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30 YEARS OF THE MICHIGAN BULLETIN

The Michigan Bulletin officially started operating in February 1994. As the Lansing area's leading Black newspaper, the Michigan Bulletin keeps the community informed about local issues. The paper regularly features upcoming current events, and relevant topics important to the black community, and has also featured local sports coverage as well. The Michigan Bulletin can be found at local post offices, in churches, blackowned barbershops, and other black establishments, while also being available online. Over the years, the Michigan Bulletin has had several accomplishments and expansions under the guidance of long-time editor-in-chief, Greg Kelley, along with partners Marcus Jefferson and Ernie Boone. Kelley had a passion for journalism, graduating from Michigan State University with a degree in journalism and later, a master's in business and public along with national and administration from Western Michigan University. The paper's base was in his basement where he spent countless hours on the articles, artwork, layout, and copy editing.



He also involved his children in the business with his two daughters serving as the paper delivery girls, and his son assisting with artwork and graphic design for some years. After Kelley passed in 2017, cofounder, Marcus Jefferson took over producing the paper and kept the legacy going. While Jefferson had always been involved in the paper, he took on an exponentially greater role writing skills while allowing while managing advertisements, them to be published at an sponsors, and publishing the paper. Jefferson, with degrees in Business Administration, Public Administration, and Clinical Mental Health, has steered the paper into new waters. Under Jefferson's leadership, the Michigan Bulletin has a new look, new audience, and more exposure, corporate sponsorships and advertisers, while still covering the same local issues that readers want to hear about.

One of the Michigan Bulletin's most treasured accomplishments is working with young people through the Young Publisher's Club. Originally housed at the Black Child and Family Institute (BCFI), a now-closed community center, the Young Publisher's Club hired, trained, and paid students from as early as 6th Grade to hone their early age. Basketball superstar, Magic Johnson, donated all the computers in the lab utilized by the Young Publishers at BCFI. Former notable Young Publishers, Damon Brown, has written over one dozen books, including four New York Times bestsellers, and has been featured as a four-time TED Talk participant and Jessica Washington, VP Artist/Content Dev @ Discovered | President MoPhilly Productions'/ Livewerks XR/AR/VR Metaverse Unreal



CAPITOL PORTRAIT UNVEILING COMMEMORATES SEN. SARAH ANTHONY'S HISTORIC **MILESTONE AS FIRST BLACK WOMAN TO CHAIR APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

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LANSING, Mich. (Feb. 1, 2024) — Today, Senate Appropriations Chair Sarah Anthony (D-Lansing) was joined by Senate Majority Leader Winnie Brinks (D-Grand Rapids), legislative colleagues and staff, community members, and family and friends for the unveiling of her official portrait in her Capitol office. The portrait commemorates Chair Anthony's role as the first Black female Chair of the collective future, or the first Senate Appropriations Committee in the state's history, a particularly poignant moment on the first day of Black History Month.I began my career in government intending to help my community and represent Lansing and Mid-Michigan as best as I could — making history was never on my bucket list," said Sen. Anthony. "I am incredibly honored and humbled to be recognized in this way, especially as it coincides with it." Black History Month.

"We have seen incredible progress when it comes to diverse representation in the Appropriations Chair, not Michigan Legislature, even during my relatively short time as a state officeholder, but we can always do better. transformational I hope others who look like me now know they can run for office and have a seat at the table." "When we make the critical decisions about where our state's resources are best spent to shape our time we have the lived experience of a Black woman early childhood education guiding that process," said Senate Majority Leader Brinks. "It's a significant and recent accomplishments powerful moment for our state. Budgets are moral documents, and by bringing her lived experiences whether personal or from her constituents — with her into this building, Sen. Anthony has found a way to weave equity, empowerment, Chairperson of the and justice into every page of Michigan Legislative

Sen. Anthony has made history as Senate only through her chairmanship position, but by making investments in marginalized, underserved communities. This year, she plans to prioritize expanding access to high quality, affordable housing for people of all walks of life, improving college affordability, and in the Fiscal Year 2025 budget. One of her most include passing the <u>CROWN Act</u> and ending child marriage in Michigan after several years of advocacy, and she further uplifts Black Michiganders in her capacity as First Vice Black Caucus.



Chris Swope Lansing City Clerk

For Immediate Release Media Contact: Feb 13, 2024 Chris Swope (517) 230-1566

Presidential Primary Early Voting Now Available at the Reo Elections Office and Foster Community Center starting February 17th

Lansing – Starting Saturday, February 17th until Sunday, February 25th, early voting will be available to all Lansing City voters. Similar to Election Day, voters will be issued a ballot and can then insert their ballot directly into a tabulator at our early voting sites.

The Reo Elections Office, located at 1221 Reo Rd., offers free parking, a 24-hour secure drop box, and is conveniently located on CATA route #9. The Reo Elections Office's Early voting hours are:

Saturday, Feb. 17th - Tuesday, Feb. 20th 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb 21st 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22nd – Sunday, Feb. 25th 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The Foster Community Center, located at 200 N Foster Ave, has the following early voting hours which run until 6 p.m. each day

Saturday, Feb. 17th - Sunday, Feb. 25th 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

"As we get closer to Election Day, early voting is an excellent option with later hours on Wednesday evenings

the last two weekends before the election," said Lansing City Clerk Chris Swope. "It is very similar to Election Day experience for the voter."

Those who still need to register to vote, or update their voter registration, must register in-person at their local clerk's office or at one of our early voting sites. Proof of residency must be provided at the time of registration to be eligible to vote in the February 27th Presidential Primary Election.

All absentee ballots must be received by 8pm on Election Day. Voters returning their ballots by US Mail are advised to get them in the mail no later than Monday, February 20 per the USPS. Voters may also return their ballot to any City of Lansing Ballot Drop Box or either of the City Clerk's Offices by 8pm on Election Day. Secure drop boxes are available within 1.5 miles of any Lansing resident and are checked every day from now until Election Night. To find the closest location, visit lansingvotes.com or call the Clerk's Office at (517) 483-4131.

For answers to questions and resources visit our website lansingvotes.gov, where Lansing City Voters may:

- Request an absentee ballot to be mailed to their home
- Check on the status of their absentee applications
- View the list of candidates
- Find information on military and overseas voting; and more!

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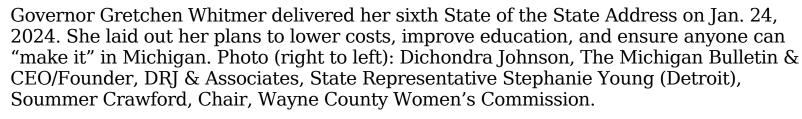
Scaling Minority-Owned Businesses Breakfast Series

The National Business League, DBusiness and Detroit Black Chamber recently hosted the hosted DBusiness Breakfast Series: Scaling Minority-Owned Businesses. The event featured panel of leading experts from Michigan's business and startup sectors discuss expanding opportunities to launch and grow minority-owned businesses. This sold-out event was curated for those who are curious about how to start, operate, and expand a minority-led business, along with providing a discussion on available financial loan and incentive opportunities. Photo: Dr Kenneth Harris, PhD (Moderator) & Detroit Black Chamber Executive Board of Directors. (Article/Photo Credit: Dichondra Johnson)











Cathy Morgan receives Tribute for her Pastors Salute Program the presentation was at City on February 12, 2024.





Creekside Residential Care joyfully celebrates the Michigan Bulletin's remarkable 30-year journey of spreading invaluable information throughout the community! Congratulations on this exciting milestone!

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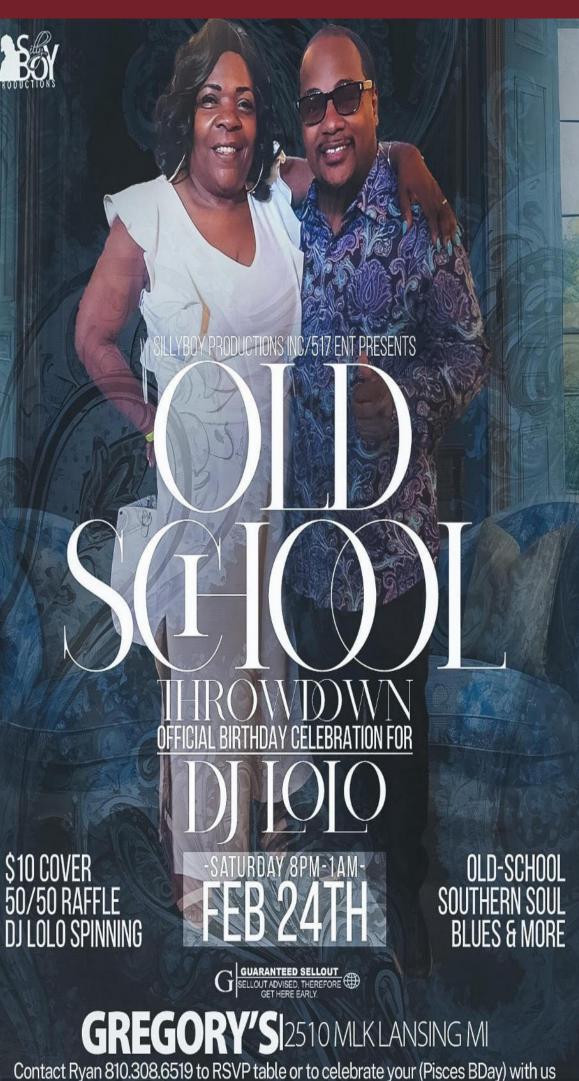
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Celebration Announcements

Mr. Party, The Ambassador of Celebration

Birthdays in February 2024

Ms. Kimberly Jones celebrates her 43rd birthday on

February 2nd. Mr. K. C. Big Thangs celebrates his birthday on

February 2nd. Ms. Nikki Skipper celebrates her birthday on

February 2nd.

Ms. Tina Fellows celebrates her birthday on

February 3rd.

Tina, you are THE BEST big sister in the world; I love you so much! Love always and forever, Tracy G. Ms. Christina Tubbs celebrates her birthday on February 3rd.

Ms. Tammy Ruiz celebrates her birthday on February 3rd.

Ms. Ashley Erickson celebrates her 35th birthday on February 4th.

Ms. Rebecca Lea Patterson celebrates her birthday on February 4th with family and friends. "Becca. happy 29th birthday! Enjoy your day! I love you! Love Mom!"

Ms. Shari M. Townsley celebrates her birthday on February 5th.

Mrs. Juel Darden celebrates her birthday on February 5th.

Ms. Mandy Schafer celebrates her 40th birthday on

February 7th. Ms. April L. Clark celebrates her birthday on

February 7th. Ms. Georgette Sneed celebrates her 73rd birthday

in Heaven on February 7th.

Ms. Maria Herrera celebrates her 50th birthday on February 7th.

Mr. DeMarice Hall celebrates his 37th birthday on February 7th.

Ms. Mandi Schafer celebrates her birthdav on February 7th. "Singing my way to stardom"

Mr. Arthur Andrews celebrates his 73rd birthday on February 7th.

Brother Bill sends you Love.

Mrs. Barbara M. Rouse-Tate celebrates her birthday on February 8th with her family.

Mrs. Flora Boles celebrates her birthday on February 8th.

Ms. Lisa D. Tate-Jackson celebrates her birthday on February 9th with her family. Mr. Martin Luther King celebrates his birthday on February 9th.

Mr. Nate Carlisle celebrates his 58th birthday on February 9th. "I pray that GOD blesses everybody!" Ms. Jazmine Gierke celebrates her 19th birthday on February 10th with her baby brother Damian and

Ms. Betty McGrew celebrates her birthday on February 10th.

Ms. Brandy Gonzales celebrates her 35th birthday on February 10th.

Mr. Freddie Lewis celebrates his birth on February

Ms. Jaylenn Shannon celebrates her 20th birthday

on February 11th.

Ms. Phyllis Colthorp celebrates her birthday on

February 11th. Ms. Sheavan Mizori celebrates her 39th birthday on

February 11th.

Ms. Michelle M. Mireles celebrates her 57th birthday on February 11th.

Mr. Charles Husby celebrates his birthday on February 11th, with family and friends.

Mr. James E. Garvie celebrates his 38th birthday on February 12th with friends.

Mr. Iosiah Nathaniel Dixon celebrates his 15th

birthday on February 12th with family|: Pastor Carrington.

16th with friends and family.

Ms. Patty Oehmke celebrates her birthday on February 14th, Valentine's Day, sharing much love. Mr. Walter "Gator" Gierke celebrates his 42nd birthday in Heaven on February 14th with family

Mr. Fredrick Crockett celebrates his 59th birthday on February 14th, with a shout out: "Happy Birthday

on February 14th, "Valentine's Day"

Ms. Vicki Helman celebrates her birthday on February 14th.

February 15th.

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Ms. Teonie Dobbs celebrates her birthday on

February 15th.

on February 15th. Miss. Bella Jobson celebrates her 15th birthday on

February 16th.

February 16th.

Ms. Kelly Kilpatrick celebrates her birthday on on February 26th. February 12th.

Mr. Clyde Martin celebrates his 38th birthday on

February 12th.

Nathan, Lady Rolanda, and big sister Makenzie

Mr. RJ Johnson celebrated his birthday on February

Ms. Chrissy Gomez celebrates her 39th birthday on February 13th.

and friends. "Mama's Valentine's Day Gift from your Dad in 1982!" We love you always!

to the rest of my cupid Babies!"

Ms. Madeline Brown celebrates her 67th year of life

Ms. Angela P. Baltimore celebrates her birthday on

Mr. Chavis Walker celebrates his birthday on

Mr. Charles M. Flores celebrates his 54th birthday

Ms. Betty Thomas celebrates her birthday on

Ms. Cheron L. Mans celebrates her birthday on February 17th. Ms. Katia F. Outlaw celebrates her birthday on

Ms. Michelle Ireland celebrates her birthday

Mr. Kirk A. Branson Sr. celebrates his birthday on

Ms. Jessica Baker celebrates her 45th birthday on

Ms. Danyell Reaper celebrates her 46th birthday

Ms. Kendall M. Jackson celebrates her birthday on

February 16th with his loving wife April, family and

February 16th with her family and friends.

February 17th. Miss. Kaydence Elise Walsh celebrates her 14th birthday on February 18th. "Daddy and Mommy

Love you!!!" Mr. Miles R. Barren celebrates his birthday on

February 18th. Mr. Issac Peter Reis celebrates his birthday on February 18th.

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on February 17th.

Ms. Kimberly E. Harps celebrates her birthday on February 19th. Mrs. Lacrita Winfree, born on February 20th, will

enjoy her celebration with her husband. Ms. Melanie Miller celebrates her birthday on February 19th.

Mrs. Jimmie L. Springs celebrates her birthday in Heaven on February 19th. She was born in the year 1918. Mr. Desmond Murphy celebrates his 20th birthday

on February 20th. Mr. Luther William Brown, Jr. will celebrate his

52nd birthday on February 20th, with his loving wife Amy, daughters: Isabella, Idyana, Taylor, his Son Jordan Luther.

Ms. Rose M. Watson celebrates her birthday on February 20th.

Ms. Jennifer and Justina Ellsworth celebrate their 39th birthday on February 20th.

Ms. Betty Fry, born February 20th, celebrates her 64th birthday, being sober since January 1st,2018. Ms. Tasha Eaton celebrates her 43rd birthday on February 21st.

Ms. Felicia Clark celebrates her birthday on February 21st.

Ms. Lindsay Voss celebrates her birthday on February 22nd.

Ms. Nanette L. Reynolds celebrates her birthday on February 22nd.

Ms. Anita Buffington celebrates her 49th birthday

on February 22nd. Mr. Bila'l Scott celebrates his birthday on February

23rd. Ms. Jackie Evens enjoys her birthday on February 23rd.Mr. Willis Dennis celebrates his birthday on February 23rd.

Ms. Bethany Coins celebrates her birthday on February 23rd.

Mrs. Sara Gordon celebrates her birthday on February 23rd.

Ms. Sandra Williams celebrates her birthday on February 23rd.

Mr. Sal Rivera celebrates his 54th birthday February 23rd.

Mr. Michael Jennings Jr. will celebrate his birth on February 23rd.

Ms. Amanda Wenk celebrates her birthday on February 24th. Ms. Cecilia Sena celebrates her 43rd birthday on

February 24th. Mr. Bradford Huguely celebrates his birthday on

February 25th. Ms. Marion Peatross celebrates her birthday on

February 25th.

Ms. Gristle McMichaels celebrates her 37th birthday on February 25th.

Mr. Felipe Gonzales celebrates his 63rd birthday on February 26th, with family and friends at his son's place! "Love from your Son", Juan.Ms. Dawn, "as a new day", celebrates her 52nd birthday on February 26th.

Ms. Allicia Perez celebrates her birthday on February 26th.

Mr. Charles "Bull" Lane celebrates 76 years of life

Ms. Maya Kelly celebrates her 14th birthday on February 27th. "Love you lots... Mom and Dad! Ms. Alicia Perez celebrates her 46th birthday on February 27th.

Ms. Angelica Brown celebrates her 34th birthday on February 27th.

Mr. LaDon H. Nixon will enjoy his birthday on February 28th.

Mr. Larry Martin celebrates his birthday on February 28th. Ms. Tanek Samaria Davis will celebrate her

birthday on February 28th. *Anniversaries Mr. & Mrs. Robert and Cordray McConnell

celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on February 3rd. Mr. & Mrs. David, (RIP), and Linda-Walker-Cole,

(RIP 1-9-2020); We celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary on February 14th. Mr.& Mrs. Myron & Dee Freeman celebrate their 37th wedding anniversary on February 14th

Mr. & Mrs. Al and Irma Cooper, we will celebrate what would have been their 74th wedding anniversary on February 23rd. Thank You for the Lesson that helped me to Be: The Substance Of A Man!!!

*Announcements

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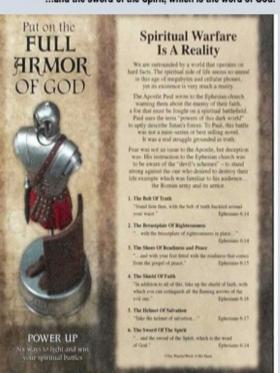


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BE STILL, AND YOUR SOUL WILL SPEAK



14 "...and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Ephesians 6:14



Lord, thank you for blessing the seeing 2024. For the first time in years, I attended a Watch Night Service. The church had prepared a full breakfast on its lower level. There, we continued the fellowship and conversations gratitude to God for blessing us to be in the house of the Lord.

As you may know, the Watch Night service was called Freedoms Eve. Our ancestors would gather, eat, shout, sing, and praise God in anticipation of the New Year. I thought about that when we were in church and crossed over to 2024.

You have enough knowledge from Ephesians 6: 14-17 to fight and win your spiritual battles in 2024, especially with the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. LOVE YE ONE ANOTHER

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NIGHT WITH RICK HANSEL



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