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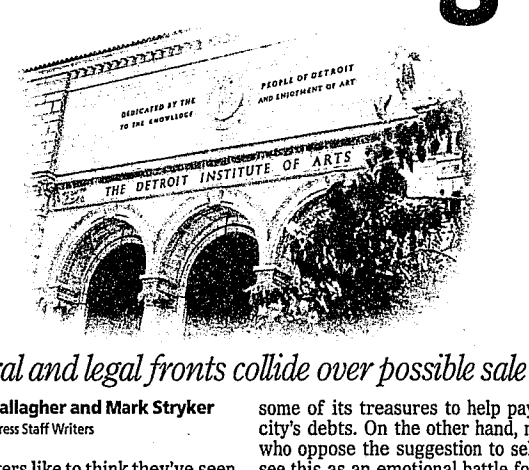
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IN HIGH-STAKES DRAMA TO DECIDE DETROIT'S FUTURE ...

DIA art takes center stage



Cultural and legal fronts collide over possible sale

By John Gallagher and Mark Stryker
Detroit Free Press Staff Writers

Detroiters like to think they've seen it all, but they've never seen anything like the battle brewing over the irreplaceable treasures at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

It is an existential drama of a kind that no city has ever faced, a combination of a high-stakes poker game and morality play in front of a worldwide audience. On the one hand, it has the potential to turn into a messy legal thicket with the courts ultimately deciding whether emergency manager Kevyn Orr can compel the museum to sell off some of its treasures to help pay the city's debts. On the other hand, many who oppose the suggestion to sell art see this as an emotional battle for the soul of the city.

Should Orr decide to move ahead on a sale of DIA artwork, these two fronts — the cultural and emotional on one hand and the legal side on the other — are likely to produce a clash that could take months or years to resolve. The toll could be monumental, permanently diminishing a museum widely recognized as one of the country's best.

"It's one thing to sell off a piece of property or take a city department and

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Mackinac Conference

Jeb Bush to speak, not run, at confab

Focus expected to be immigration, schools

By Todd Spangler
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WASHINGTON — He's got the name, the contacts and all the experience he'd ever need.

Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush even has some of the intangibles — he's considered more of a policy wonk than partisan politician, for instance, and is said to speak Spanish better than some native speakers — that pundits think a Republican presidential nominee might need if he's going to break through in 2016.



Jeb Bush

Bush heads to the Detroit Regional Chamber's annual Mackinac Policy Conference this week as Wednesday's keynote speaker, but don't expect him to throw his hat into any political rings or, most likely, rule it out.

Instead, he'll be on hand to talk at length about issues on which he has become something of a national expert — education and immigration reform — and what Detroit Regional Chamber President and CEO Sandy Baruah says are the "cultural changes" needed to move beyond a traditional state-based economy into a

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STEPHEN HENDERSON

MICHELLE RHEE BRINGS KIDS-FIRST MISSION TO MACKINAC. 15A

Go to freep.com for news from the conference



Couple's crusade: Find graves of the 2,654 Michigan soldiers killed in Vietnam War

By Christina Hall
Detroit Free Press Staff Writer

The contents of the small, blue denim-material bag are few but mighty.

A brush. Trimming shears. A small spade. A spray bottle with soap and water mix.

These are the only tools Charlie and Ruth Babcock need when they visit the graves of Michigan soldiers killed in the Vietnam War.

Sometimes arriving on their 2011 Harley Davidson motorcycle, the retired Sterling Heights couple use the brush and bottle to clean grave markers; the shears to trim the grass.

"A lot of these graves are grown over," said Charlie Bab-



Charlie Babcock and Ruth Babcock of Sterling Heights travel to cemeteries across the country to complete their mission. ERIC SEALS/DETROIT FREE PRESS

cock, 71, who served stateside in the Air Force in 1959-63. "No one has visited them in 40-

some years."

For about the last eight years, the Babcocks have been collecting photographs of the 2,654 Michigan soldiers who died, are listed as prisoners of war or missing in action from the Vietnam War to accompany the Michigan Vietnam Veterans Traveling Memorial.

So far, about 1,800 pictures of the soldiers have been collected.

In 2006, they took the effort a step further, deciding to see where the soldiers are buried. The Babcocks make trips to cemeteries throughout Michigan and from coast to coast, visiting Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia and graves in California. They plan

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