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Ann Kalass,
Chief Executive Officer of
Starfish Family Services

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



Ann Kalass with children from Starfish Family Services

Ann Kalass is inspiring on every level. As Chief Executive Officer of Starfish Family Services in Inkster, she's on a mission to become a beacon of light for the most valuable assets within society: our children.

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Wayne County Sheriff reads to kids in Taylor



Sheriff Benny Napoleon stress importance of reading

Sheriff Benny N. Napoleon recently teamed up with the Taylor Reading Corps for National Reading Awareness Month. He read a Dr. Seuss favorite to students at Myers School in Taylor and then "deputized" the students to do their homework and listen to their parents and teachers. Sheriff Napoleon recently held a press conference in conjunction with a new report from the Fisher Foundation promoting the benefits of early education. Reading at grade level at the elemen-

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Wayne County Executive, Warren Evans, "I want to hear from you"

By: Gina Steward



Newly elected Wayne County Executive, Warren Evans (center) with Inkster Mayor Hilliard Hampton and members of the Inkster Ministerial Alliance

During the monthly meeting of the Inkster Ministerial Alliance, they were joined by Wayne County Executive Warren Evans. As he shared some of his background it was obvious that his vast experience will help devise interactive strategy to help turn Wayne County around. He has served the citizens of Wayne County in numerous capacities and is

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Inkster schools soon to be gone... but not forgotten

Calling all Viking alumni, former employees and friends



Inkster High School, soon to be demolished

The Viking Pride Public School Historical Museum. The Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization would like to purchase a city building to accommodate the memorabilia recovered from the schools,

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CALL TO ACTION

We Need Your Help
Let's return youth baseball to
the community



The staff members of the Telegram News will be holding an open meeting that we are inviting Parents, Grand Parents, Aunts, Uncles, Sisters, Brothers, and Guardians in the City of River Rouge to attend on March 24, 2015 at 6:00pm at our Telegram News Headquarter, 10748 W. Jefferson, River Rouge, Michigan.

The discussion will be about forming a Little League Baseball League in the city of River Rouge. In the meeting we will talk about operate our program under the rules and regulations of Little League International. Some of the specific duties include: Electing a Board of Directors, paperwork that needs to be filed with corporate headquarters, registrations, finding sponsors for our teams, fundraising, try-outs, drafting teams, scheduling, working ball games, hosting all-star tournaments, selecting all-star teams, and having regular meetings with the board and the district.

The board of directors is all volunteers that are made up of parents, community leaders and general citizens. Their work and dedication is a year round commitment to the Children of the City of River Rouge

.The board of directors has the responsibility of running the operation of our program. The board makes decisions that are in the best interest of all the children in our program.

We will also discuss T-Ball and Coach Pitch programs too. Everyone interested in helping to keep our kids busy and exposing them to baseball are asked to attend.

We are asking for participation at our meeting and also for volunteers to serve on Board of Directors. If you are interested in the program, whether you have children playing or not, please come to the meeting. Representatives from Little League District 5 Administration will be on hand for comments or to answer any questions you may have. If you plan on coming to the meeting, please contact the Telegram News so that we can have a feel on the number who will attend. Our phone number is (313) 928-2955 and email address is telegram@telegramnews.net or butchonsports@att.net Now in Advance, we thank you for all of your help and support.

Sincerely,
The Staff of the Telegram News



Senator Knezek Headed to 11 Schools,
22 Classrooms for “March is Reading Month”



David Knezek
State Senator

In celebration of March is Reading Month, Senator David Knezek (Dearborn Heights) will be visiting 11 schools across the 5th Senate district to read to students. Having previously worked in Michigan’s public schools, Senator Knezek is passionate about encouraging students to develop the reading comprehension skills they need to succeed both in and out of the classroom. In partnership with Delta Dental Michigan, Senator Knezek will also be distributing tooth brushes to every classroom he visits in order to promote healthy habits outside of the

classroom.

“Reading to students for March is Reading Month is one of my favorite legislative responsibilities throughout the course of the year,” said Senator Knezek. “Promoting literacy and healthy living is just as rewarding for me as I hope it is for the students. I’m always impressed by the conversations that I get to have with them after we’re done reading – so many have a solid grasp on the challenges we’re facing in the state and across the country right now. It shouldn’t surprise anyone that their solutions are often times better than the ones our own government comes up with!”

This year, Senator Knezek will be reading the book House Mouse, Senate Mouse by Peter W. Barnes and Cheryl Shaw Barnes to the students he visits. Washington Parent Magazine recently called the book, “A fanciful way to expose children to the legislative process.” Amazon reviews the book as follows:

Congress is in session and the Squeaker of the House and the Senate Mouse-jority leader have a big job to do: they have

to pass a law designating a national cheese for the United Mice of America. In House Mouse, Senate Mouse, best-selling and award-winning duo Peter and Cheryl Barnes give kids an entertaining and educational look at the legislative process while teaching them the values of hard work and compromise. From drawing up a bill and committee discussions to voting and signing a bill, House Mouse, Senate Mouse teaches children about the Senate, House of Representatives, and the Capitol building. House Mouse, Senate Mouse also features “The Tail End: Resources for Parents and Teachers” at the end of the book to help moms, dads, and educators teach their little mice even more about our legislative branch. Fun and informative, House Mouse, Senate Mouse is a great book for any child who might one day aspire to be a Congressmouse and work in our nation’s capital.

For more information or to for nformation on the schools he will attend, contact Chief of Staff Mike Malane at 517-373-0994 or mmalane@senate.michigan.gov.

Reading to Kids

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Sheriff Napoleon deputized students after reading to them

tary level sets the tone for future classroom success. If you ensure a child reads well and comprehends what they’re reading they’ll have a better chance of keeping up in their classes and going on to graduate. About 20 members of the Wayne County Sheriff’s office read to students in eight Taylor schools.

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Below-the-Belt Attacks on the Obamas

By George E. Curry - NNPA Columnist



No United States president has been more disrespected than Barack Obama – and his family.

The hatred for the nation’s first African American president is so deep that all but seven Republicans in the U.S. Senate were willing to write a letter to Iran that amounted to treason on a grand scale.

In an effort to derail talks that would limit Iran’s nuclear weapons, 47 Republican senators signed an “open letter” to Iran’s leaders claiming any deal they reach with the administration won’t last after Obama leaves office.

In an issue that caused the Republican senators to be labeled traitors in a New York Daily News headline. An editorial: said, “Regardless of President Obama’s fecklessness in negotiating a nuclear deal with Iran, 47 Republican U.S. senators engaged in treachery by sending a letter to the mullahs aimed at cutting the legs out from under America’s commander-in-chief. We join GOP signatories in opposing the pact as outlined, but we strenuously condemn their betrayal of the U.S. constitutional system.”

In case there is any doubt, the liberal political website PoliticusUSA stated, “According to the dictionary definition, a traitor is one who betrays a person, a principle, or especially their country. It is of no consequence why someone, or a group, chooses to work in opposition to their nation, or fellow citizens’ well-being, because if their intent and result of their actions is to deliberately damage or cause harm to their country or fellow citizens, they are by definition traitors.”

It wasn’t all that long ago that Democrats and Republicans observed the rule that while we might have our internal debates, when it comes for foreign policy, we speak with one voice – that of the president.

House Republicans ignored that long-standing custom by inviting Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to address Congress, knowing he would be critical of ongoing negotiations by the U.S. and its allies to freeze Iran’s nuclear weapons. The White House was not consulted on the invitation, a sharp departure from established protocol.

The disrespect for Obama and the presidency itself has reached such a low point that a headline in the Washington Post summed it up this way: “Repub-

licans are beginning to act as though Barack Obama isn’t even the president.”

The story explained, “It’s safe to say that no president in modern times has had his legitimacy questioned by the opposition party as much as Barack Obama. But as his term in office enters its final phase, Republicans are embarking on an entirely new enterprise: They have decided that as long as he holds the office of the presidency, it’s no longer necessary to respect the office itself.”

And many argue that the hatred extends well beyond partisan politics.

PoliticusUSA stated, “It is likely that throughout America’s short history, except for the traitorous Confederacy, no group of individuals has exhibited the characteristic betrayal of a traitor more than conservatives in general, and Republicans in particular. What makes their actions all the more despicable is that their traitorous actions are founded on racial animus for one man; and allegiance to foreigners and one tiny segment of the population.”

The attacks on Obama began when he first ran for president, with some conservatives openly questioning whether he was a U.S. citizen.

Marilyn Davenport, a member of the Orange County Republican Party in California, e-mailed a cartoon in 2010 with the face of President Obama superimposed on a chimpanzee. Also pictured were two older chimpanzees described as “parents.” The inscription on the cartoon read: “Now you know why – No birth certificate.”

The New York Post went well over the line of respectability by publishing a cartoon in 2009, in the wake of Connecticut police shooting a pet chimpanzee, depicting the authors of the stimulus bill as a dead chimpanzee.

And who could forget Rep. Joe Wilson [R-S.C.], interrupting a 2009 presidential address on health care to Congress in by shouting, “You, lie!”

The personal attacks have not been limited to President Obama – his entire family has been attacked.

Last week, Emmy-winning Univision host Rodner Figueroa was fired for saying, “Michelle Obama looks like she’s part of the cast of Planet of the Apes.”

Michael O’Neal, Speaker of the Kansas House, circulated an email referring to the first lady as “Mrs. Yo’ Mama.”

Even Sasha and Malia have been targets of conservatives. They have been upbraided from everything from taking their spring break in the Bahamas to the clothes they wore when their father pardoned a Thanksgiving turkey.

Detroit Police to Test Body Cameras

By Jim Abeare



The Detroit Police Department will test body cameras.

This is a good thing. It should keep the police honest and the criminals from shouting "Police Brutality" everytime they are busted.

This will be a 90 day test period. According to Channel 7, about 20 officers in Detroit's 11th precinct will test three different camera systems.

Each vendor will be tested for a 30 day period. Police Chief James Graig has advocated the use of the camers since taking the job.

With everything that has happened to police departments over the last couple of years, this has to be a good safety measure for them.

Police departments across the country, partially in Ferguson, MO has been under siege from their communities and the Federal Government they need a defense measure.

Being a police officer is dangerous work and they don't get paid much. The cameras can be worn the chest, shoulder and ear. The policy for use will be the same as that for dash cameras in the police cars.

Mayor Duggan, according to channel 7 said "Nobody's ever saying we don't make mistakes. What we're saying is, we're going to show you the truth about what happened and people can judge us from there."

The test will end June 5.

As Media Matters, the watchdog group, stated, “On May 27, [2010] President Obama explained at a press conference that he was reminded daily about the consequences of the oil spill by his daughter Malia who asked him did you plug the hole yet? while he was shaving.”

Both Glenn Beck and Rush Limbaugh saw fit to imitate Malia on air.

No stunt is too low or too vile for conservatives who hate everything about Obama, including his race.

George E. Curry, former editor-in-chief of Emerge magazine, is editor-in-chief of the National Newspaper Publishers Association News Service (NNPA)

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Only Human?

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



I don't like the phrase, 'only human.' Only? Only and human do not belong in the same sentence. Our Creator fearfully and wonderfully made us (Psalm 139:14) and that makes us more than 'only.' It sounds so demeaning. It de-values what we were created to be. It is an attempt to remove the glory God created us to walk in. When people use the phrase 'only human,' it's usually to justify, condone or excuse inadequate behavior, also known as 'sin.' Humans do sin. There is no question about that. But to use your humanity as a 'sin pass' is wrong. If there is a particular sin that you struggle with, that specific issue needs to be addressed. True, we are flawed. As long as we are in these bodies, we will be flawed. Nevertheless, we must also remember that we are overcomers. God had given us power. He has great expectations of us! God has taught children and infants to tell of His strength, silencing His enemies and all who oppose Him (Psalm 8:2 NLT). Human children can silence God's enemies?! That's

amazing to me! David describes the high regard and value that God places on humans. "What is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas" (Psalm 8:4-8 NIV). God put us humans in charge of HIS earth and all that HE made! He gave us authority! That is huge! God must think we are awesome to handle such responsibility. How could we ever refer to ourselves as 'only' human?! Are we trying to avoid our assignment? The truth is we are amazingly human, marvelously human, astoundingly human... Don't use being human as an excuse to live beneath what you were created for. Humanity is not a handicap, it is a precious gift! Appreciate it. God thinks so highly of you, He sent His only Son Jesus to die for you. The next time you think it's impossible to be righteous and holy, think again. The next time you feel powerless, think again. Being human is a high ranking status. Get to know Him and you'll never think of yourself as 'only' anything. You were created to be glorious. Think like it. Live like it. You are amazingly human and in charge of the earth! Use your authority wisely! Blessings.

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- 19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.
- 20 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.
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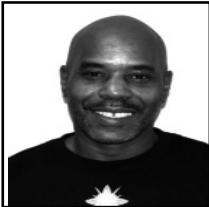


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DEATH NOTICES



ALFRED JOHNNIE LEE FIKES
May 11, 1937 - Feb. 8, 2015

Alfred in River Rough, Michigan. He was the sixth of eleven children. Alfred was educated in the Detroit Public School District. He learned the values of independence and hard work early in life, as he held various jobs, including paper routes and hauling ice with his father at a young age. Alfred later discovered his love for boxing at the Brewster Center in Detroit, Michigan. Following retirement from the United States Air Force, Alfred was employed by Ford Motor Company in Wayne, Michigan where he worked on the assembly line for over twenty years. **Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home. (chapelchimes.org)**



MIRACLE LAFAYE ROGERS
Aug. 27, 1982 - Feb. 17, 2015
Miracle was born in Detroit, Michigan. Miracle attended St. Dunstan Private School in Garden City and worked at Subway for a short period of time.

She loved spending time reading with her children and playing games. She often referred to them as her "Lovebugs" or her "Three Amigos." For those that were close to Miracle, she was described as an outgoing and fun person to be around.

Miracle leaves a legacy of family to celebrate her life: her birth mother Wanda, her mother Regina, her three children, Naudiyah, NyOnna and Amina; her sisters Meta, Bobbae, Rohanda and Takeeta; her brother Robert; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins who love her very much. **Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home. (chapelchimes.org)**



GLADYS MARIE ELLIOTT
Aug 15, 1923 - Feb 19, 2015
Gladys Marie White-Elliott was married to her wonderful husband, Griely Elliott for 58 years. When she worked at the State of Winfield Hospital in Winfield, Kansas, she worked with mentally challenged children. These children were very special to her. Most of all, she loved her family and cooking for them. She leaves to cherish her memories, her loving sister, Lottie M. Smith and Amy J. Jones among a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. **Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home. (chapelchimes.org)**



CAROLYN LOIS DALTON
Jan 30, 1943 - Feb 21, 2015
Carolyn Lois Salton (Bauman) was born in Detroit, Michigan. Carolyn had a feisty personality and, for the most part, raised her children by herself. One thing she loved to do was cook and would always feed you if you were hungry. Her home was always full of love, family and food and we enjoyed many family gatherings over

there. When she was about 35, she developed a rare lung disease and defied the odds by living to be 72 years old. She leaves to mourn her passing, sons Leonard (Yvette), Richard (Queen), Terrance and Demitrus (Jessica) Dalton. Sisters Sylvia Pickens, Jacqueline (Marvin) Clark and brother John (Bridgett) Bauman. She had twelve grandchildren, seven great-grand children and one great-great grandchildren. **Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home. (chapelchimes.org)**



James Earl Bronson
July 16, 1943 - Feb 23, 2015
James Earl Bronson was born in E. St. Louis, Missouri. His passion was playing the piano which was a true gift from God. Earl played for several quartets and church choirs. After his high school completion, he took on a job at Overton's Piano Factory where he was a fine tuner. Earl then later moved to Inkster, MI in 1966 and became employed at Ford Motor Company and retired after 30 years of service.

His sunset was February 23, 2015. He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving and devoted wife of 36 years, Elora; his special and second mom, Rosana Bronson; his eleven children: David Earl Teague; Kenneth Kirkland; Jason Kirkland; Yushonda MatthewL; Nicole "Angel" Pearson (Regina); LaTanya LaCroix Bronson; Sheila LaCroix Bronson; his sixteen grandchildren; his two great-grandsons; his three Godchildren, a very special son; Sam Middlebrook, one special daughter and granddaughter; Yvette Brock and Ellyse Ghos-ton; a host of nieces, great-nieces, nephews, great-nephews, aunts, uncles, other relatives, church members and friends.

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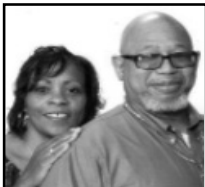
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ALL ARE WELCOME

Seven of the most trailblazing female TV characters of all time

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter

Historically, female protagonists have battled patriarchal constraint, gender inequality and prevailing stereotypes in the quest toward accurate, multidimensional representation on television. Thankfully, small screen characterizations have continued to evolve over time, much of which can be attributed to numerous groundbreaking women who blazed a path for the existence of future TV heroines. From Mary Richards to Olivia Pope, these seven characters entirely revolutionized television as we know it today.



1. Lucy Ricardo, *I Love Lucy*

In this day and age, female comedic roles are commonplace in the television world. But once upon a time, women were virtually nonexistent in the comedy industry—that is until Lucille Ball catapulted ‘I Love Lucy’ into its place as one of the most beloved TV sitcoms in history. With slapstick humor and crazy onscreen exploits (mouth full of chocolate anyone?), Ball changed the game for the female comic, ultimately paving the way for a number of today’s funny ladies—from the women of ‘Saturday Night Live’ to Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Melissa McCarthy and Sarah Silverman.

2. Julia Baker, *Julia*

‘Julia’ became a hit sensation in the fall of 1968, all while garnering criticism for what some audiences interpreted as a watered down portrayal of the black experience. Nevertheless, Julia Baker was a young, African American nurse—characterizations that seceded the standard servant or Mammy caricature hailed by popular shows like ‘Amos ‘n’ Andy’ and ‘Beulah’. With that, ‘Julia’ became the first weekly series to depict a black woman in a non-stereotypical role on television.

3. Mary Richards, *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*

She could turn the world on with her smile. And in the process, Mary Richards ushered in a new era for the professional working woman on television. Airing during the Women’s Liberation Movement of the 1970’s, ‘The Mary Tyler Moore Show’ made a daring declara-

tion that women—contrary to June Cleaver-esque principles—were vastly capable of finding happiness in ways not limited to marriage and childrearing. Tackling innovative themes that included workplace romance and equal pay, the series laid a foundation for the existence of other career-oriented women in future TV roles.



4. Clair Huxtable, *The Cosby Show*

Just as ‘The Cosby Show’ ranks amongst the greatest TV series of all time, Clair Huxtable remains a foremost figure in the history of the American sitcom. She was a distinguished attorney and partner at a law firm, all while fulfilling her duties as a devoted wife and mother of five. She was highly educated, gracefully feminine, brilliantly eloquent and radically outspoken (who can forget that classic scene where she schools Sondra’s sexist boyfriend Elvin on marriage and gender role expectations?). Overall, Clair came to embody a bold reconstruction of black womanhood as the matriarch of an upper middle class African American family that ultimately became a groundbreaking manifestation of the American dream on primetime television.

5. Carrie Bradshaw, *Sex and the City*

There was always something special about Carrie Bradshaw. She was a successful newspaper columnist who commanded attention wherever she went. And yes naturally, as the main character of a TV series called ‘Sex and the City’, she certainly had her fair share of romantic exploits (we all remember the rollercoaster ride that became of her and Mr. Big). But whether Carrie was out on the town with her three BFF’s Charlotte, Miranda and Samantha, or satisfying her insatiable zeal for designer fashion (come on say it with me: JIMMY CHOO), her weekly commentary on love, life, social dysfunction, and oh of course sexual empowerment, meant everything to fans of ‘Sex and the City’—qualities that distinguish her as one of the most iconic personalities in modern television history.

6. The women of *Girlfriends*

Okay, we have a four way tie. I mean really, when it comes to Joan, Toni, Maya and Lynn,

who could possibly choose just one character? Sure, most of us have our own personal favorite, but these zany girlfriends were all equally fabulous in their own right. And whether viewers found themselves rooting for Joan to finally find a husband, or for a narcissistic Toni Childs to care about someone other than, let’s say...Toni Childs, the series candidly addressed subject matters surrounding the intersection of race and gender, while also representing a sophisticated circle of successful black women as uniquely diverse, non-stereotypical entities. Though prematurely cancelled in 2008, ‘Girlfriends’ is still coveted for its authentic presentation of the true power of African American sisterhood.



7. Olivia Pope, *Scandal*

She’s Washington, D.C.’s most powerful political fixer, and can rescue anyone from even the most scandalous situations. But while the ever composed Olivia Pope remains an expert at “handling” everyone else’s problems, her personal life could not be more of a mess (case in point: she’s actively involved in a passionate love affair with Fitzgerald Grant III aka the married President of the United States). Still, Olivia’s imperfections make her all the more likable (that, and her uber-chic wardrobe collection). Insert the fact that she’s a major shot caller in a hyper masculine political stomping ground, and there you have it: Olivia Pope becomes the predecessor to an unprecedented number of influential black heroines who now exist on modern television (it should be noted that before ‘Scandal’ debuted in 2012, no African American actress had appeared as a lead character in a network drama since 1974). Ladies and gentlemen, let’s take a moment to tip our white hats to Shonda Rhimes and Kerry Washington, shall we?

Who are your favorite female TV characters?

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ARIES

(Mar. 21- April 20)
The key to feeling good about yourself will be to do something about it. You may find that you are a little lucky this week. Try not to let your emotions interfere with the completion of your work. Take time to catch up on gossip and make plans to do a little adventure travel.
Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.

TAURUS

(Apr. 21- may 21)
The stamina you possess will be apparent in your approach to your hobbies and creative projects. Your accomplishments could exceed your expectations if you mix a little business with pleasure. Romantic encounters will develop through group activity. You can increase the value of your dwelling. Look into residential moves that will give you more space.
Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

GEMINI

(May 22-June 21)
Get back to the comforts of cottage or home. You may get some opposition. Personal changes will be to your benefit. Think of changes to your home that will please and add to everyone’s comfort. Residential moves should be considered carefully.
Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

CANCER

(June 22-July 22)
You really can’t do anything to change matters this week. Money can be made if your are willing to take a chance. Keep a lookout for any individuals eager to confront you with unsavory situations. Don’t allow your lover to take advantage of your good nature.
Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

LEO

(July 23-Aug 22)
Proceed with caution if operating equipment or vehicles. You can make personal changes that will enhance your reputation and give you greater self confidence. Sign up for courses that will help you understand yourself better. Get more involved in group efforts at work.
Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23 -Sept. 23)
You will have original ideas for ways to make extra money. You need to make changes that will raise your self esteem, such as a new hairstyle or a new image. Creative educational pursuits will payoff. You may be ill-treated if you have

to deal with institutional environments.
Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

LIBRA

(Sept. 24 -Oct. 23)
You need to get down to basics with regard to yourself. You can expect to face opposition on the home front. You just hate waste, and when someone else costs you dearly you see red. Some relatives will be extremely perplexing.
Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You will be popular with acquaintances; however, loved ones could feel left out and insecure. You may want to pull out some of those unfinished project you’ve got tucked away. Opportunities for love will develop while traveling or while attending religious functions. Arguing won’t help.
Your lucky day this week will be Monday.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)
Investments may be misrepresented this week. Try to curb your bad habits. Don’t invest too much of your own money. The personal problems you may be having are interfering with your productivity.
Your lucky day this week will be Monday.

CAPRICORN

(Dec 22.- Jan. 20)
Positive changes regarding your personal status are evident. Promote your ideas now. You may not get your facts correct this week; doublecheck before making any statements. Do something special for them.
Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)
Someone you work with may be trying to make you look bad. Romance will unfold if you take trips or get together with friends. You can accomplish a lot if you put some effort into household duties or redecorating plans. Limitations on the home front can be expected if you have been restricting your mate’s freedom.
Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.

PISCES

(Feb. 20-Mar. 20)
Your lover may cost you financially. Do not trust others with important information. Be diplomatic and honest, and that person will only be made to look bad. Put financial speculation with family members or friends on the back burner for now.
Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

Is Your Teen Ready for a Summer Job?

By Jason Alderman



For many teens, there's nothing more exciting than receiving the first paycheck from a summer job – a sure-fire ticket to fun and freedom. It's also a great opportunity for parents to encourage proper money management.

Parents or guardians need to do some necessary paperwork first. Working teens will need his or her own Social Security Number (SSN) to legally apply for a job. They will also need a SSN to open a bank account to deposit their paychecks. Depending on state law, children under 18 may have to open bank accounts in their custodial name with their parents or guardians. It is also important for parents to check in with qualified tax or financial advisors about their teen's earned income, particularly if it may affect any investments under the child's name.

After that, it's about encouraging teens to get a jump on their job search. The recent job market for American teens has been tough and investigating particular kinds of openings should start months in advance of summer hire. Networking is also important – teens can reach out to friends, neighbors and other trusted adults about potential jobs in the community. Also, it is never too early for teens to learn resume writing and job interviewing skills. The Practical Money Skills website's Landing a Job ([http://www.practical-](http://www.practical-moneyskills.com/personalfinance/lifeevents/work/landingjob.php)

[moneyskills.com/personalfinance/lifeevents/work/landingjob.php](http://www.practical-moneyskills.com/personalfinance/lifeevents/work/landingjob.php)) page offers useful background to help teens get started.

Parents can also assist by monitoring job categories their kids are interested in, encouraging them to meet application deadlines and being aware of federal, state and local child labor laws (<http://www.youthrules.dol.gov/know-the-limits/index.htm>) to steer them from unscrupulous employers.

Technology changes quickly, so tech-savvy teens may be ahead of the game when it comes to searching for work online. Leading job search engines are a destination for seasonal job openings, and many allow users to customize searches for specific positions and employers. However, teens may need to be reminded about their social media activity before they begin any job search – anything a teen posts publicly on the Internet may be seen by a potential employer.

Banking is another major step in the life of the working teen, though they don't need to wait for that first job to get started.

Many parents open bank accounts for their children as early as their first allowance – after all, digital banking makes it easier to monitor and transfer money without a trip to the branch or ATM. Paychecks – on paper or via digital deposit – make familiarity with the banking system an even greater necessity. Check with their bank to see what types of accounts are offered for children and teens – some banks offer a wide variety of custodial accounts where parents can track and assist their child's spending and saving activity.

A teen's first job is a great opportunity to introduce budgeting, saving and long-term investment skills. Your child may be working over the summer to save for a particular desired item – a cellphone or a trip – or more extensive goals like future college expenses. The Practical Money Skills site offers a budgeting tutorial (<http://www.practical-moneyskills.com/personalfinance/savingspending/budgeting/>) and budgeting calculators (<http://www.practical-moneyskills.com/calculators/budgetGoals.php?calcCategory=budget>) for a range of purposes.

When the job offer comes, there's one more thing parents can do. Getting hired means a flurry of paperwork that can be confusing; parents can help their children review those documents before signature. Most will apply to tax withholding, but such documents might also include special workplace agreements that might not always be clear to young workers. When that first paycheck arrives, consider sitting down to inspect a teen's first paper or electronic pay stub. Many people don't understand their withholding even as adults, so children can benefit greatly from this lesson at the start of their working lives.

Bottom line: A teen's first summer job is a great way for parents and children to collaborate on job-hunting and money management skills that will produce benefits for a lifetime.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To Follow Jason Alderman on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.

Human Skeleton & Organs

Find and circle all of the skeletal parts and body organs that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message.

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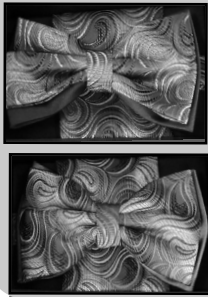
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Library offers workshops to help residents

The Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library will be offering Basic Computer Skills Workshops to enhance the employability skills of Inkster Residents and library patrons. The first series of workshops will be held on the following Saturdays March 21, 2015; March 28, 2015; April 11, 2015 and April 28, 2015. The Workshops begin at 1:30 pm.

Space is limited so please register by calling the library at 313-563-2822 or by emailing dbearre@inksterlibrary.org. You must register for all four workshops, a certificate will be given to those who complete all workshops.

This series of workshops will cover a variety of subjects including: setting up email accounts, using Windows, creating documents in Word, writing a resume and cover letter, and applying for employment online.

These workshops are held as a part of the grant "The American Dream Starts @ your Library" The American Dream starts @ your Library grant is sponsored by the American Library Association and the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. "We are excited to be able to offer an opportunity to increase people's employability skills and support those who are looking for employment by offering Basic Computer Skills Workshops. The library staff is grateful to be a recipient of the American Dream Starts @ your Library." stated Library Director Denise Bearre.

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Getting to know our elected officials

Inkster Mayor Hilliard Hampton

By Shelby Jefferson – Telegram Staff Reporter



Mayor Hilliard Hampton (center) with a group of community members who served on the steering committee for Foreclosure Prevention in Wayne County

The “Getting to know our elected officials” feature is designed to provide access into the minds of local public figures. On deck this week is Inkster Mayor Hilliard Hampton who spoke with us about what he enjoys most about his current position, organizations and boards in which he serves on, necessary improvements within the City of Inkster, personal pastimes/hobbies, and much more.

What do you enjoy most about your role as the mayor of Inkster?

I enjoy being able to serve and make a difference because helping people has always been a passion of mine. This is an expression of service, and I think that it's one of the best ways to give back. I've basically done this my entire life, so I really enjoy it.

How many years have you served as mayor?

This will be my 16th year as mayor.

In addition to your mayoral duties, do you currently hold any other job/career positions?

I'm retired from the sheriff's department. I'm also a partner at a security company.

What experiences did you have in city government prior to being elected?

I was a city council member before serving as mayor. I was also on the school board, and President of the Inkster Democratic Club. I have experience as a precinct delegate, and I was a head start volunteer during the early 1960's.



Hilliard Hampton
Mayor of Inkster

What do you see as the biggest problem facing your city today?

The biggest challenges we have are based around service delivery. Citizens are paying absorbent amounts for taxes, and we haven't been able to maintain the level of services we were able to provide even 10 years ago. This is due to a lot of different factors, which have all had an accumulative effect.

How can we turn that around? We need for Lansing to pass legislation that will create opportunity and stimulus for cities. And on the local level, we have to address blight and quality housing, and pursue grants and funding that can usher in amenities that will attract people to Inkster. Also, we must focus on redeveloping Michigan Avenue to make it a place where people want to congregate and create businesses.

How can Inkster residents initiate improvements throughout the city?

Residents can always help by maintaining their properties, and sustaining a strong interaction with their neighbors by forming block clubs and associations. Creating a sense of community is very important. Also, it's central to speak in the positive about your hometown because it does have a contagious effect, and can start to change the conversation about Inkster. And if they have a little bit of extra time, they can serve in some capacity on boards and commissions, or by volunteering. The city can always benefit from citizen engagement and participation.

What organizations and boards are you currently involved with?

I'm involved with the TIFA Board and Planning Commission, along with the DDA and SEMCOG. I'm part of the African American Mayors Association, and I have the Mayor Hampton Youth Foundation Board. I'm also a federal appointee with the Clean Water Advisory Council that allows us to travel to the EPA building in Washington to recommend water legislation for public health and safety.

Where did you attend high school? College?

I went to Robichaud High School, and also attended Wayne State University.

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

I like skiing and golfing. I'm also a licensed builder, so construction work brings me a lot of pleasure; I love working with my hands. I've built four homes with Habitat for Humanity here in the Inkster area. Other than that, I really enjoy nature so I like to go camping and hiking.

Romulus Construction Updates

ROMULUS – Goddard Road construction from the railroad tracks to Wayne Road is almost completed, making the 2014 construction season a success. There is one final stage of construction remaining at the intersection of Wayne Road and Goddard Road that will resume this spring, beginning in April 2015. The contractor will then begin work from Romaine Street to the railroad tracks covering the downtown section of the City. This work will begin shortly after the Wayne and Goddard intersection is complete this spring.

During the construction of the downtown corridor, the contractor will begin replacing a section of 36" storm sewer at Romaine Street and end at Shook Road. Construction will then focus on the road portion of the project and the sidewalk streetscape amenities. Completion of the entire stage of construction is expected prior to the winter of 2015.

One-way traffic will be open westbound through the entire project during construction. Vehicles traveling east bound will be allowed to enter the downtown from Bibbins Street.

A second project this season will add a public sidewalk, allowing pedestrian traffic to travel down Wayne Road from Goddard Road to Romulus High School.

"We are proud to be improving our roadways and sidewalks for

the safe transportation of motor vehicles and pedestrians alike. These two projects will enhance the downtown for all traveling through the area," said Mayor LeRoy Burcroff.


The City of Romulus solicited funds from the State of Michigan and was awarded a grant for up to 80% of the construction cost of a new sidewalk. This project will begin in the spring of 2015 and will be completed by late summer of 2015. The contractor for this project, weather permitting, would like to start as soon as frost laws permit.

DTE will be installing pedestrian lighting along the route of the newly created sidewalk, and a retaining wall along the sidewalk will also be constructed. In addition, pedestrian push buttons will be installed at the cross walks at the I-94 ramps which will alert motorists that pedestrians are crossing.

Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, (OHM), the firm hired to manage construction for both projects, will be providing construction inspection services for the City of Romulus. Any questions or concerns you may have once construction begins can be addressed to the following individuals:

Mr. Greg DuChene, Project Inspector for OHM at (734) 891-2434

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Michael Donahue



Douglas Savitskie

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dive team. Their time and efforts have impacted the lives of countless members of the community, both young and old. Both generously supported efforts that benefitted our fire department's children's charities, including MDA, University of Michigan Burn Camp, and the River Rouge Goodfellows. They will be greatly missed, both in the station and on the fire scene. Fellow employees, the mayor, city council, and fire safety commissioners wish them best of luck in their future endeavors.

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Women’s History

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**Ann Kalass
Starfish, CEO**

“Something about the innocence of a child brings out a need to support them in their development so that they can maintain hope in spite of what life throws their way,” Kalass said. “I think part of my passion starts with a real belief in education, combined with really caring about children and wanting to bring out the best in people.” Since joining the ranks as CEO of Starfish in 2007, these very principles—paired with thirteen years of marketing and sales executive experience at Ford Motor Company—became key factors in Kalass’ ability to generate a 300% revenue growth within the organization. Likewise, efforts to strengthen child development outcomes increased to 94% school readiness amongst Inkster children involved with their early childhood programs, while service rates nearly tripled to include more than 1,000 Inkster families every year.

And though Kalass stands as the chief force behind Starfish’s development into a leading \$35 million nonprofit agency, her authentic humility may be one of her most striking attributes—factors that shine through in her desire to mentor other women, while maintaining a sense of empathy for others whose experiences differ from her own. And for the mother of two, the greatest fulfillment comes from a personal connection to the organization and its “belief in working for families with dignity and respect”, in addition to the prospect of creating gateways of opportunity for youngsters and individual families throughout the City of Inkster. “Hundreds of families walk in and out of this building every day, so I get to know some of these moms and they really inspire me,” Kalass said. “There are so many great stories here.” “It will be eight years in June since I’ve been here, and I have never looked back. I still pinch myself because I’m like, How did I get here?...I’m not really able to say exactly why, but I know that I’m here for a reason. No, everyday isn’t perfect, but it’s so purposeful and meaningful to the point where it doesn’t even feel like work; it just feels like life. And I absolutely love it.”

Inkster Schools

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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 February 17, 2015 Meeting called to order at 7:49pm

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

15-33 Approval of minutes
15-34 Suspend regular order of business to hold Public Hearing
15-35 Close Public Hearing
15-36 Resume regular order of business (Council meeting)
15-37 Voucher approval
15-38 Building permit approval
15-39 Approval to sell prooperty at 554 Lenoir
15-40 Approval of 2015 CDBG fund allocation
15-41 Motion toadjourn at 8:35pm

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

Patricia Johnson City Clerk

CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

ITB 14/15-22 CDBG Coleman Center Park Improvements-Pavilion Assembly and Foundation Construction

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified licensed contractors, registered with the City of Romulus Department of Building and Safety, for the proper grading, for the proper grading, foundation construction and assembly of a 20' x 52' Steel Beam Pavillion as part of the CDBG funded Coleman Center Park Improvements at 35351 Beverly Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

(1) The project is funded by CDBG grants and subject to Prevailing Wage Regulations as dictated by the Davis-Bacon Act and Section 3 requirements

(2) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Bid forms, plans and specifications must be obtained through the Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network (MITN) at www.mitn.info/.

(3) A public viewing copy of the plans and specifications under which the work is to be done may be examined at the office of Community Development, City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, on or after 1:00 p.m. on March 20, 2015. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm excluding holidays.

(4) Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents.

(5) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 1, 2015. At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.

RESPONSE ENVELOPES MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED:
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ITB 14/15-22 CDBG Coleman Center Park Improvements-Pavilion Assembly and Foundation Construction
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(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 irregularities.

(7) The project is a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded project. Construction work that is financed with Federal funds must adhere to certain Federal labor standards requirements. The project requires that workers receive no less than the prevailing wages being paid for similar work in the same area. The contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin, in accordance with Executive Order 11246 (Equal Employment Opportunity and Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to ensure Equal Employment Opportunity), and that the contractor will comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended. Minority, female, and Section 3 contractors are specifically invited to bid on this contract. The city also request general contractors to use minority, female, and Section 3 residents and subcontractors whenever possible. Contractor must comply with the Davis Bacon Act, July 2, 1964, Title 40§ 276A, the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, September 28, 1965, No 11246, all United States Department of Labor Regulations and Standards, Title 29, 1, 3, and 5, and Title 18 U.S.C., Section 874, known as the "Anti-Kickback Act", and the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

(8) Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a proposal guaranty in the form of a certified check, bid bond or cashier's check payable to the City of Romulus in an amount at least equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid. Checks shall be made payable to the City of Romulus. The guarantee of the successful Bidder shall be forfeited for failure to execute a contract and bonds within ten (10) days after award.

(9) Bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date for submitting bids.

(10) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all insurance required by the ITB documents and all required endorsements.

(11) The successful Bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bonds each in the full amount of the Contract.

(12) The right is reserved by the City of Romulus to accept any bid, to reject any or all bids or to waive irregularities in any bid in the best interest of the City.

(13) 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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March 14th, 2015
At 1311hrs, an officer responded to Fairway Market on a Larceny complaint. A 47 year old male state he came to the

store to buy something and check his lottery tickets. He states he walked to the second register and placed his wallet on the counter and left the store. When he returned ten minutes later he realized he had left his wallet and now it was gone. Officers asked the store how many customers entered the store afterwards and he said two. And noted that the customers are regular. The surveillance video was no available at time of larceny but the owner will check it when he returns.

March 14th, 2015
At 1300hrs, an officer was dispatched to the police station lobby for a Damage to Vehicle complaint. The 20 year old female states she parked her vehicle a 2008 Saturn, red in color behind the Telegram Newspaper on West Jefferson, and stated someone entered the building and told her her front windshield was broken. The female went outside and found two holes in her windshield and the driver's side window was shattered. Officer observed broken glass on the dashboard of the vehicle. The officer asked if she knew who might be responsible and told him she was jumped by three females in December. The owner of the Telegram Newspaper advised the officer that they have surveillance footage of the incident and would bring the video this Monday.

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TUESDAY, May 5, 2015

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PATRICIA H. JOHNSON
CITY CLERK

Six Recycling Myths Trashed For Good



With Earth Day approaching Wednesday, April 22, it's time to trash some recycling misconceptions that may be holding you back from putting the most in your bin. Here, Kerrin O'Brien from the Michigan Recycling Coalition (MRC) helps shed light on the facts:

1) Everything I throw in my bin will be recycled.

False. Every recycling program has different guidelines as to what they collect, sort and send off for reprocessing, so it's important to understand the programs available to you. This can be a challenge because they vary widely across the state, but if you takes the time to know what's supposed to go in the bin or cart that gets picked up at your curb, you can be assured that all your material will get recycled.

2) Michigan residents are already doing a good job of recycling.

False. While many Michigan communities offer recycling programs, estimates are that Michigan has just a 14.5 per-

cent recycling rate. It's likely we're throwing away a lot of stuff that can be recycled. For example, products we use up in the bathroom don't always get to the recycling bin in the kitchen or garage. Also, programs are adding materials all the time ... when's the last time you checked in?

3) I have to wash and sort everything I put into my bin.

False, and true. Although many recycling programs expose materials to processes that remove waste and labels, rinsing out cans and containers is a public health issue. It's good to clean recyclables so while they're waiting to be picked up from your home or processed at the facility they're not getting smelly or attracting rodents. Sorting depends on the type of recycling program available. Larger Michigan cities offer single-stream recycling and all material is collected from one container in one truck and sorted at the material recovery facility or MRF. Other programs still sort material at the curb. It

all depends on the program you have available so, again, it's good to know your own program.

4) It costs more in resources and greenhouse gasses to collect, sort and manage recyclables than to take trash to a landfill.

False. Many studies have been done, and recycling is a proven energy-efficiency tool. All in all, it takes less energy and resources to reuse materials that are already circulating in our economy than it does to extract virgin resources and create new products from them. For example, it takes about 5 percent of the energy to make steel and aluminum cans from recycled materials than raw materials.

5) The products I recycle don't really make it back into the product stream.

False. Recycled products are all around us. Steel and aluminum cans, glass containers and paper products of all kinds often contain significant amounts of recycled material, and aren't necessary labeled that way. Recyclables have value in the marketplace and will be taken back to a MRF for sorting, baling, marketing and shipping to an end use that will turn it into new products.

6) If my local Michigan municipality doesn't offer recycling, I'm out of luck.

False. You can be part of change. Call your local decision-makers and let them know you value recycling and would like to have that service, maybe they can help you find a private sector service provider or hauler in your area. Visit michiganrecycles.org and check out our list of members to find recycling opportunities near you.

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MHSAA Basketball Tournament is coming down to the Wire

By Butch Davis

As of Tuesday morning, these Girls high school basketball teams are still in the hunt in the MHSAA Girls basketball tournament in the Telegram News reading area. The following teams are Class A Detroit King and Romulus, Class B Dearborn Divine Child and Flat Rock. Today and Friday is the semi-final at the Breslin Center in East Lansing for the MHSAA Girls basketball tournament and Saturday is the championship for teams Class A thru Class D.

Now for the Boys; the districts are done and here are the following winning teams. Class A, District 14, Southgate Anderson. District 15, Romulus,

District 16, Dearborn Fordson, District 20, Detroit Western International, Class B, District 39, Flat Rock, District 40, River Rouge, Class C, District 72, Melvindale Academy for Business & Tech 57, and Class D, District 101, Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

Regional began this past Monday and the River Rouge Panthers were knocked out of the tournament by losing to Detroit Consortium 67-60. Luster Johnson had 24 points and C.J. Figueroa 18 for Consortium as their team moves on to play Detroit Henry Ford. Jalen Gibson scored 18 for River Rouge as they finish the season with a 17-6 record. Other winners in the regionals are as

follow; Regional 3, Romulus 86, Dearborn Fordson 47. D'Angelo Hansbro with 15 points in the winning effort. Teammate Rahsaan Pope netted 13 points for the squad, as did Jaylin Walker, and Trey Carter scored 10. Ypsilanti Community HS 73, Southgate Anderson 52. Regional 4, Detroit Western International 65, Detroit East English 55. Regional10, Milan 79, Flat Rock 42. Regional 19, Detroit Edison Public School Academy 72, Melvindale Academy for Business & Tech 29 and in Regional 27, Allen Park Inter-City Baptist 59, Adrian Lenawee Christian 52. The Quarterfinals for the Boys begins on March 24.

Counting the Victims of Police Violence

By Jazelle Hunt - NNPA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON (NNPA)—As Eric Holder ended his tenure as U.S. Attorney General, he said, “The troubling reality is that we lack the ability right now to comprehensively track the number of incidents of either uses of force directed at police officers, or uses of force by police,” he said, at a Martin Luther King Jr. Day event. “This strikes many – including me – as unacceptable.”

As it stands, both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice compile information on police killings, as reported by police departments themselves. But there are challenges with the reliability with this data. By law, collecting and providing this information to the government is mandatory only for police agencies that receive certain federal funds; police killings found to be unjustified are not included in the FBI’s measures; and reporting guidelines can vary from place to place, to name a few issues.

Over the past few years, citizens have attempted to step in where official entities would not, creating well-regarded crowdsourced online databases such as KilledbyPolice.net, FatalEncounters.org and the U.S. Police Shootings Database (launched by Web sports blog, Deadspin).

MappingPoliceViolence.org is the newest addition to this effort. Mapping Police Violence builds on this tally by merging and crosschecking those first two databases. It compiles a month-by-month death toll for 2013 and 2014; and by combing through media reports and other public data, the contributors have confirmed the race of

every victim in 2014.

Samuel Sinyangwe, a 24-year-old Ferguson protester and one of the project’s directors, said that this detail is missing for approximately 60 percent of the victims in the source databases. Though the project highlights the disproportionate killing of Black people, it includes all reported deaths by date, location, race, age, gender, cause of death, and medical condition (e.g. under the influence, mentally disabled, etc.). Additionally, users can compare police departments around the country by population, murder rate, and how “likely to threaten Black life” they are.

“When you compare White folks and Black folks who were killed by police, there are big differences. White folks tended to be more likely to have a mental illness, to be armed, to be older... or to be drunk or under the influence. So they were more likely to have some condition that made it more challenging for police to deal with them,” Sinyangwe says. “However for Black folks, they were less likely to do all of these things, and then they were still more likely to be killed. You can only do that analysis if you looked at all races and were able to compare and contrast.”

By Mapping Police Violence’s count, police killed at least 1,175 people in 2014. Of these victims, 302 were Black – a disproportionate rate of 26 percent – and 56 percent of these Black victims were unarmed. Most victims were shot, but other causes of death included Tasing, physical restraint, being hit by cars, and in one case in New York, falling from a window.

“What you can show quite plainly with this tool is that, in fact, places with the same amount of crime, the same demographics, have very different levels of police violence. So crime is not an excuse,” Sinyangwe said. “We’re hoping to really help [communities and organizers] make the case for why a given city or police department is really culpable for this and really needs to make a change.”

According to the data, Florida, Texas, and California had the highest number of Black victims last year (each responsible for between 20 and 35 deaths). Police departments responsible for the most deaths last year include Chicago Police Department (13 killed), followed by Los Angeles and New York (10 each), and Prince George’s County Police Department in Maryland (five deaths).

Sinyangwe points out that for the city of St. Louis, if the current trend continues, Black males 27 and younger will have a statistically greater chance of being killed by police than dying in a car accident.

The data also shows a marked drop in police killings after Michael Brown’s death and the start of the Ferguson protests. In August 2014, police killed 140 people around the country, 43 of them Black; the next month, those numbers fell to 80 and 19, respectively. They still have not returned to their August 2014 levels, for any demographic.

“What I hope, and what DeRay [McKesson], [Johnetta Elzie], and I are building the capacity to do, is to use this tool to support groups on the ground...to be able to really make the case, using the best data available, for long-term institutional change,” Sinyangwe says. “Particularly in the Midwest, and then a little bit in the South, there really are hotbeds for police violence. The question is, can we actually do something on a preventative end instead of waiting until a huge tragedy happens?”

Yes, It will not be long for Major League Baseball

By Butch Davis



In two weeks and half (April 6) the official Major League Baseball season will begin at the home of Detroit Tigers Baseball, Comerica Park in downtown Detroit. Brad Ausmus took over for Jim Leyland as manager last season and kept things rolling with 90 wins, but the Tigers were swept out of the playoffs by the Orioles and enter 2015 with a lot of question marks thanks to injuries, free agent departures, and an aging core. Detroit has had a very impressive run of success built around bold trades, big-money investments, and a roster full of star power, winning four straight AL Central division titles and a pair of American League pennants. Detroit finished last season with three former Cy Young winners in the rotation, however, Max Scherzer is gone, signing a \$210 million deal with the Nationals after going 39-8 with a 3.02 ERA and 492 strikeouts in 435 innings for the Tigers during the past two seasons. Justin Verlander is still around—he’s signed through 2018 at a cost of \$28 million per year—but looked like a shell of his former self last year while allowing the most earned runs in the league.

Detroit’s biggest star, two-time MVP Miguel Cabrera, underwent off-season surgeries on his foot and ankle. Cabrera actually thrived down the stretch despite being beat up physically, nevertheless at age 31 and one year into a \$248 million deal he’s been hobbled an awful lot recently.

Victor Martinez had a career-year at age 35 and then re-signed with the Tigers for \$68 million, but now he’s at risk to miss Opening Day after tearing the meniscus in his left knee during off-season workouts. Concussions have made Alex Avila a question mark behind the plate. Joe Nathan appears to be on his last legs despite being a \$10 million closer. Anibal Sanchez’s arm acting up again limited him to 126 innings. Jose Iglesias needs to show that he can solidify the shortstop position after shin problems knocked him out for all of 2014. You get the idea. If healthy the Tigers’ star power is still unmatched in the American League, but nearly every impact player’s health and/or production is an issue.

Yoenis Cespedes was the Tigers’ big off season pickup, coming over from the Red Sox in exchange for 25-year-old starter Rick Porcello. In addition to his big-time power Cespedes injects some much-needed upside into the lineup.

However the Tigers still have more than \$70 million invested in the starting rotation and David Price are 33 starts away from free agency. They need Verlander to bounce back in a huge way and they need Sanchez to stay healthy for 175-plus innings, but the Tigers are also counting on the success Alfredo Simon had with the Reds last year carrying over despite his sub par strikeout rate of 5.8 per nine innings not matching his raw stuff. He’s obviously not going to replace Scherzer, but more or less replacing Porcello would be key.

Oh Yeah, lets not leave out the Bullpen problems have plagued the Tigers and signing Nathan to an expensive two-year deal compounded the problem instead of fixing it. Nathan now looks more like a middle reliever than a closer, which could lead to Joakim Soria stepping into ninth-inning duties. Joba Chamberlain was re-signed to fill a setup role despite mixed results last season and Ausmus figures to count on Tom Gorzelanny to get lots of key outs versus left-handed hitters. There’s plenty of talent in the bullpen, however if the relief corps is once again a weakness in 2015 the Tigers’ rotation may not be quite as able to carry the pitching staff.

J.D. Martinez’s breakout 2014 season being for real is a huge key in 2015. Nevertheless Detroit’s recent success has revolved around power arms and power bats, other than, the Tigers have shifted their focus to add more defense of late by acquiring Jose Iglesias, center fielder Anthony Gose, second baseman Ian Kinsler, and outfield speedster Rajai Davis. Rookie catcher James McCann is looking to impress the Detroit Tigers during spring training and earn a job backing up Alex Avila. McCann at bat hit a bird while it was flying in foul or fowl territory. I’m not sure if crushing a poor bird with a foul ball will help or hinder his chances to head north with the big club, on the contrary, it’s certainly something he’ll hear about for a long time. The freak incident happened during the first inning of last Friday’s game against the Atlanta Braves. Well it will not be long before opening day.

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

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Inkster Mayor - Hilliard Hampton, Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and Inkster Ministerial Alliance President Joseph Stephens.

able to pull from those experiences. He patrolled the areas of Inkster and Romulus in the 1970s, served as Wayne County Sheriff for over six years and he was elected as County Executive in November 2014.

The Inkster Ministerial Alliance meeting is just one stop that he made this month. He has been traveling throughout Wayne County to hear from the residents. As he addressed the room of ministers from the cities of Inkster, Westland, Garden City and other surrounding areas, he pledged to do a good job of keeping the stake holders and members of the community informed.

He said, “ I want to hear from you and give you an update on what is happening in Wayne County so you will know what I am trying to do.” His interaction with the ministers was well received as they asked questions about the budget, the jail project and whether there was going to be a millage request soon.

One statement that he made that should resonate in the minds of the ministers. “Wayne County is in the people business.” Where people that work for the County provide services for people that live in the county. He shared, “In order for Wayne County’s problems to be fixed, we have to know how deep the problem is. His plan is to work with people to get the problems resolved is off to a good start.

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Students in River Rouge School District take a stand against big tobacco companies

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