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River Rouge High School Chevrolet Cadets Ball "It's Time to Dream Big"



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Nineteen students from River Rouge High School completed the Chevy Leadership Program. The session ended with the first Chevrolet Cadets Ball which was held on Saturday, April 5, 2014 in Southgate.

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Review Team Finds 'Financial Emergency' in City of Lincoln Park

Report Sent to Governor Snyder for Review

The independent Financial Review Team, appointed February 10, 2014 to examine the finances of the City of Lincoln Park, under Public Act 436 of 2012 (Local Financial Stability and Choice Act) has submitted to Gov. Rick Snyder its report which concludes that a local government financial emergency exists. The Governor now has 10 days to consider the Review Team report and reach a determination on the financial condition of the City of Lincoln Park.

The Review Team held several meetings to consider the city's finances and conduct interviews with elected offi-

cial, department heads, and others with knowledge and information relevant to the review. The Review Team also conducted a Public Information Meeting with local residents, as required by PA 436, on March 4, 2014.

The Review Team's report indicates that numerous conditions led to the determination that a financial emergency exists in the city, including but not limited to:

* According to the City's 2013 fiscal year financial audit, the ending balance in the General Fund decreased

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Wayne County Ticket Amnesty Program begins



A County-Wide Ticket Amnesty Program will be offered beginning Monday, April 7, 2014 through Friday, May 2, 2014, chaired by 36th District Court. 36th District Court will have extended hours for Amnesty payments: Monday through Friday, 7:00

a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Civil infractions in default status and/or misdemeanor tickets with judgments can be paid IN PERSON. 36th District Court will waive all late fees and warrant costs.

All original assessments and mandatory State Fees including the Driver's License Reinstatement Fees will NOT be waived.

Other participating courts include Allen Park/Melvindale, Dearborn, Garden City, Grosse Pointe Municipal, Hamtramck, Plymouth, Southgate, Taylor and Wayne. Please see www.36thdistrictcourt.org or each participating court's website for further details.



CALL TO ACTION

Reducing the increase in violence in our communities

By Gina Steward - Telegram Newspaper Publisher



Is it just me or does it seem to be an uptick in physical attacks against innocent people. Over the last month, there have been many stories playing out in the media about people attacking others that have done nothing to them. The older gentleman in the neighborhood store in Detroit, that was beaten to death by a father, son and other teen while others looked on; the veteran in Westland that was beaten and the latest senseless beating of the grandfather who was beaten by the mob after hitting the young kid in the street. Why?

What has me puzzled is that the men that were beaten hadn't committed a crime against the men that were doing the beating. Is there a common thread between what made these men viciously hurt someone else? When a child does something against someone, we normally say it starts with home training. But what do you say when the men are adults? Do you go back twenty years and say it was home training? Do you say that they needed a mentor when they were teenagers? Or do you say there is no hope because they are now in their twenties and thirties?

We can't give up on these guys because unfortunately, in most cases....they are now somebody's daddy. Right!? If they are not convinced to change their ways, there will be another generation of men that feel that it ok to brutally harm others.

There definitely needs to be some intervention. I suggest prayer. Pray for the victims that their lives will return to some kind of normalcy. Pray for the families of the victims so they won't retaliate and keep the violence going. Pray for the community witnessing these violent acts and reassure them that this is not how people should solve their problems. Pray for the police departments in these cities to give them the skills and determination to catch these perpetrators and bring them to justice. Pray for community groups and churches to extend an olive branch to this set of people to encourage them to change their lives and lastly pray for our elected officials to pass legislation to restore more funding to the cities that will allow them to invest in more problem solving/prevention programs that will increase the number of positive activities that youth and young adults can participate in.

There is not ONE answer to this problem of increased violence in our cities. But there is one old saying that applies that needs to be revised a little to apply to the conditions of today. "It takes a positive village to raise a positive child". Are you positively affecting the children and youth in your community? If not, it's time you start.

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON D.C.

Senator Stabenow works to Protect Homeowners

Bipartisan Mortgage Forgiveness Tax Relief Act Stops IRS from Hitting Homeowners with Huge Tax Bill



**U.S. Senator
Debbie Stabenow**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, a senior member of the Senate Finance Committee, today praised Committee passage of her Mortgage Forgiveness Tax Relief Act, bipartisan legislation that protects underwater homeowners from being hit with huge, unfair tax bills by the IRS. Her provision, included in legislation to extend expiring tax provisions (the EXPIRE Act), ensures that homeowners who owe more on their mortgages than their homes are now worth would not be hit with additional income tax if a portion of their mortgage is forgiven as part of an agreement with their lender. Without Sen. Stabenow's legislation, homeowners – for the first time since housing crisis began – would be required to pay taxes on this phantom income when they refinance or sell their homes in what are commonly called short sales.

"We should not be giving banks a tax break for the mortgage relief they offer to struggling homeowners and then send middle-class fam-

ilies a big tax bill," said Stabenow. "I'm glad we were able to come together in a bipartisan way to protect millions of Americans, including hundreds of thousands of people in Michigan, from being hit with an unfair tax bill so large that it could cause them to lose their homes. This legislation is a top priority and it's critical for Congress to act immediately and help the millions of families who just want a fair shot to do the right thing, get caught up on their payments, and stay in their homes."

Stabenow's amendment will extend the moratorium on taxing mortgage forgiveness through the end of 2015.

The historic collapse of housing markets from which we are still recovering has forced many families to sell their homes for less than they paid for them, and sometimes for less than their mortgage balance. Others may be stuck in mortgages that are tens of thousands of dollars or more larger than what their homes are now worth. Before Congress enacted Senator Stabenow's legislation in 2007 in response to the housing crisis, the IRS taxed loan forgiveness provided to homeowners as income, meaning underwater families were hit with a tax bill on money the family never saw. These unfair tax bills could be substantial enough to cause families to lose their homes.

At the same time, permanent tax law allows banks that are required to provide relief to homeowners to write

off the costs from their taxes.

Senator Stabenow championed the original legislation that protected homeowners from this tax on phantom income. However, that legislation expired at the end of 2012. Senators Stabenow and Dean Heller (R-NV) led a bipartisan group of senators in introducing legislation last year to continue this protection for homeowners through the end of 2015. Companion legislation in the House has wide bipartisan support but the Ways and Means Committee has not acted upon it.

According to the Urban Institute, the Mortgage Forgiveness Tax Relief Act has provided tax relief to more than 7 million families. With an estimated 6.4 million homeowners still underwater on their mortgages—including 250,000 Michigan families-- it is critical that the law be extended to provide certainty to families, our housing markets, and our overall economy.

The legislation is supported by industry and consumer groups alike – from the National Association of Realtors and Mortgage Bankers Association, to more than 200 community-based groups and consumer organizations, like National Consumer Law Center. 42 of the nation's attorneys general, Democrats and Republicans, have also joined in calling upon Congress to act quickly on this legislation.

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from \$2.0 million as of June 30, 2012, to a negative \$89,803 as of June 30, 2013. This \$2.1 million net change in fund balance resulted from General Fund expenditures exceeding General Fund revenues by \$2.3 million, which was slightly offset by a transfer into the General Fund of \$166,666.

* A trend of over-spending from the General Fund. As recently as June 30, 2010, the ending balance in the General Fund was \$4.5 million. Therefore, in just three fiscal years (2011 through 2013), City officials depleted a \$4.5 million fund balance in the General Fund.

*City officials indicated that the General Fund deficit likely will increase by an additional \$1 million during the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, 2014. City officials indicated this estimate to be a best-case scenario, assuming the City will receive financial concessions from its police unions. In the event such concessions are not realized, the deficit for the current fiscal year likely will be significantly greater.

Members of the Lincoln Park Review Team were:

Michael Krouse, administrator, Department of Treasury,

State Finance Division (State Treasurer's designee); Doug Ringler, director, Department of Technology, Management and Budget's Office of Internal Audit Services (DTMB Director's designee); Steve Schiller, consultant to Muskegon Heights/Highland Park schools' emergency manager (nominee of Senate Majority Leader); Max Chiddister, president Chiddister and Associates (nominee of the Speaker of the House of Representatives); and, Frederick Headen, legal advisor for the Department of Treasury.

The Audacity of Voting

By Julianne Malveaux - NNPA Columnist



I love voting. Every time I go into the booth, I see little girl me, pigtails and all, plaid skirt, white blouse and green sweater, part of my Catholic school uniform. Most of my relatives were Democrats, though my grandmother voted Republican a time or two because "Lincoln freed the slaves." In 1960, I had the privilege of pulling the lever to elect John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the candidate that the nuns at Immaculate Conception Elementary School rhapsodized over.

On the way back from the polls, my mom told me that Negroes (as we were called then) didn't always get to vote, and she shared facts about grandfather clauses and poll taxes. I'll never forget that moment, which may have sown the seeds of my activism. Indeed, when I went to school the next day, and the nun asked if everyone's parent had voted, I took the opportunity to share that Negroes did not always get to vote. I was sent home with a note at the end of the day, and got an admonition from my mom about keeping my big mouth shut. I guess I didn't learn my lesson.

I guess everyone doesn't like voting as much as I do. Only a quarter of those eligible to vote in the District of Columbia did so. Some blamed the earliness of the primary (only Illinois had an earlier date, on March 26, and some states have primary elections as late as September); others spoke of the inclement weather the weekend before the election as affecting voter turnout. But when I am reminded that Fannie Lou Hamer was almost beat to death because she registered voters, and Medgar Evers was killed because he worked to secure voting rights for Black people, I am infuriated by those who take a pass on voting. How does a little snow on Sunday keep you from going to the polls on Tuesday? The fact is that too many African Americans play into enemy hands whenever they fail to vote.

Now the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights under Law (www.lawyerscommitment.org) has produced a "Map of Shame" that highlights more than a dozen states that engage in voter suppression, either by requiring picture ID,

consolidating polling places so that people have to travel further to vote, or passing other restrictions on voting.

Unsurprisingly, most of these states are in the South, but Northern states such as Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania have also made it more difficult for voters. North Carolina is so bad that Rev. William Barber, head of the state NAACP, has been leading hundreds outside the state capitol weekly for "Moral Mondays" design to draw attention to the immorality of voter suppression.

In a recent decision, the Supreme Court has now made it easier to purchase votes on First Amendment grounds, with the amount that the wealthy can give increasing exponentially. In *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission*, the court ruled that the limit on contributions is unconstitutional. *McCutcheon* is not shy about explaining why he wants to spend more money. He wants to ensure that the law embraces conservative principles.

It is interesting that the *McCutcheon* decision comes in time to influence this election cycle. With this decision, the Supreme Court has made it easier to purchase an election. With limits on PAC money lifted, the court has created a well-funded monster. There is more than one way to suppress the vote, and this court is determined to silence citizens any way they can. They have nullified a key section of the Voting Rights Act. They've made it possible to pour money into campaigns. In many ways they have attempted to shut people up, or at least skew the playing field in favor of the wealthy.

Rev. Jesse Jackson says that the hands that picked peaches can also pick presidents. We can't pick anything if we don't get to the polls. Voter suppression and well-funded opponents are obstacles to voting. Still, we impose some of the obstacles on ourselves.

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

Santa's Voice silenced

By Jim Abeare - Contributing Writer



Actor Mickey Rooney (born Joseph Yule Jr.) died Sunday April 6th, he was 93.

When Joe Jr. was born his parents were playing in vaudeville (yes kiddies that vaudeville) in "A Gaiety Girl" in Brooklyn.

He took the name Mickey Rooney in the 1930's.

To an older audience he was better known as Andy Hardy movies that ran from 1937 to 1946 with a final film in 1958.

In 1937 Rooney made his first film with actress Judy Garland and they became close friends.

To the people of my generation he is best known as the voice of Santa Claus in four Christmas specials. Three from 1970 to 1979 and "AMiser Brother's Christmas" in 2008.

After failed attempts on TV he had a hit on his hands with "The Adventures of the Black Stallion" where he played Henry Dailey.

This role brought him to a younger generation. Rooney worked most of his 93 years.

He died while playing Gus in "Night at the Museum 3".

It is unknown whether he finished his scenes or if his death will affect production. America will miss Mickey Rooney.

He was an original and there will be no other.

Ficano urges MDEQ to deny permit allowing storage of pet coke in River Rouge



Robert Ficano
Wayne County Executive

Detroit, MI – Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano voiced strong opposition to the possible granting of a permit to store pet coke by Detroit Bulk Storage at its headquarters in River Rouge, MI.

In a letter to Dan Wyant, the Director of the Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Ficano said wind-blown particles would negatively impact the quality of life for residents and businesses in the area of 530 Great Lakes Street, the proposed storage site in River Rouge.

"I have received numerous communications expressing concern about pet coke transport and storage Downriver," Ficano said in the letter to Wyant dated April 1, 2014. Petroleum coke, also known

as pet coke, is a fuel source that is a byproduct of the coking process at petroleum refineries. It is often burned as fuel in cement kilns and power plants.

Detroit Bulk Storage is seeking a Permit to Install (also known as a PTI) from the Air Quality Division (AQD) of the MDEQ. The submitted application is currently under review. The MDEQ will make a preliminary determination on whether Detroit Bulk Storage's application can comply with existing laws. Should the application be moved forward, the measure would face further examination including a public information meeting and public hearing.


In his letter to the MDEQ, Ficano asks the agency to provide updates and notice of the permitting process to the Wayne County Executive Office and the Wayne County Department of Public Services, Environmental Services Group so that Wayne County can be fully engaged in the process.

For much of 2013, the storage of pet coke along the Detroit River created a hornet's nest of controversy. A coalition of residents, politicians and environmental supporters successfully had a three-story pile of the product moved from a location in southwest Detroit.

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Prayer of Faith: Three Esses

By: Janine Folks Edwards- Telegram Religion Columnist



Let's pray a prayer of faith. That means we are going to pray, asking God, believing that it is so, and receive. Matthew 21:22 says so.

We will use our faith. Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen (Heb. 11.1). It is ironic that faith is described as 'evidence.' Evidence is something that is tangible, something that can be seen or felt. But it's just the opposite. We are using something we cannot see as evidence.

This goes against our nature. Most of us have a hard time believing without seeing. Some require a sign in order to believe (1

Cor.1.22). So faith is hard for some people.

For others who have seen God come through time and time again, faith is built and strengthened. As we pray in faith, let us focus on these three S's: Safety, Support and Supply.

Safety: That God will keep you safe and free from harm. Safe from anything that is a threat including sickness and disease. Ask God to bring health and healing as well as divine protection. God will keep us safe from our enemies and those who come against us (Psa. 27, Psa. 91).

Supported: We all need each other. It is good for us to dwell together in unity for strength. When we combine our faith, it is exponentially more powerful. We need others to exhort, extol and edify us. We need intercessors to hold us up when we cannot do it for ourselves. God will also use us to support others.

Supplied: That God will meet our need according to His

riches in glory. That every bill is paid, that we will be able to buy food to feed our families. Pay our mortgages and rent to maintain shelter and keep ourselves clothed. God promises to provide all that we need if we seek first His kingdom and His righteousness (Matthew 6.33). God will supply us not only with material things we need, but also with wisdom, when we ask (James 1.5). Any help we need comes from Him (Psa. 121.1).

Pray the prayer of faith. Only believe (Mark 5.36).

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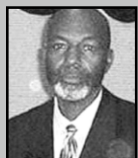
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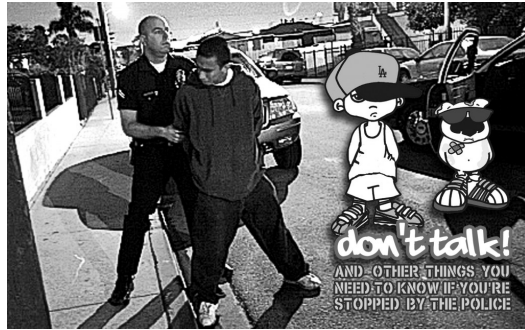
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Windows XP tech support to end this month

By Willie Brake - Contributing Writer



By now, you're obviously aware that Windows XP support ends this month, but it's now only days away. After April 8th, 2014 technical assistance, support and updates for Windows XP will no longer be available from Microsoft. No more automatic updates, no more security essentials. This means that if you or any of your friends are still using Windows XP after support ends on April 8th, the computer will still work but they might become more vulnerable to security risks and malware.

Additionally, as more hardware and software manufacturers focus on newer Windows versions, the probabilities of compatibility issues with applications and devices begin to drastically increase. Customers moving to a modern operating system will benefit from dramatically enhanced security, broad device choice for a mobile workforce, higher user pro-

ductivity, and a lower total cost of ownership through improved management capabilities.

In short, it's time to upgrade to a new version of Windows and the clock is ticking! Of course, Microsoft would love for everyone to hop on the Windows 8.1 bandwagon, but we find many are still far more comfortable with Windows 7. No matter what choice you make, All About Technology has a huge selection of factory refurbished systems with currently supported Windows versions ranging from Windows 7 Home, 7 Pro, Windows 8 and Windows 8.1.

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John Hopkins University is new partner with Ecorse School District



Kenneth J. McPhaul, Educational Leader at Ecorse High School.

At Ecorse Community High School, an exciting partnership with Johns Hopkins University School of Education is in place to improve the quality of teaching and learning at the school. That program, Talent Development Secondary, is bringing research-based teaching strategies and practices for strengthening the educational program provided by the high school. In collaboration with teachers, key areas were determined to improve the overall quality of instruction, and to continue the educational gains that have been made at the

school. Instructional facilitators from the Talent Development program work with teachers in the areas of cooperative learning, hands on mathematics and the teaching of reading and writing in all high school classes.

Another goal is to increase differentiated learning; fitting the lesson to the student, rather than taking a one-size-fits-all approach. Teachers are also looking at how and when to use student data to change and update coursework. Talent Development supports the school administration to reinforce the school's strengths and offer new ideas

in school organization.

Ecorse High School welcomes this partnership with Johns Hopkins. Principal Kenneth McPhaul shared his enthusiasm, stating, "This will impact generations of the Ecorse kids with cooperative learning. As a principal I'm excited about this program." Principal McPhaul and Thomas Parker, superintendent of Ecorse Public Schools, were instrumental in forging the partnership with the Johns Hopkins program.

Talent Development Secondary is a school improvement program that has been working with middle and high schools across the country for nearly 20 years, providing the latest in research-based methods and practices to strengthen schools and help more students graduate from high school ready for college and careers. Talent Development also works with three schools in Detroit and one in East Detroit.

Johns Hopkins University is the country's first research university with more than 20,000 graduate and undergraduate students. It is located in Baltimore, Md.

YOUR DREAM IS WITHIN REACH

All Ivy League Student inspires many

By Daja Willingham- Telegram Intern, University Prep HS



The inspirational story of Kwasi Enin has been spreading across the nation recently. Enin, a William Lloyd High School student in Long Island, New York, has not only had the achievement of being accepted to an Ivy League College, but has been accepted to all eight Ivy League schools. His success has touched many people, from parents and teachers, to students. Kwasi has stirred many advisors and counselors to give their students an extra push.

"I admire his tenacity and his foresight. He's a commendable young man. As for my advisory, I hope to push them to realize that they too are capable of such great feats and what it takes to accomplish them." stated Mitchella Gilbert, a high school advisor. Knowing the difficulty of being

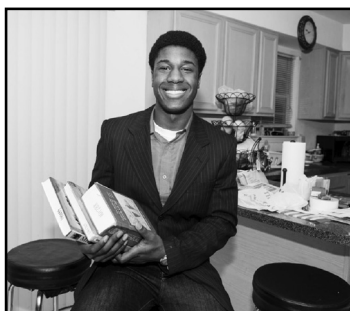
accepted to these types of schools can discourage many students from even applying. The low acceptance rates are even more discouraging. It's amazing to hear that students work really hard and continue to apply to Ivy League schools against these odds. It's even more thrilling to hear that a student has applied to all eight.

"His academic achievement is a wake up call for me personally. It allows me to believe that if he can do it, then so can I." says a student from University Preparatory High School. "It's inspirational and it motivates me that a peer can really achieve the unthinkable through hard work."

It's stunning how much Enin's story inspires minorities. There is a low percentage of minority students being accepted into Ivies. Even Kwasi stated to the NY Daily News that he applied to all eight to better his chances of being accepted into one, not knowing that he would be accepted to all of them. It just proves that despite what obstacles there are and the oddities of attaining certain goals, with hard work and drive anything is possible!

"I think it is amazing that any student could accomplish such a feat! I think he should be a great inspiration to all young people, especially minority students." High school advisor, Melissa Chesher, expressed. "It proves that anything is possible if you are willing to work hard for it!"

Daja Willingham is a Learning Through Internships student at University Preparatory Academy High School.



Kwasi Enin, 17 year old New York student, was accepted to all Ivy League schools

FROM THE TELEGRAM NEWSPAPER ARCHIVES
March 1989

An Easter message for Ecorse, River Rouge and Southwest Detroit

The Telegram Newspaper is proud to pause here to greet the citizens of Ecorse, River Rouge and Southwest Detroit during this Holy Easter Season.

Our focus on Easter brings our attention to an untimely circumstance in the life of Christ. It was a part of the original plan. The choosing of it goes back to the beginning of creation; For He was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. He carried it in his heart long before he carried it on his shoulders. In a similar sense, it appears that the circumstances of our three cities were destined to be from the very foundation of our communities. This is especially true since we have sat idly by and allowed the evil of crack cocaine, heroin,

speed and alcohol and all the rest to become the master of the minds of our children and adults.

The City of Ecorse was put in receivership and now River Rouge may be headed in the same direction with its \$4.36 million deficit. The Sidney A. Sumbly Hospital is going through U.S. Bankruptcy Courts under chapter 11 and it appears that medical records of former patients may be in jeopardy. The passage of a new charter in the City of Ecorse will be up for election soon. There are just so many concerns, so many problems and so much deterioration going on. There are times when we all feel that there is nothing worse than to be a part of something which seems to be slowly approach-

ing death, and especially the unresurrected kind, yet we must move on!

As we approach this Easter, let us not give up hope. We must stick together and do our share in helping and supporting our cities move to a recovery period from the perils of drugs, crime, financial despair, unemployment and other crises.

The Telegram wishes every citizen of Ecorse, River Rouge and Southwest Detroit the blessings of this Holy Easter season. May we be joined closer together in respect for each other in brotherhood, in love and in life everlasting.

The Telegram Editor, Publisher and Staff.

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MDCH Notifying Individuals regarding Health Information Breach Laptop stolen



LANSING – The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) recently became aware of a breach of protected health information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and is notifying 2,595 individuals and the Department of Health and Human Services regarding this breach.

On the evening of Jan. 30 or early morning Jan. 31, a laptop computer and flash drive were stolen from an employee of the State Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman's Office. Information on the laptop was encrypted; however, data on the flash drive was not and contained sensitive information regarding participants that the LTC Ombudsman's Office serves. The flash drive contained personal information about 2,595 living and deceased individuals, including names and addresses, and for some individuals, dates of birth. Of those, 1,539 records also

included either a Social Security number or a Medicaid identification number.

"MDCH takes any potential breach of security with the utmost seriousness and sincerely regrets that this breach occurred," said Nick Lyon, Chief Deputy Director of the MDCH. "We are working swiftly to notify any individuals who may have been impacted and with staff to tighten our security procedures going forward."

The theft has been reported to the police, but, to date, the laptop and flash drive have not been recovered. MDCH learned about the breach on Feb. 3 and notified impacted individuals this week after reconstructing the data.

All individuals with data on the flash drive are being notified so that they can monitor their

accounts and other financial affairs for any unauthorized use. MDCH is working with the LTC Ombudsman's Office to offer credit monitoring services at no cost to people whose Social Security number or Medicaid number were compromised. In addition, a credit file death suppression service is being offered to the families of deceased individuals to assist them in securing their deceased loved one's credit file.

If you are an affected person, and wish to take action to protect yourself from potential identity thieves, you may place a fraud alert on your credit file. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. You can place a fraud alert on your credit file by calling any one of the three major credit bureaus: Equifax: (800) 525-6285; Experian: (888) 397-3742; Trans Union Corp. (800) 680-7289.

The State LTC Ombudsman program is reviewing its data security processes to prevent any future data breaches, and the MDCH is conducting additional training on data security, in particular portable electronic devices, for the Ombudsman's office and MDCH employees. Affected individuals or the family members of deceased indi-

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Chevy Cadets

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Pictured in Photo from left; Chevy Cadets Committee member LaTasha Johnson, students Tiera Wade, Precious Harris, committee member Nicole McKinny along with students Larnell Hill, and Havert Beal II. These students received scholarships for their contributions to the program.

"I have learned that people will forget what you said, forget what you did, but people will NEVER forget how you made them feel." Maya Angleou

I have long held the belief that children rarely become what they have not seen. In River Rouge Public Schools we have committed to leverage all of our available resources in the effort to provide access for our students to have experiences not

common to young people in urban areas. We labor tirelessly to remove the boundaries of their communities and show them the world is theirs for the taking. On Saturday, April 5, 2014 we literally rolled out the red carpet for 19 of our most cherished students and showered them with the love, admiration, and affection traditionally staged for a royal court.

The fabulous Crystal Gardens Banquet Center welcomed nearly 250 people to our 1st Annual Chevrolet Cadets Cotillion Ball. Our children are deserving of the finer things in life and these affairs, staged all across the world, serve as the formal introduction of young men and women into society. The United Way co-sponsored this occasion and it served as

another opportunity for our student body to "DREAM BIG!"

Without the ability to dream, how can we ever expect our children to rise above the trappings of Urban America? Martin Luther King Jr. once said that intelligence plus character is the primary goal of education. Holding these words to be self-evident, we purpose daily to extend our service to impact our students well beyond the classroom. To measure our progress is simple and our success will be determined by how we develop well-rounded individuals capable of "paying it forward" to make a difference for future generations.

As we take this moment to celebrate our inaugural class, we look forward to providing

an even grander experience next year. This was a truly amazing evening and we thank everyone able to support the cause. Again we honor our students for their desire to be a part of something great! In knowing that people may forget what you said or did, but never forget how you made them feel; we have provided a group of young people with an experience to help them achieve all their hearts desire and that in itself is priceless.

A special thank you goes out to Alice Perry for helping to make the Chevy Ball a success! You are truly a staple of our community and school district.

Educationally Yours,

Derrick R. Coleman
River Rouge School District
Superintendent



The Members of the 1st Class of Chevy Cadets include:

- Havert Beal II, Lord A'Mani Cooper, Tamia Crawford, Terrell Crawford, Terrell Griffin, Precious Harris, Larnell Hill, Aleashia Hill, Ke'Nora Howard Snow, Ahmond Jenkins, Jr., JaKale Massengale, Maya McIver, Britney Rivers, Alesa Rucker, Asha Smith, Tiera Wade, Duanye' Wilson, Michael Wilson, and Courtney Wourman

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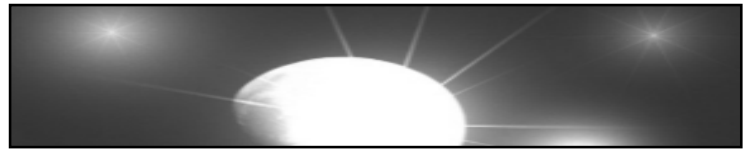
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(Mar. 21- April 20)
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VIRGO
(Aug. 23 -Sept. 23)
Your mate may not be too sure about your intentions. Children will keep you busy. Your desire for excitement and adventure may be expensive.

TAURUS
(Apr. 21- may 21)
Use your charm, but don't be phony. Reciprocate by offering helpful hints. You will have a blowup today if your partner does things that you feel are not above-board.

LIBRA
(Sept. 24 -Oct. 23)
Visitors may drop by unexpectedly, resulting in tension with your lover. You must not make unnecessary changes today. Try to channel your energy into professional endeavors.

GEMINI
(May 22-June 21)
Put your energy into home renovations. Changes in your home may be disruptive and upsetting. Heed the advice given by family or old reliable friends.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Stick to your work and avoid emotional confrontations. Social events should be the highlight of your day. Do something that will be stimulating and creative. You can make changes that will enhance your appearance.

CANCER
(June 22-July 22)
Don't volunteer private information about yourself unless you're prepared to be talked about behind your back. Try to keep a low profile. Expand your knowledge and sign up for courses and seminars.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)
Don't let domestic problems interfere with your objectives. Be sure to take care of the needs of your immediate loved ones first. You have the stamina and determination to succeed.

LEO
(July 23-Aug 22)
Do not let your mate annoy you; patience will be the key. Heart to heart talks will clear up vague issues. The advice you get today may be based on false information.

CAPRICORN
(Dec 22.- Jan. 20)
You may be confused emotionally. Don't beat around the bush; state your case in plain and simple terms. Don't be afraid to make additions to your house.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)
Children might be on your mind. Don't hesitate to make special plans just for two. You need to spend time with friends and family. You can make personal changes that will enhance your appearance and bring about greater social activity.

PISCES
(Feb. 20-Mar. 20)
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My Time of Year

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer



Photo taken by Lekiesha Harvey

Telegram News Butch Davis and New Detroit Lions Head Coach Jim Caldwell at Comerica Park

It's my best time of year, all the professional in the Detroit Metropolitan area are all very busy. Yes, the Red Wings, Pistons, Tigers and Lions working to make their season bright. Well, maybe some of the teams.

Lets start with the Pistons with as of this past Monday their record of 28-49, 4th in the Central Division and miles away from a playoff spot in the Eastern Conference and with five game left, four on the road, one at home (April 13, 2014, 3:00PM) it seem that the moving vans would be pulling up at the docks early at the Palace of Auburn Hills as the question will soon be answer. Will Chauncey Billups, Will Bynum, Rodney Stuckey, Charlie Villanueva, with a salary of 8,500,000, and Kentavious Caldwell-Pope who by the way, makes more money per season than starter Andre Drummond (2,653,080 to 2,465,400) and the architect of the our professional basketball team Vice President/ General Manager Joe Dumars still be around? Will the owner Tom Gores bring back some of the former Bad Boys memberships such as Bill Lambeer or Isaiah Thomas to bring the team back to respectability? You have one week to enjoy or maybe not.

The Red Wings on the other have are in a battle to make the playoff for the 23th year in a row, more than any professional team in North America. This year's team did not have Captain Henrik Zetterberg, Pavel Datsyuk, Johan Franzen,

or Drew Miller for a complete whole season to carry the team. Instead young players like Guatav Nyquist, Tomas Tatar, Riley Sheahan, Luke Glendenning and Tomas Jurco have been instrumental in helping the Red Wings surge into a playoff spot, and in the process proved they could compete at the highest level. That's invaluable experience, as Detroit's regulars get healthy. With one week to go in the regular season the Red Wings have the first Wild Card spot in the Eastern Division leading only the Columbus Blue Jackets by one point. Red Wings fan are cheering that it will not be the end of the season on Sunday, April 13, however, the beginning of the second season, the playoffs.

The Detroit Tigers as of this past Monday are in first place in the America League Central Division with a 4-1 record as the new members of the team (Nick Castellanos, Ian Kinsler, Tyler Collins, Rajai Davis and Alex Gonzalez) are mixing in with the veteran members (Miguel Cabrera, Torii Hunter, Victor Martinez, and Austin Jackson) as the Tigers has shown that speed mix with power is a good thing. Starting pitching has been as advertise as the like of Verlander, Scherzer, Sanchez and Porcello have held their own on the mound against the opponents of major league baseball. Nevertheless the one weak spot in the Tigers arsenal is the bullpen as it has not been the bright spot as many had thought. Newcomer Joe

Nathan has already blow a save and pitchers Phil Coke and Joba Chamberlain have been warn by new manager Brad Ausmus and the top brass of the Tigers that the bad outing will not be allow to continue as they promise a fix will be made without undue delay.

Finally, our beloved Detroit Lions with new Head Coach Jim Caldwell starts their first mini camp of the season as of this past Monday afternoon. Caldwell will now see his team that he will be coaching this 2014 season up closes and personal. He will see the old and the new member of the team and be able to judge if the players cared to keep themselves in shape during the off-season unlike the teams that came to camp in the past. This will be Caldwell opportunity to find out what players will stay and the ones that should go. When I talk to Jim briefly on opening day at Comerica Jim said to me "Butch, I been waiting for mini camp for a while and can't wait to personally meet all the players and for them to meet their coaches." In addition Jim reminds me that has read some of my clips and there will be a better defensive secondary on the Lions football team this year. Yes, there is a new sheriff in town for the Lions and his name is Jim Caldwell. Don't forget there is 28 days until NFL Draft take place in New York City.

Yes, for the upcoming days and months the professional teams in Metro Detroit will be pretty busy indeed, that for sure.



Photo taken by Lekiesha Harvey

Could Rick Mahorn and Bill Laimbeer be the answer for the Detroit Pistons future?

Spring Sports are Underway

By Butch Davis - Telegram Newspaper Sports Writer

The spring season has started for the high schools and middle schools all over the State of Michigan. The following sports with be highlights for the spring season and are the following, baseball for the boys, softball for the girls, boys and girls golf, boys and girls lacrosse, girls soccer, boys tennis in the upper peninsula, girls tennis in the lower peninsula, and finally boys and girls track and field. The final in the follow sports

with be either the last week in May or the first week in June. For all who are taking part in the spring sports season congratulations and good luck in advance. The Staff and I of the Telegram News please ask all Parents, Relatives, and Friends to supports the participants who will take part in the spring sports season via high school, middle school, elementary school, or at a recreational center near you.

UCONN are big winners, Boys and Girls

UConn Beats Kentucky to Claim Fourth National Title



(Via Washington Post) – Led by one of a dying breed in college basketball, a NBA-worthy point guard who stayed in school for his senior year, Connecticut toppled a Kentucky team that had cornered the market on teenage talent to claim the school's fourth NCAA championship on Monday.

Senior Shabazz Napier (pictured) did nearly everything for his Huskies at AT&T Stadium, scoring a game-high 22 points, directing the offense and controlling the tempo in Connecticut's 60-54 victory before a NCAA championship-record crowd of 79,238 that included past presidents George W. Bush

and Bill Clinton looking on as giddy seatmates from a luxury box.

It was Connecticut's fourth national title in the last 15 years and its least probable. The Huskies became the lowest seed, at No. 7, to win the national championship since Villanova in 1985. And their triumph followed a one-year ban from the postseason because it had fallen short of the NCAA's minimal academic standards. "This is what happens when you ban us!" a jubilant Napier said into a TV camera as confetti rained around him, explaining later that the Huskies hadn't been driven by revenge so much as hunger.

UCONN GIRLS UNDEFEATED 40-0 WIN NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP



Congratulations to the UConn Huskies for winning the 2014 NCAA National Championship! Coach Geno Auriemma has won his ninth national title. The Lady Huskies went 40-0 this season. It was the fifth unbeaten season for Auriemma and

UConn. They beat Notre Dame 79-58 Tuesday night to match what the boys had accomplished on Monday Night. Connecticut is the only school to accomplish the feat of both teams winning the National Championship in Basketball.

CRIME ALERTS

Sheriff's officers arrest college students after theft of iPad

Detroit —Two 18-year-old Wayne State students were arrested early this morning after they allegedly stole an iPad from an employee of the Wayne County Friend of the Court in the Penobscot Building, according to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's officers arrested one of the students following a chase that ended on the 7th floor of the building, where the Sheriff's Friend of the Court Enforcement Unit is located. The other student was arrested outside at the corner of Griswold and Congress, Smith said.

The civilian employee had briefly left her purse at about 7:15 a.m. in an area reserved only for employees on the first floor of the building while she went nearby to get a cup of coffee, said Sheriff's Sgt. Chris Smith. The two teens fled when the woman returned to find them rifling through her belongings.

In addition to the iPad, officers confiscated more than eight grams of marijuana found in a school bag of one of the students.

Smith said the investigation is ongoing and police expect to seek criminal warrants on the two students today.

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ed a report number for the incident

March 27, 2014
Officers were dispatched to CVS on Jefferson for a possible shop lifter. A store employee advised the officers that a B/M with a back pack had left the store and went into the liquor store. The possible subject was spotted crossing W. Jefferson. The officers found the man hiding in a fenced yard with the back pack stuffed with suspected items from the store. Other items were also found in the subject's coat. The subject was arrested for retail fraud and transported to the station where he was booked and processed.

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April 8 is National Equal Pay Day



On Tuesday, April 29 at noon in the Michigan Capitol, the day both houses of the Michigan Legislature return from their spring break, the Michigan Equal Pay Day Coalition will call on lawmakers to pass legislation to ensure that Michigan's women are paid the same as their male counterparts for comparable work. A package of legislation was introduced in the Michigan Senate and House last year and is awaiting action. Advocates will hand out chocolate chip cookies with a "bite" taken out to symbolize the pay disparity. Speakers will be available for individual interviews following the event.

LANSING – On Tuesday, April 8, Equal Pay Day will be recognized across the country. The day marks how far into 2014 a woman must work, on average, to earn as much as a man earned in 2013. The gap between the wages of men and women is even greater for women of color. According to AAUW's Graduating to a Pay Gap, sex-based wage disparities start with a college-educated woman's first job and increase over time. Since more women than ever before are the sole or primary source of household income, the wage gap is a serious issue for the economic security of families.

Sleeman traveled to Washington, D.C., for a whirlwind trip – lasting fewer than 24 hours! – to drive home the message that no one should be paid less than their value and it's long past time for our lawmakers to do something about gender pay discrimination.

"If the Paycheck Fairness Act had been the law, I would have talked about my salary without fear, and I likely would have known where I stood in comparison to the men I worked with and those I supervised," said Sleeman. "Instead, without the Paycheck Fairness Act, I wasn't able to ask, and I made less."

At an April 1 U.S. Senate committee hearing on the Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 84), American Association of University Women of Michigan (AAUW of MI) member Kerri Sleeman bravely shared her experience of learning that men she trained and supervised were being paid more than her – simply because they were male breadwinners.

The Federal Equal Pay Law passed 51 years ago so it is surprising that the latest federal government data indicate women's median annual earnings for full-time work was 77 cents for every dollar men made. It is time for the disparities to end by strengthening our laws nationally and in Michigan.

The Michigan Equal Pay Day Coalition is sponsored by AARP, American Association of University Women of Michigan, American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, Business and Professional Women, Michigan Federation, Coalition of Labor Union Women, Metro Detroit Chapter, Ingham County Women's Commission, Lansing Association for Human Rights, League of Women Voters of Michigan, Michigan American Council on Education Network for Women, Michigan National Organization for Women, Michigan Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame, National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section, National Council on Women and Girls, Pay Equity Network, Planned Parenthood, Women's Center of Greater Lansing, Zonta International District 15.

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APPROVED:
Approval of Agenda with added item "G" under New Business and the removal of item "A" under New Business.
Approval of Consent agenda.
Approval of a permit to Wayne County for a Special Event.
Approval of a permit to Wayne County for road maintenance.
Approval of a permit to Wayne County for pavement restoration.
Approval of a city-wide liquidation sale of excessive assets, equipment and rolling stock.
Denied motion to consider a service agreement with Plante and Moran.
Approval of the City of Inkster 43rd Annual Memorial Day Parade.

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School District of the City of River Rouge
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River Rouge, MI 48218

The **School District of the City of River Rouge** Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or to accept the proposal that it finds, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the school district.

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for **April 17, 2014 at 2:00 at 1460 West Coolidge Hwy. River Rouge, MI 48218 in the LGI Room.**

All proposals must be submitted no later than **12:00 on May 8, 2014.** All proposals should be delivered in a sealed envelope and addressed to the **School District of the City of River Rouge** and be clearly marked: Food Service Management Proposal.

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Sony Finds Director for Jaden Smith's 'Karate Kid' Sequel



Sony has tapped Breck Eisner to direct its sequel to "The Karate Kid," the 2010 remake starring Jaden Smith and Jackie Chan.

The rebooted "Kid" grossed \$343 million worldwide with

Harald Zwart directing, and Jaden's parents Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith producing alongside Jerry Weintraub, James Lassiter and Ken Stovitz.

Eisner's credits include

"Sahara" and "The Crazies." He's also attached to Summit's fantasy-actioner "The Last Witch Hunter," starring Vin Diesel, reports Deadline.com.

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Dreadlock Wearing Teen Says Don't Get It Twisted, My GPA is 5.0



believe that the teenager, who sports long dreadlocks, has actually reached such lofty heights.

Appearance hasn't stopped schools like Yale, Brown, Columbia, Northwestern, the University of Southern California, UCLA, Howard, Chapman and more from courting the teenager, who also plays three instruments

and is a great baseball player. According to KGO-TV, Yale is talking to him about possibly joining its baseball team.

Akintunde has his heart set on either Yale or Brown and is interested in pursuing premed or prelaw.

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Akintunde Ahmad is just an ordinary guy. Well, this according to him at least.

But one thing that makes this supposedly ordinary guy stand out is his extraordinary brain; a real stunner to everyone that knows about his 5.0 GPA and 2100 SAT score.

As you can imagine, he'll have no problem getting into just about any prestigious university he wants.

And yes, they have let him know that.

"Like, my whole life, people have been telling me to stay on this path and everything will fall, the cards will fall like you want them to," Akintunde told KGO-TV, proudly tipping a hat to the Oakland public school system.

Akintunde, who says he is often judged by his appearance, carry's pictures documenting his remarkable academic achievements on his smartphone. Not so much for bragging rights, but few

ASK AYANA

"Bad Teacher"



else seems to have the nerve to do it. Am I right in telling my sister that this is way over her head?

The Voice of Reason

Dear Voice of Reason,

You're wrong. You're wrong for poking your nose where it doesn't belong and you're wrong in your delivery. And in being wrong, you're motivating your sister to succeed-no matter what. It's not always what you say, it's how you say it. I understand that you care about your nephews, but don't you think that their mother cares for them even more? If she is taking them out of their current school in hopes of educating them through a homeschooling program, she obviously has her reasons. The fact that her husband supports her in this decision only further leads me to believe that they have both done some research and are prepared for the hard work and dedication needed to home school effectively. Perhaps you don't understand the process and you think, like many people, that homeschooling is a fad and that not much learning goes on. If this is your stance, I would encourage you to do some homework yourself on the subject. The point is this: you don't get to make decisions for your sister's family. At the very least, when your sister shares a new idea with you, one that seems over-the-top to you, practice tact. You're right to be concerned, homeschooling isn't for every family; but for some families, it works. If you aren't able to keep your negative commentary to yourself surrounding this subject, it may be best to avoid the topic entirely. I hope that your sister will be able to call you and confide in you on the days that Your support could be good for what seems like a tumultuous relationship.

Dear Ayana,

I need your opinion on an issue I'm having with my sister. My sister is forever trying something new only to drop it a week or two later. This new stunt is no different. After reading a few articles about homeschooling, she's suddenly an expert on the subject and is planning on transferring her children out of their current school and educating them at home. Like most of hers, this is a horrible idea! My sister has a crazy schedule as a real estate agent that keeps her running well into the evening. She also has a short attention span and a short fuse. I don't think she's thinking this through. Her husband supports this idea but I doubt that he knows that my sister enrolled in classes at a local college a few years back with hopes of becoming an elementary school teacher; she lasted one semester before she changed her major and then eventually dropped out. I know these aren't my children, but my nephews matter to me and I want what is best for them. I've had this conversation with my sister and she has accused me of being envious of her "free spirit". In reality, I'm just tired of her stupid choices. I'm worried that homeschooling will get old for her, just as everything else has, and my nephews will be the ones that suffer for her decisions. It seems like I'm always the one that has to shoot her down, but it's only because no one

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WHEN: Saturday, May 17, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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