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ENTERTAINMENT THE NEW SONG BY NDEEP, "BROTHER MARVIN" IS THE JAM! Band Releases Heartfelt Tribute Song about Motown Legend



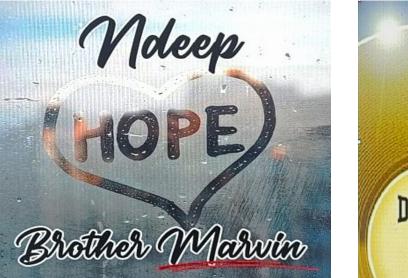
Marvin Gaye in concert

Are a you music lover? If you truly love music, and you never heard the band NDEEP, do not cheat yourself any longer. This band is for music lovers. Listening to NDEEP provides that good feeling you feel inside when you hear the tightness and crispness of great musicians. The best thing is, this Detroit based group is easily accessible. You may have noticed the picture of Marvin Gaye that accompanies this story. That's for good reason. NDEEP has produced a tribute song to the Motown legend called "Brother Marvin." This song must be heard by EVERYBODY. Listen, and you'll agree: The record is a hit! Marvin Gaye, himself, would be proud. The song encompasses NDEEP's unique sound. To listen to it simply go to our website: <u>www.themonthlystandard.news</u> Their style can best be described as "Retro Soul." NDEEP fans already know. New listeners will hear a beautiful mix of classic soul, r&b, rock. jazz, & funk. NDEEP can't be categorized by a genre. This band has orchestrated a perfect blend.

When you groove to NDEEP's new song "Brother Marvin" you will want to hear some of their other releases. To listen to some of their other songs simply email them at the following address: <u>ndeeptheband@gmail.com</u> They will send a return email with a link to these melodious NDEEP songs: Freefall, Passion, Cherry Wheat, & Don't Go. It's great to listen to recordings from NDEEP. It's even better to listen to them live. An NDEEP show is energetic and fun to watch. People don't sit at an NDEEP show. They are dancing and singing. They have played everywhere you can think of in Metropolitan Detroit. To see them, send them an email, and they'll convey where they are performing. Or, you can book them to play at YOUR event. NDEEP is comprised of Lance W. Mason, William O'Dell Hughes, Chuck Jones, Robert Harris, Lorell Holton, Candice Hodges, and Lawrence Jackson. On April 2nd Brother Marvin will be available to purchase on all streaming services. (Tidal, Apple, etc)

SUBZERO 313 STUDIO LLC

This article would be remiss not to mention the Subzero 313 recording studio. Launched in 2014 by NDEEP member Chuck Jones. It's a continuation of the home recording studio he created in his parents house in the early 1970's. Subzero 313 Studio LLC is an independent music studio that's designed to create, produce, and arrange original music and lyrics in all musical genres. If you are a new or established artist, contact Subzero 313 by email here: <u>subzerodetroit313@gmail.com</u> The studio is seeking inspired artists. If you are musically creative and innovative, Subzero is the place for you. The Subzero 313 recording studio is currently expanding to create catchy radio jingles for businesses like YOURS. They are also creating soundtracks for movies. To make your musical dreams come true schedule a confidential consultation with the Subzero 313 studio at the email address above.







Members of NDEEP Left to Right Lance Mason-Dale Hughes-Chuck Jones





BEFORE and AFTER



Pictured at left is the historic 606 Horseshoe Lounge. They partied hard at that bar and poured the drinks even harder. Their heyday was from the 1920's through the early 1960's. It was truly a glorious time. Ford Field sits on land that used to be the Paradise Valley Entertainment District. The clientele was mostly Black but ALL were welcome. As you can see, Ford Field incorporated the old J.L. Hudson's warehouse into its design. Today, Ford Field totally encompasses the landscape. You can see the same warehouse windows in the 2024 pic. The fire hydrant is still there too. The 606 Horseshoe Lounge is gone. Many good times were had there. The Lions are reviving the fun and revelry that historically occurred in that space. For the Lions, the fun is just beginning. **Hear them ROAR!!!**



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SCRIPTURE - Therefore, openly confess YOUR sins to one another, that YOU may be healed. A righteous man's supplication, when it is at work, has much force. James 5:16

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THE 2024 DETROIT TIGERS WILL ROAR!

Lions are not the only big cats that roar. Tigers roar too! It's been a long time since both of Detroit's big cat teams have been competitive at the same time. The Lions are finally good. Now it's the Tigers turn to impress Detroit's rabidly hungry baseball fans. Don't worry. They will not disappoint. At times they will take their lumps. That's normal. Over the course of a long season every team will take their lumps. That's baseball. In the long run, they will prevail. Here's why: The front office had a winning off season. Team President Scott Harris and his new General Manager Jeff Greenberg have intelligently built this team into a legitimate contender. These guys are playing chess. Their strategic plan is going to reap results. The Tigers made eight significant off season additions. (Including 3B coach Joey Cora). Each one of them will equate to (at least) one victory over the course of the season. Their individual statistics will be adequate, but, what really counts is how they mesh on the field AND in the clubhouse. The new players are going to make their teammates better and vice-versa. All of the new acquisitions are good. For me the best one is 35 year old Kenta Maeda. Taking his arm away from the Minnesota Twins cannot be overlooked. This was an outstanding move! All baseball fans know pitching is a vital part of any winning team. Last year the Tigers had the 7th best WHIP (walks plus hits per innings pitched) in the American League. That's something to build on and they are already doing it. Last season the Tigers team ERA was 4.24. This spring their team ERA is 3.86. In comparison the Twins are going the other way. So far their team ERA has risen to 4.10 this spring compared to 3.87 last season.

Can the Tigers maintain a low team ERA throughout the season? Absolutely. That's why Harris and Greenberg brought in 28 year old, Jack Flaherty. Traditionally Flaherty has had a low WHIP and ERA throughout his career. He signed a one year PROVE IT deal that's stacked with performance incentives. Flaherty is not the only new Tiger pitcher to sign a PROVE IT deal. Ex Tiger Andrew Chafin and Shelby Miller both signed one year deals with a club option for the 2025 season. Chafin, 33, returns to the Tigers after appearing in 63 games between the Arizona Diamondbacks and Milwaukee Brewers in 2023, posting a 3-4 record with a career-best eight saves, a 4.73 ERA (51.1IP/27ER) and 63 strikeouts. He finished the season strong, posting a 1.69 ERA (10.2IP/2ER) with eight strikeouts in 12 outings during September/October. Miller, 33, put together an impressive 2023 season with the Los Angeles Dodgers, appearing in 36 games, including one start, and posting a 3-0 record with one save, a 1.71 ERA (42.0IP/8ER) and 42 strikeouts. He finished the season with a 0.90 WHIP and limited opponents to a .135 batting average. Among National League relievers with at least 40.0 innings pitched last season, Miller ranked second with a 0.90 WHIP and .131 opponent batting average, while he was sixth with a 1.76 ERA. The new guys add to an already potent pitching staff. Young hurlers Tarik Skulbal, Matt Manning, and Tyler Holton are quite formidable. Each of them should take a major step forward. Closer Alex Lange should have another solid season. Hopefully, Casey Mize can recover from the back and arm issues that have plagued his big league career. If so, he will fortify an already solid core.

We are confident in the Tigers pitching staff, but, can they hit? So far this spring the boys are not tearing the leather off of the ball, but it's a long season. Andy Ibanez is having a very productive spring at the plate. He should be penciled in at second base to start the season. Newcomer Mark Canha is a proven major league hitter. His veteran presence should help young up and comers like Parker Meadows, and Colton Keith. Speaking of youngsters Kerry Carpenter and Spencer Torkelson are out to prove their 2023 campaigns were not flukes. Both of them want to show they are legitimate major league baseball players and are in the big leagues to stay. The Monthly Standard predicts the signing of Gio Urshela, 32, is going to pay dividends. This veteran leads by example. Urshela also signed an incentive laden PROVE IT deal. He is just one year removed from one of the best seasons of his career. In 2022, he played in 144 games with the Twins and batted .285 with 27 doubles, three triples, 13 home runs and 64 RBI. He established new career-highs in hits (143), walks (41) and games played. Urshela was limited to 62 games in 2023 after suffering a season-ending injury on June 15. Urshela hit .299 with eight doubles, one triple, two home runs and 24 RBI. At the time of his injury, Urshela ranked seventh in the AL in batting average. We cannot forget about Javier Baez. A certain radio host in town (a non-Detroiter) has been reading him the riot act and yelling for the Tigers to trade him. Baez is a shortstop. His main job is defense. Baez may never match the batting statistics he had at Chicago's hitter friendly Wrigley Field. He plays at pitcher friendly Comerica Park. Most importantly, Baez is still a wizard on defense and continues to impress. As long as Baez clogs up the middle on defense he's an asset to the team. Whatever we get from our shortstop offensively is a bonus. Baez will be fine. The Lions aren't the only big cats who can ROAR in Detroit. The Tigers will win the AL Central and confidently enter into the playoffs. With great pitching and timely hitting anything could happen in the post season. World Series? YES! It is not out of the realm of possibility. GO GET 'EM TIGERS!





Alex Lange is locked in



Javier Baez making another great play at shortstop



Kerry Carpenter hits a long drive



COVER STORY Hey Detroit, The NFL's "On The Clock Tour" Has the USA Watching



The 2024 NFL Draft "On The Clock Tour" will be in Detroit from Thursday April 25th to Saturday April 27th. Believe me, a good time will be had by ALL! The event will feature food trucks, arcade style games, arts and crafts, and more! Roary the Detroit Lions mascot, the Lions cheerleaders, Lions interactive inflatables, and other football themed stations, from running the 40 yard dash, to kicking a field goal. WHEW! If that's not enough the main event "THE NFL DRAFT ITSELF" will surely satisfy. There are 32 teams in the NFL and Detroit can expect visitors from each market. This will be the event of the year in Detroit. (Unless the Tigers win the World Series). Expect to see the largest crowds (most of you) have ever seen in Downtown Detroit. Last year the Draft attracted 312,000 people to Kansas City, MO. The NFL Draft gets bigger every year! There's no doubt, Detroit's crowd will top the sea of fans in Kansas City.

All "On The Clock Tour" events are FREE and open to the public. The picture at left shows an aerial view of the "On The Clock Tour" experience. The footprint is huge. Follow the lights and you will vicariously enter into the experience. The NFL Draft theater will be in Campus Martius. The fun and games associated with the interactive NFL Draft Experience will be in Hart Plaza and everywhere else! Including Ford Field. Expect attractions all around you. Congress, Larned, and East Jefferson will be closed to safely allow the expected throng to flow freely from Hart Plaza and Campus Martius. This event is going to be epic. The only thing that could ruin it is rain. Even then. NOPE!







FEATURE STORY OPPORTUNITY ABOUNDS!



Top-The Union Carpenters and Millwright Skilled Training Center located at 11687 American St., Detroit, Michigan 48224 Middle-Specialty carpentry in effect / Apprentices build a house. Bottom-Apprentice Millwrights study the inner workings.

Detroit is over 300 years old. Much of it's infrastructure is over 100 years old. It's blatantly obvious over the next 40 to 50 years the city has to be rebuilt. Starting now! The people who are going to rebuild Detroit will be trained at the building pictured on the left. The Union Carpenters and Millwright Skilled Training Center can honestly be called the most important building in Detroit. The people inside train and ensure carpenters are employed. The same can be said about millwrights. These skilled tradesmen ensure our assembly lines and other essential mechanisms in our factories operate smoothly and efficiently. I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE THINKING. How can I become a Carpenter or Millwright? It's easier than you think.

Back in the day you had to be a working carpenter to be an apprentice. Today, all you have to do is APPLY. You want to get your foot in the door. All are accepted. Male & female. There is not an age limit. Some apprentices have been in their fifties. Of course youth is power. If you are a high school student that likes working with your hands and solving problems in the field, this is the opportunity for you. Or, you and your high school aged kid at home might want to join together. Either way. Contact the Union Carpenters and Millwright Skilled Training Center today! Just log in to **buildmifuture.com**. No experience is necessary. There is no tuition. After you contact the Training Center and fill out your application the first thing you will receive is a contractor's list. If you are industrious you will start calling employers on the list immediately to find a job.

Will the Training Center help you to find a job? Absolutely, but two heads are better than one. After you get a job you will spend most of your time in the field. Apprentices will learn from their more experienced coworkers. Apprentices are in class one day every two weeks. In class they will hone their skills, practice, become faster and more productive to deliver higher quality. There is one more thing all apprentices will do in class. Make mistakes. Which is good. That's how you learn. If you are going to make a mistake, the classroom is where you want to do it. Make your family proud. Become well-paid and earn an honest and honorable living by becoming a carpenter or a millwright. There's a link to the Training Center website on our web page too.

You Are How You Drive



By Dana Redd

Being a single man has its advantages and disadvantages. By going on several dates, I can usually tell a lot about a woman early on. I met this beautiful lady at a business luncheon. She truly impressed me. She was well-educated and had a top position at a Fortune 500 company, and she said all the right things during our initial conversation. We kept in touch, and I was really looking forward to our first date. I wasn't sure why, but she insisted on driving. It seemed a bit odd, but I went along with it.

My possible 'lady-of-the-future' pulled up looking even more gorgeous than the day I met her. We were headed to dinner, and she was driving a brand new Lexus with fancy wheels and all the whistles. Once I got in the car, she said she doesn't like how most people drive, and prefers to be 'the captain of the ship,' even though we were in a car. This lady immediately peeled away like she was race car driver Jeff Gordon Jr. She blew through a couple of stop signs before proceeding down the freeway ramp doing about 75 mph. I was tempted to jump in the back seat. At this moment, her entire dialog was focused on other drivers. She was cursing them out, flipping them 'the bird' and cutting off drivers if they tried to pass her, while weaving in and out of lanes like a bat out of hell.

She blew her horn so much, I wanted to search the glove compartment for an extra 20 amp fuse. Once we exited the freeway, she blasted through a construction zone and nearly hit a couple of workers. And as we made it to the restaurant parking lot, she finally slowed to a crawl, only to speed up quickly to take another person's parking spot closer to the entrance, saying "it's MY spot now." All of a sudden, she wasn't pretty anymore. Once we got seated, I quickly excused myself and ran outside to catch a cab home. One thing I did learn from this experience: You Are How You Drive. And this lady was CRAZY.



Kiwanis Club Provides Free Books for Kids





The Kiwanis Club has been making a positive change in the lives of children for years. Organized in Detroit way back in 1915, the Kiwanis Club grown to have chapters across the globe. **Pictured above is Wayne County Treasurer Eric R. Sabree volunteering to assist with the intake of books.** "Publisher overruns are the source of donated books. Also, over 300,000 books have been distributed by the "Books for Kids" program since the pandemic" said Sabree. **Below Sabree is pictured wheeling books to his vehicle to offer at his "Free Childrens Books" display at the Treasurers Office Downtown.** Vernadette McCallister of the Detroit Public Library (DPL) is another frequent visitor. *We are so happy to have this partnership with the Kiwanis Club because it allows us to offer free books for kids to keep and build their personal collection.* **Vernadette McCallister is pictured below searching book titles. She happily displays one of the books the DPL will offer for free.**



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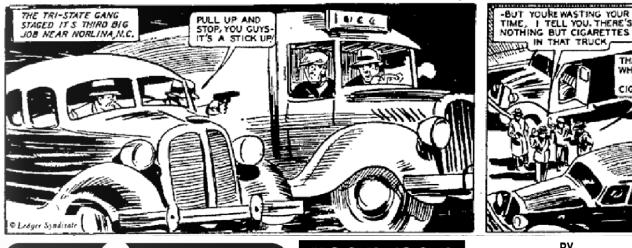
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True Stories of G-Men Activities Based on Records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation-Modified in the Public Interest

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by REX COLLIER

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Wine-Drinking States*

- 1. District of Columbia
- 2. New Hampshire
- 3. Vermont
- 4. Massachusetts
- 5. New Jersey
- 6. Nevada
- 7. Connecticut
- 8. California
- 9. Rhode Island
- 10. Delaware

*per capita

Source: Total Wine Handbook



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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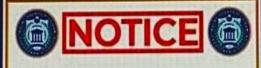
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