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# **Dearborn Heights Man** Gets 17 Years in **Porch Shooting**

ED WHITE, Associated Press



**Renisha McBride** 

years in prison for killing an

**Theodore Wafer** 

DETROIT (AP) — A Dearborn Heights man was sentenced Wednesday to at least 17

unarmed woman who appeared on his porch before

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## **Powerboat Championships Brings Windsor and Detroit Together**



# CVS stops selling tobacco, offers quit-smoking programs



WASHINGTON — Changes in by the Affordable Care Act the pharmacy industry spurred helped push drug store giant

CVS Caremark to announce Wednesday it will stop selling tobacco products at its 7,600 stores, and industry experts say they expect other businesses to follow.

CVS said it will stop tobacco sales by Oct. 1, a move that will cost the company about \$2 billion a year or about 3% of overall sales. Being in the wellness business, however, no longer goes with tobacco, said Helena Foulkes, CVS' pharmacy president.

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Title sponsor boat, 24Grille, will participate in Inaugural Detroit River International Powerboat Championships in downtown Detroit

DETROIT - On September 6-7th, over 40 offshore powerboats will race on the Detroit River in Downtown for the inaugural Detroit River Interna-Championships tional presented by 24 Grille.

This free community event is expected to draw over 150,000 attendees to Downtown Detroit's Riverwalk where prime viewing locations will bring Detroiters close to

the racing action. Proceeds from the weekend will be donated back to local charities supporting Detroit youth, police and veterans.

"Powerboat racing is a part of Detroit's history. Garwood established powerboat manufacturing here in the 1930s and for years they held powerboat races on the Detroit River," says Wes Wyatt Chairman of

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# CALL TO ACTIONMcRaising our sons to befrom

1. Insure That They Participate in Rites of Passage

great young men

Part II

One of the conspicuously missing elements in our families, communities and churches is Rites of Passage for Boys. For those of you who don't know what a rites of passage is, I'll define it by providing you with these appropriate illustrations.

One of the prime reasons men freeze or fail when it comes to manhood is because, truthfully, they don't know what to do! False bravado and embarrassment keeps them from admitting their lack of knowledge. Operating under the same concept as law school and boot camp, Rites of Passage for Boys prepares boys for manhood. By the time they graduate, they will have addressed every facet of being a man they will face in adult life. Backed by indepth training, they enter into manhood tempered, tested, tuned and confident!

### 2. Insure That They Have Proper Male Role Models

Like sponges, boys absorb and then mimic what they see, hear and read. It stands to reason, we don't want them mimicking the wrong sources. If they have no proper male role models to emulate, be forewarned; boys will mirror the next closest thing! Whether it is femininity, immature or riotous peers or Black men who are suffering from a male identity crisis. One way or the other, they are going to have role models. The question is, "What type?"

Proper male role models per-

form critical assignments. They are a boy's unequaled barrier and foremost guide. As barriers, they help boys identify and reject false bravado. As guides, they lead boys through the rough terrains of negative forces and societal pressures and safely navigate them into secure male identities and genuine masculinity.

Proper male role models teach by example what manhood entails. They instill in boys: courage, chivalry and bravery and set the tone for them on other crucial aspects of manhood such as maintaining a healthy male ego, being protectors, cultivators and providers. It's up to us to insure that our sons have proper male role models!

#### 3. Instill In Them a Respect For Their Fellow Man

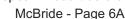
To respect means: to show deferential regard for; to avoid violation of or interference with; the state of being regarded with honor or esteem; having an appreciation for. Boys must learn at an early age to respect their elders, women, authority, other people's property and the law.

Words of respect such as, "Yes sir, yes ma'am, no sir, no ma'am, excuse me sir or ma'am, please and thank you," must be instilled in boys as part of their lifetime code of conduct. If they are not taught to be respectful, by virtue of default, they will gravitate towards being disrespectful. Being infused with respect molds them into becoming chivalrous, honorable men of integrity.

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dawn. Theodore Wafer was convicted of second-degree murder in the Nov. 2 death of 19-year-old Renisha McBride. Before he was sentenced, the Dearborn Heights man apologized to her family, saying he killed a woman who was "too young to leave this world." "I will carry that guilt and sorrow forever," said Wafer, often pausing to control his emotions. Wafer was convicted last month after a nine-day trial that centered on whether the 55-year-old had a reasonable and honest belief that he was in peril. He testified that he was awakened by pounding on his doors and shot McBride because he feared for his life. A jury rejected his claim of self-defense. Prosecutors recommended at least 17 years in prison for Wafer, the low end of the guidelines, including two years for unlawful use of a gun. Defense attorney Cheryl

Carpenter asked for as few as six years in prison. Noting Wafer's age, Carpenter told Judge Dana Hathaway that anything more than 10 years in prison would be a "life sentence." Wafer, who played football at Northern Michigan University in the 1970s, has health problems after a career as a laborer, including outdoor maintenance at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, Carpenter said. The judge declined to go below the guidelines. No one knows why McBride ended up at Wafer's home about 4:30 a.m., though prosecutors speculated she may have been seeking help. She had crashed her car into a parked car about a half-mile away in Detroit around 1 a.m. An autopsy found she was extremely drunk. Wafer opened the front door and shot McBride in the face, firing through a screen door. He first suggested to police that it was an accident but later admitted to intentionally pulling the trigger. In Michigan, victims can speak in court before



### **Powerboats**

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the races. "It's time to bring back a great tradition, one that is fun for all ages."

The race will begin up river from the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority. The race course was designed to bring high-speed action directly in front of Hart Plaza holding true to the event's motto "Detroit puts the race in your face."

"Detroiters and attendees in Windsor will be able to watch an action packed race," says President of the Detroit River International Championships, Tom McInnes. "We've planned a weekend of fun for families to see the boats, meet the racing teams, and enjoy the action."

On Saturday there will be

food and testing on the waters, along with meet and greets with the racing team. Sunday is the final championship race and the Championship Cup will be presented by Mayor Mike Duggan. A more detailed schedule of events can be found at http://detroitoffshorerace.com/.

Proceeds from the weekend will be donated to Detroit PAL (Police Athletic League), the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, and Wayne County Youth and Senior Education Fund.

About Detroit River International Championship. The Detroit River International Championship presented by 24 Grille is a two day event that brings powerboat racing to both Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan. Over 40 boats will race on the Detroit River with free viewing and community events all weekend

along the Riverfront and Hart Plaza. Learn more about this event at http://detroitoffshorerace.com/.



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# The Lessons of Ferguson, Part I: Economic Inequality

By Marc H. Morial - NNPA Columnist



"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

I am haunted by the words spoken by Lesley McSpadden immediately following the shooting death of her son, Michael Brown, at the hands of Ferguson, Mo. police officer Darren Wilson almost a month ago. She said, "Do you know how hard it was for me to get him to stay in school and graduate? You know how many Black men graduate? Not many. Because you bring them down to this type of level, where they feel like they don't got nothing to live for anyway."

Lesley McSpadden's words reflect more than her own deep anguish. They have been echoed by many of Ferguson's citizens and civic leaders who have rallied for justice since Brown's killing. They also expose the pervasive problems of joblessness and hopelessness fueling so much of the anger and tension in communities of color across America.

Michael Brown's death was the spark that ignited a long-smoldering fire in Ferguson; and while the immediate goal of the National Urban League and our affiliate network is the arrest and indictment of Officer Darren Wilson, this column represents the first in a three-part series that aims to examine some of the root causes and identify solutions that must be implemented to avoid crises similar to Ferguson in the future.

Let's begin with the lack of jobs and the epidemic of unemployment in Ferguson, a city that is 67 percent Black. The National Urban League's 2014 "State of Black America Report" found that the St. Louis metro area, which includes Ferguson, had a Black unemployment rate of 19.6 percent and a White unemployment rate of 6.9 percent – resulting in an unemployment Equality Index of 35.2 percent on a 100-point scale. reflects a glaring disparity of opportunity and has created a chasm of misunderstanding and distrust that is behind much of the violence that has erupted between police and citizens.

Four years out of the recession, America's private sector is expanding, but too many people have been left behind. In fact, many communities like Ferguson are worse off. According to a recent Brookings study, "Between 2000 and 2010-2012, Ferguson's poor population doubled."

The National Urban League has long been leading the charge for targeted federal and state action to bring jobs and opportunity to hard-pressed communities across the nation. Our "Jobs Rebuild America" campaign is a \$100 million, five-year effort to engage federal government, business, and nonprofit resources to create economic opportunity in 50 communities across the country through the Urban League affiliate network with a special emphasis on vulnerable youth.

In response to the crisis in Ferguson, Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders sent a letter to his Senate colleagues calling for both a thorough federal investigation of the shooting death of Michael Brown and targeted legislation to bring jobs to Ferguson and similar struggling cities. Sanders points out, "There is an economic crisis facing our nation's youth, particularly young African-Americans. Nationwide, the youth unemployment rate today is more than 20 percent and African-American youth unemployment is nearly 35 percent. The legislation would provide \$5.5 billion in immediate funding to states and localities to employ 1 million young Americans between the ages of 16 and 24."

At Michael Brown's funeral service, Rev. Al Sharpton calledon the nation and our community to task: "We can't have a fit, we've got to have a movement. We've got to be here for the long haul and turn our chants into change, our demonstration into legislation."

# Where is Snyder?

By: Jim Abeare -Contributing Writer



I don't know about you, but I am already getting tired of the election ads.

We have pro and con Teri Lynn Land ads.

Pro and con Gary Peters ads.

We even have pro and con Mark Schauer ads.

But where are the Governor Snyder ads. All I've seen are anti Snyder ads.

Doesn't he want to win the election? It doesn't seem like that to me.

Does he think his job is safe; because it isn't.

Schauer seems to be putting together a serious campaign.

So when will Snyder start? October?

The election was once his to loose.

Now I am not so sure.

Unless things change, Schauer will be the next governor on name recognition alone.

And Snyder, who has been a fair to middling governor will be on the outside looking in.



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"We really thought about this decision as it relates to the future as a health company it's good for customers and our company, in the long run," Foulkes told USA TODAY.

CVS, Foulkes said, sees its future as an alternative to the doctor's office. There are 26,000 pharmacists and nurse practitioners counseling customers about how to control their high cholesterol, diabetes and high blood pressure.

Other pharmacies are expected to eventually follow suit, and some cities in California and Massachusetts have banned tobacco sales at all pharmacies. The American Pharmacists Association asked for a ban on sales in 2010 at pharmacies, including at grocery stores that have pharmacies, according to an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association(JAMA) on Wednesday

As the Affordable Care Act is implemented, it's important to help people stay healthy, said Troy Brennan, the company's chief medical officer.

"It's expensive to provide health care for all the people through the ACA," Brennan said. The company will announce a "very large" smoking cessation program in the spring.

It makes sense for the company to shed a business with low growth prospects in favor of the high-growth health area, said Rita McGrath, a Columbia Business School professor who specializes in business growth and strategy. One potential focus, McGrath said, could be performing procedures that once had to be done in a doctor's office or a hospital in a "distributed setting," such as a CVS miniclinic. That, she said, could potentially erase the \$2 billion lost from tobacco sales.

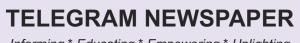
"I think they're betting on massive growth," she said. "That makes a lot of sense to me."

The mini clinics are key because of the shift to high-deductible plans by employers, as well as some of the new plans offered on the health exchanges through the Affordable Care Act. Pharmacies offering clinic services know that consumers must pay out of their own pockets until they reach that deductible, so the pharmacies offer a menu, complete with price, of lowercost options.

The 2010 health care law also encourages people to quit smoking by allowing insurers to charge up to 50% more for individual policies sold to tobacco users, but it also allows employers to offer discounts of up to 50% of a monthly insurance premium for employees who go through smoking-cessation programs – making those programs more attractive to the employers working with CVS and other pharmacies.

"[Doctors] point out that quitting smoking is incredibly difficult, and it can take several times," said Ceci Connolly, managing director of PwC's Health Research Institute. "But the ACA has some incentives as well, so this is part of the conversation right now."





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This level of economic inequality

One of the big lessons of Ferguson is the importance of investing in jobs, education and other tools to combat poverty in our communities instead of militaristic weapons for use against our communities. We hope that Washington and America are listening – and preparing to act.

Marc H. Morial, former mayor of New Orleans, is president and CEO of the National Urban League.

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# A Clean Sheet

By: Janine Folks - Telegram Religion Columnist



By Janine Folks

A new academic year under way. The highly anticipated return to school has begun. School supplies are still relatively new and freshness is still in the air. It's a new school year. It's a new page. Just like new notebooks have plenty of sheets of clean paper just waiting for you to create, so does this year. No grades are in the record book, so you are starting out with an A+. Can you maintain your A?

The beginning of the school year reminds me of a clean sheet of paper. A clean sheet of paper represents unlimited possibilities. With God's guidance, you can create a masterpiece. If you mess up, it's okay. You can use an eraser

or white out and keep working. God is great at erasing and whiting out blemishes that we confess that we are sorry for making.

Students: You have a clean sheet of paper in front of you. You can write 'honor roll' on it or 'better grades.' You can write 'good citizenship' on it and 'excellence.' This can be your year to shine academically. This can be the schoolyear you complete reading ten books! This can be the year you expand your vocabulary and master complicated math formulas! This can be the year your brain grows and you grow as a person. This could be the year you really improve and walk away from things that don't serve your future you. Set your goals and work toward them prayerfully.

Parents and Grown-ups: Even if you're not in school, you still have a clean sheet of paper in front of you. God gives us a clean sheet of paper every morning when He wakes us up. What will you write on your clean sheet of paper today? If you don't know, ask God to guide your hand as you write. With God guiding, you will end up with a masterpiece!

Even if the world seems to be

falling apart around you, you can still protect your clean sheet of paper. It belongs to you. No one can take it from you. You can do what you want with it. Make the best decisions you know how and do your best work. Don't allow your clean sheet of paper to go to waste. Make your mark carefully, thoughtfully and skillfully. Be creative and do your work with great joy! Make it stand out. Make it shine! You will be amazed at what you can do with that clean sheet of paper! You were born to be creative and productive! You were born to be victorious.

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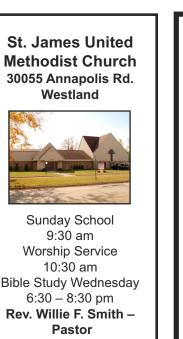
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**PERAZ JAMES** 

May 7, 1964 - Aug 12, 2014 Peraz James was born May 7,1964 to the union of Robert and Rose James in Wayne, Michigan. Peraz received an education in Inkster Public School System, and the Job Corps in Indiana.

He was a dedicated member of the Inkster Auxiliary Police Department for several years, protecting and serving the people of the Community. He worked primarily in mental health and the automotive field. Peraz leaves to cherish his memory: his father. Robert James, 5 children, Dominique, Antonio, Quantae, Jazmine, and Destiny;, 4 grandchildren; 7 brothers, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and family and friends.

Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes (chapelchime.com)



#### **ROSA MAE JONES**

Aug 29, 1933 - Aug 12, 2014 Rosa Mae Jones was born August 29,1933 in Centreville , Alabama. On June 26,1954, she married George Edward Jones, To this union , five girls were born : Robin, Debra, Barbara, Brenda, and Kimberly.

Rosie( as she was often



Oct 5, 1916 - Aug 15, 2014 Beatrice LaFaye Dawson was born October 5,1916 in Atlanta, Texas. Beatrice regularly attended St. Stephens Baptist Missionary Church in Inkster, where her mother was the Pastor. In the 1990's she became a member of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church in Westland, Michigan and regularly attended their senior sage program, until her health failed. Beatrice Young leaves a legacy of family to celebrate her life and cherish her memory: 9 children; James Jr., Wanda, Steve(Martha), Paul(Charlene), Adoria, Cynthia, Regina, Reginald and Beatrice; 1 Sis-Oretha ter. Kelly(John),21 grandchildren; 40 great grandchildren; 3 great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the h i m е (chapelchime.com)



RAYMOND JONES

Aug 14, 1940 - Aug 26, 2014 Raymond was born in Phenix City, Alabama. At the age of six, Raymond and his family moved to Ecorse, MI, where he was raised and remained a citizen until his transition He was known as "The Beast" on the football field. He was a member of Mt. Zion MBC. Raymond married the love of his life, Deloris Akins "Bae" and to this union three beautiful daughters were brought into the world; Wanda, Rhonda and Yolanda. His favorite past times were fishing, barbecuing, working in his yeard and building things. He leaves to cherish is memory, his loving wife, Deloris, his daughters, one son-in-law, five grandchildren and four great grandchildren, seven sisters, two brothers, two sister-inlaws and one brother in law.



Orlando Ponder was born on June 10,1964 to the late Aaron Ponder Sr.& Ethel Mae Ponder in Westland, MI. Orlando was the youngest child of 10 children; his brother, Joseph Ponder and Aaron Ponder Jr. preceded him in death. At an young age, Orlando confessed his faith in Christ at Wavne course Church of Christ in Romulus, MI.

Orlando received his formal education through **Romulus Public Schools** where he enjoyed auto mechanic class. In Orlando's eyes, there was no job to big and no job too small. He took pride in working everyday and spending quality time with his family and friends.

He married Andrea Butts. He raised his children Richard, Andrea, Antrice and DeAndre. On August 9, 2014, Elliot Ponder, a new edition to Orlando's legacy was born.

He leaves to cherish his memory his children that he loved dearly; 6 grandchildren; 5 sisters; 2 brothers; Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chimes (chapelchime.com)



Stephanie Carol Jennings was born August 11, 1948, in Chicago Illinois Stephanie is survived by her stepmother, Bertha Johnson.

Stephanie was formerly married to Hosea Jennings. Together, they had two children, Shawn Jennings and Brian C. Jennings.

Stephanie was the oldest of five children. She is survived by her dear siblings DeShaurne Beatty, Melanie Neal and Carlton, S. Johnson, Jr. Preceded in death was her sister, Denise H. Sluter.

Stephanie enjoyed life and spending time with her family and friends. When Stephanie was around there was always a party and she never missed an opportunity to celebrate. She loved to read, listen to music, watch tennis (In addition to her stepmother and children, Stepha-nie is survived by her grandchildren. Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Ch i m e S (chapelchime.com)

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Sunday, September 21

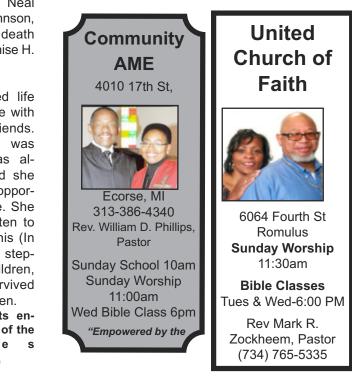
Theme: Kingdom Women. . . Past, Present, & Future

Speakers: 7:30am -Sister Cheryl Young 10:50am -Pastor Simone Dukes, Refreshing Word Ministeries, Detroit, MI

During this Women's Day Celebration, we will pay tribute to women who have gone on to glory who have had an impact on our home, church, or community.

Please come out and join us for these spiritfilled services of celebration.

Sister Delorise White, Chairperson



Sometimes the people who need to pay their respects the most are the ones who can't. Until now.

called) loving, compassionate, and kind person. She was a good wife and mother that loved children. She took care of many children including her own. She would help anyone who needed it especially when it came to words of encouragement.

Survivors are daughters: Robin ,Debra ,Barbra(Carl), Brenda (Robert)and Kimberly; grandchildren and great grandchildren. Final arrangements entrusted to Chapel of the Chime S (chapelchime.com)



# IN THE SPIRIT

# **Race Related**

By Rev. Julius Collins



Is all conflict between white and black men race related? Both men can associate and work together. Both date, marry and birth children out of their races. Couples and friends live together in common living arrangements and in college dorm rooms. Old and young are coupled together. Our children go to school together and play together.

Then why when there is a disagreement or physical confrontation between the two it in up the battle of the races? Black verses the white or visa versa. Where is the love and unity we have for one another? Church folk and non church folk takes side. They all began to point their finger at the color of the individual than whether who's right or wrong.

The bible tells us that all people have the same thing in common. God has made us all the same. We all are apart of the human race. As one race of people we can live together. We are no different from the other. So, why are you so quickly to judge people by the color of there skin or race or religion? John 7:25 vs. Don't judge by appearance, but judge righteous judgment. Why do you judge?

Then why when conflict involv-

ing black and white individuals equals to racism? People put one race of people against the other. It is hatred that motivates racism. Racism is still present in the world today. We see it in the "White House, Congress, in the media and all over. There are many prejudice people in the world. Behind the image of being united is really prejudice and strife! We say and do one thing, but, in your heart lies deceit.

Racism pops up when someone turns conflict into a race war. Some instigator and agitator exploit conflict to corrupt the masses of people. A black brother killing another black brother is a crime. But a white man killing a black brother after committing a crime is racism. A police officer is not the enemy; they are to protect and serve the citizens not use deadly force at any opportunity. A black brother was killed by a white cop. Was it racism or irresponsibility in the line of duty? The focus is shifted off of the situation at hand and has been full blown into a media circus and has spun out of control. Now a whole community got to suffer. Is that right?

There is no room for racism in the world. We need to handle conflict between the people with equality and justice. Not putting one race of people against another. We are race related because of one man Adam in the beginning. We are of one blood. And we are covered by the blood of Jesus. We are one people! one race of people! The human race! Do you think we are race related?

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a sentence is ordered. McBride's sister, Jasmine McBride, criticized Wafer for his "cowardly actions." The judge said McBride had made "some terrible choices" but that she didn't deserve to be killed. Hathaway described the case as "one life gone and one life ruined."

**McBride** 

The jury convicted Wafer of murder, manslaughter and a gun-related charge on Aug. 7. His maximum sentence is 32 years in prison, although he'll be eligible for parole after serving the minimum of 17. Wafer is white and McBride was black, and some wondered in the aftermath of the shooting whether race was a factor, likening it to the shooting of Florida teenager Trayvon Martin. But race was hardly mentioned at trial.

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# Minimum Wage Increase Isn't Enough



Dodgerton Skillhause/morguefile.com The extra money minimum-wage workers will bring home starting this week is welcome, but experts say it's just one step the state needs to take to lift more Michigan families out of poverty.

LANSING - Many Michigan workers will now be taking home a little extra, as the state's minimum wage increased this week from \$7.40 per hour to \$8.15 per hour. But analysts say much more needs to be done to tackle income inequality in the state.

Yannet Lathrop is a policy an-

alyst and the author of a new report from the Michigan League for Public Policy, which finds the state has one of the largest gender-wage gaps in the nation.

"In order to be able to combat the wage declines over the past 35 years for men and the wage stagnation for women, those wages need to increase more than what has been proposed," Lathrop says.

This is the first of four scheduled increases that will take the state's minimum wage to \$9.25 cents per hour in 2018. However the report, available on the MLPP website, recommends a minimum wage of at least \$10.10 per hour to truly make an impact.

Tackling the problem, according to Lathrop, will require investing in long-term solutions, such as increasing education funding and opportunities from preschool all the way to higher education.

"This really would help workers be better prepared for better jobs," says Lathrop. "Jobs that are knowledge-based and would raise wages overall."

The report also recommends expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit, encouraging collective bargaining, and supporting workplace flexibility for parents as necessary measures to close the wage gap between men and women and between high- and low-income workers.



# PHOTO OF THE WEEK



# Will Your Kids Inherit Your Debt?

By Jason Alderman



Many people finally get around to writing a will in order to safeguard their assets for their heirs. But what if you've got the opposite problem: Your nest egg was decimated by the recession, bad investments or simply living longer than expected and now you've got a mountain of bills you can't pay off.

Will your kids inherit your debts after you die?

The short answer is, not in most cases. But there are situations where someone could be legally responsible for paying off your bills after death. Plus, aggressive creditors have been known to coerce heirs into paying off debts for which they're not responsible, just to be left alone.

If you're afraid that your financial legacy will be a heap of unpaid bills, here's what you need to know and prepare for:

In general, children aren't responsible for paying off their parents' unsecured debts – things like credit cards, personal loans and medical bills, which aren't collateralized by physical property. If there's not enough money in the estate to pay off those bills, creditors will have to write them off.

There are several exceptions, however:

If your child, spouse or other acquaintance is a cosigner on a credit card or loan (e.g., mortgage, car, personal loan), they share equal responsibility for paying it off. This is why you should always think twice before cosigning anyone's loan. If someone is a joint account holder - that is, their income and credit history were used to help obtain the loan or credit card - they're generally responsible to pay off the balance. Widows and widowers are responsible for their deceased

spouse's debts if they live in a

community property state. Note that authorized users on your credit cards aren't liable for repayment since they didn't originally apply for the credit. Chances are they were simply "piggybacking" on your credit record to help build their own. However, to protect authorized users from being bothered by creditors after your death, you may want to remove them from your accounts.

If you have outstanding secured debts upon death, such as a mortgage or car loan, your estate must pay them off or the creditor can seize the underlying asset. For example, if you were planning to leave your house to your kids, they'll need to either pay off or continue making payments on any outstanding mortgage, property taxes and insurance, or risk foreclosure.

Depending on your state's laws, there are a few types of assets, like life insurance proceeds and retirement benefits, which you can pass along to beneficiaries that generally won't be subject to probate or taxation and thus may be safe from creditors.

Just be aware that if you name your estate as beneficiary for an insurance policy or retirement account, creditors can come after the money to pay off your debts. Thus, it's usually wise to name specific individuals as beneficiaries – and back-up beneficiaries, in case they die first. Also, if your beneficiary is a cosigner on any of your debts, creditors can pursue him or her for any balances owed.

Check with a probate attorney or legal clinic familiar with your state's inheritance and tax laws. Free or low-cost legal assistance is often available for lower-income people.

Bottom line: If you expect to leave unpaid debts after you die, alert your family now, so that together you can plan a course of action. You don't want to blindside your loved ones in the midst of their grief.

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

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FLOOD CLEANUP EFFORTS

Thousands of residents need assistance removing damaged belongings



SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN - The Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC), the State of Michigan's lead agency on volunteerism, is looking for volunteers to help Southeast Michigan residents clean up damaged homes after the Aug. 11 torrential rain and flooding. Volunteers can sign up by going 0 semichiganflood.givegab.com or calling 2-1-1.

The MCSC has collected information from thousands of Michiganders across Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties who have requested volunteer assistance to remove damp belongings, eliminate odors, and remove moldy drywall and paneling. The commission is working with several volunteer organizations to help numerous families-including the elderly and people with functional needs-but there has been a shortage of local volunteers to provide assistance.

"While the flood didn't last long, it left behind houses damaged by sewage and dirty water; in some cases the water was two feet deep or more in basements," said Ginna Holmes, executive director of the MCSC. "This damage can't typically be seen on the outside, but many residents cannot currently live in their homes due to the mold, smell and unsanitary conditions. We are asking for any and all volunteers to give a few hours of time to get our neighbors back in their homes quickly and emergency managers and the State of Michigan to organize all of the Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster groups that have responded to the disaster up to help.

and match them with the residents needing assistance and the volunteers who have signed



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Prospective volunteers can also visit a Volunteer Reception Center to sign up to help from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 30, and Sunday, Aug. 31, at Starr Presbyterian Church. 1717 W. 13 Mile Road, in Royal Oak. Volunteers are asked to come prepared to be immediately sent to a work site and have closed-toe shoes, work clothes and work gloves.

Residents still needing volunteer cleanup assistance are asked to call 2-1-1 to be connected with volunteers or fill out assistance form an at www.michigan.gov/miflood. A **Recovery Coordination Center** has been established by the MCSC in partnership with local

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# Inkster Seniors recognized for Olympics Awards

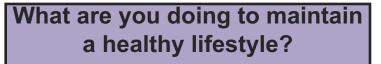


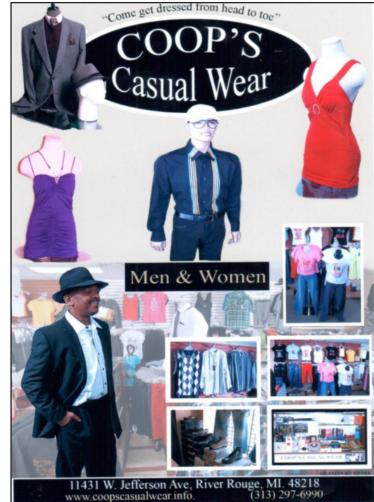
The Western Wayne Senior Olympics was a great place for seniors of Inkster to show their stuff. Forty-two (42) participants with won 50 medals during this year's competition. won. 19 Gold, 21 Silver and 10 Bronze.

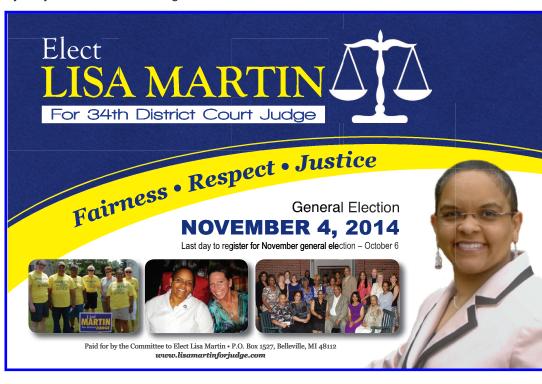
The seniors were recognized by Mayor and council during

this week's council meeting.

This was the 10th year for the Western Wayne County Senior Olympics. Communities represented were Belleville, Canton Township, Dearborn , Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township, Wayne and Westland. Wayne County (Jakleen Ochalek) also plays a big role in making this event happen.







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Mr. Gay has over 25 years of consulting experience, and will be discussing the Ten things to Know about Wet Basements and Crawl Spaces.

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# HOROSCOPES

#### SEPTEMBER 4 - SEPTEMBER 10, 2014

#### ARIES

Confusion exists over some question, and every time you think you've got the answer, circumstances will change and new information will come to your attention. Don't worry, things are going to clear up and work out. Take it easy. Change the question.

Soul Affirmation: I make myself an inspiration to others this week.

Lucky Numbers: 12, 19, 20

#### TAURUS

Communications flow smoothly this week and your word is golden. A wild idea for money making could come to you, but you should let the strictly material walk on by. Stick to your current plan and use your imagination for ways to uplevel your spiritual outlook. Soul Affirmation: I celebrate freedom of mind this week. Lucky Numbers: 33, 42, 49

#### GEMINI

A party or gathering with friends from the past will give you the opportunity to see how much you are loved. You've made tremendous strides and accomplished much in your life, so be pleased with yourself this week. Pass some of your wisdom along to others. Soul Affirmation: I give thanks for who I am this week.

Lucky Numbers: 40, 48, 55

#### CANCER

An afterglow will surround you this week if you summon it up from your subconscious, and you may not feel like getting immediately into work-mode on several days this week. It's okay to go with your feelings; the world will wait for a little while. Treasure happy moments.

Soul Affirmation: My smile gives light to everyone I meet this week.

Lucky Numbers: 9, 21, 38

#### LEO

Your mind will be extra busy this week with thoughts of new projects and the things you want to get done. Best course of action is to clear up pending and overdue items. You'll have a clean slate in no time and will feel genuinely content and ready for the new stuff. Soul Affirmation: Light from my soul shines in many directions. Lucky Numbers: 11, 13, 51

#### LIBRA

A friend from the past could suddenly appear in your life. This could be a highly beneficial reunion for both of you. Let bygones be bygones, and renew this friendship. Love isn't used up just because it's shared.

Soul Affirmation: My blessings come through others this week. Lucky Numbers: 8, 24, 53

#### **SCORPIO**

Drive the speed limit this week or you could wind up with a ticket. Why rush? Serenity is available if you only stop and listen for it inside of you. Discharge your usual obligations with dignity and silently count your blessings.

Soul Affirmation: Friendships are the shock absorbers on the bumpy road of life. Lucky Numbers: 4, 52, 53

#### **SAGITTARIUS**

Trust! -- that's what you need to do. Sure people lie sometime but when you know their hearts you know what to expect and therefore you're not deceived. Be prepared for lots of compliments this week. Most of them will be sincere, so plan to accept them gracefully. You may be planning a summer trip. Make it a nice getaway Soul Affirmation: I take a chance on new beginnings. Lucky Numbers: 22, 28, 29

#### CAPRICORN

Live free and large, and cherish good friends. Financial matters are highlighted during working hours. Everything to do with your money, or money under your care, goes smoothly. A party invitation arrives say YES!

Soul Affirmation: I open myself up to the good news that wants to come out me.

Lucky Numbers: 33, 46, 55

#### **AQUARIUS**

Creative mental energy makes this a banner week for you. An ambition that you thought you had left behind years ago suddenly resurfaces, and you'll see similarities between what you are doing now and what you dreamed of back then. Enjoy!

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#### VIRGO

You should know by now that trying to be in two places at once is very taxing to your nerves! Slow down a bit and trust that you'll get what needs to be done accomplished. Give yourself a head start on all road trips so that you have time to enjoy the view. Love promises much this week. Accept the promise.

Soul Affirmation: My mood is created by the company I keep. Lucky Numbers: 12, 19, 36

Soul Affirmation: Laughter is strong medicine against any disease.

Lucky Numbers: 34, 46, 55

#### PISCES

No need for rowdiness, wild ones! You can make your point without jumping up and down and waving your hands and arms in the air! Speak your wisdom softly, gently this week, so that others can hear it and benefit. smooth one!

Soul Affirmation: Wearing three different hats is easy for a person like me.

Lucky Numbers: 18, 27, 39

# Rouge Panthers bite Romulus Eagles, 34-18, in season opener

By Christian Young



Receiver Ashawnti Howard #2 catches a pass for a touchdown

Take two strong defensive teams and what do you get? A shootout, apparently.

Well, it seemed that way for the first quarter when the River Rouge Panthers hosted the Romulus Eagles to open the 2014 football season this past Thursday, as the two teams accounted for four touchdowns in four possessions. But the true nature of these

teams shone through, and de-

fense again ruled the day as the Panthers came away with a 34-18 victory.

River Rouge coach Corey Parker was pleased with the outcome—and with the test.

"I knew that they were a tough, talented team and we would have to come to play," he said. "At the end of the day, we knew we had to execute." Romulus coach Thom Patter-

son was appreciative of the

game as well, but was very candid about his team's performance.

"We just didn't play very good football tonight," he said. "We made too many mistakes and we didn't execute."

Darius Jackson ran for a twoyard score around the left end to cut the Panther lead to 26-18 midway through the fourth

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# Putting Me First



# **Allen Park Jaguars rout Melvindale Cardinals**

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer

Allen Park took on its rival Melvindale playing on neutral ground at the annual Prep Kickoff Classic happening on the campus of Wayne State University by winning their 2014 opener by the final score of 43-23. On the second play of the game, Manny Andrade took off 65 yards to make it a 6-0 score just 40 seconds into the game. Andrade ran for 154 yards and three touchdowns in the win. Melvindale got on board when Khalid Mousa put up a 32 yard field goal for a 6-3 game as the clocked rolled into the second quarter. From there the Jags got to work, building their lead up to 29-3 before letting the Cards strike again. Allen Park Coach Tom Hoover was pleased with his team's effort and said it meant a lot to the upperclassmen. "The seniors felt like we owed them one after last year," he said. "There's a lot of pride in both schools with the borders. It's been a bit of a rivalry (and) it meant a lot to the kids tonight." On the other side of the ball, Melvindale Coach Jason Carriveau said his team just made too many mistakes to beat a strong Allen Park team. "They executed very well," he said. "We know what we have to do to win football games and we did not do that tonight."

# **SUPPORT YOUR** LOCAL SCHOOL **SPORTS TEAM Tigers Gaining Ground for**

**Post Season** 

#### By Butch Davis

Injuries forced the Tigers to use nine starters in August and this past Tuesday left-hander Kyle Lobstein will make his second career start against Cleveland in addition, the Tigers will recall pitcher Buck Farmer from Triple-A Toledo Tuesday. Farmer was hammered in his last outing with the team, giving up seven earned runs while recording only four outs on Aug. 23. He spent most of his time this season with Class A West Michigan, posting a 2.60 ERA and 116/24 (strikeout/base on ball ratio) in 103 2/3 innings. Farmer also did a solid job with Double-A Erie but struggled in two starts with Toledo. Tigers pitcher Anibal Sanchez remains without a timetable to resume throwing as he continues to recover from a right pectoralis strain, MLB.com reports. "It's good that he felt better today, but until he's completely pain-free, we won't do anything with him," manager Brad Ausmus said Monday. Sanchez has been sidelined since Aug. 8 with the injury. In the mean while Tigers pitcher Rick Porcello took a step back on this past Sunday against the White Sox, dropping to 15-9 on the season. The right-hander permitted six runs -- three earned -- on 11 hits and one walk over 6 2/3 innings while striking out a seven in his team's 6-2 defeat. Currently, this past Monday, David Price (13-10) gave up one run and eight hits in seven innings, more of a typical performance by the lefthander than what happened last week when he allowed

nine consecutive hits to New York in one inning and eight runs over two. Price called it "probably the worst game I've ever had in my life."

Now the good news is Miguel Cabrera who did not play this past Sunday returned with a bang as the Detroit Tigers wins the opener of this four-game set against Cleveland on Labor Day. Cabrera went 4 for 5 with two homers, three RBIs and four runs in Monday's 12-1 victory after sitting out the day before with a lingering ankle concerns. Cabrera hit a tworun homer in the first inning and Victor Martinez and J.D. Martinez connected for consecutive shots in the third off Cleveland's ace. Cabrera homered again in the eighth inning.

I do see individual player on the team stepping up, how-

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ever, the defense and bullpen are still concerns, nevertheless, ours Tigers playing with more heart as the team has gain two games on the division leading Kansas City Royals only trailing by a half a game in the standing for American League Central Division. The Tigers finish up the series in Cleveland today before coming home to play the San Francisco Giants over the weekend before taking on the Kansas City Royals at Comerica Park, September 8, with a special game time start that day of 4:00pm.

### Page 12A TH The Detroit Lions are Set for 2014

### THE TELEGRAM NEWSPAPER WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4 - SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 Christy's Dance in the Park 5K to raise funds for Taylor-based charity for orphan children

#### By Butch Davis

The Detroit Lions announced last Saturday that they have released 22 players to trim their roster down to the NFL mandated 53-man limit prior to the 4 p.m. league deadline that day. The Lions released the following players: G Rodney Austin, LB Shamari Benton, WR Kris Durham, WR Patrick Edwards, TE Michael Egnew, DT Andre Fluellen, CB Chris Greenwood, FB Emil Igwengu, LB Brandon Hepburn, C Dar-Keyton, RB Mikel ren Leshoure, WR Andrew Peacock, DT Xavier Proctor, S Ness, G Nate Garrett Reynolds, DT Jimmy Saddler-McQueen, CB Mohammed Seisay, LB Julian Stanford, TE Jordan Thompson, DE Darryl Tapp, T Michael Williams and RB George Winn.

Now, August 31, the claiming period for players placed on waivers at the final roster reduction expired at 12:00 noon, New York time, so on that same day beginning at 12:00 noon, New York time, clubs may establish a practice squad. The Detroit Lions announced this past Sunday that they have signed the following players to the team's practice squad: G Rodney Austin, FB Emil Igwenagu, S Nate Ness, WR Andrew Peacock, DT Xavier Proctor, CB Mohammed Seisay, LB Julian Stanford, TE Jordan Thompson, T Michael Williams and RB George Winn.

Currently if you did not know, the NFL and the NFL Players Association have agreed to expand NFL Practice Squads for the 2014 and 2015 seasons from eight to ten players.

#### The Lions began their preparation for their Week 1 game vs. the New York

Giants on Monday Labor Day with a practice in helmets and shorts at the team's training facility in Allen Park. The Lions and Giants open the 2014 season on ESPN's Monday Night Football (9/8/2014 at 7:10pm), for only the second time the two teams have met on the Monday Night stage. The last time the Lions began the season in primetime was a Sunday matchup at Washington September 1, 1991 on TNT, and Detroit has opened the season on primetime three times since the 1970 NFL-AFL merger (1971,1979 and 1991). The last time Detroit and New York played on MNF was November 7, 1983 when the Lions defeated the Giants 15-9. The all-time series record between the two teams stands at an even 20-20-1, with the Giants winning last season's clash, 23-20 in OT.

Now remember the Tigers are playing a 4:00pm afternoon game this upcoming Monday so leave early if you are going to the Lions game at Ford Field starting time 7:10pm.



TAYLOR – A 5K run and walk will raise will raise funds and support for the Taylor-based Christy's Legacy of Hope charity for orphaned children around the world.

The second annual Christy's Dance in the Park 5K and Fun Run for Kids are scheduled for the morning of Saturday, September 13, at Taylor's Heritage Park, 12111 Pardee Road.

Christy's Legacy of Hope was founded by Taylor resident Karen DePriest to honor the legacy of her daughter Christy Lynn DePriest Wright, who died from a rare form of cancer in May 2010. The 5K will take place on a very scenic course followed by offerings on a post-race goodie table, music and awards ceremony. Race snacks have been donated by Autumn and Jerry Sharp. The giveaways will include some photo shoots from J. Mendek Photography, a three-month membership to the Romulus Athletic Center, a massage gift certificate and a special gift for males from Active Rewards.

Other sponsors include the Texas Roadhouse restaurant in Taylor, Tally Dental, the Taylor Firefighters and the Rotary Club of Taylor. Awards will be presented to the first-place overall male and female and to leaders in the following age groups: 14 and younger, 15 to 19, 20 to 29, 30 to 39, 40 to 49, 50 to 59, 60 to 69 and 70 and older. The award ceremony is scheduled for 9:45 a.m.

Sponsorships are available starting at \$50. For more information on sponsorships or the 5K, please send an email to christyslegacyofhope@live.co m or call (313) 291-0352.

For more information on the charity and events that support it, visit the website www.ChristysLegacyOfHope.com.

## Panthers

#### From Page 11A

quarter, but River Rouge clapped right back with a 34yard mad dash by Leinell Martin. Antoine Burgess ran in the two-point conversion to build the score to 34-18.

The Eagles attempted to drive again, but an interception by River Rouge's Dontez Blackshear just before the two-minute warning sealed the deal for the Panthers.

Sevann Williams ran back the opening kickoff for a 75 yard score to spot the Eagles a 6-0 lead, but River Rouge answered with a 50 yard pass from Antoine Burgess to Ashawnti Howard to knot the score on the very next possession. Romulus went up again on the next possession when Gary Young busted loose for 65yard score, but then Burgess ran in a one-yard score set up by a 33-yard toss to Howard. But after that first quarter, the two teams decided to reload and settled in for physical play. The Eagles rode the legs of Oscar Brown to the Rouge 5yard line, but the Panthers stepped up and stopped him for a loss on fourth down.

hosts, as Burgess ran it in from nine yards out. He also punched in the two-point conversion to put the Panthers up 20-12.

The two teams then continued their slugfest, trading stopped drives, big runs—and laundry. The Panthers and Eagles combined for 12 penalties, including three personal fouls.

"We're so young, sometimes we make young mistakes," Parker said. "But that's no excuse. We have to get better." Patterson was even more blunt. "We put the ball on the ground way too many times," he said. "Our tackling needs to improve." As expected, both defenses were tough, with each team combining for seven sacks and six takeaways. Burgess brought the hosts to a 26-12 lead with a two-yard run with 1:37 left in the third quarter.

Before she died, Christy spent five weeks teaching English to orphaned children in China. The young woman fell in love with her students and hoped one day to return to China and care for the orphaned children. The charity continues Christy's vision, passion and commitment to orphans throughout the world.

The 5K and fun run raise money for the charity. The fun run will start at 8 a.m. and the 5K at 8:30 a.m. in front of Pavilion A in Heritage Park.

The registration fee for the 5K is \$30 through race day. Competitors can register online at www.christyslegacyofhope.co m, www.runmichigan.com or www.active.com. The fun run is free.



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The second quarter's only touchdown came from the

The game was halted for a while due to the need for a Romulus player to be carted off near the end of the third quarter.

River Rouge (1-0) will host Pontiac Notre Dame Prep tomorrow at 7 p.m., while RomuPacket pickup is available Tuesday, September 9, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Pavilion A at Heritage Park or starting at 7:30 a.m. race day at the park.

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#### August 19th, 2014

At 1929hrs, an officer was dispatched to the police station lobby for a Counterfeit Money complaint. A 37 year old male told officers that he cuts grass at a home in the 1st Block of Florence Street. He states when he finished cutting the grass at about 1600hrs the 60 year old female homeowner's husband gave him a \$100.00 counterfeit bill. He states he didn't examine right away but gave the husband the \$80.00 change. Officer examined the bill and it res "for motion picture use only" on the front. The bill was taken and tagged as evidence. And after speaking to the homeowner the officer believed that they didn't know it was counterfeit. Now where it came from remains the question.

#### August 19th, 2014

At 0047hrs, RRPD was notified by Desk Command that DPD was pursuing a vehicle on east bound Pleasant and the vehicle was a silver 2000 Buick Century occupied by 3 males. DPD terminated the pursuit after entering the city. A short time later officers were dispatched to a home in the 100 Block of East James on a report of a vehicle that pulled into the back yard of a residence nearly struck a fence. The vehicle in question was the same vehicle DPD had in pursuit was now unoccupied. Upon checking the vehicle a Michigan Department of Correction Identification Card was found inside the vehicle along with a cell phone. DPD arrived and the vehicle and items was turned over to them. A check with LEIN on the identification card showed one of the male was currently on parole and registered to an address on Maple Street. Officers checked and found the hone vacant. But they still know the identity of one male who was in the vehicle and he will probably be back to the "big house"

#### August 17th, 2014

At 0247hrs, an officer stationed at Visger facing east bound observed red GMC Envoy disregard the Red Light at Visger & Beechwood. A Traffic Stop was initiated and the officers approached the vehicle and asked for the pertinent information. The 34 year old female driver appeared visibly upset and arguing with the 25 year old sister. The driver turned the anger on the officer after he requests her information three times. She told him she was tired of life and did not want to deal with life anymore. She was taken into custody while the officer tried to determine if she had mental issues. A check through LEIN showed her record clear, but showed the sister had several outstanding warrants for Assault on a Police Officer. The sister became combative with the officer and refused to provide him with information and stated she wanted to speak to another officer. The sister continued to refuse to cooperate until two Ecorse officers on scene came to assist with her arrest was placed under arrest for the warrants when she told officers there was a handgun in the vehicle that belong to her sister, the driver. A loaded 380 Thunder handgun was located under the arm rest in the vehicle. She told officers they were lucky she didn't shoot them. The sister was placed in the patrol vehicle and while being transported to the police station she began banging her head and kicking on the screen partition that separate the front and back. She sustained a laceration on her forehead and refused medical attention. This is the Big Bang Theory. The driver had an loaded unregistered handgun in the vehicle and the vounger sister had several outstanding warrants from other agencies. A "Sister's love" might have prevented this incident from happening. You figure it out. We can agree to disagree but we should be loving to family, friends and all that surrounds us, including enemies. Both might do some jail time!



Teens who commit to safe driving have the chance to bring award winning superstar sibling sensation The Band Perry to their hometown for a private concert this coming school year.

As part of the State Farm Celebrate My Drive program, the company is teaming up with The Band Perry to encourage safe driving in high schools across the U.S. and Canada. Last year more than 6.3 million safe driving commitments were made through this program. Celebrate My Drive promotes responsible driving practices like 2N2: 2 eyes on the road and 2 hands on the wheel.

"We have such great memories of when we first got our driver's licenses and we love that Celebrate My Drive is such a positive program that supports new teen drivers," said members of The Band Perry. "Teen driver safety continues to be a major issue, and this program gives us a platform to spread the word and encourage safe driving in teens' first years behind the wheel. It's a privilege to partner with State Farm to shed light on this important issue and hopefully help save lives."

The Band Perry Helps Teens Celebrate

Safe Driving

Schools could win a concert or grant monies

Starting today through Oct. 7, administrators at U.S. and Canadian high schools can go to www.celebratemydrive.com to register to participate in the celebration. Teens and community members can commit to safe driving once a day every day from October 15-24 in support of their favorite high school. Two grand prize winning schools will receive a private concert from The Band Perry. The 100 high schools with the most online safe driving commitments will win a grant award of \$25,000 or \$100,000.

"Getting a driver's license is a major milestone in a young adult's life, and The Band Perry is the perfect partner to help celebrate it," said Leif Roll, Marketing Vice President for State Farm. "Teens, in particular, connect with music in a major way, so it only makes sense to partner with one of the biggest acts in music to celebrate this new generation of teen drivers. As a leader in auto safety, we feel Celebrate My Drive has proved to be a positive way to help educate teens and their parents about teen driver safety."

The Celebrate My Drive program engages teens and the adults who influence them to have supportive and positive conversations about safe driving. Sadly, for more than 30 years car crashes have been the leading cause of teen deaths.

About Celebrate My Drive: Celebrate My Drive® is a different approach to a leading public health risk. Car crashes are the number one killer of teens, and a teen's first year on the road is the most dangerous. Using research as a guide, State Farm is approaching teen driver safety, a winnable public health battle, by engaging teens while they learn to drive in a supportive and positive way. It's a community celebration of safe driving habits emphasizing the benefits of safe choices as teens celebrate the freedom that comes with getting a drivers' license. Learn more about the initiative at www.celebratemydrive.com.

### Here is this week's schedule games played in the Telegram News distribution area

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# The Godfather of Hip Hop

By Jineea Butler - NNPA Columnist



Hip Hop has always had a fetish with gangster movies and characters. We often see artists referring to themselves in lyrics or using popular characters as their stage name: Public Enemy, Scarface, and Little Caesar were all popular gangster films of the 1930s. The Notorious B.I.G. lost a court battle for the right to use the name Biggie Smalls, a character in "Let's Do It Again" with Sidney Poitier and Bill Cosby. Even French Montana borrowed half of his name from Tony Montana made famous by Al Pacino in Scarface.

My favorite is the Godfather trilogy. It is a timeless chronicle of a 1940s New York Mafia family, redemption and the struggle to protect their empire from rival families. The current state of Hip Hop could be looked at as having five controlling families; New York City, Miami, Los Angeles, Atlanta, and Chicago.

In the Godfather, Marlon Brando played a violent and vicious hero. One could argue that the description is redundant, but are you familiar with

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Hip Hop Veteran James 'Bimmy' Antney? Yes, Love and Hip Hop's Waka Flacka and Deb Antney's kin, and a former member of the Supreme Team. His moves are much like that of Don Corleone. In the Godfather II, Robert De Niro won an Oscar for portraying Young Vito Corleone and his rise to power. In a candid conversation with Bimmy, I learned how he earned the right to be called New York's unofficial Don of Hip Hop.

When I asked him why he got so much love and respect from his peers when most are met with hate, he quoted mobster John Gotti: "Everybody is a Gangster till the real Gangster walks in the room." Oh. Now I am not implying that Antney is involved in a life of crime. I could tell the streets raised him, but the desire to "be street" left the building long ago. Just like Don Corleone, he has been there and done that, but his experiences and wisdom has led him to understand that he must lead responsibly.

Bimmy is woven into the fabric of Hip Hop. He lived and slept on the floor in the early days of Def Jam in the famous Chung King Studio when Slick Rick did "Children's Story," when Run DMC did "Rock Box, when LL Cool Jay did "I'm Bad." He witnessed Hip Hop being born in its purest form.

Young Vito Corleone realized that the reigning Don Fanucci was taking advantage of the people of Little Italy and decided that the only way to save

them was to give him an offer that he couldn't refuse. Likewise, Bimmy expressed his deep disdain of how New York artists are treated and not revered as they once were. Bimmy wants everybody to understand one thing: while he may have worked for and popped artists from all over the country like Gucci Mane and 2 Chains, he loves his city and wants to restore New York to greatness. After a gap of 14 years since their last project together, LL Cool Jay entrusted him to lead the crusade on the production and arrangement of the highly anticipated album GOAT 2. LL's statement on Shade 45 VIP Saturdays says it all, "My man Bim, threw me to the wolves, I'm out here with the wolves and we doing what we do."

When Vito became the Don, he was everybody's go-to man. He catered to the people of the community and solved problems for the community. He negotiated truces and collaborations with the other five families, he even was the voice of reason when necessary. His team was comprised of his family and his most trusted allies.

I see Bimmy Antney carrying out the same obligations and undertakings representing the New York music scene. He led me to believe that is he the answer to making sure real Hip Hop lives, especially in New York. He said, "Who I am to down play Hip Hop, if I am not going to help. These young artists need to be nurtured and learn how to ask for and accept help. Maybe then their careers won't be so short. I know the formula. I'm taking it back to when we first started and all we had was the bull horn. Hip Hop follows the streets and the street game is backwards right now. I care about the mistakes, a mistake could cost us a whole borough. God appointed me to monitor it and care about it and I do."

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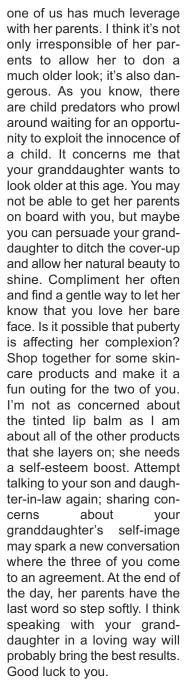
Dear Ayana,

My son and daughter-in-law allow my 12-year-old granddaughter to wear makeup already. It started at the beginning of the school year with her wearing tinted Chap-Stick. By the end of the school year, she's wearing cover-up, eyeliner, full lipstick and blush! My granddaughter already looks much older than she is, so I can't understand why my son would allow her to wear make-up already. My daughter-in-law says that I am overreacting and that wearing makeup at this age is acceptable. Maybe I'm too old school, but to me, this is not right. How can I get my son and daughter-in-law to see how wrong this is?

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#### Dear GG,

I agree with you that a face full of makeup at 12-years old is over the top. However, neither





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The Godfather trilogy is fiction; Bimmy is not. Far from being a member of the Mafia, he writes his own movies and is an example of how life can imitate art. As LL Cool Jay is wrapping up G2 and eyeing a G3, Bimmy is setting the stage for Hip Hop to accept an offer no one can refuse.Jineea Butler, founder of the Social Services of Hip Hop and the Hip Hop Union is a Hip Hop Analyst who investigates the trends and behaviors of the community and delivers programming that solves the Hip Hop Dilemma. She can be reached at jineea@gmail.com or Tweet her at @flygirlladyjay

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parade route is from the Romulus High School on Wayne Road, to Tobine, turning right on Shook to Goddard and then continuing on Goddard to Five Points and the Progressive Hall.

The parade is growing! Last year, because of the many family and friends of the Romulus Rotary Club working tirelessly ... we witnessed an amazing kick-off to the 2013 Romulus Pumpkin Festival. It is anticipated that the parade will double in size for 2014.

Two new entries have been created and a First Place cash prize of \$100 will be awarded to winners in each category. If you are interested in entering a float, don't delay in filling out an Entry Application (pictured left). Just visit our facebook page (link below) and you can print out an application or use the contact form below and send your request to the Club.

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