

## Events of the Month



Michigan lawmakers vote in favor of right-to-work legislation as a crowd of over 10,000 protests in the state capitol. Protesters call it a union-busting move. British bank HSBC agrees to pay \$1.9 billion to settle a New York-based probe of money laundering in connection with Mexican drug traffickers. The planet has a near miss with a 100-foot-wide asteroid named XE54; it goes undetected until just an hour before it approaches the Earth.

## Entertainment News



Back in 2012, the popular songs were: "Diamonds" performed by Rihanna; "One More Night" performed by Maroon 5; "Locked Out of Heaven" sung by Bruno Mars; and "Gungnam Style" by PSY. Also topping the charts: "I Cry" by Flo Rida; "Ho Hey" by Lumineers; "Some Nights" by Fun; and the popular "Too Close" by Alex Clare.

## Then vs. Now Cost of Living Comparisons



	2012	2015
Gallon of Milk	\$3.79	\$3.76
Loaf of Bread	\$1.45	\$1.41
New Auto	\$25,555.00	\$26,790.00
Gallon of Gas	\$3.29	\$2.77
New Home	\$169,500.00	\$208,300.00
Average Income	\$34,104.00	\$39,659.00
Dow Jones	12,184.26	17,727.16

## Science and Technology



A diamond in the rough: The surface of the rocky planet 55 Cancri e, 40 light years from Earth, is a balmy 3,900 degrees F and may be covered in graphite and diamonds.

## The Year's Sports Highlights



In baseball, the SF Giants defeat the Detroit Tigers to win the World Series. In football, the New York Giants beat the New England Patriots 21-17 to win the Super Bowl. In basketball, the Miami Heat beat the Oklahoma City Thunder 4-1, winning the NBA championship. In hockey, the Los Angeles Kings beat the New Jersey Devils 4-3 to win the Stanley Cup. Scotland's Dario Franchitti wins the Indy 500. British cyclist Bradley Wiggins wins the Tour de France.

## Gallon of Milk

