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Letter from Superintendent Coleman

Special to the Telegram Newspaper



River Rouge Superintendent Derrick R. Coleman

Dear Panther Family:

"In the depth of winter, I finally learned that in me there lay an invincible summer."
Albert Camus

This quote is inspirational and provides insight into my thoughts of our past calendar year; more importantly, it serves as the foundation for our work moving forward. Overcoming the challenges of last year simply serves as a reminder of what we can accomplish when we mix equal parts, strategic thinking,

compassion, and resiliency to execute the mission. Our theme for this upcoming year is "Defying the Odds" and these are not hollow words, they represent a movement.

We will continue to take bold and aggressive action for the survival of River Rouge Public Schools and I can promise you that the services provided to your children this year will match the bravado in which we speak. We are thankful for you entrusting us with your most precious asset and you can rest assured our efforts to

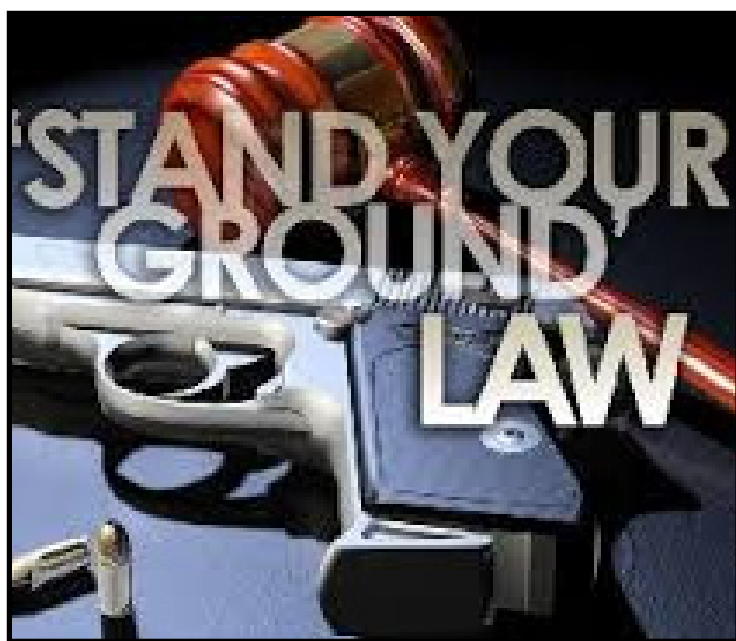
improve will exceed your expectations.

While our most recent efforts were able to bear fruit, it is with great sadness that I mention two urban communities as our own no longer having the luxury of a local school district to operate. I use luxury in the most literal sense as the promises of our past are no longer guaranteed for future generations, regardless to geographic location or zip codes. The boundaries for those districts have been redrawn and the children have been dispersed to neighboring districts.

The real tragedy in this situation comes from the fact there is little guarantee, if any, that the receptions awaiting those students will be as nurturing as their own communities were to them. Furthermore, the misfortune caused by the loss of tradition, history, and the unknown for those students, employees, and communities of both Inkster and Saginaw Buena Vista will have devastating outcomes

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MICHIGAN'S "STAND YOUR GROUND LAW"



In the wake of George Zimmerman's acquittal and the subsequent outrage from the community and organizations such as the NAACP, calling for justice in the death of Trayvon Martin, maybe its time to take a second look at he law. Some members of the Michigan Legislature are saying just that. In 2006, Michigan enacted the Self Defense Act, otherwise know as "Stand Your Ground" law, found at MCL 780.972. The law states:
780.972 Use of deadly force by individual not engaged in com-

mission of crime; conditions. Sec. 2.

(1) An individual who has not or is not engaged in the commission of a crime at the time he or she uses deadly force may use deadly force against another individual anywhere he or she has the legal right to be with no duty to retreat if either of the following applies:

(a) The individual honestly and reasonably believes that the use of deadly force is necessary to prevent the imminent

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Inkster Schools parents, community learn new district lines at emotional meeting

By Christian Young - Contributing Writer



The outside of the building said Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency, but the building had the feel of a funeral home. Many Inkster residents came to

see Inkster Public Schools officially declared dissolved and dead this past Thursday. And like a funeral, there was much sadness, shouting and outrage.

RESA Superintendent Christopher Wigent said that it was a very sad and tragic occasion.

"The final decision was made with less than six weeks left before the beginning of the school year and specifically targeted two districts," Wigent said. "There are many, many unanswered questions regarding this legislation."

Wigent and the rest of the board decided to dissolve the district at the local level, instead of leaving it up to state superintendent of public instruction Mike Flanagan—the only two choices given Wayne RESA under this new law—and brings an end to an era.

It was also the responsibility of Wayne RESA to re-draw boundary lines and divide the students among four neighboring districts, and the division will fall as follows:

Students who live north of Michigan Avenue and west of

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WORDS FROM THE PUBLISHER

By Gina C. Steward - Telegram Newspaper Publisher

Problems in the community? Check the home



Another person got shot. Another car was stolen, Another house was vandalized.

Aren't you sick and tired of hearing those statements and reading about these types of crimes being committed? I know I am. Whether it is in River Rouge, Ecorse, Inkster, Dearborn, Romulus, Detroit or another city, the problems are increasing.

I know there isn't one answer to solve these problems. Many groups and people are trying. There have been meetings, rallies, prayer vigils, marches and more meetings. I applaud the people that are leading the troops and trying to get the problems resolved. It is going to take everyone investing in their families to get our communities back to a place of pride.

My observation from problem solving is to get to the root cause. In engineering, we learned that if you wanted to find out why a car's clutch

went out, we had to tear down the failed part and analyze it. Maybe the o-ring was the wrong size, maybe the worker put the wrong fluid in cylinder or maybe it was the wrong cylinder. But the key was to go back to the beginning and examine the process, step by step until you find out what went wrong.

The root cause of many of these problems can be traced back to the same place...home. The people attending the meetings and rallies are not the ones committing the crimes, but it could be their family members. The attendees must make sure that their family and family members are leading a life that exemplifies character and positive values. Grandparents, aunts, uncles, parents and extended family members must work to instill values of respect into the family members at a young age. The poem "All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten" says a lot about the values that we should continue to teach our youth.

It is never too late for youth to change their ways. However family must reach out to their loved ones, pray for them and encourage them to love themselves and value their lives.

I know there is no one answer to solve the problems of our communities, but we must start somewhere. Home is a great place to start.

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felt for years to come. On behalf of the River Rouge Public Schools, I offer both heartfelt prayers and support for those communities as they heal from this travesty with our sincerest best wishes for the children who have been impacted.

While we were victorious in keeping our doors open for the upcoming year, success is fleeting and undoubtedly there exists a new set of challenges we must overcome. We cannot rest on our past victories and while nostalgia has its place, it will not be enough to ensure future success. With this understanding, this letter sounds the alarm proclaiming the time of the year where we refocus our efforts to ensure we remain firmly on the road to recovery. The media has provided us vivid images of cities and school districts forced to shut down and scramble to provide a quality educational setting for their children. With your resounding belief in us, it is without question that we will continue to "Defy the Odds" and I thank you in advance for your continued support.

Derrick R. Coleman
Superintendent of Schools

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death of or imminent great bodily harm to himself or herself or to another individual.

(b) The individual honestly and reasonably believes that the use of deadly force is necessary to prevent the imminent sexual assault of himself or herself or of another individual. (2) An individual who has not or is not engaged in the commission of a crime at the time he or she uses force other than deadly force may use force other than deadly force against another individual anywhere he or she has the legal right to be with no duty to retreat if he or she honestly and reasonably believes that the use of that force is necessary to defend himself or herself or another individual from the imminent unlawful use of force by another individual.

Prior to this law, Michigan followed the common law doctrine that "a person had a duty to retreat before defending yourself". Now, you do not have to retreat before defending yourself, but there are certain constraints. You must:

1. Not be engaged in the commission of a crime. If you are a felon, and carrying a gun (which is a violation of Michigan law), then use that gun to defend yourself, this defense will not be available to you.

2. Must be in a place you are legally allowed to be. So if you trespassing, and use deadly force to defend yourself, this self-defense will not be available to you.

3. You must honestly and reasonably fear imminent death of, imminent great bodily harm to yourself or to another individual, and/or fear of imminent

sexual assault of yourself or of another individual. This means you must actually believe that your life is in danger, great bodily harm is imminent, or fear of sexual assault. In addition, that belief must be objectively reasonable. This means the jury will decide, upon hearing all the facts, what a reasonable person in your situation would have done.

In May 2012, after the death of Trayvon Martin, Democrats in the Michigan State House of Representatives announced a bill to repeal Michigan's "stand your ground" law, which currently protects citizens who use deadly force in self-defense. As the law stands, if a person believes he is at risk of being subjected to deadly force, great bodily harm or rape, he can use deadly force without first retreating.

Many states have some version of the law on the books. States That Have Stand Your Ground Laws are: Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas and Utah.

Some states have self-defense laws, either through statute or case law, that are similar to stand your ground laws, but with at least one key difference. These laws generally apply only to the home or other real property (such as an office) and are often referred to as "castle doctrine" or "defense of habitation" laws.

These states include: Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, and West Virginia.

Contact your State Rep for more information.

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"All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten"

by Robert Fulghum

Most of what I really need
To know about how to live
And what to do and how to be
I learned in kindergarten.
Wisdom was not at the top
Of the graduate school mountain,
But there in the sandpile at Sunday school.

These are the things I learned:

Share everything.
Play fair.
Don't hit people.
Put things back where you found them.
Clean up your own mess.
Don't take things that aren't yours.
Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.
Wash your hands before you eat.
Flush.
Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.
Live a balanced life -
Learn some and think some
And draw and paint and sing and dance
And play and work everyday some.
Take a nap every afternoon.
When you go out into the world,
Watch out for traffic,
Hold hands and stick together.
Be aware of wonder.

Hip Hop Connection

Hip Hop Artists have a responsibility to youth

By Jineea Butler - NNPA Columnist



Since its inception Hip Hop has been a target for problems in the Black community. 40 years later its still a topic of discussion. On Monday, July 22, 2013 Bill O'Reilly launched a tirade of issues in his Talking Points segment of the O'Reilly Factor on Fox News titled President Obama and the Race Problem. Bill O'Reilly attacks African-American leadership for having no clue on how to solve the crisis in the Black community and offered his own set of solutions. While Bill and his Right Wing approach is sometimes uncomfortable to digest, he gave a somewhat valid synopsis on whats happening in our neck of the woods.

He cited two major problems: the entertainment industry peddling garbage (Hip Hop music) to impressionable youth and the alleged disintegration of the African-American family. I find it insulting that in the wake of the Trayvon Martin verdict, that Bill O'Reilly has the temerity to challenge us to reform Black America, but won't challenge Whites to examine White privilege or White supremacy.

Regardless of O'Reilly's views, we should take it upon ourselves to examine what Hip Hop artists are spewing.

For example, after Harry Belafonte said last year that Jay Z and his wife, Beyonce, have turned their back on social responsibility, Jay Z struck back. In his song Nickels and Dimes, the Hip Hop mogul said:

I'm just trying to find common ground 'fore Mr. Belafonte come and chop a nigga down Mr. Day O, major fail Respect these youngins boy, it's my time now Hublot homie, two door homie You don't know all the sh#* I do for the homies

Not only does Jay Z call the iconic civil rights activist a 'boy,' he says it's "my time."

It's your time to do what? Remove the hyphen from your name? Send the wrong message to young people about the contributions of Harry Belafonte? The super star actor paid a high price for his civil rights work long before Jay Z was born. In my book, he has earned the right to chastise the younger generation, which he does in love.

In an interview with Elliot Wilson of Rap Radar Jay Z says he was offended by Mr.

Belafonte's comment because his (Jay Z's) 'presence is charity' and goes on to compare himself to President Obama saying if he (President Obama), like himself, speaks on anything that should be enough.

This is where I jump off the RocNation tour. If Jay Z can't respect Harry Belafonte and his earnest plea for using his influence to change the state of Black America, what good is he? I agree with Bill Cosby when he says instead of President Obama condemning the entertainers who get rich marketing negative images to kids who emulate their lyrics and attitudes, he invited them into the White House. But that's a different conversation for a different day.

What do you think happens when Jay Z doesn't respect a man like Harry Belafonte and doesn't condemn the problems that he knows exists. Jay Z says he uses his instinct to connect to issues he feels are important to support. So the very issues that you went through in the projects of Marcy are not all important? Harry Belafonte was so far off base that you denigrate him by calling him a boy? Then you turn around and say he went about it wrong and you are open to a dialogue?

Time Out. I am tired of the mum is the word mentality in our African American community. We stay quiet or politically correct out of fear of not being invited to the next party or invited to the table to break bread with the the few celebrities who are making money but are inadvertently killing us.

Since advertisers and the corporations are paying for the loaded messages we feel forced to go along with the nonsense even though we know it's wrong. As a result, we are enslaving ourselves. No its not the White man's problem that our children are not prepared to compete in this society. We know the rules, we know the game, it's our responsibility to get these kids ready to play.

For some reason it seems as if we are waiting for the White man to care about us more than we care about ourselves. Our only way out is the people and the celebrities who break through to open more opportunities for the next great thinker, the next great artist. Instead you walk around like someone owes you something because your ego is too big to share the stage and your self-esteem is too low to give someone else a chance.

Actually, Belafonte went easy on some of our artists.

Jineea Butler, founder of the Social Services of Hip Hop and the Hip Hop Union, can be reached at jineea@gmail.com or Tweet her at [@flygirlldjaj](https://twitter.com/@flygirlldjaj)

The ban is lifted

By Jim Abeare - Contributing Writer



Soda Pop lovers rejoice. The ban on sugar drinks over 16 ounces has been ruled unconstitutional in New York.

This means that other cities and states that are considering such idiocy are going to have trouble.

And we get to keep our freedom.

Don't you find it funny that as states like Colorado are making marijuana legal people want to limit the amount of sugary drinks you are allowed to have.

Mayor Bloomberg has stated that he wants to appeal.

So, for now, the food police have to wait to ticket that restaurant when it gives you a free refill or whatever Bloomberg plans to do to them.

For now freedom stays intact. People in New York can have what they want when they want it.

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NEWS FROM LANSING

Senator Hopgood says Wayne RESA hands are tied



Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D - Taylor)

INKSTER — Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D - Taylor) released the following statement in response to Wayne RESA School Board's vote this evening to formally dissolve Inkster Schools and disperse their students among the Romulus, Taylor, Wayne-Westland, and Westwood School Districts. The Romulus, Taylor and Wayne-Westland School Districts are within Hopgood's Senate District.

"Governor Snyder and the Republican Legislature have left the Wayne RESA School Board with their hands tied and in a no-win situation by dissolving the Inkster schools," said Senator

Hopgood. "Instead of attending the meeting, as he was invited to do, the Governor is nowhere in sight as he leaves the school board to clean up the mess he made, and answer to the parents and community who are understandably upset about this dissolution. The associated redistribution of students to surrounding schools is of grave concern to these schools and communities, which are already struggling."

Wayne RESA did not support the dissolution legislation passed by Legislative Republicans in June. Utilizing that statute, earlier this week, the State Superintendent and State Treasurer issued a joint declaration directing the dissolution of Inkster Public Schools. The statute called upon Wayne RESA to either reassign current Inkster students to other districts, or request the State Superintendent to make those decisions instead. Given only those two options under statute, Wayne RESA and the local school districts decided that the reassignment of students should be handled locally.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Isn't the City of Detroit already broke?

This letter is in response to the articles covering the choice made by the City of Detroit to pay \$444 million for a new hockey arena for the Detroit Red Wings just after declaring the city is bankrupt.

This is the City of Detroit's "let them eat cake moment." And we all know what transpired after that.

One of the most disturbing facts about our capitalist nation is the misappropriation of funds directed to the salaries of entertainers.

Everyone should agree that the value an athlete, movie star, talk-show host, team-owner, etcetera brings to the average citizen is very small. Granted, they do offer a minuscule of diversion from our daily trials and tribulations as did the jesters in the king's court during the middle ages. But to allow these entertainers to horde such great amounts of wealth at the expense of more benevolent societal programs is unacceptable.

They do not provide a product or a service so why are they

rewarded as such?

Our society is also subjected to the "profound wisdom" of these people because it equates wealth with influence. Perhaps a solution to this problem and an alternative to defeated school levies, crumbling infrastructures, as well as all the programs established to help feed, clothe and shelter those who cannot help themselves would be to tax this undeserved wealth. Entertainers could keep 1% of the gross earnings reaped from their endeavor and 99% could be deposited into the public coffers.

The old ideas of the redistribution of wealth have failed, and it is time to adapt to modern-day preferences. People put their money into entertainment above everything else; isn't it time to tap that wealth? Does anyone think this will reduce the quality of entertainment? It seems to me that when entertainers received less income, the quality was much higher.

Joe Bialek
Cleveland, OH

Victory is Already Won

By: Janine Folks Edwards- Telegram Religion Columnist



During my first season of roller derby, as a rookie, I did not play very much. Still learning the game, I became a good observer and encourager for my team. I guess that was my way of contributing to the team, making myself valuable as I lacked the skill level that experienced veterans had.

My team appreciated my inspirational spirit. Every team needs those reminders that motivate them to be their best. Even though roller derby is a contact sport, a great deal of being a winning team has to do with mental and emotional fitness as much as physical.

My team dominated the track

every game. Our first bout was against the championship team. Once we beat them, it seemed like it would be smooth sailing from that point on. However, even though it was a nice confidence booster, we got nervous before each bout as if it were our first.

By our third bout, every team had a vendetta and wanted to beat us. They worked extra hard to take us off of our high horse of being undefeated. While the taste of victory was sweet, instead of getting comfortable, we worked even harder to maintain our position and even excel on all levels.

With a perfect track record for our season, we never got arrogant. We tried to get smarter because we knew the other teams wanted to take us down. After practice one day, as we prepared to take on the defending champions, my captain expressed being nervous about the game. We had come so far, the thought of tarnishing our perfect record was quite nerve wrecking. We were all nervous. Then I announced,

"WE WILL WIN!! UNDEFEATED CHAMPS!!"

Even though I attempted to assure my team that VICTORY was already ours, that did not mean we would quit preparing, training and practicing. We would still have to work hard and walk it out. Victory belonged to us already, but we still had to fight to get to it.

I say that to illustrate this: Jesus has promised us VICTORY!!! We who belong to Him, WIN!!! "For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith" (1 John 5:4 ESV).

Even knowing that the fight is

fixed and we win, we still have to prepare and train. We still have to fight. Being guaranteed a win does not mean we stop training and that we don't have to lift a finger to fight. We do. We must continue to exercise and work our faith. Don't sit and get relaxed and content. We still have to fight the good fight of faith even though the battle is already won. Go. Fight. Win.

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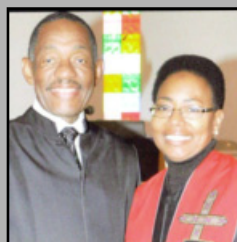
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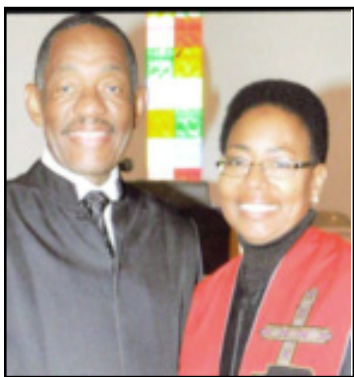


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Welcome to the Community

**Rev. William D. Phillips, Pastor,
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Pastor William D. Phillips was ordained an Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1993. After his call into the preaching ministry, he gave up his ownership in a Century 21 Real Estate franchise to matriculate at Ashland Theological Seminary, where he majored in Biblical Studies and Church Administration. His father, the late Rev. Donald L. Phillips, Sr., founded Nazarene, Greater Ephesians and New Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Churches in Detroit, Michigan, which are all still doing well. Five of his brothers and sisters are or were in the preaching ministry before passing away and Rev.

Phillips delights in saying that "preaching is the family business."

After serving as pastor of Parks Memorial A.M.E. Church in Romulus for 16 years, Rev. Phillips was appointed pastor of the great Community A.M.E. Church in Ecorse, where he proudly serves as the Senior Pastor. His wife of 42 years, the Rev. Cheryl Diane Thurston Phillips, is Assistant Pastor at Community A.M.E.

They have two sons, David Carlyle Phillips and the Rev. Donald L. Phillips, III, Pastor of Lewis Chapel A.M.E. Church in Albion, Michigan. Rev. Donald and his wife, the Rev. Dr. Teleah Phillips have three children, Tyland, Taylor and Tristen.

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Unconditional love either way

By Cedric Dukes - Contributing writer



Life is nothing more than a trial and error. Trial and error brings success and failure. Perfection is never guaranteed. Mistakes are missed opportunities falling short of God's intended purpose or His intended purpose. Whether the mistakes are in finances, failed relationships, or personal issues, God still loves us. Our mistakes in the eyes of a person can be insurmountable but from God's perspective, it's for our good.

A mistake can become a learning opportunity. The prodigal son returned home with much fanfare from his father. He was lost but now he is found. The situation was bad in the beginning but it turned out for the best for him and his father. Regardless of our actions, God loves us in our chaos to bring us back to His original purpose for our lives.

Life happens every day; it may not be apparent at the time but will be revealed. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 states that we are comforted in our mistakes by God

and in turn we are to comfort others going through the same issue. Mistakes (good or bad) are a part of our development. We will become stronger, faithful, and resilient. Our discomfort, isolation, and embarrassment are used for not only ourselves but for the growth of others. Our faults and imperfections are used for His good to help others. Just think what you have gone through already in your life. Can your life be used as an example for others? Whether your mistake is financial, family, or personal issues, you are loved and will overcome it by helping others. Here are a few more reminders on mistakes:

- Makes us stronger - Your and my mistakes do not matter in the eyes of a human; God loves us unconditionally. His love is developing us and making this situation perfect in our weakness.

- Confess it - Forgive and move on, God has already done it. Live your life.

- Learn from it - Learn from the mistakes and don't repeat it; put boundaries around yourself.

- Opportunity for others - Others need to hear your story; your misfortune is a learning opportunity for others. Share how God brought you out of that issue to where you are today.

Make it a great day!
Cedric Dukes can be contacted at www.cedricdukes.com.

Chinese automotive supplier investing nearly \$10 million in new R & D center

ZYNP International Corp. adding 51 jobs to Romulus facility

Romulus, MI- ZYNP International Corp., a renowned global automotive supplier founded in China, is investing close to \$10 million dollars in a new research and development center in Romulus, MI. The company selected its Wayne County location over a competing site in Texas. "We are thrilled that ZYNP International Corp. has decided to open its new R&D center in Romulus, further adding to their presence in Wayne County," said Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano.

"ZYNP's choice is another example of how our economic development strategies are succeeding," Ficano added. "We believe our strong relationships, particularly in China, will continue to yield jobs and economic growth in the County," Ficano concluded. ZYNP International manufactures cylinder liners for gasoline and diesel engines. The company opened its operation in Romulus in 2005 and employs about 3,500 workers in China and North America. "We helped ZYNP in selecting

their location and by acquiring funds to assist with worker retraining," said Ray Byers Wayne County Director of Economic Development and Growth Engine (EDGE). "We are looking forward to the 51 new jobs and ZYNP's nearly \$10 million investment," Byers added. For more information on economic development opportunities in Wayne County through EDGE, go to the Wayne County website at www.waynecounty.com and click on the EDGE tab.

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Inkster Schools

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Middlebelt Road will attend Wayne-Westland Community Schools, which will also take control of the former Blanchette Middle School building on Henry Ruff; Students who live south of Michigan Avenue and west of Middlebelt Road will attend Romulus Community Schools, which will also take over the former Inkster High School building; Students who live north of Michigan Avenue and east of Middlebelt Road will attend Westwood Community Schools, and Students who live south of Michigan Avenue and east of Middlebelt Road will attend Taylor Schools, which will also take control of the former Inkster administrative offices, Meek-Milton and Baylor-Woodson, and the 9th Grade Academy buildings.

MHSAA will grant immediate eligibility to any student-athletes that were in the Inkster district in their new districts. Normally when transferring schools, the MHSAA requires that a student-athlete sit out at least one semester. During an extended public participation period, former Inkster superintendent Mischa Bashir had a special message for her former students.

"You are bigger than any circumstance," she said through tears. "I expect you to represent the Inkster community well. Within you rests the hope for a better and brighter tomorrow." Also during that participation period, many questions were raised, from the level of recep-

tion the students will receive, to communication and transportation issues, to even how the new districts will handle security in the buildings. George Williams had questions about the law and RESA's handling of the situation.

"The only time a district can be dissolved is only on the recommendation of Intermediate School District. Why are we doing thing backwards?" Williams said.

He cited a section of MCL 380.12 Sec. 1 (b), which states that After consultation with the intermediate school district in which the district is located, the superintendent of public instruction and state treasurer jointly determine that all of the following apply..." before going on to list the six factors that qualify a district for dissolution. "The law stands. He said that he will uphold the law. He IS the law!" he said, in reference to Wigent.

Wigent answered that while he is familiar with the law, he said that his legal counsel had an interpretation of it that would not allow him to make a final, lasting decision as to whether the district would stay open or not.

"We have talked and agreed to disagree," Wigent said, referring to when he spoke to his legal counsel. "If there was a way around this, I would have used it."

In addition, he answered the question about consultation.

"We received a letter asking for additional data and we responded that we did not have

any to send them," he said. "That was the extent of our consultation."

Inkster mayor Hilliard Hampton, who was in attendance, questioned whether the district fell under a factor that said that they had failed to submit a viable deficit elimination plan.

"It's clear we did submit one and it was clear and made sense. We also had money to open the school district this upcoming year," he said.

"There are 1400 Inkster students in the district, so under the language we should have been prepared for this. I think this whole process was geared toward takeover and decimation of our community through social engineering by people outside of it."

While many mourned the passing of a school district, some citizens were ready to look to the future and what needed to be done.

"It's time to move on and do what we have to do. We have to go outside the box for the sake of our children," said Stephanie Bradshaw. "They will have to mix and mingle with everyone else out here. Lets get busy."

Members of the RESA board were not happy either.

"To just come out of the woodwork and say we will dissolve a district is horrible," said RESA board member James Beri. "Inkster is just a start. They will continue to do this."

Open registrations for Inkster students will be held throughout August at the Meek-Baylor Media Center. Information for dates and times can be found on www.inksterschools.org.

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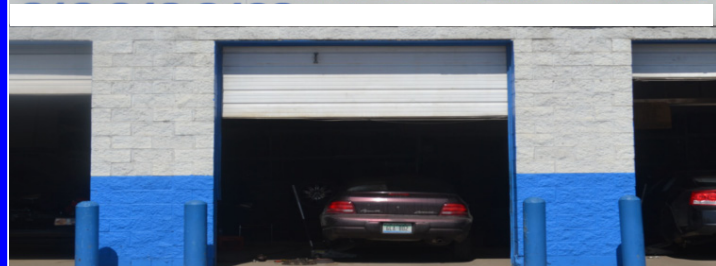
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How to Save on Back to School Shopping



(StatePoint) Getting everything for back to school shopping can be stressful. Not only does the whole family need to get organized for the upcoming academic year, but doing so can be expensive.

To make the back-to-school season easier and more affordable, the shopping experts at Dollar General are sharing convenient and cost-effective tips to prep the family for a great school year:

Clothes

Don't spend a fortune outfitting those quickly-growing arms and legs. For school uniforms, research online low prices, discounts and free shipping offers on all the basic collared shirts and pants.

Keep your kids looking good longer with a wide assortment of basic jeans, sweaters and sweatshirts for those upcoming fall and winter days. This way, you can feel comfortable replacing clothing when they are outgrown.

Time to Eat

The importance of serving kids breakfast can't be overstated. Keep kids fueled for success by stocking up on cereal, oatmeal and fruits for busy mornings. Quick and healthy, these require little effort and make an affordable way to get the day started.

Think about convenience and variety with school day lunches. Pack hazelnut cocoa spread and jelly sandwiches, turkey and Swiss cheese wraps or hearty soups. All are easy to prepare and easy on the wallet.

Go nuts and give your kids a protein kick at lunch or snack time. You can save by doling portions of cashews or peanuts. Fruits and vegetables are also great options as they provide vitamins and minerals.

Be sure to have plenty of lunch bags, napkins and sandwich bags for easy packing. By finding your food and supply staples at a discount store such as Dollar General or Dollar General Market stores, you can easily save on school breakfasts, lunches and

snacks.

School Supplies

Make shopping for school supplies an organized effort. Before you head to the store, do a quick inventory of what you already have and its condition to determine what you need. Cross reference the school supplies list from your child's school to be sure you don't miss anything.

If you have multiple children, save by letting them share certain items at home such as scissors, glue, crayons and markers. Also look for the latest supplies that will help your children thrive, including the new iImagine school line at Dollar General.

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With the right techniques, let your children ace the reading, writing and arithmetic and you can earn an A+ in shopping.

Take Five for Education: Tips about Children's Summer Reading

KNOXVILLE — Playing in the sprinkler, eating popsicles and catching fireflies are all things children enjoy in the summer. This year, add reading to the list.

Richard Allington and Anne McGill-Franzen, education professors at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, are experts in reading education and offer parents five strategies to encourage summer reading.

"For young students, reading is a skill that improves with practice. Reading during the summer is critical for children," Allington says. McGill-Franzen adds, "Without practice, reading skills deteriorate. Summer reading helps children maintain their skill level or even make gains."

Here are five tips:

1. **Children Like Choices** — Let your child pick out their own books and reading materials. Studies have indicated that children are more motivated to read when they choose their own books.

2. **Reading Is Reading** — Magazines and newspapers also are useful in encouraging reading. Children can pick

from a slew of topics for magazines such as cheerleading, video games, cars, skateboarding, animals and music.

3. **Captain Underpants and More** — Series books such as "Captain Underpants," "Frog and Toad," Bill Cosby's "Little Bill" and the "Animorphs" may seem simplistic and repetitive to teachers and parents, but they are enjoyed by children. Conversational books make reading easier and give children confidence in their reading skills.

4. **Books on a Budget** — Encouraging reading does not have to be expensive. Stick with paperbacks, buy books on sale, find books for 25 cents or less at garage sales or visit the library. Parents could start a children's book swap in their neighborhood or at church.

5. **Be an Example** — A recent study found only one in four adults reported reading one book in a year. Parents who make time to read show their children that reading is an important part of their life.

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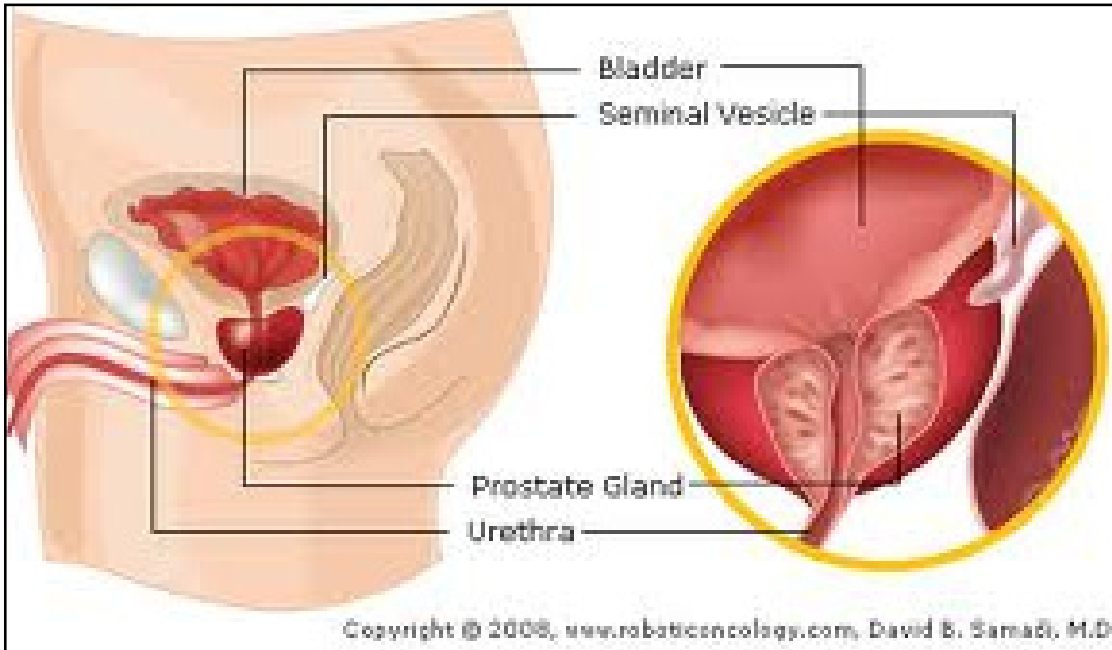
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Black Men most at risk for Prostate Cancer

by Nikki Denton - Special to the NNPA from the New Pittsburgh Courier



Men, let's talk about prostate health.

Do you find yourself going to the bathroom more than once during the night regularly? Have you discovered that your urine flow has weakened or is intermittent? Have you noticed blood in your urine or semen?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, it may be time to talk to your health care professional about prostate issues.

The prostate is a walnut-sized gland that sits under the bladder in front of the rectum. It surrounds the urethra, the narrow tube that carries urine and semen out of the body. The prostate gland grows a good bit during puberty and then doesn't change much

until about age 40, when it begins growing again and, in many men, doesn't stop. Half of men aren't bothered by their growing prostate. But the others will develop one of three prostate diseases; enlarged prostate, prostate cancer, or prostatitis. Other symptoms include painful or burning urination, difficulty with obtaining and keeping an erection, painful urination and ejaculation, and frequent pain or stiffness in the lower back, hips, or upper thighs.

Risk factors

Age: Jeff Cohen, MD, urologist at Allegheny General Hospital, says that age is the number one risk factor in prostate cancer. "If they live long enough, most men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer, because it's a normal

degeneration of the prostate."

The incidence of prostate issues, including cancer, rises rapidly each decade after age 40. For example, the probability of being diagnosed with prostate cancer is 1 in 7,964 for men younger than 40 years, 1 in 37 for men aged 40 through 59 years, one in 15 for men aged 60 through 69 years, and 1 in 8 for men aged 70 years and older, with an overall lifetime risk of developing prostate cancer of 1 in 6. However, Cohen warns that autopsy studies reveal that the incidence of prostate cancer in males in their 20s is already 8 percent. Prostate cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed in men.

Race: Cohen is particularly interested in treating and advising African-American men with prostate problems because the death rate of prostate cancer deaths among Black males is alarming. Is race a factor? According to the Centers for Disease Control race is a factor, especially being African-American. Black males are more likely to die of prostate cancer than any other racial group, followed by White, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Asian/Pacific Islander men.

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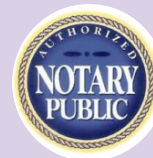
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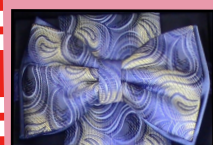
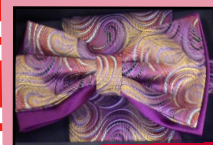
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Friday, August 2, 2013

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
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Senator Hunter respectfully requests that interested parties call his office toll-free at (866) 262-7305 in order to confirm their attendance. Please be sure to leave a voicemail message if necessary.

Sen. Hunter represents the 5th district, which is comprised of Northwest Detroit, Dearborn Heights and Inkster. He serves as the Minority Floor Leader and is a member of the Senate Government Operations Committee

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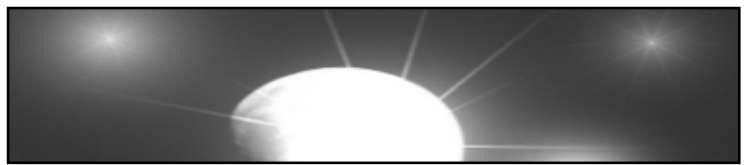
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Harmonious communications are part of your charm, and you'll get far this week by speaking your word in an easy-going way. You'll find that your domestic arrangements are very comfortable to you.

Soul Affirmation: I let my words reveal the not-so-hidden truth about my being.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 4, 12

TAURUS

This week is a good week to get in touch with your emotional self. You will respond well to what people close to you will ask from you. Your loved ones will appreciate your kindness when they find out how highly sensitive you are to their needs.

Soul Affirmation: My life itself is my greatest creation.

Lucky Numbers: 8, 19, 54

GEMINI

You know what you want and you have the ability to make it happen. Step into action at work this week and you will get a lot done. You can get what you want without being too demanding. Enjoy the time you have with your family. True rewards come from those who are related to you by blood.

Soul Affirmation: Truth is revealed in the smallest grain of sand.

Lucky Numbers: 2, 4, 6

CANCER

Live this week with an adventurer's spirit. Trade in the comfortable for the exciting; the reliable for intriguing; the familiar for the new. Perhaps a change of scenery will get you started. You will rediscover feelings that you have denied yourself for a while

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

Lucky Numbers: 10, 12, 13

LEO

If you've just made a power move in your work life or love life, you couldn't have timed it any better. There will be a new level of appreciation and admiration for your leadership and forcefulness.

Soul Affirmation: I work hard to combat envy this week.

Lucky Numbers: 15, 30, 34

VIRGO

You've made your point. Now wait. Wait for the feedback about the impact it had on the people around you. Be careful of those who don't celebrate with you. They feel the impact and are resisting the positive effects.

Soul Affirmation: Before goodness can come I must expect goodness.

Lucky Numbers: 5, 16, 23

LIBRA

Be sharp! All of your needs will be met in indirect ways. Gifts will come from unexpected sources. They will be carefully packaged to go unnoticed. Unwrap everything and look inside. There will be empty boxes, but there will also be a prize in an unanticipated situation.

Soul Affirmation: I look for the good in all that comes to me this week.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 10, 41

SCORPIO

Don't respond to situations in a hasty manner this week. Your impulsive side is strong. Suppress it. Play a game called self-control. You know that this is the kind of game that you can win easily. Smile as you play at not being emotionally affected by an important matter, and eventually you'll really won't be emotionally affected.

Soul Affirmation: I give my mind a holiday again this week.

Lucky Numbers: 4, 28, 50

SAGITTARIUS

Offer to help someone in your office who is struggling with a difficult project that you have mastered in the past. There will be several birthday celebrations that you are invited to. Attend them all! Celebrate!

Soul Affirmation: I give thanks for who I am this week.

Lucky Numbers: 12, 19, 22

CAPRICORN

Think of who you like to have fun with. Give them a call. Plan something that diverts you from your unexciting tasks. Spend some money. Find a place that jumps. Jump with it. Flirt. Even serious people flirt once in a while, especially if you've worked your buns off all week.

Soul Affirmation: The true path is mapped out by my impulses.

Lucky Numbers: 9, 10, 27

AQUARIUS

You're likely to experience a blast from the past. An acquaintance will meet up with you again. Don't be shy in establishing a more solid friendship this time. It could lead to something important professionally or personally. Love sometimes works better the second time around.

Soul Affirmation: Smooth communications is the key to my success this week.

Lucky Numbers: 16, 17, 20

PISCES

Who are the people who are empowered to assist you? The material objective you are focused on right now is very doable. All you need is some assistance. Ask for it. It's coming soon.

Soul Affirmation: I let positive emotions carry me through the week.

Lucky Numbers: 33, 37, 42

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Lions Camp is in Full Bloom

By Butch Davis - Telegram Sports Reporter



Photo By Butch Davis

Ryan Broyles (left) and Kris Durham getting it together during 2013 Lions training camp.

Training camp is on as the Detroit Lions Football Team holds first training camp practice open to the general public this past Monday. What I saw compare to camps in the past is an atmosphere of competition that was extremely in high gear for all positions.

I found favor in watching the competition of the kicking game in which rookie Håvard Rugland and free agent veteran David Akers were pounding kick threw the upright battling for the job absent by retire Lion Jason Hanson. Ragland bang one of his kicks 58 yards straight down the middle in front of the media and the general public who came to view the practice. I never heard so many wows in being amazed of Rugland kicking with very little effort. Lions Head Coach Jim Schwartz was ask is the rookie kicker Håvard Rugland making the competition interesting: Schwartz said, "That'll yet to be determined. Again, just like our other positions, we're looking for somebody to be consistent over the course of time.

We started (David) Akers out a little bit slower based on the off-season he had. That's going to be the thing with Rugland. It's not going to be one 58-yarder; it's being consistent over the course of time. Those are the things that you look for in a place-kicker. He certainly has the talent to do it. He is getting better every day. I said before, he is like some of those baseball players or golfers that don't swing real hard, but the ball jumps off their bat. That's sort of the leg he has. He takes a nice easy swing and has plenty of leg to hit anything on the field."

The cornerback were also battling hard to get the attention of the outdoor crowd at Allen Park as cornerback Chris Greenwood suffered a hamstring injury during Monday's camp, another short-term blow to the Lions' cornerback depth. Ron Bartell (shoulder) has been out since Saturday, and Jonte Green (hamstring) suf-

fered an injury Sunday.

However, rookie cornerback Darius Slay is continually opening the eyes and impressing the coach staff on his workmanship since his arrival last Tuesday went the rookies check in to camp. Coach Schwartz was asked about the progress on Darius Slay: "He got some reps in OTA's in minicamp, but it was towards the ends. He has picked things up very quickly and he's matched up well against a lot of different types of receivers, from the smaller guys to the Calvin Johnson's. It seems like every day he breaks up a ball and gets his hands on a football. He's on the right path right now. We need to keep him there." Nevertheless, Schwartz said both Bartell and Green will undergo MRIs, and the Lions are already trying to combat the injuries in the secondary by shortening the field. The Lions needed to add depth along their defensive line and are turning to a familiar face to provide it.

The team signed defensive tackle Andre Fluellen to a one-year deal last Friday, which will be his third stint with the club. Fluellen (6-2, 302) spent his first four seasons with the Lions after the team drafted him in the third round out of Florida State in 2008. Fluellen was released during final cuts last year due to a numbers game along the defensive line, but was re-signed in December. He played in the final three games of the season with one start. He had a brief stint with the Bears this off-season, but was released in

May.

Like Jason Jones and Isreal Idonije, Fluellen is a versatile player who can play both on the outside and inside at defensive tackle. Speaking of Jones, a key free agent, will likely be the starting left defensive end. In his absence, Willie Young and first-round pick Ezekiel Ansah played more with the first team, with Young moving to the left side. Now here is players the watch during camp and pre-season, offensive guard Leroy Harris (knee) was activated from the physically unable to perform list Monday. Safety Louis Delmas (knee), linebacker Carmen Messina (hamstring), defensive end Ronnell Lewis (PUP illness) and wide receiver Devin Thomas (leg) were all out. By the way, the team on Monday became the first in the National Football League to adopt Cleveland, Ohio-based Veritix as its new ticketing provider, replacing Ticketmaster.

Fans will pay the same service fees as before, but will purchase tickets exclusively through the Lions, as opposed to Ticketmaster, a third party. In addition, the new digital-based system eventually will offer paperless options to make game day entry easier. Although Veritix is the provider company, the Lions will own, operate and manage the system, according to a team spokesman. Veritix was the ticket operator used at this year's NCAA Final Four in Atlanta, and the company has clients in the NBA, NHL and other sports.

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No Place Like Home

By Butch Davis - Telegram Sports Reporter

Yes indeed there is no place like home as the Detroit Tigers (59-45) outscored the Philadelphia Phillies 24-5 in a three-game sweep to improve to 6-2 against the NL East, however, both defeats came at Washington on May 8 and 9. The Tigers have won seven straight and 12 of 14 at home versus the NL East. The Tigers are rank first in Overall Runs (533), first in Overall Batting Average (.280), first in Overall Base Percentage (.346), and third in Overall Slugging Percentage (.437). The Detroit Tigers this past Monday announced the club has acquired right-handed pitcher Jose Veras from the Houston Astros in exchange for outfielder Danry Vasquez and a player to be named later on or before September 15, 2013. "We are pleased to add an experienced arm to our bullpen," said David Dombrowski, Tigers' President, CEO, and General Manager "Jose can pitch in a variety of roles, provides depth in the bullpen, and complements the roles of Joaquin Benoit and Drew Smyly." Veras, 32, has compiled a 0-4 record, 2.93 ERA

(43.0IP/14ER) and 44 strikeouts in 42 relief outings with the Astros this season. Opponents are hitting .192 (29x151) against him this season, while he has issued 14 walks. He has posted a 0.00 ERA (8.0IP/0ER) and six strikeouts over his seven outings during the month of July. Originally signed by Tampa Bay as a non-drafted free agent on January 19, 1998, Veras has seen action at the major league level with the Yankees (2006-09), Indians (2009), Marlins (2010), Pirates (2011), Brewers (2012) and Astros (2013). In parts of eight seasons at the major league level (2006-13), Veras has compiled a 19-21 record, 3.88 ERA (357.1IP/154ER) and 372 strikeouts. The 6-6, 242 lbs. right-hander is a native of Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic. Vasquez hit .281 (105x374) with 16 doubles, five triples, five home runs and 39 RBI in 96 games with Single A West Michigan. The Tigers will finish their home stand against the Chicago White Sox. The Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at Comerica Park.

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July 15th, 2013

At 1825hrs, officers were north bound on West Jefferson near Coolidge when they observed a white and blue 1995 Chevrolet 3500 pulled out of the Marathon Gas Station. A traffic stop was conducted after the vehicle was observed towing a white Pontiac Firebird. The driver gave officers a fake name and when it came back no record, he finally confessed and gave his real name. He was driving while DWLS suspended. He was placed under arrest and the vehicle towed. Upon checking the other vehicle it showed the plate was reported stolen out of our city. The male was transported to the police station where he was booked, allowed to make a call, and then housed.

July 16th, 2013

At 2300hrs, officers were clearing a Traffic Stop when suddenly a white 2012 Chevy Cruze was observed traveling east bound on Coolidge at a high rate of speed. Officers observed the rear bumper smashed and dragging on the road. The vehicle was monitored and made a prohibited Left Turn on Division and then drove the wrong way on Linden and pulled up in front of a house in the 1st Block of Linden. The 23 year old male driver was ordered out of the vehicle and stated he was being chased by a driver in a white Ford Taurus from Motel 6 in the city of Southgate. He states the incident began when this male came to his room and tried to fight him and when he managed to escape and fled the hotel. The front end and rear bumper was damaged and the vehicle could not be driven.

July 18th, 2013

At 214hrs, officers were dispatched to the area of Cora and West Jefferson to back another patrol unit. He officer was out with a male. Another officer had been flagged down by a 48 year old female who stated she was just assaulted by a male while walking back from Rivera Market. She told officers, a 52 year old male stopped her and asked her for a cigarette. The male punched her in the face, striking her left eye and threw her down to the ground. The female's left eye was red and swollen shut and she was bleeding from her mouth. Officer tried to call Health Link for medical treatment but the female refused. The male was highly intoxicated and admitted to

getting into a fight with the female, but stated she was the aggressor. The male was placed under arrest for Assault & Battery and transported to the police station where he was booked, allowed to make a phone call, and then housed.

July 19th, 2013

At 0106hrs this morning officers were dispatched to the Clark Gas Station, West & Jefferson on a fight complaint. Officers arrived and began checking for a group of females and made contact with them at Cora and West Jefferson. A female was standing in the middle of the right Lane and when the officer asked her to go onto the side walk she became irate and started to yell and scream stating she had been beaten up by the other two females. Officer told the 21 year old to calm down and move to the side walk. But she continued to yell and swear and officers placed her under arrest for Disorderly Person, while the other two looked on. She was transported to the police station, booked, allowed to make a phone call, and then housed.

July 19th, 2013

At 2300hrs, A 22 year old female entered the police station to make a Domestic Violence complaint. She told officers her 22 year old boyfriend punched her in the face with a closed hand fist. Blood was oozing from the top of her nose. She states incident began when they were having an argument at his house in the 1st Block of W. Cicotte Street and she tried to leave he punched her. Health Link was notified and arrived on scene and treated her injury but no trans at this time. The female 's nose was broken.

July 20th, 2013

At 0245hrs, officer responded to the 1st Block of Alexander at an apartment unit for a Domestic. Officers arrived and could a female crying and the male tell her she better not call police. They entered the home and went to the rear bedroom and observed a 26 year old female sitting on the bed crying. She told officer that her 39 year old boyfriend returned home intoxicated and told her to wake up the children, ages 3,4,and 6 and get out of his apartment. The male went into the bedroom and tried to wake them and when the female told him to leave them along and let them sleep. He grabbed her around her neck and began choking her, by placing his hand around the neck. During the struggle to tore her clothing. He was placed under arrest for Domestic and transported to the police station where he was booked, allowed to make a call, and then housed.

WCSO, ATF & WSU Police conduct raids targeting drug trafficking in Senior Housing

Individuals accused of taking over apartments to sell drugs, weapons.



Detroit (July 29, 2013) – A multi-jurisdictional effort to protect senior citizens and reduce crime shut down several narcotics operations conducted at two senior housing complexes in Detroit. The "Save Our Seniors" investigation led to today's execution of 87 warrants against 46 individuals. So far, 32 subjects are in custody. The defendants are accused of committing felony assaults and selling narcotics (cocaine, heroin and marijuana) and firearms at Orchestra Towers (3501 Woodward) and Cityview Towers (4701 Chrysler Service Drive).

Today's early morning raids by the Wayne County Sheriff's Office (WCSO), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (BATF) and Wayne State University Police Department (WSUPD) were simultaneously conducted starting at 7 a.m. Law enforcement officials say the suspects would intimidate and

overtake seniors' apartments to distribute narcotics.

"They're pushing dope in these buildings, terrorizing our most vulnerable citizens, and that won't be tolerated," said Sheriff Napoleon. "With our partners at the ATF and WSU, we've been able to make this building safer and, hopefully, these seniors will rest a lot easier tonight." Napoleon activated the WC Special Response Team to help execute the warrants which drew applause from those watching.

"We determined that several suspects were actually residents which meant we needed to make solid cases to ensure they don't return to continue their drug activities," said WSU Police Chief Anthony Holt. "We're doing what we can to create safe living environments for the seniors surrounding our campus."

Operation SOS was initiated

following several tips to the Detroit Housing Commission in November. Of the 46 arrest warrants issued, eight are federal defendants. The remaining thirty-eight defendants are facing state charges. Only one suspect was female and another defendant was wheelchair bound. All were arrested on charges of trafficking narcotics. Those arrested were transported to Jail Division 3 for processing and should be arraigned in the next few days. Many of the individuals arrested could be facing lengthy prison terms.

"The first priority of ATF is to make our communities safer from violent criminals, narcotics trafficking and firearm violence. These threats to communities are even more reprehensible when senior citizens and students are the targets," said ATF Acting Special Agent in Charge Daryl McCrary. "I commend the dedication and hard work of the ATF Agents, Wayne State University Public Safety Department and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office."

Mugshots of the numerous individuals arrested in today's operation will be forwarded once they have been processed. More arrests are expected in this case as the remaining suspects are located. The office of the U.S. Attorney, Detroit Firearms Investigative Team and Wayne County Prosecutor's office also assisted in today's action. For more information please email pbridges@waynecounty.com.

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Bids will be publicly opened on August 20, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ecorse City Council chamber, located at 3865 W. Jefferson.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC NOTICE

**PUBLIC NOTICE
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT)
Fiscal Year 2014 - 2016 Overall Goal
for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program**

Pursuant to the U.S. Department of Transportation Regulation at 49 CFR § 26.45 titled, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs," the MDOT announces its overall goal for DBE Program for Fiscal Years (FY) 2014-2016.

MDOT proposes the adoption of an overall DBE goal of 9.00 percent for FY 2014-2016. The department projects that the recommended overall DBE goal of 9.00 percent for FY 2014-2016 will be met through race-neutral (2.00 percent) and race-conscious (7.00 percent) means. Race-neutral participation occurs when contractors use a DBE firm on a project with no DBE participation requirement. Race-conscious projects have a DBE percentage requirement.

This proposed 9.00 percent goal will be reviewed by the Michigan State Transportation Commission at its August 22, 2013, meeting to be held at 9 a.m. at:

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MDOT will again seek public comment on this goal in 2015 and 2016. Comments or requests for information regarding how this goal was established may be submitted until noon on Aug. 23, 2013, to:

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ROMULUS HOUSING COMMISSION PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice – Request for Proposals (RFP)

Proposals will be received in the office of the Romulus Housing Commission, located at 34200 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan, on August 16, 2013, until 11:00 a.m. local time. The scope of work includes heating & cooling services for furnaces, hot water heaters, and central a/c units for 101 dwelling units plus an administration building. Electronic and fax submissions will not be accepted. The RFP documents are available on or after July 25, 2013 at the Housing Commission main office building, and are also available online at this link: https://www.dropbox.com/s/mgqhdfnmpglwcs/HVAC_RFP.zip

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August 8, 2013

ROMULUS SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE

**PUBLIC NOTICE
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CITY OF ECORSE

NOTICE OF CITY PRIMARY ELECTION

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ECORSE,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Primary Election will be held in the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013

Candidates for the Office of MAYOR:

Lamar C. Tidwell
Patrick O'Connell
Darcel Brown

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the **Primary Election** will be held at the following Polling Places:

- PRECINCT 1** St. Francis Parish Center, 27700 W. Outer Drive
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- PRECINCT 3** Ecorse Manor, 4560-9th Street
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- PRECINCT 7** Ecorse Housing Commission, 266 Hyacinthe

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Polling Places for the Primary Election will open at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

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ECORSE CITY CLERK

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF RIVER ROUGE, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of River Rouge held in the City Council chambers of City Hall on July 2, 2013. Meeting called to order at 7:30pm

Mayor Bowdler in the Chair

The following Commissioners were present:
Campbell, Perry, Pierce, Pruneau, Bowdler
Absent: None
Excused: Kerns, Ward

- 13-174 Approval of minutes of 06/18/2013
- 13-175 Voucher approval
- 13-176 Business license approval
- 13-177 Building permit approval
- 13-178 Block Club party approval
- 13-179 Approval to hire persons to form two alley clean up crews
- 13-180 Appointment of Patricia H. Johnson City Clerk
- 13-181 Accept the resignation of R. Sizemore from the PSC
- 13-182 Appointment of J. Hubbard to Zoning Board
- 13-183 Approval to award viaduct paint bid to Hi Side Services
- 13-184 Approval to pay Labor Counsel invoice
- 13-185 Motion to adjourn

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

Susan P. Joseph
City Clerk

**Remember to VOTE in your Community on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.
YOUR VOTE COUNTS**

Dear River Rouge Residents:

I am asking for your Support & Vote

Re-Elect **MICHAEL D.**

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Vote Tuesday, August 6th, 2013

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Thousands expected to attend the 18th Annual Jazz on the River

Festival Star studded extravaganza; International and local artists perform at two day event



Wayne County Parks Presents
The 18th Annual Jazz on the River
 Elizabeth Park, Trenton, MI

Saturday

- 1 pm – Athena Johnson & Friends
- 2:30 pm – Demetrius Nabors
- 4:00 pm – Brian Simpson
- 5:30 pm – Nick Colionne
- 7:30 pm – Jeff Lorber Fusion

Featuring Paul Jackson Jr & Eric Marienthal

Sunday

- 1 pm – Deon Yates
- 2:30 pm – Testimony
- 4:00 pm – Lin Rountree
- 5:30 pm – Alexander Zonjic with Special Guest Keiko Matsui
- 7:30 pm – Sax & The City Starring Marion Meadows, Paul Taylor, Vincent Ingala & Joe McBride

August 3~4, 2013

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TRENTON – The 18th year of Jazz on the River will provide two full days of music and fun on August 3 & 4, 2013 along the river's edge at Elizabeth Park in Trenton, MI. International and emerging artists will be featured during this festival, including: Sax & The City starring Marion Meadows, Paul Taylor, Vincent Ingala and Joe McBride, Jeff Lorber Fusion featuring Paul Jackson Jr. and Eric

Marienthal, Nick Colionne, Lin Rountree, Alexander Zonjic and more!

"Jazz on the River is a spectacular event that grows in demand and popularity each year," said Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. "I encourage Wayne County residents to take advantage of the many unique events available to them through Wayne County Parks," Ficano added.

Grills and alcoholic beverages are not permitted into Wayne County parks. BBQ ribs and chicken, hot dogs, burgers & brauts, veggies, ice cream and other special treats are available for purchase.

The event is free to the public, however, parking is available in Elizabeth Park for a \$5 donation in support of Wayne County Parks. Another parking option is available at the corner of Jefferson and West Road and Jefferson and Elm. Visitors can ride SMART's free shuttles to Elizabeth Park from these local parking areas. Shuttles will run continuously throughout the festival starting at 1:00 p.m.

This event is co-sponsored by SMART, Friends of Wayne County Parks, City of Trenton and Taylor Ford.

Schedule
 Saturday, August 3
 Sunday, August 4

- 1:00 p.m.** Athena Johnson & Friends, Deon Yates
- 2:30p.m.** Demetrius Nabors, Testimony
- 4:00 p.m.** Brian Simpson, Lin Rountree
- 5:30 p.m.** Nick Colionne, Alexander Zonjic with special guest Keiko Matsui
- 7:30 p.m.** Jeff Lorber Fusion Sax & The City starring featuring Paul Jackson Jr. Marion Meadows, Paul Taylor, & Eric Marienthal, Vincent Ingala & Joe McBride

Elizabeth Park is located in Trenton, Michigan – 20 Miles south of Detroit off I-75. For more information, please visit www.zonjic.com/jazzontheriver, www.waynecounty.com or call 734.261.1990.

Welcome our new Columnist Ayanna King to the Telegram Family

ASK AYANA

FACEBOOK FANATIC



Dear Ayana,
 I have a serious problem with my younger sister. She is constantly on Facebook! At anytime of the day, if you login, you can expect to see her there-posting all of her business and everyone else's too. She isn't usually social in person, but when she's online, all of a sudden, she has lots to say. It's bad enough that she puts her total day to day life on blast, but I have a real problem with the fact that she also makes it her priority to post our family's happenings as well. In the last few months, I have found out more about my family, and they about me, than I am comfortable with. This needs to stop or somebody's feeling will be hurt; and they won't be mine. My sister is 32 years old and KNOWS better! She is harsh and foul-mouthed. It's gotten to the point where no one really has anything to say to her. If we want to know what she's up to, we only have to hop on her page. It's really pathetic. My sister and I used to be much closer, but ever since she's made Facebook her everything, we

rarely talk. I feel like I'm always angry with her and I don't like what is happening to our relationship. I've talked to her about this before, but her response is all wrong! How can I get her to see that what she is doing is causing more harm than good?

Fed Up

Dear Fed Up,
 Well, there's the real problem: you can't "get her to see" anything. She is grown and if she hasn't figured out that what she is posting on her page is offensive and hurtful, she may not-period. But what you can do is stop providing her with information to post. That way, if she wants to tell the entire world every single detail of her own life, it really doesn't have the same affect as it does when she posts about you. Since she's not typically social in public, maybe you can start rebuilding your relationship by getting her out of the house and doing some things together in the real world. At the end of the day, it is her page to post as she wishes. Encourage your family members not to share details about their lives with her that they wish to keep private. When she feels isolated from family "business" she may get the hint. If all else fails, you can always hit that good old "unfriend" button. She's your sister; so how important is it that you are "friends" on FB anyway? Good luck to you.

Ayanna

Dwyane Wade ordered to allow Ex-Wife access to their Sons



We recently reported that Miami Heat star Dwyane Wade wouldn't allow his now ex-wife Souhvaugh Funches to have

visitation with their sons. Wade doesn't think she's in her right mind. And based on the

photo below, a lot of folks are in agreement with him. But more importantly, a judge doesn't and has sided with Funches.

So, today, according to Jose Lambiet's South Florida based Gossip Extra, Dwyane Wade was ordered by a judge in Miami-Dade County to immediately surrender his two boys to their mother, Siohvaugh Funches.

The judge, Antonio Marin, came to the decision after what was reported to be a sometimes heated three-hour hearing this afternoon. Originally Judge Marin had only scheduled 30 minutes to discuss the issue.

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Students from Metropolitan Detroit display their certificates after weeklong program at Wayne State University.

The statement 'The children shall lead us' was validated at the Ralph Bunche Institute last week. During the one-week session, high school students from diverse communities within Southeast Michigan learned ways to handle the problems that are facing the City of Detroit and the world. The Ralph Bunche Institute was sponsored as part The Center for Peace & Conflict Studies at Wayne State University. Students focused on topics of conflict resolution, diversity, negotiation, international

affairs, and how to individually foster peace within their own communities. This was done in the spirit of Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, a native Detroit and the first person of color to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

At the conclusion of the program, the students delivered group presentations to the community that address several issues. The topics discussed were Peace, Unemployment, Education, Crime and Substance Abuse. The students stated the prob-

lems that they noticed and came up with solutions to the problems. These were real world problems that they addressed and the students were encouraged to take what they learned back to their respective high schools and work to implement some of their solutions.

For questions or more information about the program you can contact Frederic Pearson, PhD., Director of the program at ab3440@wayne.edu or visit www.clas.wayne.edu/pcs



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