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Commendation Certificate For Arrest of Armed Robber By Doina Rosu

Three Police Officers of the Northeastern District received a Commendation Certificate on July 9, 2013, for the arrest of an armed robber. The Officers are Stephen Jackson, Jessica McDonald, and Lamar Penn. Commander Duane McKissic presented the certificates to Officers Jackson and McDonald (Officer Penn was not available) at the July 9th Community Relations meeting.

On July 6th, the Officers were on surveillance in the area of John R and Remington. They observed a young black male who matched the description of a suspect wanted in an armed robbery of a citizen that had occurred approximately two weeks earlier.

Officer McDonald called out



*L to R: Officer S. Jackson, Cmdr. D. McKissic, Officer J. McDonald
Photo courtesy of Sgt. Charles Spruce*

to the suspect by his name and asked him to go to her. The suspect complied. At this time he was informed that he was under arrest for the recent armed robbery of a citizen and was conveyed to the Northeastern District for processing without incident.

Congratulations to Officers Jackson, McDonald, and Penn on a job well done!

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*National Night Out at the Northeastern District,
Tuesday, August 6, 4-8 p.m. Details on page 3.....*

Board of Police Commissioners Meeting
Thursday, August 8, 6:30 p.m.

Host: 5th Precinct

UAW Local 7, 2600 Conner St. Detroit, MI 48215

P: 313-822-0535

Northeastern District Police /Community Relations Meeting

Tuesday, August 13, 6:30 p.m.

Northeastern District Roll Call Room

5100 E. Nevada St., Detroit, MI 48234

Guest Speaker: Detroit EMS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- National Night Out
Tue., Aug.6
- Northeastern District
Community Relations Meeting
Tue., Aug.13, 6:30pm

September

- Tri-County Senior Day
The Detroit Zoo
Wed., Sep.4
- Northeastern District
Community Relations Meeting
Tue., Sep.10, 6:30pm

October

- Northeastern District
Community Relations Meeting
Tue., Oct.8, 6:30pm
- NED Board Of Police
Commissioners Meeting
Thu., Oct.10, 6:30pm
- NED Haunted House
Fri., Oct.25 & Sat., Oct.26;
Mon., Oct.28—Thu., Oct.31

November

- Election Day
Tue., Nov.5
- Northeastern District
Community Relations Meeting
Tue., Nov.12, 6:30pm
- Veterans Day Luncheon
Mon., Nov.11
- Senior Turkey Bingo
Sun., Nov.24

December TBD

* Events are subject to change without notice.

**Civil Rights Day
Monday, August 12**



CITY BRIEFS

Detroit Fire Department Hosts Firemen's Fund Field Day

The Detroit Fire Department will host the 91st Annual Detroit Firemen's Fund Field Day at historic Fort Wayne on Sunday, August 11, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Field Day will feature family fun and activities including a U.S. Army rock climbing wall, dunk tank, giant slide, quarterback challenge, hockey challenge, baseball challenge, the Fire Dept. band, extrication team and re-enactors. The annual event will also include a 50/50 raffle, food and refreshments, and field day T-shirt. For more information, call Captain Christopher Dixon at 313-304-3409.

DETROIT BUILDING DEPARTMENT STREAMLINES APPLICATIONS FOR BUILDING PERMIT, CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION

The City of Detroit has a new building permit application that condenses the application form from four pages to two pages, and combines the former applications #1, #2 and #3 for new construction, alterations and demolitions into one application. The application is available on the Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department (BSEED) web site in a fillable PDF format at:

detroitmi.gov/Portals/0/docs/bsee/Plan%20Review/BSEED%20Building%20Permit%20Application%202013.pdf.

DETROIT FIRE DEPARTMENT HIRING NEW FIREFIGHTERS

Do you have what it takes to become a Detroit firefighter? Then consider applying with the City of Detroit during firefighter recruitment in August. Applicants need:

- High School Diploma or GED
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) License preferred
- To Pass Written Examination
- Proof of successful completion of the Candidate Physical Abilities Test (CPAT)
- Valid State of Michigan Operator License



The firefighter position pays \$29,352 – \$47,913. The recruitment is scheduled to open on Monday, August 19, 2013. To apply, beginning August 19, visit www.detroitmi.gov/humanresources and search the job openings.

Interested parties in need of a CPAT may contact Schoolcraft College at 734-462-4400, Ext. 5096 for more information. Applicants interested in completing the EMT certificate through Wayne County Community College District should call 734-946-3500.



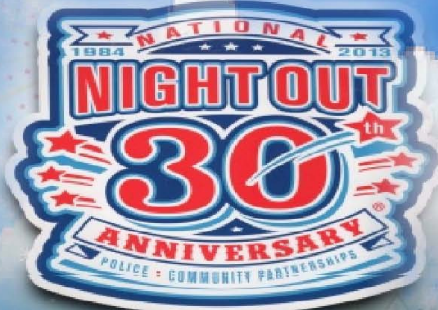
Free legal services clinic for eligible residents *(Source: Detroit Free Press)*

The Legal Aid and Defender Association will conduct a free outreach clinic on civil and legal services for income-eligible residents on Wednesday, August 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Detroit Veterans Center, 2770 Park Avenue, Detroit. Attendees are asked to register before 10:00 a.m.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AT THE NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT

Northeastern District
Community Relations
5100 E Nevada, Detroit MI 48234

presents



**CHENE PARK
Concert Ticket
Giveaway**



Food - Activities for Kids - Music
Vintage Police Vehicles - Great Giveaways

AUGUST 6, 2013

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Contact us for more info
313 596 1121

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Daniel Allen



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COME EXPERIENCE THE EDIBLE BEST OF DETROIT

Source: The Greening of Detroit

The Greening of Detroit, in partnership with edibleWow Magazine, is pleased to announce its 3rd Annual Live Love Local Celebration. This daylong event embraces living green, loving Detroit and local food.

WHEN: Saturday, August 24, 12 – 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Shed #5 at Detroit's Eastern Market, 2934 Russell St., Detroit

LOVE FOOD

Twenty-five of Metropolitan Detroit's most delicious eateries including Cacao Tree, Calder Dairy, Colors, Henry Ford Village, The Grange, Rattlesnake Club, Roast, Slows Bar BQ, Supinos, Sweet Lorraine's, The Lark, and Zingerman's, etc. Enjoy an assortment of wines from Sandhill Crane Vineyards, and local beers and sodas.



TICKET INFO

Tickets are \$25 for adults. Tickets include tastings from Chef stations and two drink tickets. Tickets for children ages 5-10 years are \$10 and include tastings from Chef Stations and one drink ticket. Children 4 and under are free.

To order tickets, go to:
<http://livelovelocalcelebration.eventbrite.com>

All proceeds benefit The Greening of Detroit.

Detroit Eastside Canal Tours *(Source: Conner Creek Greenway)*

Join the fun on the Detroit River and through the East Side Canals, highlighting the river's rich and varied history, as well as its ecological comeback. Tour launches from Maheras Gentry Park, on Detroit's east side. Actual paddling time will be approximately two hours. Cost for tour is \$40 with rental kayak or \$20 with your own kayak (since there will be paddling on the Detroit River we require all kayaks have bulkheads or float bags).

Tour dates: August 24, 2013 and September 1, 2013

All tours require pre-registration by calling 734-285-2925. All major credit cards accepted.

Additional tours can be arranged with a minimum of five participants.



DRUNK DRIVING IS A COSTLY CRIME

By Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning

Tens of thousands of people are arrested annually in Michigan for alcohol-related driving offenses.

It is a crime for a driver to have a bodily alcohol content (BAC) of .08 or greater if 21 years of age or older, or .02 if under 21 years of age. However, drivers can be arrested at any BAC level if they exhibit signs of impairment while operating a motor vehicle.

COST AND CONSEQUENCES OF A DRUNK DRIVING CONVICTION

(If BAC is below .17 and this is a first offense):

- Up to \$500 fine
- Up to 93 days in jail
- Up to 360 hours of community service
- Up to 180 days license suspension
- 6 points on a driver's license

COST AND CONSEQUENCES OF A HIGH BAC DRUNK DRIVING CONVICTION

(If BAC is .17 or higher and this is a first offense):

- Up to \$700 fine
- Up to 180 days in jail
- Up to 360 hours of community service
- Up to one year license suspension
- 6 points on a driver's license
- Mandatory completion of an alcohol treatment program
- Ignition interlock use and compliance after 45 days license suspension is required to receive a restricted driver's license.

OTHER CONSEQUENCES

- Anyone who refuses a breath test the first time is given an automatic one year driver's license suspension. For a second refusal within seven years, the suspension is two years.

- Convicted drunk drivers are subject to a \$1,000 penalty for two consecutive years, for a total of \$2,000 in additional costs.
- Convicted drunk drivers, regardless of BAC, may be subject to ignition interlocks and possible vehicle impoundment.

Drivers with any amount of a Schedule I narcotic—such as marijuana, GHB, or heroin—are subject to the same fines and penalties as drunk drivers, even if they show no signs of impairment.



MC Prophecy 313

And celebrity guests DJ BJ of Hot 107.5 and City Council President Saunteel Jenkins

HIP HOP

RAP Video Contest!

STOP VIOLENCE NOW | STAND UP | SPEAK UP | SAVE A LIFE

Thursday, August 15, 2013

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Doors Open at 3:15 p.m.

Northwest Activities Center

18100 Meyers Rd at Curtis
Detroit, MI 48235

Hosted by:

The Office of the U.S. Attorney
of the Eastern District of Michigan

LOOKING FOR THE VIDEO WITH THE
BEST ORIGINAL RAP LYRICS ON

STOPPING VIOLENCE ENDING NO SNITCHING

Contest winners will:

- Receive a \$200 Foot Locker gift card for 1st place and \$50 gift card for runner up (per category).
- Perform their rap LIVE at the August 15th event.
- Perform their rap LIVE on Fox 2 News Channel.
- Showcase their video on DetroitOne.org.
- Star in an official Detroit One PSA promoting violence prevention.

All entries must be received by Midnight
Thursday, August 8th

Video should be 90 seconds or less, remember to keep it clean and keep it original. Open to ages 12-18, 19-24.

To Enter, Send Your YouTube Link to:

Detroit1.info@gmail.com

Visit DetroitOne.org for Full Contest Rules

EVENT PARTNERS



Northeastern District Police/Community Relations Council: July 2013 Satisfaction Survey Results by Doina Rosu

The Northeastern District Police/Community Relations Council strives to ensure that it has the community's best interests in mind. A Satisfaction Survey was distributed to all who attended the July 9, 2013 meeting. 34 out of 49 people who signed in, including the NED Council and Wayne County Commissioners, turned in their surveys. Since the survey results fill 11 pages, we are publishing only a selected few. If you wish to read the entire document, please contact me directly @ 313-461-7367 or drosu@sbcglobal.net. A PDF copy will be emailed to you.

Survey respondents: 22 female, 7 male, and 5 were left blank.
Female age groups: 2 @ 26 –50; 11 @ 51-65; 9 @ 66-80.
Male age groups: 5 @ 51-65; 2 @ 66-80.
Gender left blank, but identified age group: 2 @ 51-65; 1 @ 66-80.



1. Do the monthly meetings address your needs, values, and concerns as a member of the Northeastern District?

Yes: 27 No: 2 Question left blank: 5

2. How organized are the Council's monthly meetings?

Well organized: 14 Organized: 13 Neutral: 6 Not organized: 1 Question left blank: 0

3. What type of information do you expect from the Northeastern District Police/Community Relations Council?

Community Building: 19 Crime and Safety: 29 Social: 15 Legal: 17 Other: 7

4. How would you rate the monthly guest speaker(s) to date?

Excellent: 9 Very good: 13 Good: 9 Fair: 0 Poor: 1 Question left blank: 2

5. What monthly guest speakers and topics would you like to hear? Please name specific City Department, Agency, Organization, or name of individual.

Question left blank: 14 Comments: 20 (Random sampling of comments is listed below)

- Mayor, City Council, and EFM Kevyn Orr
- Recycling; Blight clean ups; Housing demolition
- Police chief, detectives, squad, traffic control and speeding
- Reps from Water Board and Public Lighting Authority, Planning and Development
- Public/Neighborhood ordinance re: loud music, grass not cut, illegal dumping on streets
- Youth programs, reps from the schools in the area and their community involvement with the Council

6. Based on your meeting attendance experience(s), how likely are you to continue attending the meetings?

Very likely: 28 Somewhat likely: 4 Unsure: 0 Not very likely: 0 Not likely: 1 Question left blank: 1

7. How likely are you to recommend the Council's monthly meetings to others within the Northeastern District?

Very likely: 26 Somewhat likely: 5 Unsure: 1 Not very likely: 0 Not likely: 1 Question left blank: 1

8. If you were a member of the Council, what changes would you make to attract new members and/or retain current members?

Question left blank: 12 Comments: 22 (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- Reach out to block clubs, community organizations
- More flyers passed out; flyers in neighbor party stores, churches, all of the business about the group and what its purpose is—an all out blitz; post flyers in local businesses
- Go out into the neighborhood and greet new residents, businesses, and let the school—public and private—know that they are concerned about our kids' future
- Website? Identify Block Clubs, ask for liaison for each one
- Have more guest speakers at the meetings concerning the problems we have in our neighborhood
- Keep membership fee low—Are there membership fees?
- Perks for members
- Mail and email members about the meetings

Survey results continued on page 6

Survey Results (continued from page 5)

SOCIAL MEDIA

1. Do you have a computer?

Yes: 28 No: 5 Question left blank: 1

2. If yes, how satisfied are you with receiving the newsletter, meeting notices, or other information via email?

Very unsatisfied: 6 Unsatisfied: 3 Neutral: 2 Satisfied: 3 Very satisfied: 11 Question left blank: 9

3. If no, how do you receive any information from the Council?

Question left blank: 25 Comments: 8 (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- Through Community Relations or Northeastern Connection which is excellent
- Block club member
- Friend has computer and shares information
- Pingree Park community meeting/Jewel Ware
- I don't but would prefer hard copy
- Newsletter

4. If the Council were to create a Facebook page to publish information, would you follow it?

Question left blank: 5 Yes: 16 Why? 11 (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- Because it is up to date in real time
- Easier to pass along information
- Stay informed and share information with neighbors
- A great way for group input
- Because I'm on Facebook every day
- To make sure I get information

No: 13 Why not? 10 comments (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- I don't want to get involved with Facebook; Not a Facebook user;
- Everyone doesn't have a computer
- Prefer less social media and more face-to-face communication
- No computer and don't intend to invest in one
- Technology is too challenging

5. If the Council were to create a website to publish information, would you follow it?

Question left blank: 6 Yes: 23 Why? 13 (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- To be informed in case I miss a meeting
- Great way to get info and print only what I need
- Valuable info provided on the Internet
- Information is knowledge
- More accessible at my convenience
- On computer more often

No: 5 Why not? 3 comments (Random sampling of comments is listed below):

- Don't have computer
- As stated, no computer
- Possibly



New Center Park Schedule, 2013

Free Movies, Free Music, Go Times at the 'D'.
Wednesday night at the movies: gates open at 8pm; show times at 9:30pm
Thursday classical revolution lunch series
Thursday Al Fresco Jazz & Blues
Saturday Showcase

For full details, go to www.newcenterpark.com or call 313-784-9475.

Contributed by Alease (Cookie) Moore

Binder Street Block Club O&R Block Party & Yard Sale

Photos and byline by E'Lois Moore



The Binder Street Block Club O&R (Outer Drive and Ryan) block party on August 3rd was a huge success! Thanks to the members, our dedicated fire and police department, prospective and city officials who came in support of our endeavor. AND a wonderful thank you to ARISE Detroit! for a wonderful job well done. Neighbors and guests enjoyed food, fun, games and music, including a Hula-Hoop contest, basketball tournaments, hustle dancing, etc.



The Northeastern District's Wayne County Commissioners

by Doina Rosu

The Northeastern District is represented by three Wayne County Commissioners. Their names, district, and contact information are as follows:

- Commissioner Jewel Ware, District 2, P: 313-224-0916
District map: www.co.wayne.mi.us/documents/commission_docs/district2.pdf
- Commissioner Martha Scott, District 3, P: 313-224-0878
District map: www.co.wayne.mi.us/documents/commission_docs/district3.pdf
- Commissioner Irma Clark-Coleman, District 5, P: 313-224-0942
District map: www.co.wayne.mi.us/documents/commission_docs/district5.pdf

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If you have questions or
concerns, please feel
free to contact one of
the Council members
listed above.

Lost your job? On a fixed income?

We can help!

The Emergency Food Assistance Program

(TEFAP) of Wayne County offers monthly food support to eligible residents. Food products are distributed once per month at one of 36 locations. Proof of income and residency is required.



For general information or questions, call **734-721-4470**, or
contact your local distribution center listed on the back of this flyer.
This program is an Equal Opportunity Provider.
The Emergency Food Assistance Program



Robert A. Ficano
Wayne County Executive

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*"True words are not always pretty.
Pretty words are not always true."
- Unknown-*



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MISSION:

The Northeastern Connection is created for the Detroit Police Department's Northeastern District and its community to share information.

DISCLAIMER:

Although every effort is made to ensure accuracy, we regret that at times errors, omissions, or typographical errors may occur.

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