

Past Events

REBEL LIFE ENTERTAINMENT

Poetry Night

By: Andre Burnett

Rebel Life Entertainment held its first poetry night event on Saturday, April 23rd, 2005, hosted by, me, Andre Burnett, and Lakeisha Davis. Milwaukee's best kept secrets shone with their poetic pieces, in which the audience responded with resounding "Ooh's" and "Ahs". Although we encouraged "snapping, not clapping", we couldn't help but give a round of applause to our featured poets, Muhibb Dyer and Kwabena Antoine Nixon. They began by remembering Nikeemah Hubanks, the seven year-old girl who was killed by a stray bullet on April 17th, and ended the night with two powerful spoken word performances. We'd like to thank our featured poets, performers, and audience for volunteering to raise the community awareness by word of mouth.

Money Conference

The Center for Teaching Entrepreneurship presented its annual Money Conference at the Mother Katherine Daniels Conference Center on April 30th, 2005. Talented acts participated in the afternoon event, with the genres ranging from poetry to R&B. Our good friend ReDonna Rogers, director of the CTE, presented members of Rebel Life Entertainment with the first place trophy and also a check for \$300. We would like to thank ReDonna Rodgers for organizing the event, the many sponsors, and also the judges who had the tedious task of judging numerous future stars.

Congratulations, Marquell!



Fifteen year-old Marquell Rupert has been boxing for Malcolm X Academy for one year. He recently won first place in a boxing tournament at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, held Saturday, June 4th, 2005. He's been attending the Running Rebels Community Organization for over three years. A big congratulations to Marquell Rupert for his hard work, dedication, and also winning 1st place!

Community Block Party

The Community Block Party, organized by Club For Kids, was held on Saturday, June 4th, 2005, on the corner of 24th and Hopkins. Food was served, basketball was played, and furniture was sold on that great Saturday morning. The purpose of the event was to raise money for a neighborhood community center in the work. Radio station 860AM WNOV provided the music and entertainment. Thanks to all who participated in the Community Block Party.

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Milwaukee School of Arts Presents, "The Bus Stop"

17 year-old Victoria King, a Senior at Milwaukee High School of the Arts introduced the original play, "The Bus Stop" on May 19th. The play is about a girl who, because of the rise in gas prices, is forced to catch the bus to and from school-something that was hard for her because she was used to getting a ride. "The Bus Stop" included Rebel Life Entertainment's own Talaya McCain, who performed two roles in the play, Treasure, the teenage girl, and the neighborhood store owner, Momma May.

The Marquette "Gold"



When Marquette University announced that they were changing their athletic nickname to the "Gold", it sent shock waves throughout the university's student body, staff and alumni. The problem wasn't necessarily the name, but the fact that the University made the change without asking for input.

It turns out that 'Gold' was worthless. In an effort to get the city of Milwaukee's opinion, Marquette University set up a website allowing staff, alumni, and students to narrow down ten nicknames. On Monday, June 5th, the 'Hilltoppers' and the 'Golden Eagles', Marquette's previous nicknames, were the final two names voted on. We'll all have to wait and see what the outcome is!

Awareness

Young Entrepreneur

By: Steve Jenkins

In today's society, we have a lot of teens that say they have what it takes to be a rapper or entertainer. Most teens are confused by today's artist videos when looking at the television. Even though it appears that an artist has a lot of money, in reality, most entertainers are broke. Simply because they lack knowledge or the skills it takes to be successful. To be successful, you must understand the type of business field you are in. You have to either know people, or understand your business field to the point where you can run your own organization.

Think of it this way: if you want to be successful, you always should have something to do; therefore, you can't be lazy. Rather, be prepared to work.

State Champs!

Congratulations to the Running Rebels Basketball Program. The teams participated in the 2005 AAU State Tournaments and placed as follows:

4th Grade Team: State Champions (coach Shelby Parrish)
6th Grade Team: State Champions (coach Dell Williams)
5th Grade Team: Runners Up (coach Steven Smith)
8th Grade Team: Runners Up (coach Brian Johnikin)

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An ECHO From the Past

By: Kendall Baer

ECHO magazine was a monthly Milwaukee magazine for aspiring young inner-city writers and artists from 1966 to 1986. Mrs. Virginia Williams was its founder, editor, and publisher. I had the privilege of helping with some of her workshops. Now I'm doing similar work with the Running Rebels Community Times.

If anyone remembers participating with ECHO magazine, I would be interested in hearing from you. Contact Kendall @ (414) 771-4529.

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Regular exposure to loud music can cause permanent hearing loss. The website www.webmd.com defines hearing loss as "sudden or gradual decrease in your ability to hear." Everyday sounds, such as the alarm clock, lawn mower, and music over 85 dB (decibels) can weaken the small hairs in your ear that vibrate, allowing you to hear. So which is better, seconds of pleasure, or a lifetime of hearing? You decide.

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JOB Opportunities

Youth Workers

Running Rebels Community Organization is seeking qualified, dedicated individuals to work with at-risk youth. We are currently recruiting mentors, tutors, and experienced crisis stabilizers. Training is provided. Starting rate is \$10.00/hour for mentors. This position requires that you are a minimum of 21 years of age, have a valid driver's license, a working automobile, and current automobile insurance.

How to Apply:

Interested persons of any of the above positions should apply in person between the hours of 10am-6pm at: **Running Rebels Community Organization**, 1300A West Fond du Lac Avenue (corner of 13th & Vine), Milwaukee, WI 53205
No phone calls please.

My Point Exactly

By: Andre Burnett

This month, I'd like to take time to thank my colleague, Quinsanna Dawson, for her great work, and wish her well on her future endeavors. I had the pleasure of working on this newsletter with one of the most dedicated *and* humorous persons.

How dedicated was she? She had a folder-pile with newsletters and articles, past and future, that she would take home with her daily to work on. And humorous? Was she ever! In April for the newsletter's 1-year anniversary, she congratulated us with a small "cake", topped with sprinkles, vanilla frosting, and one candle. Sounds delicious, right? Well, after thanking her, I attempted to cut into the cake. It was a roll of tissue.