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Congressman Dingell announce retirement



Congressman John Dingell and wife Debbie before the big announcement during the Legislative Luncheon at Crystal Garden

The longest serving member of Congress will step down at the end of this year. Congressman John Dingell has held office since 1955. Dingell announced his decision to retire on Monday during his annual speaking

engagement at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber of Commerce Legislative Luncheon. Each February, he stands in front of the local business owners,

Dingell page 16A

River Rouge/Ecorse waterfront may be next stop for Pet Coke

DEQ to host outreach meeting

By Gina Steward - Telegram Editor



Detroit Bulk Storage in River Rouge may be next location for Pet Coke storage.

The Detroit Bulk Storage location in River Rouge is the next possible location that Petroleum Coke will be stored. The DEQ will host a public outreach meeting on petroleum coke on March 5 from 4-7 p.m.. The meeting

will be held at the Grand Harbor Banquet Event Center, 1 Saint John St. in Wyandotte, from 4-7 p.m. The meeting is designed to share information and answer questions. DEQ air and water quality specialists will be on hand

to listen to concerns, discuss DEQ's regulatory role, answer questions and share information gathered from a DEQ lab analysis of pet coke completed last year.

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TUSKEGEE AIRMEN MAKING HISTORY TODAY

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Welcome to the Neighborhood J's Market in River Rouge



Jeffery Reed outside the new neighborhood store - Grand Opening on Saturday, March 1

Jeffery Reed is the owner of a new neighborhood convenience store – J's Market.. The grand opening will be on

Saturday, March 1st. The location of the store is 288 Richter in River Rouge. Although Jeffery isn't a home-

grown Rouge resident, his grandparents landed in Southwest Detroit by way of

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NEWS FROM LANSING

Reps. Rutledge & Schmidt Join Supporting Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Highway



Representative
David E. Rutledge
(D-Superior Township)

LANSING – This morning, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for the Michigan House of Representatives unanimously passed legislation to designate all of Interstate 75 in the State of Michigan as the Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Highway. House Bill 5064, sponsored by Representative David E. Rutledge (D-Superior Township) joins the efforts of several states with the goal of designating the entire I-75 corridor from Miami, FL to Sault Ste. Marie, MI after the Tuskegee Airmen.

“As an Air Force veteran, I am honored to lead the effort in Michigan to join this multi-



Representative
Wayne Schmidt

state recognition bestowed upon our trailblazing Tuskegee Airmen,” stated Rep. Rutledge. “I’m so proud that Michigan will be part of this interstate effort, and I can think of no better way to show our country’s continued gratification for the committed service of these servicemen.”

Before 1940, African Americans were barred from flying for the U.S. military. Civil rights organizations exerted pressure that resulted in the formation of an all African-American pursuit squadron based in Tuskegee, Alabama, in 1941.

Regardless of race, the Tuskegee Airmen included pilots, navigators, bombardiers, maintenance and support staff, instructors, and the personnel who kept the planes in the air. The term “Tuskegee Airmen” refers to all who were involved in the so-called “Tuskegee Experience,” the Army Air Corps program to train African Americans to fly and maintain combat aircraft.

“The Tuskegee Airmen are true American heroes who fought valiantly for our country and our values,” said Rep. Wayne Schmidt, R-Traverse City, Chairman of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. “Their contribution to protecting our country during a tumultuous time in history cannot be repaid. The Tuskegee Airmen fought fascism overseas and racism at home, so we’ll do what we can to give those excellent men and their families continued, deserved respect.”

House Bill 5064 now goes before the full House of Representatives for consideration.

Neighborhood

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Mississippi, New York and the Eastside of Detroit.

When asked how did he chose this location, he said, “As I was on the way to a baseball game, I got lost. As I tried to find my way to the field I came across the empty store and noticed that there were no other stores in the area. And I thought....This is perfect.”

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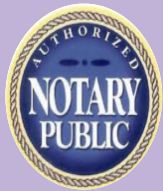
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Betrayed by the Criminal Injustice System

By Lee A. Daniels - NNPA Columnist



it all seems so familiar, doesn't it?

A Black man, or woman, or child is murdered by a White person – and America's criminal justice system compounds the tragedy.

How deep is that particular well of American racial injustice now? How many names of innocents are on that list of sorrow? How many more times will we have to look at the faces of the survivors and see that the pain of the loss of a loved one taken by criminal violence has been etched more deeply by the betrayal of a system that – supposedly – exists to protect them?

In fact, until the civil rights victories of the mid-1960s, being betrayed by the nation's White majority was the only thing Blacks could count on getting from the nation they helped build and support. Today's "stand your ground" laws more than 20 states have enacted continue the cloaked-purpose dynamic of the post-1960s get-tough-on-crime and crack-cocaine-versus-powder-cocaine laws—and the 19th century vagrancy laws southern legislatures passed after destroying Reconstruction. They look "race-neutral" on the books but their origins and applications were and are shadowed by racial fear, anxiety, and hatred of Black people. Their goal is not justice but injustice.

But there can be no peace if there is no justice. Isn't that one of the central lessons of the history of African Americans in America? Of course, it's an exaggeration to say the incomplete verdict proves there's no justice today for Black Americans in America.

For one thing, as other cases in Florida, Arkansas and elsewhere have shown, the trigger-happy response to being angered – not physically threatened – by the words and actions of others sometimes reflects not racism but rather the pathological need of millions of Americans to consider guns a security blanket and problem-solver.

For another, hope remains that the murderer of Jordan Davis, now convicted of attempting to murder three of his companions who were in the SUV with him that night, will face justice for that crime as well. Prosecutor Angela Corey has been emphatic in stating she will retry Michael Dunn for first-degree murder. Certainly, his actions after the shooting and his whining letters from jail show a deep hatred of young Black people, especially males, and the pro-

found callousness required to twist hatred into murderous action.

In that sense, no matter the injustice legislated into Florida law that protects the "shoot-first" response of even ordinary citizens to even oral disputes, Michael Dunn has himself rendered the ultimate verdict on his crime. We know what he is and we know what he did.

However, the sense of tragedy and justified anger at the trial's incomplete verdict underscores another truth of Black Americans' history. That is that all through the centuries they've always had to forge a response to a terrible question: What becomes a tragedy most?

The answer to that question has been exemplified in our present by the conduct of the survivors of Oscar Grant and Jonathan Ferrell and Trayvon Martin, and, now, Jordan Davis: To demand that justice be done. That has always been the responsibility of Black Americans (and their allies among other Americans) – to redeem the humanity of those whose murders were ordered by the state or condoned by the state or ignored by the state. For all the spectacular progress made since the 1960s, it's no less urgent that Blacks today continue to bear witness to that responsibility.

Why? Because it is part of Black Americans' legacy of struggle. Because Blacks owe it to the innocent to rescue them from the well of lost souls. And because of what another truth of Black history makes clear: The spasm of furious racist violence against the Civil Rights Movement in the South in the early to mid-1960s was actually a harbinger of the movement's successful completion of that stage of the Black freedom struggle.

So, today, the violence – of language and of murderous action – against Black Americans exemplified by the Michael Duns of the nation in fact signals that the retrograde force of White supremacy is still losing ground.

That isn't a "happy" thought when measured against the tragedy that ended the life of a youth who had his whole life ahead of him. The only consolation available to those who seek to fully right that terrible wrong is to remember the most powerful answer to the question of what becomes a tragedy most and stand their ground on the fundamental lesson of Black History – enunciated first by the 19th-century White abolitionist Theodore Parker, and given fresh energy by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: "The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice."

Lee A. Daniels is a longtime journalist based in New York City. His latest book is Last Chance: The Political Threat to Black America

Good-bye, John

By Jim Abeare - Contributing Writer



John Dingell announced on Monday in Southgate that he would not seek another term in congress. He is retiring.

He served proudly for 58 years and is the longest serving member in congress.

Whether you agreed with him or not, you can't argue that he is a patriot and served the 12th district, which covers part of Downriver, well.

He wrote the 1990 Clean Air Act, and the Endangered Species Act.

He also authored (I might be able to forgive him for it) the Affordable Care Act..

He worked to protect worker's rights and improving the safety of our food and drug supply. He worked tirelessly for people of the 12th district.

The district will miss him greatly. But wait...I have news.

There is word that his wife, Debby Dingell might run for his seat. It seems his seat might be in good hands.

Ecorse Senior Citizens Birthday Club

Seniors 55 years and older are welcome

We welcome you to come, have fun, and join the Ecorse Senior Citizens Birthday Club. The Birthday Club meets every 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 1:00 pm. Come out and enjoy fellowship & refreshments. Please contact President Mary Ann King at 313-381-1616 for any questions. You may also call Ethel Stevenson at 313-382-3305.

Hope to see you all and God Bless

Pet Coke

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Petroleum coke - Pet coke is a solid byproduct generated by petroleum refineries. It is high in carbon and is commonly sold as a fuel source and burned as fuel in cement kilns and power plants. The Pet coke that was stored in Detroit last year was produced at the Marathon Oil Refinery that is located in on the Detroit/Melvindale boarder. This byproduct was purchased by Koch Minerals. In Detroit, officials ordered the removal of the heap of pet coke after residents began complaining in August 2013. Black dust that was emitting when the product was moved could be seen from miles in the United States as well as in Canada. A spokesman for the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Brad Wurfel, said the fugitive black dust has a very low toxicity.

Where did the mounds of pet coke go? The final destination was Toledo, Ohio. There were a few detours along the way; Nicholson Dock and even some went to Detroit Bulk Storage in River Rouge/Ecorse area. Detroit Bulk Storage has applied a permit application that would allow Pet coke to be stored at their headquarters located at 530 Great Lakes in River Rouge. A formal public hearing on their River Rouge permit application will be held later this year.

The Michigan DEQ requires a facility handling bulk petroleum coke to obtain a Permit to Install that would require an operator to implement and maintain acceptable fugitive dust control strategies. For more information on the March 5 hearing visit Michigan.gov/deq.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Help us demolish the school building

Letter to the editor
Please join the New Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church in petitioning for the immediate demolition of the old Mark Twain Elementary School building located at 12800 Gleason St.

After three years of negotiating with Detroit Public Schools (DPS) to acquire and renovate this property, dormancy, weather exposure and vandalism has left it in disrepair. Although our Church has invested its own resources in maintaining some level of a decent appearance, the building needs to be demolished for the following reasons:

Potential danger an threat for children and others It is being

used as a dumping round Asbestos has been exposed due to vandalism It is increasingly becoming an eyesore.

Please join us in our effort to have this property demolished by taking the time to sign our petition to make daily/weekly phone calls to DPS and by soliciting the help of others to do the same. In the words of an age old adage: The squeaky wheel gets the wheel.

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Drills

By: Janine Folks Edwards- Telegram Religion Columnist



Sometimes people complain about something being drilled into their head. What they don't realize is that sometimes it takes doing and hearing something over and over again for it to become a part of the fabric of our being. Practicing something repeatedly makes that thing become second nature like a reflex that you do without even thinking about it.

This is what drills do. In roller derby, we practice drills again and again. Doing something once does not give you mastery over a skill. We can be gifted at many things, but practice hones our craft. Even when we have perfected something, we can lose the skill and become less effective if we fail to practice

and do drills to reinforce the knowledge and skill.

Just the same, we read the same Bible over and over again. We need to drill the Word of God into our heads repeatedly. We go to church again and again. Bible study is something we routinely need to do and we go through the motions of studying. This is the only way to get the Word engrained in us. This is how we make God's Word a part of our being.

Some drills are moderate and others are intense. Nevertheless, we need drills in our lives to reinforce what we are learning as well as what we have mastered. It's like doing maintenance. It never stops. As long as we are participating in this activity called life, we need to repeat and practice the drill of studying God's Word and communicating with Him in prayer. Don't complain about the drills. It will make the appropriate responses to challenges become second nature and we will do what we need to do without putting too much thought into it.

That's why it's so important to read scriptures over and over

again. That's why we go to church week after week; Bible study week after week. We fellowship week after week and day after day. This repetition should never get old but instead, it should be perfecting us and perfecting our faith. If we do these things repeatedly and don't get better at it, we have to ask ourselves if we are really paying attention and really disciplining ourselves to improve and make excellence second nature.

We only get better at the things we practice. There is a reason this verse is in the Bible: "Make every effort to present yourself approved to God, a worker having no need to be ashamed, guiding the word of truth along a straight path (2 Tim. 2.15 LEB)." The KJV uses the word "study." Study God's Word, study life, study people, study situations, and study everything around you. Seek God. Learn and grow. Pray as you and your faith are perfected day by day.

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Mr. & Mrs. Brandon Curry

Mr. Brandon Curry and Dr. Danielle Johnson were married on Saturday, February 15, 2014 in Gahanna, OH. They were surrounded by family and friends in a small wedding ceremony.

Rouge). Brandon Curry is the son of Eugene and Taronda Curry (Columbus, OH).

The will reside in Blacklick, OH with their two sons Robert and Jaxon.

Dr. Danielle Johnson is the daughter of Johnnie Johnson (Detroit) and granddaughter of Thomesna Johnson (River

We wish them all the love and happiness for the future. May God continue to bless this union and their families.

Death Notice



Kim Terri Foster

April 16, 1956 - February 18, 2014

Kim was a graduate of Ecorse High School Class of 1974. Kim also received a certificate in Business from Oakland Vocational School.

Kim was known as being a very loving, outgoing person, and had many friends.

Kim had recently enjoyed her renewed friendships with her former EHS classmates and interacting with them on Facebook.

Kim was a devoted and dutiful Wife; very family oriented, and enjoyed being a caretaker for her elderly Aunts. Kim's display of support and unconditional love for her family and friends never wavered throughout her life.

Kim leaves to cherish her memory: Husband Johnny Turner, Sister-In-Law Dawn Martin, Sisters Alesia and Karen Foster, nephew, and numerous nieces, aunts and cousins. Kim will be buried in Sacramento, California, near her Mother Ernestine Foster and Brother Ronald Foster.

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Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the LORD.” Leviticus 19:32 (NIV)

ROSE DALTON ENGLISH
River Rouge – 97



Rose was born July 12, 1916 in Jefferson County, Alabama She has 12 children Rose arrived in Michigan in 1922. She attended School 32 and graduated from Ecorse High School in 1935. She married Alexander Dalton that same year.

Her first job was at R. L. Polk and later she became the 2nd African American hired by the City of Ecorse. The first was her long time friend Dixie L. Williams. Rose worked for the City of Ecorse for 30 years as an Executive Clerk. She retired June 12, 1985. She was very instrumental in the hiring of the

City's first Safety Ladies' Position.

Her deceased family members are: Alex, Ronald, Loretta, Alex Jr., Brenda, Bertha and Frederick. Her living family members are: Barbara, Gregory, Reginald, Charlette, Herbert and Timothy. Her motto is: Family,"We are all we got." She is inspired by Rosa Parks and her family.

What she remembers most about growing up is; dirt roads, chickens, their first car, and meeting Coleman Young. Some of her friends growing up

were Dixie Williams, Lucille Elias, Hazel Dawson, Daisy Williams, Rosebud Hightower, Billie Randel, Hazel Godley and many more.

Her family thanks her for all the love that love can be. Thanks for being the Rosa Parks of our family.

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4.Appeals are made on a property's State Equalized Value and not it's Taxable Value.

•If your value is too high, verify facts then pursue a correction

1.Compare your records and beliefs with the assessor's and understand differences. For example, discrepancies in the square footage, or in the number of rooms or any other item affecting value should be explained.

2.Speak with the assessor about facts which you believe are either erroneous, missing or should be considered.

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4.If you decide you must appear before the local board of review, be prepared to document facts and any value you believe should be placed on your home.

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§Finding recent sales of properties comparable to yours

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4.You should always verify meeting dates, the method by which you may register for an appearance before a Board of Review and whether or not appointments for appearances can be made.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH NOTES

African American Inventors



Lonnie Johnson
Born: Marietta, Georgia
Oct 6, 1949

Invention: S u p e r Soaker Water Gun
The super soaker was a water gun that had a large reservoir where you could fill with lots of water. Which gave kids endless amounts of fun.

Lonnie Johnson (born October 6, 1949) is best

known as the inventor of the Super Soaker water gun. The top selling toy in the United States in 1991 and 1992, over 40 million Super Soakers have generated over \$200 million in sales since 1990. Today, many websites are devoted to them.

Johnson is president and founder of Johnson Research and Development Co., Inc., a technology

development company, and its spin off companies, Excellatron Solid State, LLC; Johnson Electro-Mechanical Systems, LLC; and Johnson Real Estate Investments, LLC.

Articles on Lonnie Johnson have appeared in numerous publications including Time Magazine, the New York Times, and Inventor's Digest. Johnson serves on the Board of Directors of the Georgia Alliance for Children, an organization which serves as an informed and influential voice to protect the rights and interests of Georgia's less fortunate children. He is a Board member of the Hank Aaron Chasing the Dream Foundation, and has served on the Board of Directors of the Commonwealth National Bank.

In his hometown of Marietta, Georgia, February 25, 1994 was declared "Lonnie G. Johnson Day" in his honor.



Earl Lucas
Born: Dallas, Texas 1970 -
Invention: Designer
Earl Lucas is a designer for Ford Motor Company

Earl Lucas (1970-), was born in Dallas, Texas. He went to Booker T. Washington High School and was in the arts program. Initially, he was interested in the 3-D process of making jewelry with metal

at the College for Creative Studies in Detroit, Michigan. Two years into the program, he switched from a crafts major to industrial design. However, he liked the field of transportation. In college, he and some of his classmates designed a van to transport elderly riders.

That job led to a job designing car seats, panels for doors, and headliners for an auto supplier. Then he really got a dream job in Texas designing planes owned by the wealthy Sultan of Brunei. In the sultan's planes, he used real gold, platinum, and all kinds of precious jewel As a design manager for Ford, Lucas works with three or four car designers. Black Enterprise magazine notes that he is one of 25 to 30 African-American car designers in the world.



Bessie Blount
Born: Hickory, Virginia
1914
Invention: portable receptacle support

The electrical device allowed a tube to deliver one mouthful of food at a time to a patient in a wheelchair or in a bed

whenever he or she bit down on the tube.

Bessie Blount, was a physical therapist who worked with soldiers injured in W.W.II. Bessie Blount's war service inspired her to patent a device, in 1951, that allowed amputees to feed themselves. The electrical device allowed a tube to deliver one mouthful of food at a time to a patient in a wheelchair or in a bed whenever he or she bit down on the tube. She later invented a portable receptacle support that was a simpler and smaller version of the same, designed to be worn around a patient's neck.

Bessie Griffin - Bessie Blount Bessie Blount was born in Hickory, Virginia in 1914. She moved from Virginia to New Jersey where she studied to be a physical therapist at the Panzar College of Physical Education and at Union Junior College and then furthered her training as a physical therapist in Chicago. In 1951, Bessie Blount started teaching Physical Therapy at the Bronx Hospital in New York.

She was unable to successfully market her valuable inventions and found no support from United States Veteran's Administration, so she gave the patent rights to the French government in 1952. The French government put the device to good use helping to make life better for many war vets. "a black woman can invent something for the benefit of humankind" - Bessie Blount

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Community comes out to help

by Gina C. Steward - Telegram Newspaper Publisher



Tarita Gibson, LaTasha Johnson, Shaneta Waddy, Ingrid Wilson-Johnson and Guessner (Cupcake) Williams volunteering their time at the Be The Match Bone Marrow Drive

Local residents came out to help support the Bone Marrow Donor Registry Drive held on Saturday. Young Jullian Williams is a 10 year old boy who is loveable and personable. He was diagnosed with severe Aplastic Anemia in June 2013. This disease damages the bone marrow and the blood stem cells. According to his doctors, he is in need of a bone marrow.

Tarita Gipson

Jullian's mother, Guessner Williams, said, "African Americans needs donors when it comes to Sickle Cell and Aplastic Anemia. People are mis-informed about what it takes to be on the donor list. But once they find out what's it all about, they come out. Its easy. It's painless to be added to the registry.... It's just a cheek swab."

"Once we met with the doctors and they decided that Jullian was going to need a bone marrow transfer, I began to reach out to family and friends for

help. I want to do everything in my power for my baby. I found out that the percentage of African Americans on the 'Be the Match Registry' list is only 7% . I wanted to do more to help grow that percentage."

Tarita Gipson, for the Be the Match, says, " We are trying to grow the registry now more than ever. We are hitting all ethnic backgrounds, groups and civic organizations, trying to share the message of getting African Americans to join the registry.

Jullian's mother is Guessner (Cupcake) Williams. His grandmother is DeeDee who operated the Ol Deliah Beauty Shop in River Rouge. His great-grandparents are Berelie and Peter Burgess and deceased River Rouge police officer Otis Williams His mother Guessner went to Northrup Elementry School and she graduated from Inner City Baptist High School in Allen Park.

To be included in the Donor

Registry you must meet the age criteria. You must be between the ages of 18 – 44 and in good health. Gipson says we want people who are committed and available to the registry. We want them to reach out and Save a Life.

The process includes a DNA match – eye and hair color characteristics. We are advocates for African Americans to join the registry . Currently the registry is made up of 75 % of people that are of the Caucasian decent. We are trying to increase the database for Asian and Hispanic individuals too.

Gipson says, " The goal is to increase the number of minorities in the database so that minority patients have the same chance to find a match as Caucasian patients. We want them to have the opportunity to get a second chance at life." The next Be the Match Donor Registry Drives will be held at:

Your Feet Tell the Story

by Valecia Weeks - Special to the NNPA from the Houston Forward-Times



IF YOUR FEET COULD TALK.... what would they say? Would they say, "I feel nice and pretty after that relaxing pedicure." Would they say, "Please put some socks on me so I can avoid calloused heels." Or would they say, "Let me tell you just how unhealthy your entire body is"? Ladies, isn't it a nice feeling to be able to go to the salon and have your feet pampered – Nails done, feet scrubbed...the works. With the information that I am about to

give you, ladies I think you will agree with me that those feet deserve any pampering that we may give them.

Have you ever thought of other ways your feet can be beneficial? If you ever want to take a quick glimpse at your health, take a sneak peek at your feet

1. Red flag: Toenails with slightly sunken, spoon-shaped indentations could indicate ane-

mia. Internal bleeding such as ulcers or heavy menstrual cycles can cause anemia.

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River Rouge Men’s Club celebrate Black History with songs

By: Domonique Madden - Telegram Contributing Writer



The River Rouge High School Choir along with thier Director Damon Dubose on keyboard performed for the Annual Brotherhood Banquet

Change is good. That is what Mr. Gregory Harrington, president of the River Rouge Men's Club impressed upon the attendees during their 65th Annual Brotherhood Banquet. The banquet was held Saturday evening at River Rouge High School. He informed the attendees that the choir had performed during the Men's Club Dinner two years ago and the group loved them. In lieu of a speaker this year, they had the River Rouge High School Choir perform for the entire dinner.

Music played a key role in the lives of African American

throughout the years. During this year's Annual Brotherhood Dinner the attendees were serenade by the River Rouge High School Choir. The choir, under the direction of Damon Dubose sung songs that stretched from Slavery to jazz to modern day music. As the choir moved through the time period, River Rouge student, Erriana Lowery gave a narrative of what the music meant to the people in the world.

The attendees were treated to a special song from former River Rouge Choir member Kimberly Sanders. She is a recent graduate of Alabama

State University and has been performing throughout the community. Her angelic voice had everyone speechless as she sung Till I Wake by H. T. Burleigh an opera selection.

The River Rouge Ecorse Men's Club is one of the oldest social clubs in the City of River Rouge. It was founded in 1949. Their annual dinner is one of the highlights for the community and draws elected officials, community residents and River Rouge staff. For more information on the Men's Club, you can contact Mr. Harrington at P. O. Box 18095 River Rouge, MI 48218



River Rouge Men’s Club President, Greg Harrington presents Mr. Damon Dubose with a plaque to show the groups appreciation



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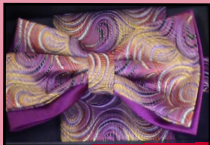
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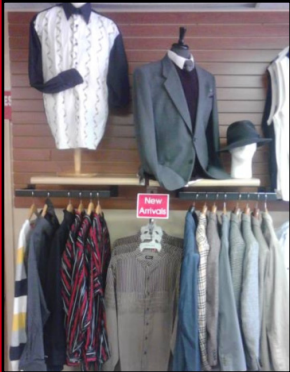
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Lady Panthers Honors Price with Win

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer



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Franthea Price surrounded by Lady Panthers 30 years after winning State Championship

Briana Johnson scored 16 points for River Rouge Lady Panthers this past Saturday against rival school Ecorse High as their team won the game by the final score of 58-37. “I think our team was more inspirer because of the Franthea Price ceremony and that they honor her the correct way. I didn’t care if we won five or seven points a win was great for us said River Rouge Girls Basketball coach Bryant Rainey.”

Yes, many fans did turn out on the early Saturday afternoon to honor former Michigan Miss Basketball of 1985 as now Franthea Price continue playing basketball at the University of Iowa. She played for the great C. Vivian

Stringer, one of the most prominent women’s basketball coaches of all time with the third best record in the history of women’s basketball. Price played professionally in Spain, Italy and France, as well as the 1998 season with Sacramento of the WNBA.

She earned a degree in physical education with an emphasis in sports management from the University of Iowa in the summer of 1991. When her basketball career ended, Price was called to ministry and received a bachelor’s degree in theology from the International Apostolic University of Grace and Truth. Now residing in Grand Rapids, Mich., Price is a supervisor at Kane County

Juvenile Detention Center.

Recently Minister Price was honor last year in late August 2013, as one of three student-athletes from the modern era, and one of six overall, to be inducted into the National Iowa Varsity Club Athletics Hall of Fame. Price was very honoring with ceremony that was given by River Rouge High School and the Fans who attended in her honor. “I am truly humbled by it, I love this community that I grew up in always had support from all the families and the teaching staff here in Rouge. It’s an awesome experience, I just hope and pray that the youth here today can experience the same thing if not something better.”

Wasson Helps Wins Two for Ecorse

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer

Jovan Wasson scored 18 points and six assists, and Darius Canty chip in with 16 points and 14 boards for Ecorse Red Raiders as they hammered Highland Park, 82-41 last Friday night.

In less than 24 hours, Ecorse’s varsity boy’s basketball team was back on the road against their rivals across Visger Road the River Rouge Panthers rested and ready to last Saturday afternoon. Both team play an emotional first quarter as both coaches Mike Talley from Ecorse and Bobby Thompson of River Rouge had some heated word between the two in which calm down

after warning from the official nevertheless the first half score was close 31-30, at half-time.

The beginning of the third quarter was the Jovan Wasson, Marlin Talley show as both player were ringing up baskets like a pinball machine as Ecorse won the third quarter scoring by 18 points, so the score at the end of the third quarter 59-40. The Panthers made the game interesting as the scoring of Terrell Crawford got Red Raiders lead down to 10 point in the fourth quarter, however, Wasson continue making buckets and lead

Ecorse in scoring 37 points.

Talley play keep a way and made some big three point shots he finish the game with 18 points as Ecorse end their week with a win over their cross town rivals 74-60. “Well, we were well prepare and I said in the locker room at half-time the team that want it the most will win the ball game” said Ecorse Head Coach Michael Talley. “We had a game the night before against Highland Park and won by 41, however, the team came out here in Rouge and play a great game and I am happy with them and their performers.”

Coach Bobby Thompson of River Rouge said after the game, “couple guys got in foul trouble and we could do some thing to stop Ecorse. The one thing we will learn is that we should never give up.” Terrell Crawford led the Panthers in scoring 20 points in the game.

Bulldogs bitten by Tigers twice within winsome week

By Christian Young - Contributing Writer

Dearborn Heights Robichaud got two cracks at a single opponent last week.

Unfortunately, they were unable to capitalize, losing a home-and-home series against Belleville despite scrappy play. The Bulldogs saw cold shooting and turnovers doom their first effort, losing 53-34 at Belleville on Feb. 18.

“Our main goal is just to get better throughout the season,” Bulldogs coach Vernon Crump said. “We’re still trying to work on basic things and build some more team chemistry.”

The Bulldogs slipped through the first half, seeing a 13-6 deficit grow to a 24-9 hole at halftime. Robichaud’s defense improved in the second half with impressive stands, but unfortunately could not overcome a cold offensive night. Maalik Johnson led the Bulldogs with 14 points. Timonte Ferguson, Rayjon Jackson and DeAndre Cobb all chipped in six points.

Belleville’s Andre Smith led all scorers with 14 points, followed by Alex Fowler and Rahsaan Pope with eight apiece.

On Feb. 20, the Bulldogs were anxious to get some measure of revenge against the Tigers and hoping a home crowd could rally them in their home season finale.

And for a great duration of the game, it seemed to work, as

the Bulldogs came out utilizing tougher defense.

However, the Bulldogs seemed plagued by some of the same offensive woes, and a tight contest ended in a 56-49 Belleville victory. “We played a good second half,” Crump said. “We missed way too many easy shots, though. We make those easy shots, it’s a different game.”

In that second half, the Bulldogs emerged from a 29-21 deficit at the break to squeak within 35-33, pulling down rebounds and utilizing defense pressure. The game, however, went in the bonus and Belleville converted their free throws, while Robichaud did not.

“Making easy shots helps a lot,” Crump said.

Smith again led all scorers with 22 points, followed by George Spencer with 11. DJ Mayo led Robichaud with 14 points, with Cobb chipping in eight.

Though this season has been more disappointing than past ones, Crump wants to keep one goal in mind.

“We just want to improve each and every day. We want to be better today than yesterday,” he said. “We’re still looking for a leader.”

The Bulldogs traveled to Lansing Everett on Tuesday and close the regular season on Saturday at Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

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Defensive Coordinator Mike Pitts, Principal Reggie Grantham, Principal Phyllis Atkins, Head Coach Thomas Patterson, and Athletic Director Mark Woodson Front from left: Mike Hall, DeVonte' Malcom, and Hakeem Shaw

On Wednesday, February 5th, National Signing Day soared into the halls of RHS. It is the first day that a high school senior can sign a binding National Letter of Intent for college football with a school that is a member of the United States National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). Devonté Malcolm signed to Siena Heights University in Adrian, Michigan. Fellow team mates Mike Hall and Hakeem Shaw committed to Defiance College in Defiance, Ohio. These young men are a testament to the quality students and athletes that Romulus Community Schools continuously puts out.

Romulus goes 2-1 over long week

By Christian Young - Contributing Writer

It was a long week for the Romulus Eagles, including the second back-to-back of the season. And coach Jerret Smith wouldn't have it any other way.

"You have to play back-to-back to win the state title when you get to Lansing," he once said. "We just have to be ready."

The Eagles (16-3, No. 4 in Class A) faced a grueling three-game stand, all against quality opponents.

The week started on Feb. 19 when the Eagles hosted an angry Detroit Frederick Douglass team that was still steaming from their loss to Detroit Pershing in the Detroit PSL semifinals.

The Hurricanes started strong, but Romulus rode big runs in the second and fourth quarters to an 86-68 victory. Douglass held a 24-17 lead into the second quarter, but a three-pointer by Kris Clyburn set off a 20-7 run that saw the Eagles clinging to a 37-31

lead at halftime. The Hurricanes grinded their way back into the game, getting all the way within 50-49 near the end of the third quarter. "We have to get better defensively," Smith said. "We gave them too many blow-bys. When you give a team like that blow-bys, that's dangerous."

But the Eagles would explode again in the fourth, outscoring Douglass 36-19, including an 11-0 run featuring crowd-rocking slams from Clyburn and Jaylin Walker.

Clyburn led the team with 27 points, followed by Walker with 20. Reo Washington chipped in a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Terrell Hales led Douglass with 25 points, followed by Darrell Davis with 21.

After getting through that test, the Eagles traveled to Saginaw and took an 85-59 victory on the Trojans' home floor on Feb. 21.

The Eagles went wild in the second and third quarters, going on a combined 59-26 run to overcome a 14-10 first quarter deficit.

Walker paced the Eagles with 20 points, while Clyburn chipped in 20 and 10 rebounds.

The Eagles returned to Saginaw the next night for a home date with Saginaw Arthur Hill in what was billed as a heavyweight fight. The game didn't disappoint, as the two teams traded big slugs before the Lumberjacks slipped by Romulus, 79-78, in overtime.

Tyrone Hamby led the Eagles with 21 points. Arthur Hill's Eric Davis led all scorers with 39 points.

The Eagles faced Detroit University of Detroit-Jesuit on Tuesday and close the regular season hosting Birmingham Detroit Country Day tonight at 7 p.m.

Local High School Girls Basketball Districts Results

The MHSAA District Tournament for Girls Basketball have started this past Monday, so here are the results of the first round of the districts in the Telegram News Reading area.

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Brownstown Woodhaven 65, Gibraltar Carlson 24 Trenton 44, Riverview 32

District 15
Romulus 69, Wayne Memorial 10

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FEBRUARY 13TH, 2014

At 1424hrs, officers went to a home in the 300 Block of Burke Street on a report of 2 males breaking out a window on a vehicle near the location. Officers spoke to a 29 year old male who states at 1410hrs, he heard a loud noise and sound of glass breaking outside his house. So he went outside and found a shovel underneath a broken window. While he was still outside investigating he heard another loud noise and the sound of glass breaking again in the back of his home. When he went in the backyard and looked he seen 2 males running down the alley and noticed the passenger side window broken out of his brother's vehicle. Officers checked and observed drops of blood in the snow near the broken window and followed a blood trail leading to the direction of males seeing fleeing. A large amount of blood was discovered behind a house and in the backyard in the 100 Block of Haltiner. Officers knocked n the door but no one answered. I wonder why because we know who you are and why you did it!

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2014

At 1856hrs, officers were dispatched to the 1000 Block of Coolidge on a report of a Domestic fight going on between mother and son. Officers approached the front door and heard a female's voice telling a male to let a go. When officers knocked on the door a 48 year old answered and she was arguing with her son and he grabbed her arm and won't let her go. She attempted to call 911 but he took the phone from her. Officer found the young male in the living room standing

there. The son came out and began walking towards his mother and began yelling at the officers. He told officers he was hugging his mother because she wouldn't listen. The son was placed under arrest he began calling officers "pigs" and claimed officers didn't have nothing on him. The mother told officers her son was hold her against her will and denied that her son punched on kicked her. The argueie began because the son was trying to convince his mother not to go back with his father. The son told officers he get agitated quickly and he was upset about his parents are getting back together. He states his father doesn't treat his mother well an d she was in the process of divorcing him.

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2014

At 1259hrs, officers were dispatched to the 100 Block of Walnut Street on a Domestic call. Upon arrival officers could heard people screaming from the upper apartment Officer approached the closed door and knocked and nobody responded but the screaming continued. Officers opened th door and yelled police and the 37 year old female came to the stairwell and yelled "Help, my boyfriend dif tripping". The female appeared excited and crying and her face was red and flustered. The boyfriend appeared and yelled "yes I did it, I choked and hurt her, and couldn't believe he did that". The boyfriend was placed in handcuffs and searched, then placed in a patrol vehicle. The female told officers they got into an argument after she broke an ash tray. He grabbed her by her neck and shook her while he choked her. She states she scratched him and managed to pull away and ran and called police. The female told officers that she was visiting him but does not live with. She recently came to Michigan several months ago after living in Texas.

Major marijuana bust at home in Ecorse, two suspects arrested



The Downriver Area Narcotics Organization has busted a major marijuana growing operation in the City of Ecorse.

On February 19, detectives carried out a search warrant at the home located on the 4200 block of 7th Street and discovered hundreds of marijuana plants in the basement

and in the upstairs bedrooms.

The plants were in various stages of growth.

A total of 424 marijuana plants were seized, as well as sophisticated plant-growing equipment.

The worth is estimated at \$600,000 to \$900,000.

Two men were arrested at the home, a 32-year-old man from Dearborn and a 28-year-old man from Detroit.

The Downriver Area Narcotics Organization consists of officers from the Michigan State Police, Taylor Police Department, Southgate Police Department, Ecorse Police Department and the Romulus Police Department.

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CITY OF INKSTER PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CITY OF INKSTER

2014 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF THE CITY OF INKSTER WILL MEET AT THE CITY OF INKSTER'S CITY HALL, located at 26215 Trowbridge, on the following days for the purpose of hearing the complaints of all persons considering themselves aggrieved by the assessments made against their property.

Monday, March 17, 2014

10:00 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M.
and
2:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

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Tuesday, March 18, 2014

3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

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Wednesday, March 19, 2014

10:00 A.M. TO 12:00 PM
and
2:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

Applications for hardships will also be accepted however final determination of hardships will occur at the July Board of Review. Proof of income must accompany the application in order to be considered for a hardship.

Please refer to your notice of assessment for the property identification number and related assessment information. Also, please bring your notice of assessment with you to your scheduled appointment

PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT (313) 563-7703 or 313-563-4232

Felicia Rutledge
Inkster City Clerk
26215 Trowbridge
Inkster, MI 48141

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CITY OF RIVER ROUGE PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSESSOR OFFICE
CITY OF RIVER ROUGE
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Attention River Rouge Taxpayers

Please take notice that the River Rouge Board of Reviews will be meeting in the Assessor's office, Room 205, at 10600 W. Jefferson, River Rouge, MI 48218. Date and times the board will be meeting.

March 10th, 2014 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

March 11th, 2014 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
March 12th, 2014 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

This meeting is for the purpose hardship applications and contesting taxable values. Further, State law requires that all applicants for poverty reductions must supply the following information to the board before the board can grant a hardship reduction.

Complete poverty (hardship) application (available in the Treasurer's Office.
Hardship applicants must meet the income guidelines.

The Board requires that all persons applying for a hardship reduction must have completed there application and returned to the Treasurer's office by March 7th, 2014. Hardship reductions cannot be granted by telephone.

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Seven (7) people	\$33,270
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Nine (9) people	\$42,000

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CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ECORSE
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AN EXCERPT TAKEN FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ECORSE HELD UNDER DATE OF FEBRUARY 18, 2014. MAYOR LAMAR TIDWELL, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEN SAMMONS, AGEE, BANKS, MAYOR PRO TEM MILLER, ELEM, HELLAR, MAYOR TIDWELL.
EXCUSED:

RESOLUTION NO. 062.14

Moved by Councilman Hellar, Supported by Councilman Elem,

RESOLVED, that acceptance and adoption of the said proposed ordinance and that the same, or a summary thereof, be published within ten (10) days hereof; with said publication including the location, within the city, where a copy of the code may be viewed.

Yeas: Councilmen Sammons, Agee, Banks, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, Elem, Hellar, Mayor Tidwell.
Nays: None.
Excused:

CITY OF ECORSE PUBLIC NOTICE

ATTENTION ECORSE TAXPAYERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE ECORSE BOARD OF REVIEW WILL BE MEETING IN THE ALBERT B. BUDAY CIVIC CENTER-3869 W. JEFFERSON ECORSE MI IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE 2ND FLOOR ON:

MARCH 10, 2014 9:00 A.M. TO NOON AND 1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.
6:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M

MARCH 12, 2014 11:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

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2. COPY OF FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS/HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX OR POVERTY EXEMPTION AFFIDAVIT(AVAILABLE IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE)
3. PROOF OF INCOME (W2 , SOCIAL SECURITY STATEMENT ETC)
4. ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU WISH THE BOARD TO CONSIDER
5. MUST BE CURRENT ON PROPERTY TAXES:


HARDSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST ALSO MEET THE FOLLOWING INCOME GUIDELINES

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ROBERT LEWIS HELLAR ECORSE, ASSESSOR

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FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 5, 2014

ARIES
Finding a way to do it better than others is not going to be hard this week. Share your wisdom with other seekers. All who receive your word will benefit this week. Happiness rules! Don't waste a moment of this perfect week on any negative thoughts.
Soul Affirmation: I give myself a chance to see all the good I can see in others.
Lucky Numbers: 36, 38, 55

LIBRA
Romance will find you this week. Don't be looking the other way. Your "rap" is especially strong. Make as many of those important phone calls as possible. People will respond. They are waiting to be receptive,
Soul Affirmation: Friendships are shock absorbers on the bumpy roads of life.
Lucky Numbers: 11, 13, 20

SCORPIO
This week should bring an opportunity to further your education, don't pass it up. Pay special attention to details at work. A friend needs your support. Find joy in giving it.
Soul Affirmation: All things work together for good.
Lucky Numbers: 26, 35, 43

SAGITTARIUS
You and your mate should increase your saving for the future this week. Future plans should be spotlighted. A relationship is likely to take a serious turn. Be open to making an unusual purchase.
Soul Affirmation: I can see clearly now the rain is gone. There are no obstacles in my way.
Lucky Numbers: 10, 30, 50

CAPRICORN
Don't take any big gambles this week, the time is not right for a flight into the unknown. A newfound harmony is in store for you and your mate. Your mate will understand your fears.
Soul Affirmation: New insights create new directions and a new cast of characters.
Lucky Numbers: 6, 48, 51

AQUARIUS
The air can be cleared easily. Admit your need for help. Seek understanding. You'll help another by seeking help from them. Communication problems will smooth themselves out.
Soul Affirmation: Moving slowly might be the fastest way.
Lucky Numbers: 33, 52, 54

PISCES
You and your partner are on the same wavelength. If you are presented with a contract this week, it's an ideal week to reach an agreement. Make the important phone call to set things up.
Soul Affirmation: What I've been waiting for has been here all along.
Lucky Numbers: 4, 6, 33

TAURUS
Strong vibrations bring a series of dramatic interactions with others this week. Practice your charm. Let it come from the heart, and let your energy carry you upwards to your best, highest self. Keep emotions calm. Let the warmth from inside of you touch others and thereby make your world better.
Soul Affirmation: I go within and find what I've been searching outside myself to find.
Lucky Numbers: 13, 29, 34

GEMINI
You'll be energizing and inspiring others this week as you speak what's on your mind regarding spiritual matters and masters. The quality of your thoughts is very pure; write yourself a love letter. Move slowly with explanations. Others will not understand as quickly as you think they should.
Soul Affirmation: The truth that finds me is the truth I've been seeking.
Lucky Numbers: 20, 27, 31

CANCER
Rev up your engines. This is a fine week for making progress with projects that you've got in the works. Your energy is high and your mind is clear. Use every advantage this week to finish up your works. Look for love in the right places. Know the difference between love and lust.
Soul Affirmation: I forgive and set myself free.
Lucky Numbers: 19, 26, 39

LEO
Educate those around you in the area of personal growth. Their improvement will bring benefits to you. Humor in communication is the key. Humor in introspection is a must.
Soul Affirmation: Success that has been following me is trying to catch up.
Lucky Numbers: 16, 30, 39

VIRGO
This week romance is begins to percolate. Enjoy your feelings and let your brain relax. Suspend all judgments of others. Being stern won't work for you this week.
Soul Affirmation: I go along to get along.
Lucky Numbers: 1, 6, 19

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First Lady Honors Cicely Tyson at ‘Trip to Bountiful’ White House Screening



First lady Michelle Obama praised award-winning performer Cicely Tyson Monday at a special White House screening of her latest work, “The Trip to Bountiful.”

The event was held in recognition of African-American history month, which FLOTUS said is about “honoring those who came before us” and “resolving to do our part to live up to that example.”

The Tony-Award winning play — originally created by playwright Horton Foote in 1953 — was revived on stage by Tyson and a stellar cast which drew massive crowds during the show’s run on Broadway and earned accolades for their distinguished work. Cable network Lifetime tapped Tyson and her stage co-stars Blair Underwood and Vanessa Williams for a film adaptation, to debut next month.

Actress Cicely Tyson acknowledges applause as she arrives for remarks by US First Lady Michelle Obama speaks following a screening of The Trip to Bountiful, a TV version of the Tony award-nominated Broadway revival of Horton Footes play on February 24, 2014 in the South Court Auditorium of the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, next to the White House in Washington.

Actress Cicely Tyson acknowledges applause as she arrives for remarks by First Lady Michelle Obama following a screening of The Trip to Bountiful on February 24, 2014 in the South Court Auditorium of the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, next to the White House in Washington.

The first lady herself caught the play on Broadway and she told

the film screening attendees that she enjoyed the moral lessons carried in the play’s plot along with Tyson’s “impressive” performance.

“This is so exciting – it is a wonderful movie and I am so thrilled that we have the opportunity to show it here at the White House,” Mrs. Obama said. “I had the pleasure of seeing the Broadway play last summer in New York with my girls and we were blown away by the story of persistence and hope and the ties that bind us all together.”

The film, also starring Keke Palmer, is set in the Jim Crow South and tells the story of an elderly woman named Carrie Watts (Tyson) who is preoccupied with returning to her home in Bountiful, Texas before she dies.

Tyson scored a best actress Tony Award for her portrayal of the tenacious Watts – adding to her distinguished body of work, which has landed her two Emmy Awards, and Academy Award and Golden Globe nominations.

“But Ms. Tyson’s story is so much more than honors and accolades,” Mrs. Obama said. “It is really about character, and determination and it’s about breaking barriers, not just for herself but for all of us who are blessed by her legacy.”

“The Trip to Bountiful” premieres on Lifetime on March 8 at 8 p.m. www.eurweb.com

THE JOFFREY BALLET TO PRESENT AMERICAN LEGENDS



DETROIT - The Joffrey Ballet returns to the Detroit Opera House to present American Legends for two performances, March 1-2, 2014. The program will showcase works by master choreographers Jerome Robbins, Twyla Tharp and Stanton Welch. Based in Chicago, the Joffrey Ballet has appeared often at the Opera House, most recently in 2011.

Performances will feature Interplay, with its playful mix of classical ballet steps and contemporary spirit, choreographed by well-known Broadway choreographer Jerome Robbins and set to Morton Gould’s “American Concertette.” Also featured will be Twyla Tharp’s Nine Sinatra Songs, a popular classic that celebrates and updates 1950’s social dance, with music by Frank Sinatra and costumes by Oscar De La Renta, both icons of their art forms. Performances will conclude with the Michigan premiere of Stanton Welch’s Sons of Chamber Symphony, set to music by John Adams. Welch says that Adams’ deconstruction of music inspired him to deconstruct standard ballet traditions, “so much of ballet is about hiding the difficulties and seeking to attain seamless movement. Here I want to show the seams.”

Hailed as “America’s Company of Firsts,” the

Joffrey Ballet’s long list of firsts includes being the first dance company to perform at the White House, the first to appear on television, the first American company to visit Russia, the first to commission a rock and roll ballet, the first and only dance company to appear on the cover of Time magazine, and the first company to be the center of a major motion picture (Robert Altman’s The Company).

Classically trained to the highest standards, the Joffrey Ballet expresses a unique, inclusive perspective on dance, proudly reflecting the diversity of America within its company, outreach and repertoire.

A master class for intermediate and advanced level ballet dancers will be taught by members of the Joffrey Ballet on Saturday, March 1, at 11 a.m. The master class is free with a ticket to the performance or \$25 without, and will be held at the Detroit Opera House. For information or to register, call (313) 237-3251 or email dance@motopera.org.

This presentation is generously supported in part by the Betty, Marvin and Joanne Danto Dance Endowment.

A free dance talk will begin one hour prior to each performance in the auditorium.

Ticket prices range from \$25 to \$80, and may be purchased in person at the Detroit Opera House ticket office (1526 Broadway, Detroit), by calling 313-237-SING, or

Michael B. Jordan Talks ‘Fantastic Four’ Racial Backlash: ‘I’m a Young Black Man. I’ve Been Criticized’



Actor Michael B. Jordan attends Vanity Fair and FIAT celebration of “Young Hollywood” during Vanity Fair Campaign Hollywood at No Vacancy on February 25, 2014 in Los Angeles, California

Vanity Fair and FIAT threw a cocktail party Tuesday night to celebrate Young Hollywood,

and “Fruitvale Station” star Michael B. Jordan was among the young Hollywood stars in attendance.

Guests were invited to the chic club space called No Vacancy (it had no sign, no visible address) to join co-hosts Chris Evans and Vanity Fair West Coast Editor Krista Smith for cocktails under the stars.

Jordan was inevitably asked about the racial backlash following his casting in the upcoming “Fantastic Four” film as Johnny Storm/Human Torch, a character who is white in Marvel’s comic book version...and ironically, was played by Evans in the previous “Fantastic Four” film.

According to the Huffington Post, Jordan smiled and responded: “People are going to be critics. Haters are going to find something to hate about. I’m a young black man. I’ve been criticized.

“My name is Michael Jordan,” he said with a laugh. “He gave me a chip on my shoulder that I needed to push me though.” www.eurweb.com

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Dingell

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Wyandotte Roosevelt Junior, Shayna Howard, meets Congressman Dingell after luncheon

elected officials and students from local high school to update them on issues going on in Washington. This year was different and hard felt as he announced that this would be his last term. "I'm not going away." He announced that he would not seek re-election to a seat he has held since the Eisenhower administration ,

Dingell has served the majority of the Downriver community of Southeastern Michigan over his nearly 60 years of service. He said, "I have served many of the Downriver Districts over the years." I love this area and the people in it.

He said, his decision to vote for Civil Rights in 1964 was one of his toughest decisions. It was the right decision to make, however it wasn't the popular thing to do. When asked who should replace him, He said, "If the Lovely Debbie decides to run, I would vote for her."

Praising Mr. Dingell, President Obama released a statement calling him "one of the most influential legislators of all time" and noted his "tireless fight to guarantee quality, affordable health care for every American."

There were students from eight local schools in attendance at the luncheon. Shayna Howard, a junior at Wyandotte Roosevelt High School had an opportunity to meet Dingell after the lunch-

eon and shake his hand. She said meeting him was very inspirational. "It has inspired a lot more patriotism. Follow the same route and be strong in my patriotic routes." She said she is interested in politics, but right now she is focused on attending West Point Military Academy and pursuing leadership there.

On Friday, Debbie Dingel will announce that she will indeed run to fill her husband's seat in Congress.

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