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Supreme Court upholds Christian prayers at city council meetings



The Supreme Court said Monday that city councils and other public boards are free to open their meetings with an explicitly Christian prayer, ruling that judges may not act as "censors of religious speech" simply because the prayers reflect the views of the dominant faith.

The 5-4 decision rejected the idea that government-sponsored prayers violate the Constitution if officials regularly invite Christian clerics to offer the prayers.

U.S. Top Court Endorses Prayers Before Town Meetings

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The History of Mother's Day

How will you celebrate?



The President and First Lady of the United States prepares to celebrate Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world. The American incarnation of

Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S. holiday in 1914. Jarvis would

later denounce the holiday's commercialization and spent the latter part of her life trying

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DETROIT TO BEGIN SWITCH TO PRIVATE TRASH COLLECTION MAY 5



Detroit residents will see a change in how trash is collected and an increased level of service as the City of Detroit Department of Public Works transfers residential refuse collection to contractors

beginning May 5. Under the contracts with Advanced Disposal and Rizzo Environmental Services, bulk items will be collected every other week rather than every

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City Of Detroit Announces Parking Ticket Amnesty



As a prelude to the City's planned rate hike on all parking tickets, the City of Detroit Municipal Parking Department (MPD) will implement a parking amnesty program slated to run from May 1 through May 16. The amnesty program will reduce all fines, penalties, and fees that are three years and older by thirty per-

cent. This amnesty program will also include anyone who has entered into payment plans. The amnesty program does not apply to vehicles that have been booted. In addition to the upcoming rate increase on all parking tickets beginning June 1, 2014, MPD will take more aggressive enforcement measures including driver's

license holds, civil lawsuits, garnishments, credit marking, and the booting and impoundment of vehicles with six or more unpaid parking tickets.

"There is no better time to resolve your parking issues and take advantage of this 30% reduction," said James Canty, Municipal Parking Department Manager. "We understand these are tough economic times, therefore, MPD would like to offer assistance to everyone before your vehicle is booted."

For more information, call customer service at (313) 963-9630. Fines may be paid from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Thursday and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Fridays at 1001 Tenth Street.

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LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

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Hello, my name is Tammi Warren; above is my Daughter Amanda Warren-Jenkins & her Family. My Son -in Law Darren Jenkins is only 39 years old and is in need of a kidney to live, time is not on his side. He is unable to wait for a cadaver kidney to become available and so we've been searching for a living donor. With God on our side we have found a match, Christopher Fulmer below. The problem is there is an 8 week recovery period which his donor cannot afford. Please help me raise the money needed to help as his Donor has no Health insurance .There will be living expenses, utility bills , travel expenses to transplant center, lost wages ,medical bills, prescription's , groceries. We can't ask his donor to save my Son-in Law's life, yet turn the

other way while His life develops into chaos. Please help me raise the money so that He doesn't have the added stress of unpaid bills for his Family while recovering.



This is Christopher Fulmer, Chris is a 41 year old United States Veteran, He served his Country for 12 years and saved many lives, and now Surgery is May 28, 2014 he will save 1 more. To Darren Jenkins he will give the gift of Life, a selfless act of generosity & Love OUR HERO!!!! CHRISTOPHER FULMER Please come out and donate, NO AMOUNT IS TO SMALL!!!! The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on SATURDAY May 17, 2014 Gracie's See Pasta - RIA from 2PM - 6PM. Gracie's See is located at 26734 MICHIGAN AVE. INKSTER MI. 48141 For more information call TAMMI WARREN 313-550-2600 RSVP BY May 12th, 2014.

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Senator Stabenow Joins Senator Elizabeth Warren to Introduce Legislation to Help Address the Growing Student Debt Crisis



Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D-Taylor)

Legislation would lower interest rates for students and existing borrowers with both public and private loans

Total student loan debt now exceeds \$1.2 trillion, more than Americans owe on their credit cards

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow today joined Senator Elizabeth Warren to introduce legislation that would save millions of borrowers money on their student loans. The Bank on Students Emergency Loan Refinancing Act would allow responsible borrowers with outstanding student loan debt, including some private loans, incurred at past higher interest rates to refinance at the low rates currently offered only to new borrowers. This would save borrowers hundreds or even thousands of dollars a year. At a time when



Senator Bert Johnson (D-Detroit)

many students are being dragged down by their debt and forced to forego buying a house or getting married, the government is projected to make \$66 billion in revenue on federal student loans made between 2007 and 2012.

"Too many people in Michigan are saddled with decades of debt just because they wanted a fair shot to go to college and get ahead," said Stabenow. "That is why I'm fighting alongside Sen. Warren and my other colleagues to make college more affordable and to help borrowers who are already weighed down by exploding and unsustainable levels of student debt. Helping these borrowers will improve the lives of millions of Americans and boost our economy by allowing them to spend their money on a home, a car, and

the needs of their families instead of on interest payments."

There are nearly 40 million Americans with outstanding student loans. The Bank on Students Emergency Refinancing Act could lower payments for millions of people by hundreds or even thousands of dollars a year.

The average student loan debt among those who borrow to get a bachelor's degree is nearly \$30,000 and many borrowers are stuck with unsustainable levels of student debt for two and even three decades of their lives.

The legislation is fully funded by enacting the Buffett Rule, which would limit special tax breaks for the wealthiest Americans that allow millionaires and billionaires to pay lower effective tax rates than middle class families. The legislation is cosponsored by Senators Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Barbara Boxer (D-CA), Dick Durbin (D-IL), Jack Reed (D-RI), Mary Landrieu (D-LA), Tom Udall (D-NM), Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Mark Begich (D-AK), Kirstin Gillibrand (D-NY), Al Franken (D-MN), Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), Brian Schatz (D-HI), Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Edward Markey (D-MA), and Cory Booker (D-NJ).

Darany, Tlaib Call for EPA Oversight of Dearborn Steel Mill
Steel mill has been cited for air quality violations



State Rep George T. Darany (D-Dearborn)

DEARBORN – State Representatives George T. Darany (D-Dearborn) and Rashida H. Tlaib (D-Detroit) are asking the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to oversee the air permitting process and compliance for a Dearborn steel mill. Recently, an environmental firm exposed attempts by a local company to avoid complying with proper air quality standards.

"The emails uncovered make it appear that the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has been guided through a process that does



State Rep Rashida H. Tlaib (D-Detroit)

not put the people's best interest first," Tlaib said. "The families I represent live under a tremendous amount of pollution. One in four children have asthma, and studies have shown that nearby neighborhoods are some of the most polluted ZIP codes in the state.

The MDEQ's Air Quality Division is directed to minimize adverse impacts on human health and environment. However, these emails confirm that their actions have been affected by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) leading

the discussions on the company's violations and compliance."

"We need to be doing everything possible to protect the health and safety of our citizens," said Darany, who is the minority vice chairman of the House Health Policy Committee. "Public health is, and will continue to be, a top priority of mine, and we need to ensure that the quality of air we breathe and the environment that we live in is safe for our families, friends and neighbors.

I certainly understand that good-paying jobs are critical to our state, but it is imperative that we work together with the businesses in our community to follow the guidelines and rules established to protect our citizens and the future of this state."

According to the MDEQ, there are 20 air quality violations on record. Many of these violations resulted from residents' reports of fallout, smoke and other emissions.

Blackonomics

Economy is Still Recovering

By Julianne Malveaux - NNPA Columnist



During 2013, the U.S. economy experienced a reasonable level of growth. The 3.4 percent growth rate in the second half of 2013 represented a solid growth rate, but not enough to trickle down to those who live at the periphery of the economy. Those with low or stagnant wages might find that their lives have not improved by 3.4 percent. Indeed, the gains from gross domestic product growth may mostly be captured by the wealthy.

The first quarter of 2014 was an amazing disappointment. Instead of the modest growth of 3.4 percent from the second half of 2013, the economy grew by just one tenth of one percent. This is the one of the slowest growth rate in the five years of so-called economic recovery. Based on these data, the economy grew more than 300 times slower than it did in the last half of 2013. Some say we are growing at a snail's pace, but even the most sluggish snail can do better than this.

Can we blame this stagnant economy on the harsh winter we have experienced? Between snow, hail, sleet and rain, housing starts have slowed. People who might hit the malls are staying home. People aren't buying cars at expected rates. Since consumer spending drives about three-quarters of our nation's economic growth, postponed spending dampens growth. But consumer spending has not slowed as much as GDP has. Spending on health care (thanks to Obamacare) and on other services suggests that consumers have had mixed engagement as spenders.

On the other hand, businesses aren't spending as much as they might, and along with holding off on spending makes it difficult for them to add employees to their payrolls. It also impacts GDP. What are these businesses waiting for to persuade them to invest in the economies that went into debt for their survival? Banks aren't lending as much as they might, and even consumer credit is tighter than it should be. Consumers are spending despite, not because of, slug-

gish economic growth.

Growth might be stronger if the job market were more robust. As we saw from Friday's unemployment figures, unemployment isn't dropping significantly. Wages are stagnant. Every measure that President Obama has introduced for job creation our Congress has rebuffed, including unemployment assistance. While economic growth is, at best, sluggish, there are many who have not experienced any recovery at all.

While macroeconomic indicators deal with overall issues of economic growth, few indicators are disaggregated by race or income status. The Obama initiatives to raise wages, lower unemployment and create jobs are important because they are modest ways to spread the wealth and to ensure that economic growth is more evenly distributed. After all, we know that those at the top garnered the most gains from money thrown at them because they were "too big to fail." Are those at the periphery just too small to survive?

We can't have sustained economic growth when those who depend on banks to provide funds for economic expansion are shut down. We won't have sustained economic growth if (Officially) one in 15 people, and one in eight African Americans cannot find work. Economic recovery is meaningless to someone who lost a home during the great recession, and is clawing back to survival. While those with mortgage challenges were promised relief, few of them have received it.

Some expect the economy to come roaring back in the second quarter, but I don't expect the growth rate will be much higher than 3 percent. Further, the growth rate does nothing to close the wage and income gap that clearly slows economic growth. Who gains and who loses based on the growth rate? This is as an important an issue as is the issue of sluggish economic growth.

Julianne Malveaux is a Washington, D.C.-based economist and writer. She is President Emerita of Bennett College for Women in Greensboro, N.C.

Mother's Day

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to remove it from the calendar. While dates and celebrations vary, Mother's Day most commonly falls on the second Sunday in May and traditionally involves presenting mothers with flowers, cards and other gifts.

The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's 1905 death, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children. After gaining financial backing from a Philadelphia department store owner named John Wanamaker, in May 1908 she organized the first official Mother's Day celebration at a Methodist church in Grafton, West Virginia. That same day also saw thousands of people attend a Mother's Day event at one of Wanamaker's retail stores in Philadelphia.

Following the success of her first Mother's Day, Jarvis—who remained unmarried and childless her whole life—resolved to see her holiday added to the national calendar. Arguing that American holidays were biased toward male achievements, she started a massive letter writing campaign to newspapers and prominent politicians urging the adoption of a special day honoring motherhood. By 1912 many states, towns and churches had adopted Mother's Day as an annual holiday, and Jarvis had established the Mother's Day International Association to help promote her cause. Her persistence paid off in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

Anna Jarvis had originally conceived of Mother's Day as a day of personal celebration between mothers and families. Her version of the day involved wearing a white carnation as a badge and visiting one's mother or attending church services. But once Mother's Day became a national holiday, it was not long before florists, card companies and other merchants capitalized on its popularity.

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The day of four Popes

By Jim Abeare - Contributing Writer



Forgive me for getting out my Catholic gene but last weekend was a historical day. Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II were canonized Saints last Sunday.

It is not everyday that people you have seen and heard become Saints. Pope John XXIII (born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli) called the historic Vatican II Council (1962-65). Which changed the mass from Latin to the common vernacular. He made the church more accessible to the common man.

On Christmas Day 1958 he became the first Pope since 1870 to visit outside Vatican walls when he visited children with polio.

The next day he visited prisoners in Rome's Regina Coeli Prison saying "You could not come to me, so I came to you." He was "Blessed" after a miracle of curing was discovered.

Pope John Paul II (born Karol Jozef Wojtyla) is recognized to helping end Communism in his native Poland and improving the churches relations with Islam, Judaism, the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Anglican Communion.

He was the most traveled

Pope bringing the church to people around the world and here to Detroit, in 1987.

In early 2006, it was reported that the Vatican was investigating a possible miracle associated with John Paul II.

Sister Marie Simon-Pierre, a French nun and member of the Congregation of Little Sisters of Catholic Maternity Wards, confined to her bed by Parkinson's disease was reported to have experienced a "complete and lasting cure after members of her community prayed for the intercession of Pope John Paul II".

She is now back working at the maternity hospite again. A second miracle happened when a boy from Gdansk ; who had Kidney cancer and was unable to walk was at St. Peter's and visited his tomb.

When they left the boy said he wanted to walk and started to walk normally.

We have a person from Detroit in the form of Fr. Solanus Casey (born Bernard Francis Casey), who is in process of becoming a saint.

In 1924 he was assigned to St. Bonaventure in Detroit. He started the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit. That still feeds people to this day. If made a saint he would be the first American born male saint.

I also believe that the little boy from "Heaven is Real" will probably become a saint, even if he might not be Catholic, for his miracle.

And the reason why it was the day of four Popes? You had

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Local Women Change our World

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



As an observer, one thing I noticed about successful women like Oprah Winfrey is that she is successful, not because she lifts herself up, but because she lifts others. She helps her audience with self-discovery and enlightenment. She acknowledges and celebrates the gifts of others.

As she lifts others, she rises. Her power comes from how she empowers others. Her freedom is defined by how many others she sets free. Her success is elevated by the increase of how many people she helps.

Oprah's success happens to be highly visible. Nonetheless, there are others in this world just as successful, if not more so. Their success may not be evidenced by the number of

digits in their bank account. But they have blessed multitudes. Some are right here in our neighborhood. We are surrounded by amazing women. These women hold our communities together and give us hope. They bless countless people.

Women like Erin Hudson who has run a successful salon for nearly two decades in River Rouge. She decorates and maintains the health of crowns of glory, our hair. She employs and provides an avenue for their gifts and talents to be used. There's Tyra Wimphrey, who manicures our fingertips with the utmost care and precision. She pays attention to every detail of your feet and will recommend a podiatrist if she notices something odd during a pedicure. The legacy of women like Margie Myree has been kept alive by stylists like Kishua Mattison, who keep our hair beautiful in the neighborhood. Doctors like Barbara Hanna who keep us well and deliver our babies. Gail Perry-Mason who helps us get our money right.

We are blessed with Marquette Squires who faithfully fries fresh fish on Fridays in her food truck on Bassett. Gina Wilson Steward keeps us informed with the Telegram

Newspaper and community events in the Telegram Building. Shalandra Jones Scott who is making the world aware of issues related to HIV/AIDS.

Singers and musicians like Coretta Bridges. Writers and playwrights like Nicole Scott. Praise Leaders, prayer warriors, encouragers and teachers who care for others like Geraldine Motley, Yvonne Hill, Helene Walker, Linda McIver and Ramone Marchbanks. Strong women like my aunt Leesa, former Michigan State Trooper and my neighbor, Deborah Hayes who kept our streets safe as a police officer in River Rouge. Teachers like my sister Lynette Folks, Helen Waters, Vivian C. Bryant and Ruth Bumpers. Young women like Tavie Porterfield who step

out and reach out to help their communities and young people. These are successful women who bless their surroundings.

I want to go on and list more, but I'm limited by time and space. We are surrounded by amazing and wonderful women in our community. This list is not at all conclusive. It barely scratches the surface of the list of women who make a difference daily all around us. Let us not forget or overlook the local women who change our world; the women who inspire, nurture, teach and pray for us.

Your name belongs here because you bless this world in your own way. God gave you a purpose and gifts. Unsung and un-named women who make a difference. Even when no one knows all you do, God knows. That's what matters because truly, He is our Rewarder when we diligently seek Him. Salute and celebrate. Let's continue to celebrate and honor each other. We rise as we lift up others.

Want to inform the community about your church services?

List your: Church Services, Announcements and Pastor messages

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II Timothy 2:25
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THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED!

Prayer

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Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, speaking for the court, said prayers and invocations have been a routine feature of legislatures and city councils throughout American history, and he said the court was unwilling to set specific limits on those prayers.

The 1st Amendment's ban on an "establishment of religion" does not require "that legislative prayer may be addressed only to a generic God," the decision states. To enforce such a requirement would mean judges would have to review the prayers and "act as supervisors or censors of religious speech."

"Once it invites prayer into the public sphere, government must permit a prayer giver to address his or her own God or gods as conscience dictates, unfettered by what an administrator or judge considers to be non-sectarian," Kennedy wrote in *Town of Greece v. Galloway*.

The ruling upholds the prayers offered regularly at town meetings in Greece, New York. Two women, one Jewish and the other atheist, had sued after attending a series of public meetings that featured a prayer to Jesus Christ.

While Kennedy's opinion upholds these prayers, he said a city would go too far if the prayers "denigrate non-believers or religious minorities, threaten damnation or preach conversion." This "would present a different case," he said.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. and Justice Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas and Samuel A. Alito Jr. formed the majority.

Justice Elena Kagan spoke for the four dissenters and faulted the court for "allowing the Town of Greece to turn its assemblies for citizens into a forum for Christian prayer."

PRAYER CHANGES THINGS



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Windows XP Support has ended

Now what? 7 tips that will help

By Willie Brake - Contributing Writer



So you want to stay with Windows XP? I don't necessarily think that's the best move, but it is your computer and data. I have done some legwork and have assembled a list of what you should do to keep your network secure if you plan to keep using XP now that Microsoft has stopped updating the operating system effective April 8, 2014.

Based on the number of repairs that I have completed this past month, I suspect cybercriminals are in full force aggressively exploiting known Windows XP vulnerabilities, so I strongly encourage all users to make the switch to a supported operating system, such as Windows 7 or 8. However, I know that this may not be possible for some users, so at the very least, you should take the following precautions immediately if you are going to continue to use Windows XP. The longer you wait, the less secure your system will be. Anyone using Windows XP on an unsupported network should do ALL of the following:

INSTALL A GOOD ANTI-VIRUS PROGRAM

Because XP will no longer get security updates, a good anti-virus program will be your computer's first line of defense against online attacks. To make matters worse, Microsoft stopped updating the Security Essentials software for XP, so their free anti-virus program will do you no good. Although there are some good, free anti-virus programs available, I recommend XP users invest in one of the top-of-the-line programs like Norton or Kaspersky. These programs are updated regularly and will help you maintain the dependability of your computer.

UPDATE YOUR SOFTWARE PACKAGES AND KEEP THEM UPDATED

You can prevent some invasions of your computer by making sure you keep the programs and other software you use up-to-date. This is particularly true of widely-used, web-based software like Adobe Acrobat, Flash, and Java. Since you will be using an unsecured operating

system, vulnerabilities in these programs will be available for outside parties to exploit. If you continue to use XP, it will be essential that you keep all your software updated.

CHANGE YOUR WEB BROWSER

Internet Explorer 8, the most recent version of the browser available for XP machines, is fairly old and will no longer be updated with security patches. You need to change to another browser. Google says it will continue to support their Chrome browser on XP until April of 2015. Mozilla has no announced plans to stop supporting its Firefox browser on XP, so both Chrome and Firefox would be good choices for XP users.

UPDATE YOUR COPY OF MICROSOFT OFFICE XP OR 2003

Along with ending support for Windows XP, Microsoft is also going to stop supporting its Office 2003 software suite on April 8, 2014. So if you are running Office 2003 or its older cousin Office XP, now would be the time to upgrade. Using these unsupported versions of Office without an updated operating system leaves you vulnerable to an attack. Be aware that the latest versions of Office will not work on an XP machine. The last version of Office that was compatible with an XP machine was Office 2010.

STOP USING OUTLOOK EXPRESS

If you are using Outlook Express to access your email you have to stop. Express has traditionally been a route many cybercriminals have used to spread malware. Using it without a secure, updated operating system only makes the program more insecure. I strongly suggest you upgrade your email account to a full version of Outlook available as part of the Office software suite.

UPDATE YOUR DEVICE

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Hispanic College Enrollment Up, But Not By Enough

New America Media, News Report, Irene Florez



Recent data show that nationwide Hispanic/Latino and Chicano college admissions are on the rise, with Hispanic figures now outpacing white enrollment at some schools. But Hispanic education experts say the numbers are not high enough.

Patricia Gandara, research professor and co-director of The Civil Rights Project at UCLA, and commissioner with the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics calls the numbers "disastrous."

"We can't sustain an economy this way," she said, noting that only 11 percent of Hispanic adults in California have a bachelor's degree. "Very soon half of the graduating class [in California] will be of Hispanic origin. If they are only getting degrees at a rate of 11 percent, we are heading in the wrong direction. It is disastrous for the community and disastrous for the state."

The Rise

Hispanic or Latino?

Both terms are used by the U.S. government, and many organizations use the terms interchangeably.

According to the PewResearch Hispanic Trends Project most native Spanish speakers don't have a preference for either term, but among those who do, "Hispanic" is preferred over "Latino"—33 percent versus 14 percent. This choice is especially true in Texas. Among Hispanic Texans 46 percent prefer the term Hispanic, while just 8 percent say they prefer the term "Latino."

Cuban American or Mexican American Chicano, or?

PewResearch says that of Americans who trace their roots to Spanish-speaking countries, most identify themselves by their family's country of origin instead of with one pan-ethnic label.

This year the University of California reported that they added more ethnic designations to their freshman application. The application now has 69 categories including Caribbean, Cuban American, Latin American Latino, Mexican American Chicano, Puerto Rican, Other Black and Other White Caucasian. Tracking data related to the new ethnic assignment options is not yet available.

Latinos continue to gain more degrees year after year. As of 2012, there were 2.4 million Hispanic 18- to 24-year-olds enrolled in college, representing 19 percent of all college students, compared to 12 percent in 2008. From 2001 to 2011, the number of Hispanics with a bachelor's degree rose from 11.1 percent to 14.1 percent.

But, the rise isn't limited to Hispanic students. In the last twenty years, Whites, Blacks, Asians/Pacific Islanders and Hispanics have all seen improvements in bachelor degree attainment rates. Nationwide, up to 60 percent of Asians/Pacific Islanders obtain at least a bachelor's degree, compared to 40 percent for Whites, 23 percent for Blacks and 15 percent for Hispanics.

Another area of concern is the fact that in states like California and Texas, completion rates for first-time, full-time Latino freshman – 15 percent and 17 percent, respectively – continue to lag behind other groups.

Basketball

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining 39 letters spell a piece of Basketball trivia.



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- BACKBOARD
- BALL
- BASKET
- BENCH
- BLOCK
- CENTER
- CLOCK
- COACH
- COURT
- DRIBBLING
- FOUL
- FREE THROW
- GAME
- HALF-TIME
- HOOP
- JERSEY
- LAY-UP
- NET
- OUT OF BOUNDS
- OVERTIME

- PASSING
- PLAYER
- POINT GUARD
- POINTS
- POWER FORWARD
- QUARTER
- REBOUND
- REFEREE
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- Laura Hernandez-3.25
- Mauricio Cruz-3.18
- Jannet Mercado-3.11
- Aaliyah Archie-3.03
- Tristian Lewis-3.03

8th Grade

- Dezaray Facen-4.00
- Tela Todd-3.93
- Da'Maya Scott-3.87
- Khadijah Lewis-3.75
- Alyssa Little-3.45
- Briana Cato-3.39
- Samuel Stewart-3.39
- Beaute' Franklin-3.27
- Adrienne Hernandez-3.27
- Kaleb Maddox-3.27

- Marisela Orozco-3.27
- Briana Woodford-3.27
- Erika Hernandez-3.21
- Daniela Jimenez-3.21
- Briana Singleton-3.21
- Desa'Rae Tolbert-3.21
- Myesha Moore-3.11
- Akayla Bryant -3.09
- Alexus Jackson-3.09
- Hector Hernandez-3.03
- Brandy Lasure-3.03
- Alden Rucker-3.03

Global Projects "Taste-Fest"

Local youth, Jordan and Xavier Clemons, are hosting a Taste-Fest Fundraiser, Saturday, May 17th 3pm -7pm at the Telegram, to help support the Global Projects Youth - mission team. All proceeds from the Taste-Fest ticket sales will help cover the cost of their upcoming mission trip. This is a community event and we need the support of everyone in the community! We're asking for a \$10 donation per person to enjoy a variety of delicious ethnic Food. There will also be raffles, music and more fun for all ages!

7th Grade

- Ciara Smith-3.96
- Shamarie Coley-3.85
- Isabella Donathan-3.85
- Chrystenn Cochran-3.85
- Thomas Puttick-3.62
- Dakota Ruano-3.33
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- Jaya Jones-3.29
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- Seqoya Adams-3.13
- Alajha Dickerson-3.11
- Brandon Fugon-3.11
- Shyla Tafoya-3.07
- Kayla Johnson-3.03
- Moriyah Hannell-3.00
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Lupita Nyong'o Pushes Boundaries to Reveal that Black Is Indeed Beautiful

By Shelby Jefferson - Contributing Writer



She has managed to steal the hearts of many in just a matter of months, quickly becoming Hollywood's newest darling following her big screen debut in Steve McQueen's prized 2013 film, "12 Years a Slave". Lupita Nyong'o, the budding megastar whose riveting portrayal of the resilient character Patsy recently earned her an Academy Award, is dynamically challenging conventional definitions of beauty with her stunning dark brown skin, closely chopped haircut, remarkable fashion style and mesmerizing personality—so much in fact, that she was just crowned "World's Most Beautiful" by People magazine, making her only the third black woman to top the publication's annual list since the honor was first awarded in 1990.

So what makes Nyong'o's presence on the cover of one of People's most coveted issues so groundbreaking?

Certainly because the media has historically maintained specific beauty standards that commonly exclude black women, and other women of color, from being viewed as highly desirable—particularly those with darker complexions. For years, young girls and women of African descent have been forced to grapple with limited representations of self, and have instead been bombarded with images of pale skin, lengthy, blonde hair and blue eyes as characteristics for the ideal woman in our society. In the past, when black women have been regarded as commercially acceptable enough to be included on the covers of influential magazines like Vogue or Elle, they have frequently possessed lighter skin, fake hair and prominent European features—signifying a considerable negligence by the mainstream to recognize the many shades and variations of beauty present across the spectrum.

Never one to shy away from these issues, Nyong'o has remained

especially candid about her personal struggles to accept her skin color, revealing that frequent ridicule from peers regarding her "midnight" complexion made her feel less than beautiful growing up. Due to imagery projected by the media, she also became painfully aware that she never fit the mold of what was typically considered attractive, and would regularly plead with God to somehow allow her to wake up with lighter skin.

"Beauty was what I saw on television, you know, light skin and long, flowing straight hair," Nyong'o told People magazine. "Subconsciously you start to appreciate those things more than what you possess."

But now the 31 year old, Kenyan raised star exudes a humble confidence that radiates from the covers of countless magazines, as well as at the most prestigious of red carpet events. And to top it all off, Nyong'o is breaking barriers as the new face of Lancôme, making her the first black woman to ever serve as an ambassador for the international cosmetics giant.

For many of her admirers, Lupita Nyong'o's universal appeal serves as a remarkable exception to the exception. The way that she proudly carries her dark skin and natural hair as God given possessions of empowerment signifies a powerful defiance to standards that have traditionally regarded her type of beauty as less desirable and easily dispensable. And while she has conveyed that she never anticipated mainstream validation, her increasing influence in the entertainment industry sends a clear message that while the Halle Berry's and Beyoncé's of the

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The Annual River Rouge Flea Market Come Rain or Shine!

Written by: Lisa Robertson



This weekend River Rouge residents gathered to see what spring and the local flea market could offer them. With rows of vendors along the edge of the park onlookers strolled through the grass despite the overcast of clouds, and sprinkles from the sky. There were plenty of items to choose from including umbrellas, clothing, toys, TV's, and jewelry.

Although the weather played a big part in the early morning turn out, as lunch time approached the number of patrons grew. Many vendors returned and were already familiar with how the weather would affect their overall turnout. They were vendors and patrons from the surrounding cities like Taylor, Wyandotte, and Ecorse.

Though many had been to flea markets in the past there were a few new faces including Veronica Folks who's beautiful jewelry table was amazing. Great earrings, necklaces and bracelets were at prices many women could not pass up. She loved the opportunity to be a part of this month's Flea Market.

Another new face was Turquoise Wise-King who is a local resident. She recently decided to become a vendor to help her with some spring cleaning. Her booth had an array of items including DVDs, kitchen accessories, hand bags, and more. She was worried about the unexpected showers and how it would affect the turn out, but she did say "I maybe here next month".

Although food vendors were missing from this month's flea market we can change it for next month. This is a great opportunity for many downriver vendors to share in the fun. The River Rouge Flea Market is scheduled to continue the first weekend of each month throughout the summer.

If you are looking for a great place to get a bargain, or you have bargains you want to share with the masses head out to the River Rouge Flea Market and become a part of the action!

To Become a Vendor:
There is no application to fill out; simply come out and set up your table.
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What to bring:
Your own table, products and a smile

The River Rouge Mayor and City Council members decided that the Flea Market will be back this Saturday, May 10th for one day due to the weather from last weekend.

Time: 8:00 am- 4:00 pm
Location: Memorial Park

Mother's Day

From Page 3A

While Jarvis had initially worked with the floral industry to help raise Mother's Day's profile, by 1920 she had become disgusted with how the holiday had been commercialized. She outwardly denounced the transformation and urged people to stop buying Mother's Day flowers, cards and candies. Jarvis eventually resorted to an open campaign against Mother's Day profiteers, speaking out against confectioners, florists and even charities. She also launched countless lawsuits against groups that had used the name "Mother's Day," eventually spending most of her personal wealth in legal fees. By the time of her death in 1948 Jarvis had disowned the holiday altogether, and even actively lobbied the government to see it removed from the American calendar.

MOTHER'S DAY: CELEBRATIONS AND TRADITIONS
While versions of Mother's Day are celebrated throughout the world, traditions vary depending on the country. In Thailand, for example,

Mother's Day is always celebrated in August on the birthday of the current queen, Sirikit. Another alternate observance of Mother's Day can be found in Ethiopia, where families gather each fall to sing songs and eat a large feast as part of Antrosht, a multi-day celebration honoring motherhood.

In the United States, Mother's Day continues to be celebrated by presenting mothers and other women with gifts and flowers, and it has become one of the biggest holidays for consumer spending. Families might also celebrate by giving mothers a day off from activities like cooking or other household chores. At times Mother's Day has also been a date for launching political or feminist causes. In 1968 Coretta Scott King, wife of Martin Luther King Jr., used Mother's Day to host a march in support of underprivileged women and children. In the 1970s women's groups also used the holiday as a time to highlight the need for equal rights and access to child-care.

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Saturday, May 17, 2014

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9 a.m. - noon

LOCATION:
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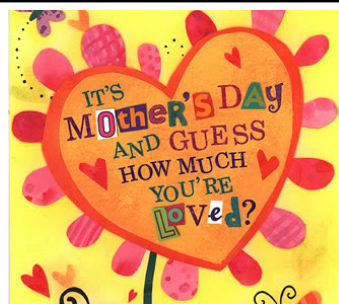
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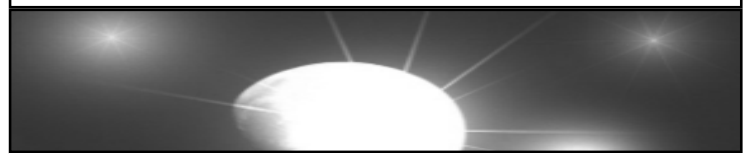
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ARIES

Your agreement with co-workers should improve as you take steps to strengthen emotional connections. Keeping things to yourself will not pay off for you this week. Love waits for you if you ask. A message from a distant source contains a clue.

Soul Affirmation: Communication is a skeleton key that fits many doors.

Lucky Numbers: 48, 51, 54

TAURUS

Dealing with smaller issues is the order of the week. Your soul vibrations will not attune easily to lofty subjects, long ranged plans and the other aspects of the bigger picture. Attention to details will however, give a sense of accomplishment.

Soul Affirmation: I enjoy looking at the road of life sweeping just in front of me.

Lucky Numbers: 33, 49, 51

GEMINI

Matters relating to health need attention. Prevention is more valuable than cure. Rest and eat well this week. Your stress will be lower by knowing that you do not have to fix a relationship that has gone sour. Feel your independence and ability to travel alone.

Soul Affirmation: People love me, yes they do.

Lucky Numbers: 18, 22, 40

CANCER

Use better judgment with regard to financial matters. Stop rationalizing. Money is important. Do something about the fact that you might find yourself broke more often than you wish. Continuing to deny it will delay doing something about it.

Soul Affirmation: I find comfort in the familiar.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 14, 19

LEO

Move slowly concerning relationships this week. People are a little edgy and they don't know exactly where you are coming from. Make full explanations. Don't assume that they know what's on your mind. Most of all, stay positive no matter what.

Soul Affirmation: Clinging to the old will inhibit my growth this week.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 8, 20

VIRGO

You can't be right all of time. Instead of always trying to be right, try to find the logic in other's viewpoint whether you happen to agree or not. Endear yourself to a loved one real soon, by really listening to what they have to say. Don't be so stubborn, that you deny yourself what you really want.

Soul Affirmation: I celebrate will those around me.

Lucky Numbers: 19, 27, 34

LIBRA

This week is a good week to dump any extra baggage that has been pulling you down. You have too much potential to throw away and waste your time on issues that will amount to nothing. Stay focused on your goals. Meet and spend time with people who will be able to help you reach them.

Soul Affirmation: The truth is in me. I bring it forth.

Lucky Numbers: 12, 27, 44

SCORPIO

Your spiritual vibes will give you insight on a situation that's been on your mind. Share your thoughts with someone close to you. Spend time with friends and family that will provide support and guidance when you make an important decision.

Soul Affirmation: I enjoy looking at the road of life sweeping just in front of me.

Lucky Numbers: 30, 40, 55

SAGITTARIUS

Your careless ways with money are going to be apparent this week. Financial mistakes you've made in the past will be especially painful. Don't conceal the pain from yourself. It is a warning that you should take steps to prevent future financial crisis.

Soul Affirmation: I let my friendships guide my way.

Lucky Numbers: 13, 22, 35

CAPRICORN

Take advantage of the great weather and spend time outdoors enjoying and relaxing with Mother Nature. Learn a new sport, and spend time with family and friends. Don't take travel matters into your own hands. Seek a professional who will be able to plan a wonderful vacation for you without breaking your bank. Cook up some goodies for your loved ones.

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

Lucky Numbers: 2, 12, 23

AQUARIUS

Stay positive; don't let negative people get inside your head. You know that things will work out well. Ease rapidly away from anyone who is a naysayer. During the week, things may seem hard at times but soon life will be filled with fun. Enjoy!

Soul Affirmation: The slowness of my week gives me time to refresh my energy.

Lucky Numbers: 15, 26, 36

PISCES

The bond that you established with your spiritual side works well in your relationship with a special person. Speak of the reality of the intangible qualities of life. Your lover will understand. Keep attention on the financial matters you've been dealing with.

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Lucky Numbers: 1, 14, 24

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Our Tigers, Best in Baseball

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer



Our hometown Detroit Tigers are as of this past Monday one of the best team in Major League Baseballs (18-9), tied for first place in the MLB with Milwaukee (22-11) playing the other Central Division (National League).

The reigning Cy Young Award winner Max Scherzer has struck out at least seven in each of his seven starts this season, the only pitcher to pull off that feat in franchise history and the first for any team since San Francisco's Tim Lincecum in the year 2010. Scherzer pitched three-hit ball and struck out nine over eight innings, leading the Detroit Tigers over the Houston Astros 2-0 Monday night for their season-high sixth straight victory and winning eight out of the last 10 games. Tigers rank 13 in MLB offensive ranking (AL rank ninth), number two in MLB defensive ranking (AL rank first), 22nd in MLB in homeruns, however, a huge surprise in steals ranking fifth in MLB, wow! Tigers individual stats are as follow, First

year Tigers Rajai Davis leads in hitting with a .337 average, Davis also leads in steals with 11. Victor Martinez is in the lead in team homeruns with five, in addition, Torii Hunter leads in RBI with 19. Rick Porcello, Justin Verlander and Max Scherzer lead the Tigers with wins as all having four wins apiece. Max Scherzer leads the teams in strikeouts with 60 and in earn run average with a 2.08 per ninth inning average. Newbies, Ian Kinsler led in the team in runs scored with 18 and Joe Nathan led the pitching staff in saves with six. Miguel Cabrera's started the season with a sluggish twitch, however until he was shut out Monday going 0-4, had a 10 game hitting streak (17-48).

Detroit Manager Brad Ausmus said. "The swing itself doesn't look that different. He's obviously not hitting the way he can, but he will. Again, I'm still not worried about Miguel Cabrera." Nevertheless, the defense on the team is the big fix that keeping the team in game

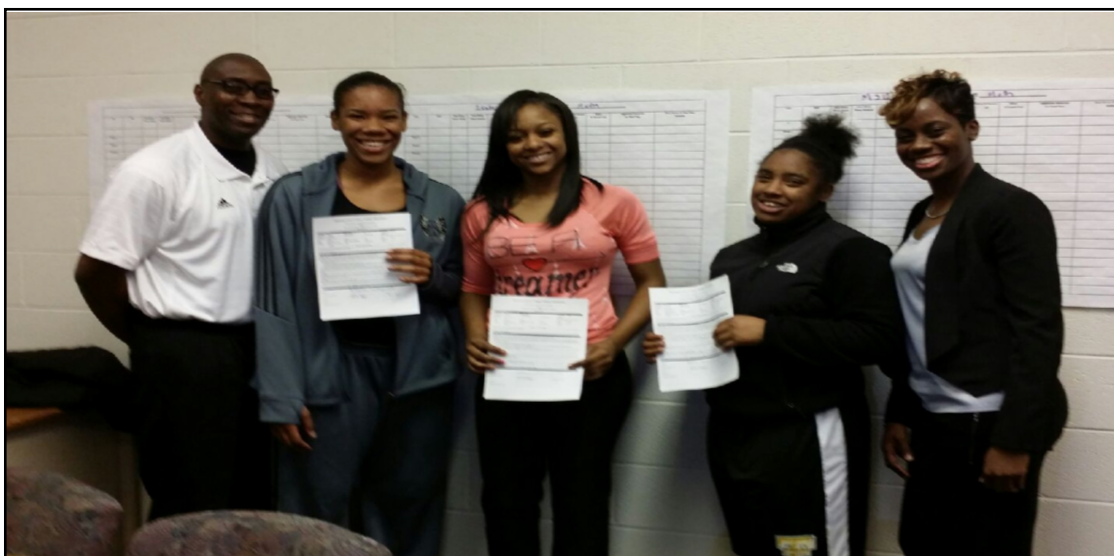
and a better chance of winning as Monday nights game is a prefect example as Joe Nathan took over in the ninth, looking for his sixth save of 2014. He proceeds to commit a closer Cardinal Sin, walking the lead off man, Fowler. But Fowler took a huge risk that didn't pay off, thrown out by Avila trying to steal second on a pitch in the dirt.

It was fitting to a game filled with excellent defensive plays by the Tigers ended on one. Castellanos plucked Carter's foul pop out of the camera pit to close out a well-played and well-pitched game by Detroit Tigers. However, wait there more the Tigers as a team is running bases better, stealing more any Tiger team I have scene in a long time and also bunting, yes, I said bunting the baseball not only to move the runners on base up, however, bunting to score runs, a huge change of pace although when the weather get warm we all know the Tigers will be hitting the ball in the gaps and over the fences in all the baseball parks they be playing in.

So after 29 games played up to this past Monday the Tigers have a good chance to get up in the standing by beat the Houston Astros ball club in which has the worst record in the majors, in addition has lost four in a row as of this past Monday. The Minnesota Twins will be in town to play the home team Tigers this weekend before traveling to Baltimore to play O's for three game before finally getting a travel day off next Thursday before taking on the World

GO TIGERS!!

River Rouge High School Girls Basketball Players sign letters of intent



Left to right - Girls Basketball Coach - Bryant Rainey with players, Brianna Hopkins, Martavia Poole, Stanisha Harris and Oakland Community College Coach LaKita Grantz. These young ladies signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Oakland Community College. Congrats on their journey to OCC from the staff and River Rouge High School family.

Hey, You're on the Clock

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer

The Detroit Lions general manager said Monday, three days before the draft in which Detroit picks No. 10 overall. Yet his new coach, Jim Caldwell, sees some advantages to guys who take chances - such as one of the top cornerbacks in this crop, perhaps Justin Gilbert or Darqueze Dennard. Selecting a cornerback, perhaps Gilbert from Oklahoma State or Michigan State's Darqueze Dennard, would provide short-term and long-term relief at a key position in a division featuring quarterbacks Aaron Rodgers and Jay Cutler. Caldwell called Gilbert a "talented guy," when he visited the team recently and described what he's looking for in a cornerback. The Lions also have to come up with a kicker at some point

to replace David Akers. How about inviting back Norwegian kicking sensation Havard Rugland (AKA Kick-a-licious to a contract for their kicking job left vacant who I fell beat Akers in the 2013 training camp last year. Hey, make a wrong, very right. Detroit does not have to take a defensive tackle to attempt to replace Ndamukong Suh because he's not going anywhere, according to Mayhew. The general manager made unsolicited comments about Suh before taking a single question at his news conference Monday. "We're not looking to trade him," Mayhew said. The Lions are negotiating with Suh, who has one year left on his contract, but sound very confident he will be retained beyond 2014. "The bottom line is, winning

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April 27, 2014

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April 27th, 2014

At 1630hrs, patrol units dispatched to the 200 Block of Polk Street on a report that a group of females were trying to damage a vehicle. The vehicle owner, a 21 year old female, stated this incident stems from a Homicide that occurred in Ypsilanti. The female states that she is constantly being harassed these females since and they ride in a white Pontiac or a maroon Saturn. At 1645hrs, 15 minutes later the officers were dispatched back to location, the girls had returned. When the 1st officer arrived he observed the victim lying in the middle of the street yelling in pain.

She states the group of females, ranging 19-21 year old jumped her and one in particular sprayed something into her eyes causing her face and eyes to burn. Health Link was notified arrived and transported the victim to Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital. A 51 year old female witnessed the event unfold and told officers incident began when a white Pontiac and the maroon Saturn blocked the victim's vehicle and a group of girls exited the vehicle and assaulted her. She states they kicked and punched the victim several times. Then into their vehicles and fled prior to the officers arrival. short time later the Pontiac returns and

two of the girls exited the vehicle and went to the front door and attempted to kick the door open. The females got back into the vehicle and left the area. The witness called the station and reported that the females came back. Officers observed the white Pontiac Grand Prix traveling the wrong way on Polk Street. Officers attempted to stop the vehicle but it kept on going, and then turned up Beechwood going the wrong way. The vehicle finally stopped at Bromley & Melvin and the five females that were in the vehicle was detained. A can of Back Off dog repellent was located in the rear passenger side door. All five females were advised that all of them were placed under arrest for assault with a dangerous weapon. The vehicle was impounded and when the victim was released from the hospital. Officer observed redness in the victim's face, with scratches on the left side and several contusions on them.

April 28th, 2014

Late afternoon at 1615hrs, officers responded to a report of a large fight at Division & West Pleasant Street. A large was observed walking from the area and one of them stated that a person involved had a handgun. Several people in the crowd pointed to a 16 year old juvenile wearing a blue shirt that had an object protruding from the right side of his waistband. Officers approached the youth and order him to put his hands up and get down on the ground. He complied and officers asked if he had a weapon and where is it. A 45 caliber Hi Point handgun was removed from the inside of his pants. While this youth was being taken into custody another male in the area started shouting obscenities and he was told to leave the area. The 19 year male walked in the middle of the street and began cursing and swearing causing. He was placed under arrest for Disorderly Person. Both were transported to the police station and the Wayne County Youth was contacted and stated they would accept the juvenile. He was later transported to that location. The other male was booked, processed and issued a citation, then housed. The handgun that was recovered was check through LEIN and came back registered to a resident of the city. The handgun was logged into evidence and secured.

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three months, said Public Works Director Ron Brundidge. Yard waste will be collected every other week, and all households will be able to recycle at the curb if they opt-in to the program being offered by both companies. Residents will continue to use their Courville containers for their weekly refuse collection. Commercial accounts, as well as apartment units greater than four, will not be impacted by this contract.

On May 5, Rizzo Environmental Services begins collecting refuse for residents in neighborhoods east of Woodward and in southwest Detroit. The weekly trash collection days for residents in these areas remain the same. All other collections will occur on the same day of the week as trash collection. Each household in the Rizzo service area should have received a brochure in the mail with specific details.

On June 2, Advanced Disposal will begin collecting refuse for residents on the

west and northwest sides. For many households in this area, there may be changes in the date of their weekly trash collection. These households will receive a brochure in the mail in the coming weeks with specific information.

Under the contracted service:

- Bulk items will be collected every other week
- Yard waste will be collected every other week
- Residents can sign up for curbside recycling program by contacting their contractor and paying a one-time fee of \$25 for the container
- The companies will repair and replace trash and refuse containers
- Residents will call the specific contractor to request services and report any problems

Presently, DPW has 190 active employees providing solid waste collection services, and 125 employees were offered employment by the two contractors. The City will retain more than 40 employees to focus on cleaning up

illegal dumping sites.

The City plans to sell its existing refuse trucks through an online auction once both contracts are implemented.

Both contracts are for five years with five, one-year renewal options and are for solid waste collection only. Disposal of waste will continue to be provided through the Greater Detroit Resource Recovery Authority. Rizzo will service 90,000 households, and its contract will not exceed \$49.1 million. The contract with Advanced will not exceed \$73.5 million, and the company will serve 125,000 households. The annual cost for both contracts is \$24.5 million. Contractors will be paid out of funds generated from the City's Solid Waste Fund. Residents now pay \$240 per year for all solid waste services.

For more information, please visit the City's Web site at www.detroitmi.gov/dpw

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XP Issues

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DRIVERS AND KEEP THEM UPDATED
 Some device drivers can contain security flaws. There are a number of tools that claim to be able to check your drivers and identify those that need to be updated, but most are weighed down with adware and toolbars, so I recommend that clients just go to their device manager and check the drivers there. You should be able to check the dates in device manager against the dates on the manufacturers' website. Be aware that manufacturers will likely start stepping away from updating drivers made for the XP version of Windows now that Microsoft is no longer supporting it.

DISABLE JAVA FOR WEB BROWSING

Java software has earned a reputation for exposing users to some serious security issues. Some software requires Java to work so some of us need it on our machines. But few, if any, of that functionality is web-based and works through your browser. The best way to prevent Java vulnerabilities from putting your computer at risk is to turn it off in your browser. To do this:
 Go to the Control Panel and select "Java."
 In the "Java Control Panel," select the "Security" tab.
 Uncheck the "Enable Java content in browser" box and select "OK."
 Again, if you are going to keep using XP after Microsoft stops supporting it, you should do each of the things I call out above. The unsupported XP will quickly spring security

leaks and beefing up security measures around it is the only way to continue using it without putting your data at risk.

HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS?

If you are reconsidering your dedication to Windows XP, and want to prepare for the future. I recommend that you backup your data, check your existing system and programs for compatibility with Windows 7 or 8 and finally, make the switch. If you need some help figuring it all out, contact the professionals at All About Technology today!
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CITY OF RIVER ROUGE SPECIAL NOTICE TO CUT WEEDS AND GRASS
 Please take notice, that all noxious weeds and/or vegetation growing and all dead grass and brush on any land within the City of River Rouge, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, must be cut down, destroyed and removed on or before the 15th day of May, 2014, to prevent such weed and/or vegetation from going to seed or to blossom, as the case may be, and to prevent potential breeding ground for mosquitoes, rodents or other, that would pose a threat to the public health, safety and welfare.
 Failure to comply with this notice on or before the above mentioned date and the periods stated in the ordinance, being as often as required during the months of May through October of each year, shall be cause for the city to remove the violation and assess the cost cutting, destroying and/or removing to be levied and collected against said lands in the same manner as prescribed by the City Charter and Code of Ordinances.
 Patricia H. Johnson
 City Clerk
 PUBLISH: May 1 & May 8, 2014

INKSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
INKSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
 The Inkster Public Library Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed library budget for fiscal year July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 at the Inkster Public Library (Leanna Hicks Public Library), 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141 on Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Inkster Public Library, 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141, during business hours.
 The Inkster Public Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 5 days notice to the Inkster Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Inkster Library by writing or calling the following: Denise Bearre - Library Director, Inkster Public Library, 2005 Inkster Road, Inkster, MI 48141, (313) 563-2822.

ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE
NOXIOUS WEEDS ORDINANCE
 To any Owner of Lands Situated Within the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne and State of Michigan
 Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing and all dead grass and brush on any land within the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne and State of Michigan, must be cut down, destroyed and removed on or before the 15th day of May, 2014 to prevent such weeds from going to seed or blossom, as the case may be, and to prevent such dead grass and brush from becoming a fire hazard.
 Failure to comply with this notice on or before the above mentioned date shall make any party so failing liable for the actual costs incurred by the City for cutting, destroying and removing said noxious weed and dead grass and brush by said City.
 A statement of said cost shall be mailed to the owner and occupant, if any. If the statement is not paid by 1/1 following the cutting season, the unpaid sum shall be placed on the tax roll and be charged against the parcel or property involved.
 Dana Hughes
 City Clerk
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 May 15, 2014

Ecorse High School Alumni Association host 2014 Scholarship Dinner

By: Gina Steward



Photo by Mark Peguese

Pictured from left: Robert Heller, James Bibbs, Judge Michael Ciungan, (Bennie Stevenson standing in for his mother Ethel Stevenson and Enoch Throckmorton, Sr.

On Saturday, May, 3 2014, residents of Ecorse came out to celebrate with the Ecorse Alumni Association. This is their annual Scholarship Dinner where they recognize Ecorse High School Alumni. The honorees were presented with an I.M.P.A.C.T. Award. This award is given annually, to say THANKS and let those valued citizens know the IMPACT of their efforts and faith in the development

of ECHS/EHS students was SIGNIFICANT. This year's recipients were Robert Heller - '66 (City Assessor), Coach James Bibbs '47 (Ecorse, Michigan State Univ, U. S. Olympics track coach), Chief Judge Michael Ciungan (25th District Court), Ethel Stevenson former Councilwoman/Community Organizer, Throckmorton Barber Shop (Enoch Throckmorton, Sr.)

For more information on the Alumni Association contact one of the officers; Derrick Underwood (President), Mayor Lamar Tidwell (Vice President), Luzetta Lyons (Secretary), George Drayton (Treasurer), Bonita Williams, Terrance Christopher and Rhonda Baker-Levingson (Trustees). You may also contact them at www.ehsaa.webs.com

Help Your Mom Get Organized for Mother's Day

By Jason Alderman - Contributing Writer



Your mom should have documents instructing how she'd like her affairs to be handled, both while she's living and after death. Look for:

*Medical, homeowner/renter, auto, life, disability and long-term care insurance policies.

*A will (and possibly a trust) outlining how she wants her estate managed after death.

*Durable power of attorney and health care proxy specifying who will make her financial and medical decisions if she becomes incapacitated.

*Also, a living will tells doctors which medical treatments and life-support procedures she does or doesn't want performed.

*Birth certificate, marriage license, Social Security card, funeral plans, safe deposit box information, etc.

*Contact information for professional service providers (doctors, pharmacy, lawyer, financial advisor, bank, insurance companies, etc.) Also give these providers your own contact information in case of emergencies.

Review these documents regularly and make updates whenever her situation changes. For example, make sure that designated beneficiaries for your mom's will, life insurance and retirement plans accurately reflect her current wishes.

If you need help guiding financial discussions, Social Security has created a special website for women (www.ssa.gov/women) that provides information on retirement, disability and other issues - in English and Spanish. They also have a Retirement Estimator (www.ssa.gov/estimator) that enters her earnings information from their records to estimate her projected Social Security benefits under different scenarios (age at retirement, future earnings projections, etc.)

Another good resource is the Women's Saving Initiative, a program jointly developed by Heinz Family Philanthropies, the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement (WISER) and Visa Inc. This program features a free book called "What Women Need to Know About Retirement," which you can download as a PDF or audio file at www.practical-moneyskills.com/resources.

If you need professional help, consult a licensed financial planner who can design a personalized retirement strategy. If you don't know one, try the Financial Planning Association (www.plannersearch.org).

Mother's Day is May 11. If you're wracking your brain for ways to show your mom appreciation for all the sacrifices she made while raising you, here's a thought: Why not offer to spend some time helping to sort through her financial, legal and medical paperwork to make sure everything is in order?

While flowers and candy offer immediate gratification, I'll bet your mom will truly appreciate the long-term value of getting her records in order now so that she - and you - will be able to take appropriate actions later on, should the need arise.

Some of the areas you might want to organize include:

Retirement income sources. Gather these documents so your mom will have a better idea how much income she'll have available throughout retirement:

*Register your mom at [mySocialSecurity](http://mySocialSecurity.gov) (www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount) to gain access to personalized estimates of retirement, disability and survivors benefits, lifetime earnings records and estimated Social Security and Medicare taxes paid.

*You'll also need your dad's statement to determine any potential spousal or survivor benefits for which she might be eligible, so sign him up as well.

*Annual statements for pension, IRA, 401(k) or other retirement savings plans for which she's eligible. (Check your dad's statements too in case she's eligible for spousal death benefits.)

*Bank statements for checking, savings, money market and CD accounts.

*Company stock and bond certificates, and statements for other investment accounts.

Outstanding debts. Also gather monthly statements and outstanding balances owed for major expenses including: home mortgage or other property loans, home equity loan or line of credit, car loan or lease, credit cards, medical bills and personal loans.

Other important documents.

Beautiful

From Page 8A

world are undeniably gorgeous, those that resemble Lupita Nyong'o are just as worthy of being celebrated. As an honoree at Essence magazine's "Black Women in Hollywood" event in February, Nyong'o spoke of a letter she received from a young girl who had settled on purchasing bleaching cream in hopes of lightening her skin—that is, until she came across an image of the actress, who she credits for saving her from impending self destruction. In response to this, Nyong'o expressed her willingness to continue to use her growing visibility as a weapon to annihilate beauty stereotypes that have persisted in our society for years.

"And so I hope that my presence on your screens and in the magazines may lead you, young girl, on a similar journey," she stated. "That you will feel the validation of your external beauty, but will also get to the deeper business of being beautiful inside. There is no shade in that beauty." With that being said, Lupita Nyong'o's current status as "World's Most Beautiful" verifies that she doesn't need to aspire to become the catalyst that may provide validation for women struggling with self acceptance—she has already

effectively done so. In a figurative sense, Nyong'o has surfaced as an accessible mirror that finally allows women of darker complexions to see a visual reflection of themselves through her rising status in popular culture. And overall her mere presence, both on and off the screen,

has made one bold, revolutionary declaration that black women—with their dark brown skin, natural features and even short, kinky hair—are unmistakably as beautiful as everyone else. As a result, the world is finally starting to take notice.

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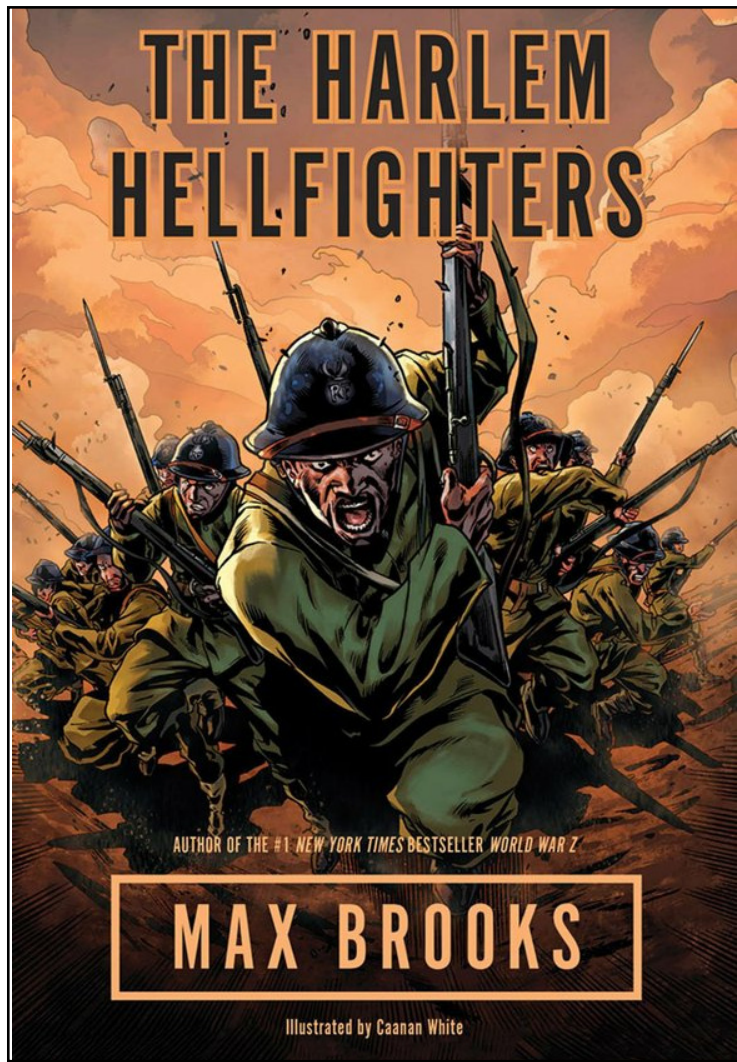
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The Harlem Hellfighters

by Avery Jordan - Special to the NNPA from Our Weekly



Action, drama, and a solid story—what more could you want from a graphic novel?

Max Brooks, author of the number one New York Times best-seller World War Z, has put together a truly extraordinary piece of work in The Harlem

Hellfighters (\$16.95, Broadway Books, 2014, 272 pages.) This World War I story is a fictionalized account based on the struggles of the 369th Infantry Regiment—the first African American regiment designated to fight in the war in 1918.

For those who are not familiar with the 369th Infantry Regiment (and other Black soldiers during that time period), these soldiers experienced strife and turmoil years before they reached the front lines. Blacks and Whites were still segregated in America, and military life was not much different. Black soldiers received no real weapons or uniforms and were provided minimal training consisting mainly of chores and hard labor, unlike the much more involved training provided to White soldiers. They also experienced constant attacks from their “fellow” White soldiers, police officers, and ordinary citizens. Black soldiers were being lynched, shot, burned and stabbed by their own soldiers and the people they were trying to protect, yet they were expected to not retaliate. From the Black soldiers’ perspective, this war was all about the White man running out of people to conquer, so they turned on themselves.

After a year of being kept from entering the war, the 369th was shipped overseas, only to find out that they would still be kept away from the fighting. The French military, however, enlisted America’s Black soldiers to fight alongside them, offering the soldiers adequate training, weapons, and equality and fair treatment.

Although the comic is illustrated in black and white, artist Caanan White does not fail to convey the extremely graphic and violent nature of war. From the smallest knife wound to the largest mortar explosion, White supplies artistry that leaves the reader captivated with every turn of the page. The attention to detail is exquisite. White’s meticulous illustrations coupled with Brooks’ mastery of storytelling helps the reader understand what the war was like for these suppressed Black soldiers, and how devastating it was to witness death on such a large scale.

Brooks features many fictional characters along with Black historical figures such as Horace Pippin (a prominent artist of the early 20th century) and James Reese Europe (one of the founding fathers of Jazz). The character development and action both deserve praise as Brooks has proven to have assembled a graphic novel for the ages.

The struggle for Black soldiers to gain the respect of their White counterparts was a true test of endurance, faith in each other, and courage from within. This marriage of gripping storytelling and vivid imagery takes readers on an incredible journey that they will not soon forget: the journey of The Harlem Hellfighters

ASK AYANA

Daughter Hides Love Life



Dear Ayana,

I need some good advice. My boyfriend and I have been secretly dating for over a year. He knows very little about my parents and they have no clue about him. I’ve been able to get away with keeping them a secret from one another without any trouble until recently when my boyfriend asked if we could go visit my parents. My boyfriend thinks that my parents live out of state, which is why he’s been unable to meet them. I have my own apartment and come and go as I please so when my parents and I are together, they don’t ask about my love life and I don’t offer up any details. The reason for all of this secrecy is because my parents are completely stuck up and judgmental. They have certain expectations that go beyond any suitor just being a nice guy. They expect him to be college-educated and have a certain type of job or own his own business; they won’t accept anything less. My boyfriend is the opposite of everything that they want for me. He is very smart and I love his passion for serving those less fortunate; but he works in waste management and collects trash for the city that he lives in. I personally don’t have a problem with this at all. He’s a hard worker and makes good money. What impresses me the most is the way he treats me. I need to come clean to everyone. How can I get my parents to see beyond my boyfriend’s uniform? I know if they got to know him, they would really like him.

A Hot Mess

Dear A Hot Mess,

I’m trying to figure out why a presumably self-sufficient, grown woman would go to such lengths to keep people whom you love from knowing about each other. I get it, our parent’s opinions matter. But, at some point, you have to be a big girl and tell them that their opinions are just that-theirs, and not yours. Before you spill the beans to your parents, you need to come clean to your boyfriend. He probably won’t take the news too well when he realizes that you’ve been too ashamed to introduce him to your folks. He has every right to be upset too. He may feel like their low opinion of him, may be how you feel at some level too. Is he right? If not, prove it. Go boldly to your parents, tell them about your boyfriend and explain to them why you’ve felt that you couldn’t share your happiness with them. Hopefully, they will come to their senses and realize how silly they’ve been. In that case, arrange dinner plans for the four of you to get together. If they aren’t so welcoming, you have a decision to make. Do you allow your parents to interfere in your love life, shunning a man that you care for because of his choice in career? Or, do you draw a line in the sand and tell them that in this area of your life, they hold no ground? Those are your options. The truth of the matter is that your boyfriend (assuming he accepts your apology for the way you’ve deceived him) won’t take your parents’ abuse for long if you aren’t willing to stand up and defend him. If he’s important to you, if you see any future at all with him, come out of hiding. Stand up, fess up and act like a grown up. You can disagree with your parents without being disrespectful. Take charge and learn to live your life apart from the expectations of your family. Good luck to you.

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ANYONE INTERESTED IN BEING ACTIVE AND WORKING TO GET PEOPLE REGISTERED TO VOTE SHOULD ATTEND

WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY NAACP BRANCH

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON **MONDAY, MAY 12, AT CHRISTIAN FAITH MINISTRIES** LOCATED AT 27500 MARQUETTE IN GARDEN CITY THE MEETING BEGINS AT 7:00PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION FOLLOW THEM ON FACEBOOK AT **WWCNAACP**

Before I was a Mom

- Before I was a Mom -**
I slept as late as I wanted and never worried about how late I got into bed. I brushed my hair and my teeth everyday.
- Before I was a Mom -**
I cleaned my house each day. I never tripped over toys or forgot words to a lullaby. I didn't worry whether or not my plants were poisonous. I never thought about immunizations.
- Before I was a Mom -**
I had never been puked on - Pooped on - Spit on - Chewed on, or Peed on. I had complete control of my mind and My thoughts. I slept all night.
- Before I was a Mom -**
I never held down a screaming child so that doctors could do tests...or give shots. I never looked into teary eyes and cried. I never got gloriously happy over a simple grin. I never sat up late hours at night watching a baby sleep.
- Before I was a Mom -**
I never held a sleeping baby just because I didn't want to put it down. I never felt my heart break into a million pieces when I couldn't stop the hurt. I never knew that something so small could affect my life so much. I never knew that I could love someone so much. I never knew I would love being a Mom.
- Before I was a Mom -**
I didn't know the feeling of having my heart outside my body. I didn't know how special it could feel to feed a hungry baby. I didn't know that bond between a mother and her child. I didn't know that something so small could make me feel so important.
- Before I was a Mom -**
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