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## **Detroit Lions Draft Eric Ebron**

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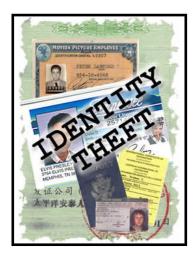
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**WEEK OF MAY 15 - MAY 21, 2014** 



## Seniors to learn about **Identity Theft** at Inkster Library



The Senior Brigade - A Michigan Seniors initiative is hosting several events to help protect our Senior Citizens. The first event deals with Identity Theft. Representatives will be on hand to share information on how to Protect Yourself and your future.

The event will be held on Monday, May 19, 2014 at the LEANNA HICKS INKSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY LOCATED

2005 INKSTER RD IN INKSTER. SOME OF THE TOPICS THAT WILL BE DIS-CUSSED ARE:

- · How to recognize and avoid Identity Theft;
- · How thieves steal and what they do with your identity;
- · How to protect yourself; and
- · What to do if you become a victim.

Bill Schuette Attorney General www.MI.gov/SeniorBrigade miseniorbrigade@gmail.com

The next session will be held on Monday, June 16, 2014 at 6:00 PM HOME REPAIR & EQUITY SCAMS presentation.

For more information call 313-563-2822

## **Wayne County Clerk says** Conyers doesn't have enough signatures

Representative John Convers has served in the U.S. House for nearly five decades.

Conyers No. 2 in seniority in the House to fellow Michigan Democrat Rep. John Dingell, who is not running for reelection.



Representative John Conyers, D-MI, is in unfamiliar territory

Democratic John Conyers Jr. who represents the 13th District, failed primary ballot. That was the Tuesday afternoon.

Two individuals collecting sig-

Congressman qualifying petition were found to not be registered voters and thereby the signatures were to qualify to be placed on the ruled invalid. As a result, Conyers did not meet the ruling from Wayne County 1,000-signature threshold to Clerk, Cathy Garrett on appear on the August 5, 2014 primary ballot.

The Conyers camp issued a natures for Conyers' ballot- statement indicating that they will challenge the ruling.

"There is clear Supreme Court and federal court precedent overturning petition residency laws and requirements, and we are confident that those laws will be invalidated in Michigan as well," Conyers'

Conyers - 2A

## School event seeks to halt texting while driving



Wayne County Sheriff Benny N. Napoleon, a Cass Tech alum, and other officials will encourage students and faculty at Cass Tech to not text while driving as part of the It Can Wait national movement. AT&T will provide a virtual

ence firsthand the dangers of texting and driving. "Taking your eyes off the road to read or send a text can literally end a life -yours or someone else's-which means countless others will also suffer as a result of that tragic moment," said Sheriff Napoleon. "No message is worth it, save it for later."

Where: Cass Tech High School, auxiliary gym (room 1114), 2501 2nd Avenue, Detroit

When: 10:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, May 15.

Three classes will participate beginning at 10:20, 11:20 and

Texting while driving causes more than 200,000 car crashes in the U.S. each year, according to the National Safety Council. With prom reality simulator that will and graduation season underway, enable students to experi- this event helps bring awareness to a dangerous practice.

## Lincoln Park Army veteran Floyd Monhollen receives Bronze Star



U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow and U.S. Army veteran Floyd Monhollen

Lincoln Park - U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow honored U.S. Army veteran Floyd Monhollen with the Bronze Star during a military medal presentation at the VFW

Local 552 in Lincoln Park on Saturday, May 10.

Sen. Stabenow secured the Bronze Star for Floyd Monhollen, a Lincoln Park resident, at the request of his family. Mr. Monhollen was previously awarded a Combat Infantryman Badge for his service as an infantry rifleman during World War II from March 1944 to June 1946. All World War II veterans who were awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge were subsequently awarded Bronze Star, but Monhollen never received his medal.

Members of the Monhollen family and members of VFW Local 552 were present during the ceremony.

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FROM THE **TELEGRAM NEWSPAPER ARCHIVES JANUARY 1990** 

## Ecorse student recounts work as Page in Washington

By Kathleen Fish-Gilbert



Ericka Childress and Congressman John Dingell in front of the Capitol

Ericka Childress a junior at Ecorse High School, was chosen to e a Congressional Page or Congressman John Dingell rom July 19, 1989 through

LOZON

August 4, 1989

Ericka describes her experience as very fulfilling and exciting, because everyday offered something new to learn and see. Ericka states, "Each day, while I was working, I was in constant contact with Congressmen from all over the United States.

I also worked in the office of Thomas Foley, the Speaker of the House. I was able to learn a lot from watching the proceedings, since I was right on the floor of the House of Representatives. I constantly transported bills and documents to and from the Congressmen's offices."

During her stay in Washington, Ericka lived in a dormitory, which was right down the street from the Capitol. In the dormitory, Ericka met people from all over the United States. With her new found friends she was able to do quite a bit of sightseeing around the city in evenings. Ericka stated that many of the pages she met will remain her friends for the rest of her life.

Ericka summarized her experience by stating, "I will remember and cherish this experience for the rest of my life because off all that I learned and the friendly people I met."

Dear Advocates,

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is holding a public hearing on U.S. Steel's Renewable Operating Permit (ROP). U.S. Steel is a major source of nitrogen oxide, particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and carbon monox-

I strongly urge you to submit comments and attend the hearing. Our input is necessary in helping shape the permit guidelines to protect our health and environment. The public comment period runs now until Wednesday, June 4. The public hearing is scheduled for

**NEWS FROM LANSING** 

**Steel Public Hearing** 

Wednesday, June 11 7:00 p.m. River Rouge City Hall, 2nd Floor Courtroom 10600 West Jefferson, River Rouge, 48101

Comments can be submitted at the public hearing or by mail to the attention of

Katie Koster **Detroit District Office** Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division 3058 West Grand Boulevard, Suite 2-300 Detroit, Michigan 48202

Please know that your participation is important. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at (517) 373-0823 in Lansing or at (313) 841-2240 in Detroit.

Sincerely,

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## Conyers

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campaign co-chairman, State Senator Bert Johnson said. "As a result, under existing precedent, we believe Representative Convers will ultimately be placed on the August ballot."

"Representative Conyers has fought his entire career defending the right to vote, and he looks forward to fighting this battle for the precious right to participate in our electoral process as well.

Conyers likely has two political options ahead of him: running as an independent in the fall or as a write-in candidate in the primary.

Convers is No. 2 in seniority in the House to fellow Michigan Democrat Rep. John Dingell, who is not running for reelection.

**GET INVOLVED AND EDUCATE** YOURSELF ABOUT THE CANDIDATES

### **NEWS FROM LANSING**

### **Senator Hopgood Invites Local Residents to Coffee Hours**



Lincoln Park — State Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D -Taylor) is inviting members of the community to join him at upcoming coffee hours in his district. The coffee hours will provide opportunities for the public to sit down with the Senator to discuss state and local issues, including the latest updates from Lansing on the 2015 fiscal year budget. Senator Hopgood's May Coffee Hour will take place on Friday, May 23, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Park Public Schools Administration Building, 1650 Champaign Rd. in Lincoln Park. The June Coffee Hour will take place on Saturday, June 21, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the Southgate Veterans Memorial Library, 14680 Dix-Toledo Rd. in Southgate.

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# A Better Way to Compensate College Athletes

By George E. Curry - NNPA Columnist



**Athletes** Northwestern at University shocked the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the governing body of college sports, by taking steps to student/athletes. unionize Surprisingly, NBA Hall of Famer Bill Russell, former NFL great Jim Brown and Harry Edwards, who organized a human rights protest at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City that culminated in Tommy Smith and John Carlos giving a clenched fist salute when they mounted the winners platform, do not support the idea.

It's not that Bill Russell, Jim Brown or Harry Edwards have mellowed — they have not. Rather, they think there's a better way to help athletes who generate \$500 billion a year to major universities, athletic vendors and others.

"I am totally against the unions in college," Brown said. "I don't like the NCAA. I think it's a greedy organization, a dictatorial organization, an organization that's totally unfair to the players...But on the other hand, I think we have all gotten away from the value of an education."

Russell and Brown made their comments recently as part of a sports panel moderated by Edwards at the University of Texas. The discussion was part of 3-day summit at the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library commemorating the 50th anniversary of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Russell said the NCAA's money machine should be viewed within the context of other successful U.S. businesses.

"All great fortunes are amassed on cheap or slave labor," he explained. "The NCAA – the one group everybody is focusing on – has this money machine. To keep it this way, the labor force has to be free or paid low wages."

As Everett Glenn, a former sports agent, pointed out in a 3-part series for the NNPA News Service: "College sports is big business – for everyone except the athletes who make it possible. College basketball and football have long operated as quasifarm systems for professional teams by discovering talent, training players, and highlighting performance."

For example, Glenn noted, "Black athletes represent 52.9 percent of Ohio State University's basketball and football rosters and dominate among its star players, fueling a nearly \$130 million athletic department budget on a campus where Black males represent only 2.7

percent of the student body. The disparity between the graduation rate for OSU's Black football players, at 38 percent, and all student-athletes, at 71 percent, represent the highest disparity in the Big-10."

If colleges are serving as farm teams for the pros, players are spending less and less time on the farm.

This year, for example, Kentucky freshmen basketball stars Julius Randle and James Young have announced that they will enter the 2014 NBA draft. It's one-anddone for the Wildcats. Randle is projected to be among the top five picks, which means he may earn \$6.1 to \$7.5 million over two years.

But many pro athletes have received a truckload of money, only to squander it. Terrell Owens, Allen Iverson, Antoine Walker are just a few who come to mind.

Sports Illustrated reported that by the time former NFL players have been retired for two years, 78 percent of them "have gone bankrupt or are under financial stress because of joblessness or divorce." Within five years of retirement, approximately 60 percent of former NBA players are broke.

Athletes have to cope with other issues as well, said Harry Edwards

"Fifteen percent of the athletes who show up for the combine having already been in concussion situations before they even get to the NFL – and concussions are not something that you get over. That's something the unions can't address."

Instead of unions, Edwards said, the emphasis should be put on making sure athletes get an education so that even if they end up broke, they will have other skills with which to support themselves

"When we talk about young students, I think there are other considerations that take priority over the monetary aspect," Edwards told me after a press conference in Austin, Texas. "Money shifts the focus even more than already is the case and away from the education imperative that these institutions are obligated and should be committed to delivering on."

Edwards said rather than rushing into the pros. Student/athletes should have scholarships that allow them to complete college within six years. For those who complete their education in four years, they should be given another two years for graduate study.

"Ninety-eight percent of athletes who play college football will never be on a professional roster," Edwards explained. "They are going to have to go with what they achieve educationally."

He should know. Edwards has a Ph.D in sociology from Cornell University and has been a long-time professor at the University of California-Berkeley.

# What if she doesn't run?

By: Jim Abeare - Columnist



Everyone has practically determind that Hillary Clinton will win the presidency in 2016.

She will probably be the most logical person Republican or Democrat. But here is something to think about, "what if she doesn't run?"

What will the Democrats do then? Will they run Joe Biden? The Republicans are doing great about getting out their front runners. There is talk about getting Romney to run again.

What other Dems are there waiting in the wings? Nancy Pelosi, Harry Reid? They are the only other Democrats I know about. Hillary Clinton will be close to 70 in her first term and a grandchild coming now.

She has Benghazi hanging around her neck like kryptonite and knows what it takes to be president after watching her husband Bill.

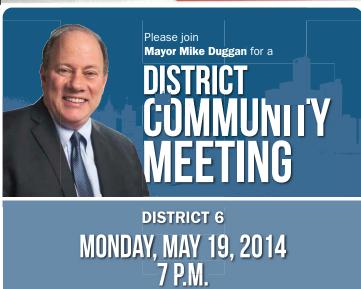
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## **Daily Confession Challenge**

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



Primarily on social media, I come across a lot of challenges. Usually they are fitness challenges for a designated period of time. I've seen the 'ab' challenge where participants to exercises to firm and strengthen their abdominal muscles to flatten their stomach and strengthen the core. There's the 'squat' challenge where participants do a particular amount of squats each day to strengthen and shape their legs, particularly the thigh area.

There are other physical challenges that involve challenging exercises that push you to and beyond your limits. The challenges usually go for about thirty days or so. People do these challenges alone and

Services Times

<u>Sunday</u>

<u>Tuesday</u>

Intercessory Prayer 10:30 am

Family Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

Morning Service 11:00 am

Prayer Service 6:00 pm

some to it in groups to make it more fun and competitive. I'm not sure if people who complete these challenges adopt these activities as a part of their regular life style or if those exercises fall by the way side. Most people feel a great sense of accomplishment after these challenges and notice a marked improvement in the way they look and feel. It is my hope that if people are happy with the changes the challenges have brought to their lives, they will continue to challenge themselves in these areas.

I want to try a challenge that I have not personally seen. It may be out there and I missed it. I invite you to do this challenge with me. For thirty days, beginning on Monday, May 19, or any day you designate, let's make a confession every morning when we rise, before beginning the activities for the day.

I challenge you to start the day with God by making this confession for 30 days: "This is the day the Lord has made, and I will rejoice and be glad in it. God's mercy and grace are new every morning in my life. I rejoice because I am God's child. I have been filled with His Spirit. Greater is He that is in

me than he that is in the world. The Holy Spirit is bigger than any problem, obstacle, or challenge. The Holy Spirit will give me wisdom and discernment regarding every decision I need to make today.

When I acknowledge God through prayer and worship, my steps are ordered and directed of Him. The Lord gives me wisdom and insight concerning all the affairs of my life. I choose to be a blessing to all those around me.

No matter what happens today, I know God will see me through. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me, and if God is for me then no one can be against me.

I choose to honor God today by the words I speak; I will honor God by the way I act. I will honor God by allowing His love, light, and truth to shine through me.

I am the head and not the tail; I am above and not beneath. I am blessed coming in and blessed going out. I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Christ Jesus. He always causes me to triumph.



## Until Something

#### Happens

No weapon formed against me shall prosper. I am strong in the Lord and the power of His might. Today is going to be a great day!" (Psa. 118.24, Lam.3.22,23, Pro.3.6, Rom.8.31 Phil.4.13, Compiled by Word & Spirit Resources. Harrison House. 2005.)

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## \*DEATH NOTICES\*



**CHESTER** UNDERWOOD, JR.

Mar 20, 1951 - Apr 18, 2014

Chester loved to fish and hunt, play some strong "bid whist". He taught his children the tricks and trades of fishing.

Chester, leaves to cherish in his memory: Mother Annie Underwood, Father Chester Underwood Sr., daughter one Shannita(Johnny), sons Dehawn & Michael Underwood, 2 brothers Raymond Melvin(Patrica) Underwood. 13 grrnadchildren that he loved dearly, 3 great grand. A special Aunt Minnie Bell a dear friend Lillie Mae, and a host of nieces and nephews and friends.

arrangements Final entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes.



**JULEE ERICA SHEPARD** Mar 7, 1973 - Apr 20, 2014

Julie Erica Shepard was born on March 7, 1973, in Detroit, Michigan, at Hutzel Hospital from the union of Ernest and Joyce Weems.

She leaves to cherish her memory three sons, Justin, Jalen, Joseph III; one daughter, Janay; her mother, Joyce Weems; five sisters, Crystal Walker and Zera Paulk, Joymeta Weems; Janell Fenderson, and Jawana (Mike) Wilson; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and friends. arrangements entrusted to Chapel of



#### **BRYANT TREAMELL GRIGGS**

Aug 17, 1994 - Apr 22, 2014

Bryant attended Wyandotte **Public** School where he had many friends who loved him.

Bryant leaves to cherish him memory, the love of his life mother, Natasha (Darryl)-Cunningham; his brother DeAndre; sister Shavon; father, Bryant Griggs; grandmother, Helen Washington and a host

of family and friends. Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes.



#### HARRIETT ELAINE **RICHARDSON**

Feb 5, 1953 - Apr 26, 2014

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# The Elite Project is in Full Bloom

By: Brandi White - Contributing Writer



This past weekend a group of River Rouge High School senior girls planted flowers in front of the River Rouge Library and the Ann Visger Elementary School to culminate the 4th and final week of The Elite Project's program.

"The Elite Project" is a nonprofit organization established by Brandi M. White; a 2003 River Rouge High School alumni in 2011. Its mission is to help prepare senior girls transition to the next phase of their lives through workshops, seminars, action planning and panel discussions.

This year "The Elite Project" will host a scholarship dinner

Saturday, May 24th 2014 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Hudson Café in downtown Detroit, where a few tickets are still available. For more information you can contact: Brandi M. White at: 734-707-7182 or you can send an email to

theeliteproject.gmail@com

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

## RIVER ROUGE Attention students!

Are in interested in gardening?

The Walter White Community Resource Center is looking for high school students who live in River Rouge to assist in working in our community garden this summer. There will be a small stipend for every student who participates.

If you are interested please see you school counselor or contact Nicole Wood at nwood@guidance-center.org.

#### **INKSTER**

## Inkster Memorial Day Parade Returns

The citizens of Inkster are banning together to

put on the Annual Memorial Day Parade. They are looking for volunteers and vendors. For more information the

City Hall at 313-563-9770.

#### ROMULUS

Romulus Historical Society host their Annual Flea Market on Saturday, June 14, 2014 from 8:00am to 5:00pm at Romulus Historical Park 11147 Hunt Street in Romulus. The Set-Up Cost is \$15 (Furnish your own tables.

For more information, contact Cathy Morse (734) 941-6361.

Stay busy - Get involved in your community.

More community events are listed on page 11A.

## GLOBAL PROJECTS "TASTE-FEST"

Local youth Jordan and Xavier Clemons, are hosting a TASTE-FEST Fundraiser, Saturday, May 17th 3pm - 7pm at the Telegram Newspaper Building - 10748 W. Jefferson Ave in River Rouge.

The purpose of the TASTE\_FEST is to help support the Global Projects Youth - mission team. All proceeds from the TAST\_FEST ticket sales will help cover the cost of their upcoming mission trip. This is a community event and they need the support of everyone in the community!

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## Men's Health Network Celebrates **National Women's Health Week**



(WASHINGTON) Men's Health Network (MHN) is observing National Women's Health Week from May 11 to 17, 2014, by celebrating women and the role they play in encouraging a healthy lifestyle for the men in their lives; specifically within their own family.

National Women's Health Week is an observance supported by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office on Women's Health with the goal of empowering women to make their health a priority, according to HHS's website, in addition to helping women understand what it means to be well.

MHN stands behind this

observance period and recognizes the important role a healthy women plays in the life of the men and children in her life.

"Men's Health Network's mission is to strengthen families and communities by addressing the health and well-being of men and boys, and focusing on women's health is an important component," said Ana Fadich, Vice President of MHN. "Time and time again we see women are the ones bringing their husbands and partners to our community screening events or taking home educational materials for the men in their lives. When women make their health a priority, they may inspire their husbands, fathers, brothers and sons to

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get a check-up in June during Men's Health Week."

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\*Visit a health care professional to receive regular checkups and preventive screenings

\*Get active

\*Eat healthy

\*Pay attention to mental health, including getting enough sleep and managing stress

\*Avoid unhealthy behaviors, such as smoking, texting while driving, and not wearing a seatbelt or bicycle helmet

\*Encourage the men and boys in their lives to lead healthy lifestyles

For more information about National Women's Health Week, please visit womenshealth.gov/nwhw/<http://ww w.womenshealth.gov/nwhw/>



Electrician's Mate 3rd Class Nicholas Baughman, from Westland, uses a fluke meter to verify the electrical safety of a charger in the electrical safety office aboard the U.S. Navy's forward-deployed aircraft carrier USS George Washington (CVN 73).

George Washington and its embarked air wing, Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 5, provide a combat-ready force that protects and defends the collective maritime interest of the U.S. and its allies and partners in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. The USS George Washington (CVN-73) is the Navy's only permanent forward-deployed nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, out of Yokosuka, Japan.

#### **Air Force Airman Brandon L. Pearson**

Graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Pearson is the son of Marie L. White of Detroit and Brandon L. Pearson of Lincoln Park. He is a 2010 graduate of

## Lauren M. Lacaprara

Graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Lacaprara is the daughter of Tina Lacaprara of Owasso, OK, and Nick Lacaprara of Westland.

She is a 2013 graduate of Crestwood High School, Dearborn Heights.

#### **Air Force Airman Tyler** A. Dingman

Graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Dingman is the son of Sherrie and Brion Dingman of Westland. He is a 2013 graduate of John Glenn Hig School, Westland.





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## **Lions Recap of the 2014 Draft**

By Butch Davis - Telegram Sports Writer



Playmaking tight end Eric Ebron is introduced as newest Detroit Lion

Well everyone, you can now be the judge on the Detroit Lions draft picks for 2014. Did the Lions do a good job in the drafting needs in which most of us fell that General Manager Martin Mayhew has failing very short in going after that special safety or cornerback that would make the teams defense outstanding. Time with tell the result, in the meanwhile here are the recap of the Lions picks.

Playmaking tight end Eric Ebron was a surprise selection at No. 10 overall given the Lions' already explosive offense, but it is hard to fault the team for adding playmakers considering the point-scoring capabilities of NFC North opponents. Ebron has the athleticism to take the top off the defense but will drop an occasional pass.

Most of the rest of Detroit's selections were rightly spent on the defensive side of the ball with underrated linebacker Kyle Van Noy coming in to supplement last year's project Ziggy Ansah (also from BYU) and high-effort defensive tackle Caraun Reid, whose motor could help push Ndamukong Suh and Nick Fairley to reach their awesome potential. The surprise of the draft could very well wind up being cornerback Nevin Lawson, a highly athletic and competitive cover corner who could push for playing time immediately.

The Detroit Lions selected DE Larry Webster with their fourth-round pick (136th overall), and wide receiver T.J. Jones with their sixth-round pick (189th overall). The sixfoot, 195-pound Jones was born in Manitoba but moved to Georgia, where he went to high school. He had his most productive season at Notre Dame in '13 with 70 receptions for 1,108 yards and nine touchdowns.

Jones heads to the NFL with a definite pro pedigree. His late father, Andre, was a defensive end at Notre Dame who also played for the CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers. His uncle, Philip Daniels, is a former NFL defensive lineman who's currently Washington's director of player development. Also, his godfather is former Notre Dame star Raghib (Rocket) Ismail, who helped Toronto win the '91 Grey Cup.

Let it be notice that the NFL took a record four Canadians in this years draft, Laurent Duvernay-Tardif, McGill College (Montreal) offensive tackle went in the sixth round, 200th overall, to the Kansas City Chiefs, The Baltimore Ravens figured prominently in the record day. They took Virginia defensive lineman Brent Urban, a six-foot-seven, 295-pound native Mississauga, Ont., in the fourth round, No. 134 overall, before picking Winnipeg native John Urschel, an offensive lineman at Penn State, in the fifth, No. 175 overall.

Notre Dame receiver T.J. Jones — another Winnipeg native — went in the sixth, No. 189 overall, to the Detroit Lions. However, the pick of the day was the 249th pick of the NFL Draft, the St. Louis Rams made Michael Sam the first openly gay player to be drafted.

The Detroit Lions were not finish as they announced this past Monday that they have signed 11 undrafted rookie free agents to the team's roster. Chad Abram FB 6-0 229 Florida State, Alex Bullard G 6-2 302 Tennesse, Jerome Couplin DB 6-2 215 William & Mary, James Franklin QB 6-2 230 Missouri, Justin Jackson LB 6-1 230 Wake Forest, Cornelius Lucas T 6-9 328 Kansas State, Gabe Lynn DB 6-0 204 Oklahoma, Jacob

Maxwell TE 6-4 240 Louisiana Lafayette, D.J. Morrell G 6-6 325 Old Dominion, Andrew Peacock WR 5-10 190 Appalachian State, and Mohammed Seisay DB 6-2 200 Nebraska. The Lions also released eight players this past Monday as well. The players released include: C Sherman Carter, WR Carlin Isles, LB Jon Morgan, CB Nate Ness, S Akwasi Owusu-Ansah, K John Potter, TE Matt Veldman and WR Cody Wilson. Finally, what's a football team without a kicker as the Detroit Lions selected K Nate Freese with their seventh-round pick (229th overall) in the 2014 NFL Draft. Now, we wait for the season to begin and end to see the results. One thing for sure, General Manager and Vice President of the Lions Martin Mayhew, is on the clock.

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## Tigers Still the Best in MLB

By Butch Davis - Telegram Sports Writer

Under new manager Brad Ausmus, the Tigers have already stolen 30 bases in 40 attempts. They went 35 for 55 through all of last season. Although Detroit lost Sunday to Gardenhire's Twins, the Tigers (21-12) have baseball's best record thanks to a recent eight-game winning streak. He Tigers added Rajai Davis and Ian Kinsler in the off-season, and Davis has already stolen 12 bases. However, the aggressiveness on the base paths is a fairly minor change in the grand scheme of things.

Detroit is averaging 4.9 runs per game, the same amount as last season. As in 2013, the Tigers are winning with a terrific starting rotation, with Justin Verlander, Max Scherzer and now Rick Porcello the headliners. Porcello earned his sixth win of the season as the Tigers defeated the Orioles 4-1 at Camden Yards. Porcello threw six strong innings, leaving as a precautionary measure due to some tightness in his side. He gave up one run on five hits, continuing a run of good starting

pitching by the Tigers (22-12). Porcello (6-1) won his fifth consecutive start, and he became the second American League pitcher with at least six victories.

Drama came following lan Kinsler's homer in the eight innings when Bud Norris drilled Hunter in the ribs. The Detroit right fielder clearly didn't like being hit and thought there may have been some purpose to the pitch. Plate umpire James Hoye agreed, and he threw out Norris. The three-game series is the only time the Tigers come to Baltimore this season. The teams, who met last month in Detroit, won't play again in the regular season.

The tiger with have a day off today to travel to Boston to take on the Red Sox travel to Cleveland to take on the Indians before playing the Texas Rangers here at home and the first time they see former teammate Prince Fielder in the weekend series. The Tigers will hit the road again when they travel to Oakland and to Seattle for the weekend series.

## Sign your kids up for summer sports in your community



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**Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library** 

## Invites Book Lovers to 'Read All About It' with Author Eddie Baranek

Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library today announced that Eddie Baranek – author of Taken Alive: The Sights" Rock and Roll Diary – will pay a special visit to the library at 6:00 pm on Thursday May 22, 2014, for an evening of first-rate storytelling, a musical performance; book signing and question-andanswer time with guests.

Baranek is visiting the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library as part of the Library of Michigan's 2014 "Michigan Notable Authors Tour." This year, nineteen authors whose engaging works were chosen as 2014 Michigan Notable Books selections will visit nearly 50 libraries throughout the state.

The Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library is located at 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141 (just north of Michigan Avenue). For details about this author event, call 313-563-2822 or visit the Web at www.inksterlibrary.org. "It's a literary treat to have Eddie Baranek in our community, sharing his captivating work with

Web at www.inksterlibrary.org. "It's a literary treat to have Eddie Baranek in our community, sharing his captivating work with our friends and neighbors in such an open, accessible way," said Denise Bearre, director of the Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library. "Michigan is home to some of the best stories, storytellers and musicians found any-

where in the country. An author of Baranek's caliber here, in our library, will make it an evening to remember."

Eddie Baranek Visits Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library on May 22, 2014 – Page 2

"This year's Michigan Notable Books delve into wonderfully diverse topics and offer something of interest for just about everyone," said State Librarian Nancy R. Robertson. "The tour offers the opportunity for book enthusiasts in many corners of the state to join in the conversation about what constitutes 'great writing' and to hear from some of the Great Lakes region's most beloved authors."

Baranek has fronted the band The Sights since 1998. The Sights has released six full length albums and toured the USA and Europe countless times. Mr. Baranek is finishing his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Wayne State University, and is the Music Director at the Rochester School of Rock in Rochester, Ml. His Book Taken Alive: The Sights' Rock and Roll Tour Diary details his 2012 tour of the US and Europe.

Michigan Notable Books is designed to promote reading and raise awareness of Michigan's literary heritage. The program annually selects 20 of the most outstanding books published in that year – titles that are reflective of Michigan's diverse ethnic, historical, literary and cultural experience.

In addition to the tour, the Library of Michigan Foundation will host a "Night for Notables" on Saturday, April 26 with Edgar Award winning author Steve Hamilton as the featured speaker. For more information about the evening program taking place at the Library of Michigan in downtown Lansing, visit www.michigan.gov/notable-books

The 2014 Michigan Notable Books program and tour are made possible thanks to the generous support of the Library of Michigan, the Library of Michigan Foundation, Michigan Department of Education, the Michigan Humanities Council, Meijer, and the Michigan Center for the Book. Media Sponsors are Mittenlit.com, City Pulse, Dome, Queue Advertising and Tom Gennara Photography.

The Leanna Hicks Inkster Public Library is located at 2005 Inkster Rd; Inkster, MI 48141, phone 313-563-2822. The Library staff is excited to have the opportunity to have this presentation.

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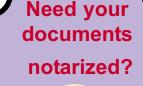
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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR
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The River Rouge Housing Commission (RRHC) hereby submit a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Certified Housing Inspection Firms, to provide professional housing inspection services for the Housing Choice voucher Program (HCVP) for

approximately 240 units. This service shall be performed in accordance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Handbook 7420.8 Rev-I, and Michigan State Statues and with other applicable laws, and 24 CFR 85.36 Procurement.

The RFP will be published and distributed May 8,2014. Your quotations will be received until 4:30 pm, May 30,2014 at the River Rouge Housing Commission Administrative Office, 180 Visger Rd., River Rouge, MI 48218. Proposals will be evaluated May 31,2014 through June 13, 2014. There is a target Contract award for June 20, 2014. Formal Request for Qualifications Packets may be obtained from the River Rouge Housing Commission by contacting Lori D. Long at 313-382-1276 or via email atllong@riverrougehousing.com.

All proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and clearly marked: "Qualification for HCVP Inspection Services." Offerors shall adhere to the provisions for Equal Employment Opportunity, RRHC Section 3 policy and Wage Rate and Determination requirements set forth in the RFP General Condition Document. RRHC reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and to waive all technicalities. No proposal shall be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days subsequent from the receipt of Proposals without the consent of the RRHC. The RRHC assumes no liability for the cost incurred for preparing proposals.

Signed: Michael J. Sloan Executive Director

#### CITY OF INKSTER PUBLIC NOTICE

#### **CITY OF INKSTER**

In accordance with the City of Inkster City Charter Chapter 7, Sec. 7.9; an abstract of the proceedings of the May 5, 2014 Regular Council Meeting is hereby published.

#### APPROVED:

Approval of Agenda as amended.

Public Hearing on the FY2014-2015 Proposed Budget.

Approval of Consent agenda.

Approval of a Resolution of intent to accept the CGAP Award for consolidation of Police

Services between the City of Inkster and Wayne County Sheriff's Office. Approval of Allen Brother's and Attorney's PLLC invoice.

Felicia Rutledge City Clerk

#### ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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

Dana Hughes City Clerk

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#### LINCOLN PARK

It had been on hiatus for six years because of city budget constraints.

A volunteer committee has planned a Memorial Day parade for 1 p.m. Sunday on Fort Street between White and Merrill. There also will be a memorial service at 11 a.m. at the band shell at Memorial Park, Fort Street at Merrill. Restrooms will be open from noon to 4 p.m. at the Kennedy Memorial Building at the park. Lincoln Park residents Chris Dardzinski and Lita Toney cochaired the volunteer committee, which worked last year to reinstate the parade.

#### **WYANDOTTE**

#### **Downtown Dig-In**

May 17th, 2014 at 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM Downtown Wyandotte Biddle Avenue Wyandotte, MI 48192

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#### **DEARBORN HTS**

American Cancer Society Relay for Life Set for May 17

The Dearborn Heights/ American Cancer Society Relay for Life will take place Saturday, May 17 at Crestwood High School. Register to walk! It's FREE, and Cancer Survivors are invited as our Guests! Family activities include live entertainment, food, games and more.

#### Kids' Bike Rodeo Set for May 31

The Dearborn Heights Police Department and Dearborn Heights Rotary Club's annual Bike Rodeo will take place Saturday, May 31 at the Dearborn Heights Justice Center (Michigan Avenue & Beech Daly Road) from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event will feature a bike raffle, bike registration, free helmets for kids, a bike safety course, refreshments and

## **ASK AYANA**

## Addressing an Unhealthy Friendship



Name has been changed to protect identity

#### Dear Ayana,

My friend needs my help-again. \*Diane is down on her luck and needs a place to stay until she can get back on her feet. This isn't the first time she's asked for my assistance. In the 25 years that we've been friends, she's been in this situation more times than I can count. Diane has worn out her welcome with all of her family members and I'm her only friend; she has no one else to turn to. In the past, I've let her stay at my place until she could get back on track; but I'm not willing to do that this time. I am a newly wed and my priorities have changed. I'm tired of being her shoulder to lean on and her bank to withdraw from. She has struggled with substance abuse since we were teens and has deep psychological issues that have never been addressed. Our friendship is one-sided and I'm worn out. When she's using, she can't be trusted with anything. She lies; she steals and does whatever she has to do to get whatever it is that she wants. My husband only had to hear that she was (once again) homeless before he quickly made the decision that she would not be staying with us. I agreed. I want to help my friend, but I can't allow her to keep interrupting my life the way she has for all these years. How can I help support my friend in making a positive change in her life without it interfering with my own? Torn

#### Dear Torn,

Diane has to want a positive change in her life. Unfortunately, it sounds like she's learned to "get by" by using willing family members and you to pull her out of ditch when she's in one. There

is no real need for her to change; she just adapts. She's in a downward cycle and sucks anyone compelled to help in with her. You're the one who needs to make a positive change. I'm glad that you've made the decision to say "No" to Diane. I hope that your husband's support and my response to your letter will encourage you to stick to your guns. It's unfair of Diane to use you as her free boarding house, her bank and her therapist. How has she returned the favor in all of your years of friendship? Has your relationship been mutually satisfying? I can tell from you letter that it hasn't. Is it possible that you are hanging on to a phantom relationship? Maybe you are remembering a time when the two of you were in your teens and you're hoping to get that Diane back. I have to tell you that she is a ghost. None of us are who we were in our adolescent vears. Sure, some of our mannerisms and habits are the same; but life has changed us. You continue to help and support a person whom you probably would not have befriended at all had you met when you were adults. Diane sounds like a master manipulator. Get off the ride she's been spinning you on and put your foot down. Her problems don't have to become your problems. There are resources available for women in her situation; she needs to find them. She will never live the life that you wish her as long as she has substance abuse and mental health issues. Those are areas of her life that you have no control over. I want you to look up the word "Codependent". Read it, understand it and decide that you won't participate in any relationship that uses control or manipulation as a means to an end. I do hope that your friend finds help, but it is not your responsibility to make her well. Good luck to you.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS FOR AYANNA SEND HER AN EMAIL OR LETTER TO TELEGRAM@TELEGRAMNEWS.NET OR TELEGRAMNEWSPAPER 10748 W. JEFFERSON AVE. RIVER ROUGE, MI 48218

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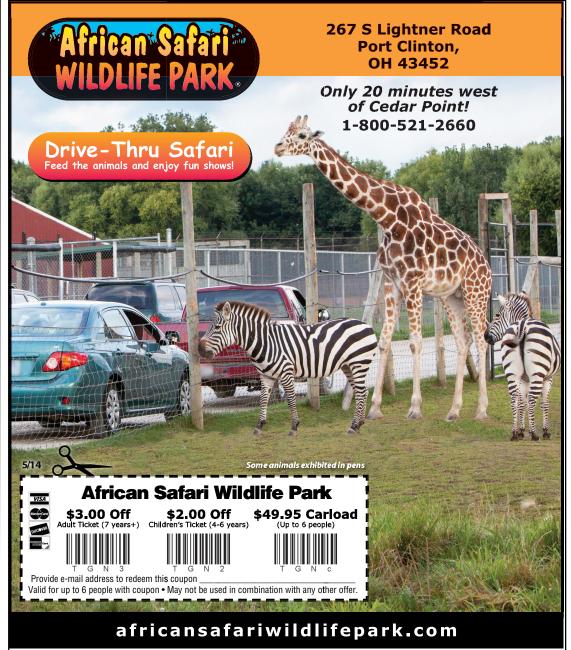
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