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County Sheriff Mark Reese (left), State Rep. Bryan Cutler and District Attorney Craig Stedman visit with children at Community Action Program on Monday.

*Early childhood education is called 'part of crime prevention'; Gov. Wolf's proposed budget would hike spending by \$120M*

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As district attorney, Craig Stedman deals with some of the worst criminals in Lancaster County. But it hasn't made him cynical. "Most of the people that we end up prosecuting, they're not inherently evil people," he said Monday morning. "There's a few of them, and we can take care of them, but most of them, if they're given the right di-

rection, wouldn't turn to a life of crime." The key to that direction, Stedman said, is education, and the earlier society provides it, the better. That's why the district attorney and Lancaster County Sheriff Mark Reese are advocating for increased state funding for early childhood education. Stedman and Reese met with state Rep. Bryan Cutler at a Head Start center in Lancaster on Monday to voice

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## Baltimore protests take violent turn

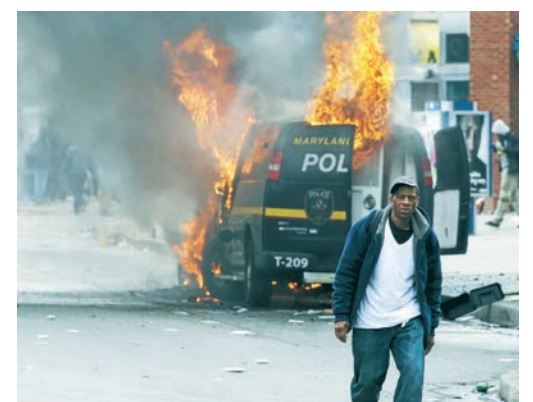
*Looters overwhelm police; city's mayor declares curfew*

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Rioting and looting plunged parts of Baltimore into chaos Monday after thousands mourned the man who died from an injury he suffered in police custody. More than a dozen police officers were injured and many buildings and vehicles burned. Looters took to Mondawmin Mall and a Save-A-Lot and Rite Aid in the Bolton Hill neighborhood, loading up cars with stolen goods. As night fell about 10 fire crews battled a three-alarm fire at a large senior center under construction, as police officers stood guard with long guns. Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake declared a curfew across the city starting today and for the next week, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. for adults and 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for children aged 14 and younger. She drew a distinction between peaceful protesters and "thugs" she said engaged in rioting Monday intent

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A man walks past a burning police vehicle Monday during unrest following the funeral of Freddie Gray in Baltimore.

STUDY

## Minimum wage hike to \$10.10 would help 57,000 in county

*Others disagree with report, say it would mean fewer jobs*

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As researchers with differing ideological views spar about the impact of a minimum wage increase, local residents say it is time to set aside partisan battles and help put more money in the hands of those who need it most. A new study released last week by a left-leaning think tank, Keystone Research Center, found that raising the minimum wage to \$10.10 an hour would help a million workers across the state — including 57,000 people, nearly a quarter of the workforce, in Lancaster County. A few hours later, the right-leaning Employment Policies Institute fired back with a response, citing a study that found the proposed minimum wage in-

crease would result in at least 30,000 fewer jobs in Pennsylvania. The competing studies drew the predictable response in Lancaster County: An advocacy group that aims to eliminate poverty said increasing wages would get residents closer to a livable wage, while the business chamber says the change would cost low-skilled workers jobs. But city resident Melinda Robinson is not thinking about the partisan battle playing out in Harrisburg — she is too worried about how she is going to pay her bills. The 28-year-old married woman works two customer service jobs that pay less than \$10.10 an hour. "It's easy for lawmakers to say what

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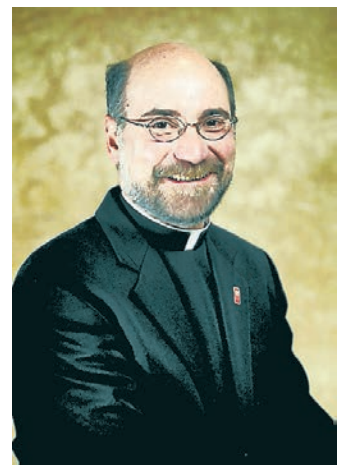
SACRED HEART

## Recovering priest home, attends mass

*Rev. Michael Messner was injured in a February fall from balcony at the church*

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A Lancaster city church and neighborhood are "rejoicing" over the return of a pastor critically injured in a fall. The Rev. Michael Messner returned home April 18 and attended two masses last week, said Joseph Aponick, spokesman for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg. He fell from a balcony Feb. 22 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish at 558 W. Walnut St. "He is continuing his recovery"



Rev. Michael Messner

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