

## COMMUNITY ALERT

### Candlelight Vigil for 2012 Homicide Victims

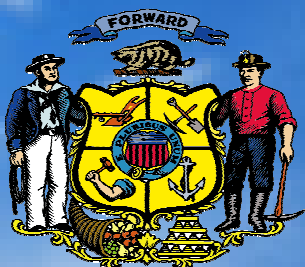
We invite you to this event to bring healing through sharing. This year's vigil will be hosted by Pastor Jonathan Jacobs

Ascension Lutheran  
1236 South Layton Bl.  
6 PM, December 30

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!



## Senator Taylor Confronts Police Brutality



The most important service the Milwaukee Police and Fire Commission should provide our community is preventing disciplinary proceeding from ever being necessary through proper oversight and training. Clearly, this is not happening. Rather than being an exception, the Commission's recent reinstatement of a police officer who punched a restrained woman

in the face is the latest questionable act in the Board's history of disrespect, disregard, and dehumanization of the public that first responders take an oath to protect. With two vacant Commission seats, there is a opportunity to make sure that the community's voice is not only heard, but that our interests are actually respected and represented. For now, all I can express is a great disappointment for the culture of disrespect and degradation that the Commission not only allows to exist, but actively watched grow at alarmingly horrific rates. Enough is enough. My office will revisit the Fire and Police Commission Restructuring Bill of 2007, in collaboration with Milwaukee city officials and the Unity Caucus. I also strong encourage the community to attend a public hearing, where we will collect citizen's experiences, input regarding the filling of the vacant commission seats, and input regarding the board's structure or elimination. The hearing will be at 4 PM this Friday, December 14th! It will be held at the NAACP office at 2745 N. MLK Drive in Milwaukee. Enough is enough. We have to be able to count on safety and justice in from own city's police force.





The Office of Student Affairs/Diversity at the Medical College of Wisconsin will again offer their summer enrichment programs for students from backgrounds that are historically underrepresented. Applications for these programs are now open!

More information and applications can be found at

<https://spss.mcw.edu/mrlWeb/mrlWeb.dll?I.Project=HSPROGRAMS>

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### ***Happy Holidays!***



This Saturday at sundown begins the holy Jewish holiday of Hanukkah, commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple of Jerusalem in the 2nd century BC. I would like to sincerely wish all my Jewish constituents a Happy Hanukkah, and Happy Holidays to all! Whether you celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah,

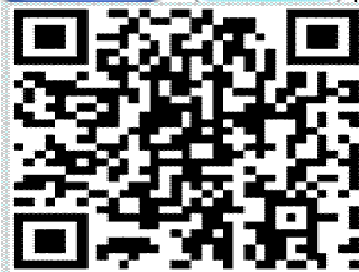
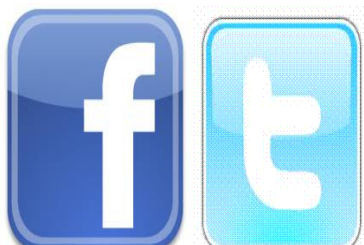
and any other holiday this December, I think we can all agree on that which matters to us most in these times: family and friends. This a time of the year to reflect on our many blessings and our many hardships. Without the people in our lives, we would have such trouble making it through some of our most difficult hardships, and without those same friends and family members, our many blessings would never seem so sweet. I for one cannot help but express the deepest gratitude for those I share my life with, from my neighbors and staff to my closest family members and, of course, my son. Again, I wish you all the very happiest of all holidays! Many blessings upon you!



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

*“Not the cry, but the flight of a wild duck, leads the flock to follow.”*

*-Chinese Proverb*



*“If the wind will not serve, take to the oars.”*

*-Latin Proverb*