



Congresswoman Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick, Michigan's 13th District

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This E-Newsletter is a weekly summary of the events taking place in the United States' Congress that effect the State of Michigan and primarily Michigan's 13th Congressional District.

This Week In Congress:

TRANSPORTATION BILL H.R. 3550

The Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (TEA-LU), provides \$275 billion in federal funds for highways and public transit over a six year period. Congressman Steven LaTourette, a Republican from Ohio, and I introduced the bi-partisan "Buy America" amendment that would; *require that 60 percent of components and subcomponents in a manufactured product be American made, requires all manufactured products be assembled in the United States, and requires all steel be American made.* The House accepted the amendment by a voice vote. TEA-LU passed with a vote of 357-65.

MEDICARE/Rx DRUG TOWN HALL MEETING

I will be holding a series of Medicare/Rx Drug Town Hall meetings that will explain the changes in the new Medicare Law. These meetings will feature a video produced by "Families USA" and narrated by renown journalist Walter Cronkite. The first of the series will be held on April 7th at Services for Older Citizens, 17150 Waterloo in Grosse Pointe, from 11:15AM to 12:15AM. Lunch will be served. There is also a Medicare informational brochure available at my office that explains problems with the new law. Contact my Detroit Office at (313) 965-9004 to obtain copies. Please, fill out the attached survey. Keep reading the e-newsletter for Detroit and Wyandotte event dates.

MICHAEL JACKSON ON THE HILL

Not only was this a busy workweek for House Members it was an exciting one. The "King of Pop" paid a visit to Capitol Hill and met with some Members of the Congressional Black Caucus. Michael Jackson was in town to receive an award from the African Ambassadors' Spouses for his humanitarian work in Africa. The news reports **are not** true that CBC Members snubbed Mr. Jackson. Our busy schedules would not permit us to all meet with Mr. Jackson as a collective group. Those who could make the meeting did. I was happy to hear about all of the good works that Michael Jackson has done in Africa. He has financially supported programs to build and equip hospitals, orphanages, homes and schools. He has also financially supported programs related to child immunization, HIV-AIDS, education and apartheid.

FOX 2 MORNING NEWS

You can catch me live on Fox 2 morning news this Monday morning at 7:25. We will be discussing the 9/11 commission.

ON POINT

Do not forget to tune into my show "On Point" every Friday at 6:00PM and Saturday at 9:00AM on Comcast Detroit. In this week's episode we talk about "No Child Left Behind" with some of the 13th District's school superintendents.

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday - set your clocks ahead one hour Sunday morning.

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