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Weekly Newsletter



Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

To the Families of Homicide Victims – We Remember You

I would like to start by wishing you Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Monroe County District Attorney's Office. I am excited to spend Christmas next week with my family during a peaceful and reflective time.

As the year comes to a close, it is important to acknowledge those who will not be around the dinner table this holiday season. 55 individuals were victims of homicides in Monroe County so far this year. Over fifty families lost loved ones in a terribly tragic fashion. To those families who are missing someone, we remember you, and we remember your loved ones. We remember:

*Chaz Green
Michael Dicesare
Justina Hughes
Joshua Orr
Dawn Revette
Dianelis Brito
Wahid Nazario
Franbk Rosario-Vazquez
Davarcea Fort
Jose Olivencia
Julius June
Myron Fair
David Treese III
Jose Carabello
Jazzmeir Mouzon-Henton
Marquis Chambers
Jared Perry
Jose Hernandez
Timothy Chealey
Shatina Jones
Shaquan Woods
Maria Eichas
Ackeem Agstaff
Leroy Bethel
Joseph Deponceau
Aaron Hurell
Jeremy Prescott*

Homicide Update

To Date 2024:

City of Rochester Total:

47

Monroe County Total: 55

*Christopher Austin
Jaden Scott
Phylicia Council
Tyasia Manning
Alec Ojeda
Malakai Stovall
Lashawanda Leggett
Sulamain Hawkins, Jr.
Rukia Issack
John Johnson, Jr.
Brandon Wyand
Thomas Chase
Melikah Bruner
Marangely Moreno-Santiago
Fraime Ubaldo
Evangeline Ubaldo-Moreno
Sebastian Ubaldo-Moreno
James Jackson, Jr.
Kevin Henry
Myrtle Watson
Christian Romero-Warren
Many Siharath
Rodney Corbit
Devin Barstow
Michael Barksdale
Florence Abert
Penny Busch
Amir Clark*

This holiday season, let us remember these victims and their families. When I am celebrating Christmas with my loved ones, I will pray for these families who have empty seats at their table.

This has been a difficult year for many. But we will keep doing our jobs. In the first newsletter of 2025, I will share our final data update for the year and compare to previous years. I believe that we are on the right track for the first time in a long time. I am optimistic in what next year has to offer.

From the entire Monroe County District Attorney's Office, stay safe, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Happy New Year.

Sandra

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

A Monroe County Jury convicted 48-year-old **Malik Black** of Murder in the 1st Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 3rd Degree for the murder of Jessica Romich on September 30, 2023. On September 30, 2023, Gates Police Officers were called to a parking lot on Pixley Industrial Parkway, where they located 47-year-old Jessica Romich. The victim, who was found with one gunshot wound, was deceased upon the Officers' arrival. After a thorough investigation by the Gates Police, Malik Black, previously known as Ernest Dunham, was developed as a suspect. It was determined that on the afternoon of September 30, 2023, the defendant drove to the business owned by Jessica Romich in the Town of Gates. As Jessica was leaving work for the day, Malik Black approached her and shot her. Malik Black and Jessica Romich were known to each other, as the defendant was a former employee who worked for Ms. Romich's business. The defendant was on parole for a previous murder conviction. The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Hillary Langdon, of the Special Victims Unit, and Senior Assistant District Attorney Aaron Rath, also of the Special Victims Unit. Malik Black will be sentenced on January 29, 2025, in front of New York State Supreme Court Justice Renzi.

23-year-old **Brucewayne Beaman** was sentenced by Monroe County Court Judge Julie Hahn to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections followed by 5 years of post-release supervision. Brucewayne Beaman previously pled guilty to Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for the 18 minute beating that resulted in the death of Michael DiCesare on Christmas morning. On December 25, 2023, Rochester Police Officers located Michael DiCesare on the corner of Bay Street and Portland Avenue. Upon the Officers' arrival, the victim was found seriously injured from a violent robbery and immediately transported to Strong Memorial Hospital. On February 4, 2024, Michael DiCesare died from his injuries. After an investigation conducted by the Rochester Police Department, it was determined that Brucewayne Beaman was responsible for the robbery and subsequent homicide. The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Aliyah Fowler, of the Major Felony Bureau.

52-year-old **Scott Stradley** was charged with Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child. A bail application was made in front of Monroe County Court Judge Morrison, who set bail at \$50,000 cash, \$100,000 bond, and \$250,000 partially secured bond. The case is being investigated by the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Janna Jehlen, of the Special Victims Unit.

The Holiday Season!

The Monroe County District Attorney's office held its annual Holiday Pot-Luck celebration and competition. This celebration is put together by our dedicated Victim/Witness Bureau to bring some holiday cheer to our hard-working employees. At this event, we handed out service awards and held a friendly competition.

Congratulations to our competition winners:

Appetizer Winner – ADA **Patrick Gallagher** for his Arancini Balls

Crockpot Winner – ADA **Aliyah Fowler** for her Fiesta Philly Cheesesteak Dip

Dessert Winner – ADA **Ellie Laloudakis** for her Samoas Cake (4th Year in a row!)

Thank you to all who entered this year's fierce contest!



From all of us at the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, be safe, be healthy, and

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!!

MCDA in the News

<https://wham1180.iheart.com/content/2024-12-19-man-sentenced-in-fatal-christmas-day-beating/?pname=www.wham1180.com&sc=dnsredirect>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/theres-no-sentence-long-enough-fatal-christmas-day-beating-victims-family-reacts-brucewayne-beaman-michael-dicesare-rochester>

<https://www.whec.com/local/man-receives-25-year-sentence-for-christmas-day-beating-death/>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/top-stories/man-headed-to-prison-for-25-years-after-deadly-rochester-christmas-beating/>

<https://wham1180.iheart.com/content/2024-12-19-man-sentenced-in-fatal-christmas-day-beating/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/paroled-murderer-convicted-of-murder-again-for-fatally-shooting-boss-in-gates-business-everdry-waterproofing-pixley-industrial-parkway-romich>

<https://www.whec.com/local/former-employee-convicted-of-killing-gates-business-owner-over-loan/>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/crime/convicted-murderer-found-guilty-of-another-murder-of-a-former-employer-in-gates/>

<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/3714756458416-paroled-murderer-convicted-of-murder-again-for-fatally-shooting-boss-in-gates>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/rush-henrietta-school-employee-charged-with-sex-crimes-against-child-pittsford-man-roth-junior-high-pittsford-man>