



### COMMUNITY ALERT

#### April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month!

Texting distracts a driver for about 5 seconds; at 55 mph, that is like driving the length of a football field *blindfolded*

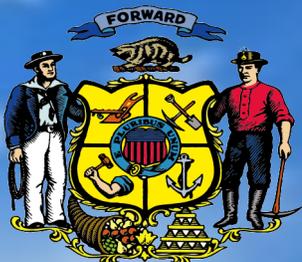
Know the facts, and drive safely!

#justdrive

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!



## SPEAK UP FOR EQUAL PAY!

### EQUAL PAY DAY



Courtesy of Loyola University

As spring approaches, blessing Wisconsin with warmer weather, and our fight with winter draws to a close, we must remain politically responsible and remember that the fight for fair treatment is far from over! April 8<sup>th</sup> was Equal Pay Day, and, significantly, it symbolizes the ever-present disparities in gender and minority pay. Wisconsin women cannot afford discrimination and lower wages, as it weakens their ability to take care of themselves and their families.

On average, a working woman is paid just 77 cents for every dollar paid to men, and this number drops even further if the woman comes from a minority background: just 64 cents for African American women and 55 cents for Latinas. April 8<sup>th</sup> is a day designed to raise awareness of the pay inequality present throughout this country. Join me in eliminating these injustices by fighting for equal pay.

## COURT DECISION BENEFITS WEALTHY DONORS

Last week, the US Supreme Court struck down overall federal limits on the amount of money individuals can give to multiple candidates, political action committees and political parties. This Supreme Court decision helps set nationwide precedents that will likely strike down campaign limits in various states. Here in Wisconsin, individuals have been barred from contributing more than \$10,000 each year to any party or combination of parties and PAC's. Our political system loses integrity when power is concentrated in the hands of wealthy individuals, for they are less affected by many of the social issues that poorer individuals need the help of elected representatives to address. Unfortunately, this Supreme Court decision makes elections less about the people and more about money by raising the threshold for individual contributions.



Courtesy of the Washington Post



## Get Rid of Your Hazardous Household Waste!

The Dukes of Hazardous Waste will be at the State Fair Park April 11-12th to collect your hazardous household products such as fluorescent light bulbs, motor oil, batteries and more!

Fri, April 11th: 11AM—6PM  
Sat., April 12: 8AM—2PM  
State Fair Park Gate 8  
640 S 84th St

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## CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN



Week of the Young Child, April 6<sup>th</sup> through April 12<sup>th</sup>, is a week dedicated to celebrating the joy children bring to both our families and communities, while also recognizing the seriousness of a parent's responsibility. Increasingly, it has been shown that humans are significantly shaped by their early years. This week, think about how you can better your child's life and future, whether through promoting education, raising domestic violence awareness in your community, or even just spending more time with him or her! We need to invest in our children, and social programs help parents give their children the support they need.

## TAKING A STAND AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT

The month of April has been designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Throughout the month, the goal is to raise awareness about sexual violence and educate individuals regarding how to best prevent sexual assault within the community. Sexual assault is an issue that affects people from all walks of life, regardless of age, race or gender. By working together, we can create stronger, more effective prevention methods and support networks for survivors of this serious violation of human and individual rights. Sexual assault is a major public health and social justice concern. Therefore, throughout the month of April, stay tuned for more information about events like Denim Day, and take a stand against sexual assault!



## Wise Words of the Week!

**Contact Us!**  
**We Enjoy Hearing From You!**

"Join the union, girls, and together, say Equal Pay for Equal Work"

-Susan B. Anthony



"Let parents bequeath to their children not riches, but the spirit of reverence"

-Plato