



### COMMUNITY ALERT

#### Raising Our Village 2013 Youth Conf.

Fri, June 28th , 1-6pm  
Human Development  
Center

6833 W Fond du Lac  
Ave, Milwaukee

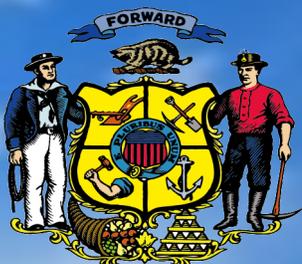
Youth ages 8-21  
Family Welcome

Lunch Provided  
FREE FREE FREE  
414-215-3557

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm  
Here to Serve!



## REPUBLICANS SILENCE WOMEN IN WAR ON WOMEN



In a war, the first thing you do is to cut off enemy communications. This week, the Wisconsin Republicans silenced women around the state during the passage of a bill that requires ultrasounds before an abortion. In the Senate, debate was cut off after just two senators spoke on the bill's passage.

You can see Senate President Ellis cutting off debate above. In the Assembly, the galleries of women watching the debate were cleared by the Republican majority. Ultrasounds are medically unnecessary and the government is mandating this intrusion into the most private parts of a women's body. So much for privacy!

## "UNDERWATER" HOMES SHOW WI POLICY PROBLEMS

A new report released this week shows that the Milwaukee Metro area is bucking a national trend with an increase in the number of "under water" homes. About 21.5%, or 57,849 homes with mortgages are worth less than the loans they were bought with. Judged against the state and the nation, Milwaukee has been moving in the wrong direction. Wisconsin's average is 16.3% and the national average is 19.8%. Both averages have been declining. While some are disputing this report, it shows that Wisconsin has not focused on its urban economy enough. This new trend should make us question our current priorities. Milwaukee is the engine of Wisconsin and we cannot rebuild Milwaukee without strong housing markets. We should not forget Milwaukee's needs.





**JUNETEENTH DAY CELEBRATION**  
Wednesday June 19th

Parade @ 9am on  
Atkinson & MLK Ave.

Festival all Day on MLK  
between  
Center & Burleigh

Visit Senator Taylor's  
table and join the fun!

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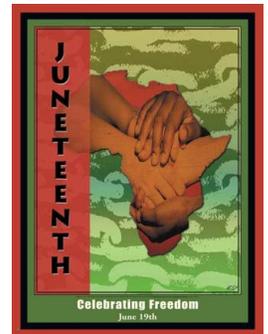
**#NODOLLARTREEINBRONZEVILLE VICTORY**



Bronzeville residents won a strong victory this week, as a Milwaukee committee defeated a license request for a Dollar Tree in Bronzeville. The City signed a contract with the developer to bring a supermarket to the area, but then the developer sought instead to bring a Dollar Tree. Alderwoman Coggs and the NAACP led the charge against the Dollar Tree and argued in favor of a supermarket with fresh fruits & vegetables. It was a great victory!

**JUNETEENTH DAY—A FREEDOM FOR US ALL!**

This coming Wednesday is Juneteenth Day, a celebration of freedom for us all. Juneteenth recognizes the day the last slaves in Texas in 1865 were informed of their Emancipation two years earlier. Milwaukee's celebration is one of the largest in the country. There will be a parade and street festival for all people to come together and celebrate the great freedom that we enjoy. The Legislature will be passing a resolution to recognize the day. I hope you can come!



**Wise Words of the Week!**

**Contact Us! We Enjoy Hearing From You!** "Slavery is but half abolished, emancipation is but half completed, while millions of freeman with votes in their hands are left without education."

- Robert Charles Winthrop, 22<sup>nd</sup> Speaker-US House



"Until justice is blind to color, until education is unaware of race, until opportunity is unconcerned with the color of men's skins, emancipation will be a proclamation but not a fact."

- Lyndon B. Johnson, 36<sup>th</sup> President