her possession. The gun was determined to be stolen out of San Jose, California. Due to the swift action by Wayne County Sheriff's Deputies and Campus Security, no injuries occurred in the incident.

Ansari was arraigned at 11:30 a.m. before Judge Renee McDuffee, 36th District Court, on charges of:

1. False Report of Terrorism/Terroristic Threats (20 Year Felony);
2. CCW – Person;
3. CCW – Weapon in Free Zone and
4. Felony Firearm

Ansari's bond was set at \$100,000 Cash and her next court date is August 4, 2015 before Judge Michael Wagner.

"We approach all threats with a heightened sense of urgency because we can not predict when someone will turn what may be a routine activity into a tragedy," said Sheriff Benny N. Napoleon. "This individual came to campus with a loaded gun and a knife, uttered a credible threat overheard by several people and our officers took immediate action. That's what they're there for and given the nature of the outburst we are extremely grateful to have intervened before innocent individuals were harmed."

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CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of River Rouge held on June 2, 2015

Meeting called to order at 8:35pm

The following Commissioners were present:

Present: Campbell, Cooney, Perry, Pierce, Pruneau, Ward

Mayor Bowdler in the Chair

Absent: None

Excused: None

15-126 Approval of minutes

15-127 Voucher approval

15-128 Business license approval

15-129 Building permit approval

15-130 Approval of 25th District Court 2015-2016 budget

15-131 Approva to fill vacant position in water department

15-132 Approval to appoint City Treasuer as Limited Trustee of the 401A plan

15-133 Approval of an internship program for the Police Dept. with Baker College

15-134 Block Club party aproval

15-135 Approve the sale of 109 & 111 Haltiner to International Precast

15-136 Approval to adopt the Mich. Municpal League record retention schedule

15-137 Approval to go to bid for demolition of 199 Summit

15-138 Approval to go to bid for demilition of 127 Walnut

15-139 Approval to sell the vacant lot at 129 Oak

15-140 Approval of litigation settlement

15-141 Motion to adjourn

A complete copy of the minutes can be obtained at the City Clerk's office (313) 842-5604.

Patricia Johnson City Clerk

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ECORSE

NOTICE OF LOCAL PRIMARY ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Local Primary Election will be held in the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan on:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the City of Ecorse Local Primary Election will be held at the following Polling Places:

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PRECINCT NO. 2 Downriver Pennsylvania Club, 3648 W. Jefferson

PRECINCT NO. 3 Ecorse Manor, 4560-9th Street

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Absent voter applications and ballots may be obtained through the City Clerk's office. The office of the City Clerk will be open on Saturday, August 1, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of issuing and receiving absentee ballots.

DANA HUGHES

CITY CLERK

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CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN

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Meeting called to order at 7:40pm

The following Commissioners were present:  
Present: Campbell, Cooney, Perry, Pierce, Pruneau, Ward  
Mayor Bowdler in the Chair  
Absent: None  
Excused: None

15-142 Approval of minutes  
15-143 Voucher approval  
15-144 Business license approval  
15-145 Building permit approval  
15-146 Approval for Comm. Campbell to schedule community events in Sept & Oct  
15-147 Approval of new FOIA policies and guideline  
15-148 Approval for Auxillary Police to staff Belanger Park on June 22, 2015  
15-149 Block Club party aproval  
15-150 Approval to change Board of Review dates  
15-151 Approval of poverty exemption guidelines  
15-152 Approval to sell property at 10432 W Jefferson  
15-153 Approval to hire 5 part-time firemen  
15-154 Approval to hire 3 part-time police officers  
15-155 Approval of 2015 summer mil rates  
15-156 Confirmatin of Order of Immediate Demolition of 199 Summit  
15-157 Approval to sell vacant lot at 121 Pine  
15-158 Approval of emergency demolition at 351 Holford  
15-159 Motion to adjourn

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Patricia Johnson City Clerk

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE  
ON AUGUST 4, 2015

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of River Rouge held on July 7, 2015  
Meeting called to order at 8:15pm

The following Commissioners were present:  
Present: Campbell, Cooney, Perry, Pierce, Pruneau, Ward  
Mayor Bowdler in the Chair  
Absent: None  
Excused: None

15-160 Approval of minutes  
15-161 Voucher approval  
15-162 Business license approval  
15-163 Approval of the annual DDA budget  
15-164 Approval to start the alley crew workers on 07/13/2015  
15-165 Approval to hire part-time firefighters  
15-166 Approval to rent the building at 39 E Henry  
15-167 Approval to reserve Memorial Park on 08/28/15 for "It takes a Village" event  
15-168 Approval of the request to hold 2nd annual Old School Picnic on 08/29/15  
15-169 Approval to sell ½ of lot at 194 Summit  
15-170 Approval for St John's Men's Group to hold annual BBQ on 07/18/15  
15-171 Block Club Party approvals  
15-172 Building permit approval  
15-173 Approval to issue State Aid refunding bonds  
15-174 Approval of ammended Articles of Incorporation of the Downriver Wastewater Authority  
15-175 Approval for participation in the Joint Management Committee  
15-176 Approval of the Agreement to Assign Wholesale Water Service Contract with the City of Detroit  
15-177 Sale of ½ of vacant lot at 53 Pine  
15-178 Motion to adjourn

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Fantasia and Anthony Hamilton

When: July 31st at 8:00 PM  
Where: Chene Park  
Cost: \$100, \$75, \$65, \$55, \$40 Lawn

North Brothers Ford 26th Annual Charity Golf Event

When: August 4th at 9:00 AM  
Where: Fox Hills Golf Course, 8768 North Territorial Road, Plymouth  
Outing will benefit Wayne County Family Center, YMCA Strong Kids Campaign, Angels' Place of Oakland County, Westland Youth Assistance and Starfish Family Services

8/5, Romulus Farmers Market

Where: Romulus Municipal Complex -  
Time: Noon - 6pm

Jazz on the Avenue at City Hall Park featuring Charles and Gwen Scales

When: August 5th 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Where: City Hall Park, 13615 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn  
Cost: Free

8/7, Sounds in Downtown  
Where: 11147 Hunt St  
Time: 7pm - 9pm  
Romulus

American Idol Live

When: August 7th at 8:00 PM  
Where: Sound Board at Motor City Casino  
Cost: \$64, \$44, \$39

Dearborn Homecoming

When: Aug 7th to Aug 9th  
Where: Ford Field, Cherry Hill Street, Dearborn  
Cost: FREE

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History Ford Free Second Sunday

When: August 9th, 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
Where: The Wright Museum  
Cost: FREE admission to the museum courtesy of Ford Motor Company

Westland Blues, Brews and BBQ

When: Aug 13th to Aug16th  
Where: Westland Farmers and Artisans Market

RIVER ROUGE SCHOOL DISTRICT & THE CITY OF RIVER ROUGE CALLING ALL ALUMNI/COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO THE

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Sat., August 8, 2015  
12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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ASK ALMA

Trying to Help Mom



Dear Alma,

My dad left my mom for another woman. My mother is so sad and I think it's affecting her health. She was recently on leave from work because she is too sick to go. She told me and my sister it wasn't serious and we shouldn't worry. I am worried and I am so mad at my dad. My mom is taking care of us now and she is doing it all by herself. Although I have a part-time job, I was thinking maybe I should graduate from high school early and start college so I can hurry up and help my mom and my sister. My mom works at a college, so I can take classes for free. What advice would you give me Alma, should I hurry up and start college so I can graduate and help my family?

Worried Son

Awwwe my darling, I applaud your efforts to step up to the plate and fill the role your father has left vacant, but you can't. You aren't the father, you're the son. It's human nature for you to desire to make everything alright, but that's too much of a load for you to take on. What I want you to do is concentrate and continue on your path of being an exceptional student.

What's happening now won't last forever. Your parents will resolve their issues. Don't overanalyze, try to compensate, correct, or take ownership of what's happening between your mom and dad. They're grown folks handling grown folks business. You can step back and take a breather. I know you know most of what's going on, but trust me, you don't know all. Promise me you won't take sides, but you'll respect them both and continue to do you. I'm sorry to hear of your mother's health complications. But in the midst of all this turmoil, I'm sure that your mother sees a few silver

linings and you, for sure, are one of them. You can help her in many ways. This isn't your only option.

Now, as to your question about graduating from high school early.... Wow! That does sound exciting and as with everything in life comes the pros and the cons, so let's examine a few.

Pros: You're done with high school, ready to start college and looking forward to starting your young adult life.

Cons: You'll miss your prom, graduating with your friends and the senior year experience.

Honestly, you're the only one who knows which choice would be best. Have a long, hard conversation with your guidance counselor; that's a good place to start. They'll have an enormous amount of information for you to navigate while making your decision. My two cents worth is, if you're enjoying your life right now, hanging out and socializing with your friends, don't rush it. If you're fully active in your high school extracurricular activities, don't push yourself to leave early, just stay focused. Talk to your mom and let her know of your concerns about her health and your future opportunity to attend college for free. She will share with you what's best for your family.

Indulge me, as I take a moment to applaud you, young man. In the words of J. Anthony Brown – "Watchoutdehnow!" Go on with your bad self! Your question fills my heart. Not only are you a super bright and talented young student, you're compassionate and concerned about your family. Lawd have mercy, can every mother join me with a shout of "amen!" Don't stop believing in yourself. Whatever you decide, I celebrate you sweetheart and pray that all your dreams come true!

Alma

Alma Gill's newsroom experience spans more than 25 years, including various roles at USA Today, Newsday and the Washington Post. Email questions to: alwaysaskalma@gmail.com. Follow her on Facebook at "Ask Alma" and Twitter @almaaskalma.

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Gale Connolly, Rose Tarcia, Ken Hinzmann, and Joan Fox were the volunteers from the Allen Park Elks.

DETROIT - On Tuesday, July 28, 2015 Allen Park Elks Club donated \$1000.00 in cash and 10 man hours of help to the Perry Outreach Center in SW Detroit. The Perry Outreach Center operates a food pantry and has a small staff of 6 people.

Gale Connolly, spokeswoman of the Allen Park Elks stated, "We didn't just want to write a check" Organizations like the Perry Outreach Center need volunteers, in addition to money. The concept of Time and Talent is essential to carry out service to our fellow man or women.

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