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Quick Hits

The water crisis in Flint is now national news.

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There are numerous water collection drives happening all over.

Hamtramck is also part of that effort, thanks to the folks at Common Word Alliance.

This coming Monday (Jan. 25), CWA is asking residents to drop off water bottles at the public library, located at 2360 Caniff, starting at 7 p.m.

"We need to stand together as human beings," said Arif Huskic, the president of CWA.

The donated water will be delivered to Flint on Tuesday.

— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Police chief is a first in department's 102-year-old history

By Charles Sercombe

Recently, Anne Moise was appointed as Hamtramck's newest Chief of Police.

This is the first time in the department's 102-year-old history that a woman has held this position.

We asked Chief Moise to talk about her background and aspirations for the department.

How long have you been in law enforcement (and where)? Also, what attracted you to the law enforcement field?

I've been employed with the Hamtramck Police Department for 18 years. I became interested in law enforcement as a child, and in high school I was



Police Chief Anne Moise takes part of a swearing ceremony held a few weeks ago for newly elected councilmembers and her appointment as the city's newest chief.

part of a trial explorer program for a smaller local department. I've also

served as a reserve officer after high school, and as a civilian police em-

ployee.

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School board seeks to fill vacant seat

By Charles Sercombe

Now that there is a vacancy on the Hamtramck School Board, applications are being taken for someone to fill that empty seat.

Last week, a majority of school boardmembers voted to declare the seat of Mohammad Huda vacant after evidence had been presented several months ago that Huda does not actually live in the city.

Huda was not present at the meeting, and he has not responded to numerous phone calls from The Review for comment.

The only boardmember who voted against declaring the seat vacant was Aatur Khan. He did not talk about the matter during the school board meeting, but in a telephone interview with The Review he said it was not his "duty to remove an elected official from his position."

The school board was presented with numerous pieces of evidence last July about Huda's residence status by a private investigator hired by the board. The investigation came on the heels of a Review investigation that found Huda

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There are just two weeks until the annual Countdown to Paczki Day, being held on Feb. 6.

Fight the winter blahs with Paczki Day countdown

By Charles Sercombe

Fed up with winter yet? You may find comfort in knowing there are only six more weeks of the really frigid weather, although we've been lucky so far this season.

But still, this week's chilly temps have reminded us just how brutal winter can be in Michigan.

There's a remedy, though, for fighting the winter blahs and it's Hamtramck's own version of Mardi Gras. Yes, Paczki Day comes early this year, and it's just two weeks away.

To kick things off, the Downtown Development Authority is once again hosting a "Countdown to

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Paczki Day" bash on Feb. 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. under a heated tent at the corner of Jos. Campau and Holbrook.

As usual there will be a free paczki taste-testing, live polka music by the Misty Blues and an appearance by Mr. Paczki.

To kick things off the Tour-de-Troit organization will host a 5K Paczki run at 10 a.m.

Last year, despite a blinding snow squall, several hundred runners

and walkers participated.

To sign up for the race go to www.tour-de-troit.org.

For up-to-date information about the Countdown event go to the DDA Facebook page and hit "like" for updates, or call Kathy Angerer at (313) 876-7700, extension 326.

The DDA is also seeking sponsors for the Countdown.

Police chief is a first in department's 102-year-old history

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What have been your positions in the Hamtramck Department?

I was assigned as a road patrol officer for 10 years. I was trained as the police department's hostage negotiator in 2007, and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2009, becoming the police department's first female command officer.

In 2011, I was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and assigned to oversee the road patrol. I was named Acting Chief in March 2015 and in January 2016 I was appointed as Chief of Police.

What has it been like to work in a community like Hamtramck? What are the challenges here and what are the rewards?

The main challenge stems from the city's struggling financial situation over the years. I have worked under two state-appointed emergency managers and I, along with many other city employees, worked through "payless paydays" several years ago and worked in times of uncertainty; through all of that we stayed here and continued to serve the community, weathering the storms.

The city continues to

improve and great things are happening in the community. I love working in Hamtramck. This career has provided me the opportunity to serve in a small close-knit community, with people that care about their city.

The people I have met and worked with over the years have been a very rewarding experience. My new position in the Department allows me to be more involved with community groups and organizations, which I thoroughly enjoy most about my job.

What does the department need more of in terms of resources?

We have equipment in the department that I would like to see upgraded, such as computers and cameras. I would like to be able to increase road patrol staffing as well. A school resource officer would also be a great asset to the department and our school community.

You now have an opportunity to shape the direction of the department. Tell us what you would like to do with the department.

I will continue to work on team building, morale boosting and training within the department. We will strive to continue fostering and maintaining trust between the community and the department, by reaching out and working with various groups in town, and doing community policing, not just talking about it.

My team and I have begun working with the schools to maintain open lines of communication

and increase safety in our schools.

In five years time where do you see the department at?

In five years, I would like to see the city continue to have financial stability and be able to afford a policing program that includes beginning the process of getting accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Of course, it's very expensive and time consuming in getting certified, but it is a goal to pursue this program.

Over the past several years there has been talk of "community policing." Is this still a viable concept, and if so, what is your interpretation of

it?

Community policing is about building trust within the community by strengthening working relationships between law enforcement and the community. I think it is still a viable option. It is an important aspect of policing and working within the community. I encourage participation in both the block clubs and citizen patrol.

Anything else you would like to add?

I'd like to thank everyone for their support as we move forward. I am excited about the future of the City of Hamtramck and look forward to working with city leaders and community members in the years to come.

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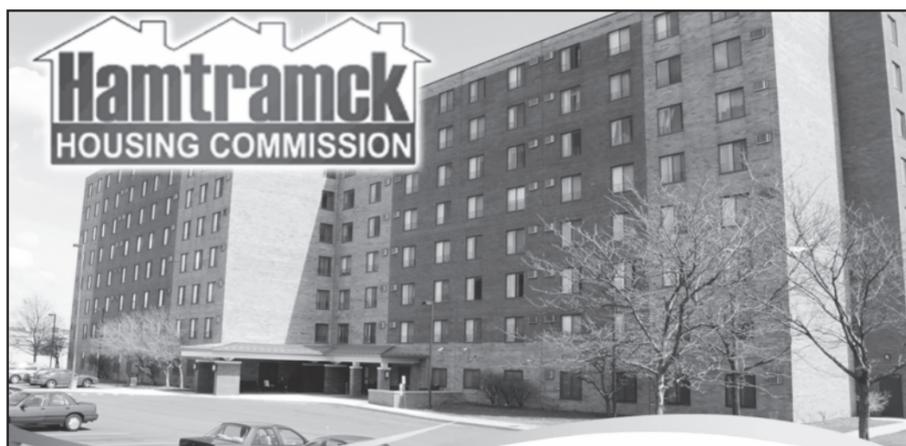
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ESL Class – Wednesday, Jan. 27, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Friday, Jan. 29, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Black History Month – The Creative Spirit and the Hamtramck NAACP committee invite everyone to a Black History Month Film and Art Festival. The Creative Spirit will be displaying artwork titled "History in Black" and movies will be shown on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.

Tax program – Mondays, through April 11, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Wayne Metro's Free Tax Program offers accessible services throughout

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For more information about events at the library call (313) 365-7050, or visit our website at <http://hamtramck.lib.mi.us> where you can also access our online catalog.

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School Bell

Kosciuszko Middle School News

Ms. MacKenzie's Academic Support students have teamed up with Henry Ford Hospital for the second year in a row to educate other students about the importance of eating healthy and getting active.

The group is known as "Generation With A Promise" Student Action Team. After the team learns about eating healthy and getting active, they create a short three-minute exercise skit.

The student action team then goes into the classrooms like a flash mob and performs the skit encouraging the class to get up and get moving. It's just like going to recess and instantly the students are exercising.

Thursday, February 18 – 2nd Semester Curriculum Night from 4:30-7 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend and hear what their children will be learning 2nd semester in their classes and tips on how to help their children at home. Refreshments will be served.

Hamtramck High School News

Mr. Anthony Battaglia, HHS Social Studies teacher, with HHS students Charles Fleming and Michael Young, and Horizon student Henry Shockley-Smith at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast.

Charles Fleming and Michael Young performed a short play they authored imagining a conversation in heaven between Dr. King and Malcolm X as they reflect on the progress made in civil rights over the years since their deaths.

Holbrook Elementary School News

Holbrook Elementary School recently began a pilot program called, "Power Hour." This program involves the entire building including 257

the Power Hour and all the great learning that is taking place at Holbrook Elementary School.

The students at Holbrook Elementary School performed a winter holiday concert in December



Kosciuszko Middle School students spread the message of healthy eating and the benefits of physical activity.

students, teachers, paraprofessionals and Principal Mr. Miller whenever he is needed.

This school year the target subject area is reading. Students are grouped based upon their NWEA reading scores. Each staff member will focus on a particular skill area for a couple of weeks. All students were given a pretest. A post test will be administered

before the winter break. Students sang holiday songs as well as a favorite song from the well-known movie, "Frozen."

The finale was the popular tune, "Let It Go." Students, staff and parents agreed the concert was a huge success.

ESL classes began at Holbrook Elementary School. Please contact



Hamtramck High School social studies teacher Anthony Battaglia (with hat) poses with students who participated in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast.

after two weeks of learning the skill. the school if interested at (313) 872-3203.

We are excited about

School board seeks to fill vacant seat

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was receiving a 100-percent Homestead tax exemption for a house in Warren at the same time he claimed to live in Hamtramck.

That exemption is given only to those who own and live in their house fulltime.

At press time it did not appear Huda had filed a court injunction to stop the process to fill his seat.

The school district had asked the governor to remove Huda, but his office declined, saying if the board believed Huda was not a resident all that was needed to do was vote to declare a vacancy.



Applications to fill the seat of former School Board member Mohammad Huda are being taken.

Anyone interested in applying for the seat can do so by sending in a notice of interest to the district's president no later than Feb. 3. Applications can be dropped off at or

mailed to: Hamtramck Board of Education, 3201 Roosevelt Hamtramck, MI 48212, or by email to personnel@hamtramck.k12.mi.us.

• Wednesday, February 3 – Muffins for Moms Meeting at 9 a.m. All moms are encouraged to attend.

• Thursday, February 4 – Donuts for Dads Meeting 9 a.m. All dads are encouraged to attend.

• Wednesday, February 10 – Parent-Teacher-Student-Association (PTSA) meeting at 9 a.m. All parents are encouraged to attend.

• Tuesday, February 16 – Parents of Great Students (P.O.G.S.) meeting at 9 a.m. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Dickinson East Elementary School News

• Thursday, January 28 – 6th grade Science Fair from 3:30-5 p.m. Come and see the wonderful Science Fair projects that the students have been working on.

Horizon High School

Juwan Franklin represented Horizon High School in the 19th Annual Martin Luther King Breakfast sponsored by the Concerned Women of Hamtramck.

The following is his original poem entitled, "What Makes a Person?"

"What makes a person? Well, you need two legs to push you to greatness. You need two arms to carry a legacy. A brain to lead you through de-

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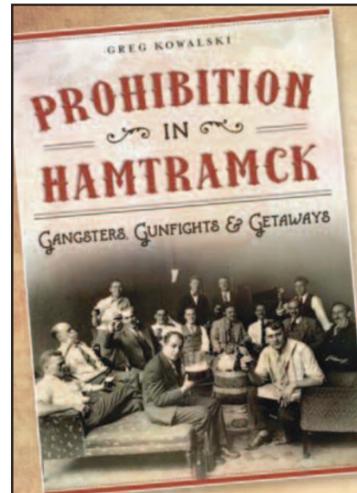
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Students display their talents in MLK Day celebration



By Charles Sercombe

For the 19th year Hamtramck Public Schools students showcased their talents in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

While many enjoyed a day off from school or work, about 200 students and adults attended the annual event sponsored by the Concerned Women of Hamtramck at the Hamtramck High School Community Center on Monday morning.

After enjoying a breakfast, the students put on quite a show, featuring everything from mu-

sical performances, poetry, essays, dance and drama. There was even a drum solo.

The performances were part of a program called "Hamtramck's Got Talent."

One of the common comments heard from those attending and School Superintendent Tom Niczay was to keep the district strong.

"We don't want to end up like Flint," Niczay cautioned, referring to that city's ongoing financial problems and ever-growing water contamination scandal.

Scenes from last Monday's Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast held at the Hamtramck High School Community Center.



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The lore of Hamtramck ...

The long trail of Chief White Cloud

By Greg Kowalski

Chief White Cloud traveled a long road to get from Oklahoma to Hamtramck, but he did eventually make his way to Lumpkin Street and was perhaps the only Indian chief to live in Hamtramck at least since the pioneer days.

Chief White Cloud was a Cherokee Indian who was born in a Tulsa, Oklahoma home in 1877. He was the son of Chief Red Bird, who, it is said, died at age 60, and the grandson of Chief Thunder Bird, who supposedly lived to be 135 years old. Well, maybe.

In February, 1962, Chief White Cloud was approaching his 85th birthday, an occasion that was noted in The Citizen newspaper.

"His early life was one of tragedy as his parents were killed by rustlers stealing cattle," The Citizen stated. "He was made a prisoner of gypsies and was forced by them to steal chickens."

Eventually Chief White Cloud escaped from the gypsies and joined the Wild Bill Circus and traveled greatly.

"After leaving the circus in England, he

stowed away on a ship called the U.S. Rose and was adopted by the ship's captain and his wife and given the name George Willard Packard."

He stayed on the Rose for two years, traveling around the world, visiting South America and Australia before coming back to America, landing at New York.

There he again joined the circus and a year and half later got the urge to do some traveling at sea again and stowed away on another ship. He landed in Glasgow, Scotland, and made

his way through Spain, Portugal and fought in the Boer War at the end of the 19th century in South Africa and in World War I.

Apparently there was more sailing in his life before he ended up in Hamtramck.

How he came to Hamtramck wasn't related, but he and his wife spent their final years in a house at 8636 Lumpkin St. subsisting on a \$79 monthly Social Security check.

So how much of this tale is true? How much has it been embel-

lished?

Who knows?

But it is a fact that a certain person called Chief White Cloud did live in Hamtramck at one time, and he is part of the lore of Hamtramck.

You can learn more about such colorful characters at the Hamtramck Historical Museum, 9525 Jos. Campau. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and by appointment. Call 313-893-5027. Visit our website for more information about the museum and upcoming programs.

ception. And a heart to love and care for those around you.

"So again, what makes a person? Does gender make a person? Does color make a person?"

"Those who have been misled, believe so. Why should gender matter? Why should color matter? If you are able to lead, if you are able to love, if you are able to help, if you are able to breathe. You are a person. You are human."

Middle School and Horizon High School- Semester Exams.

• Friday, January 29 – Half day all for all schools. Hamtramck High School, Kosciuszko Middle School and Horizon High School-Semester Exams. Half day Elementary Schools.

• Thursday, February 4 – Half day for all schools. Parent-teacher conferences from 12:30-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Report Card #2 distributed.

All Schools

• Thursday, January 28 – Half day for Hamtramck High School, Kosciuszko

Compiled by

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The Amazing CYNICALMAN

by Matt Fezell



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In Our Opinion

No snow job: taking back snow plowing saves money

Last year the city administration said it was taking back snow plowing and street salting services, and promised it would save a tremendous amount of money.

We've had only one snow fall that has required street plowing and salting, and by the looks of it, the city administration is delivering on the goods.

And talk about serendipity, as the plan to bring this service back in-house was in the works, the state unexpectedly announced the city was getting money to purchase trucks and snow plowing equipment for the job.

In other words, the city geared up at no cost to the general budget.

If last week's calculation of the cost to provide this service is any guide, we are in for some huge savings.

Public Works Director Mark Ragsdale announced that over two days city employees managed to clear and salt every street for \$3,000.

Prior to that, it cost the city at least \$6,600 just to solve our main streets and emergency routes, which amounted to about a dozen streets.

If this pans out, Hamtramck is in line to save hundreds of thousands of dollars in its Act 51 fund, which is state money that we can use for this service as well as for repairing our streets.

That means we will have a lot of money left over to use for upgrading our streets – something that has been long overdue.

Several years ago the city contracted out a lot of services – including snow clearing and street salting – under the leadership of a state-appointed emergency manager with the promise it would save money in the long run.

Well, guess what? It didn't, and now City Manager Katrina Powell is wisely guiding the city back to where we can get a bigger bang out of a buck.

We don't think it's premature to say that Powell and Ragsdale are owed huge congratulations for this move.

From what we understand, there is more to come.

City Hall Insider ...



What is our City Council up to these days? We have the highlights of the latest council meeting.

By Charles Sercombe

The city council met on Dec. 21, and all councilmembers were present.

Before the regular council meeting a work session was held. During the meeting Councilmember Robert Zwolak (who was serving his last week in his term) pointed out that legal fees had exceeded its expected budget.

City Manager Katrina Powell said she would adjust the budget to reflect the change.

In another financial matter, Powell noted that the Hamtramck Labor Day Festival Committee has not reimbursed the city for police service and street sweeping. She did not say how much the festival committee owes.

Powell gave an update on her meeting earlier in the day with the state-appointed Transitional Advisory Board. She said the

board approved a contract with Anne Moise for her to be the permanent police chief. Moise had been the acting police chief for several months.

The TAB also agreed with Powell's decision to terminate a contract with CPI, a contractor who had performed water line repairs and road repair.

In its place a contractor will take over the work temporarily while the city prepares a bid for the work.

Also, a foreman for the Public Works Department was hired.

During the regular meeting Councilmember Zwolak reacted to a council resolution thanking him for his service on council.

"Thank you and it's really been an honor," Zwolak said. "I look forward to serving with you again."

From the public, Susan Dunn asked the council to revisit developing a

policy on granting honorary names to streets. She said it's something the council failed to accomplish.

Dunn also suggested that the streets receive this honor for Americans only. She then suggested naming a street after Mother Teresa. (Editor's note: Mother Teresa was not an American.)

Attorney Mark Koroj said, among other things, that he is getting calls from people who are interested in recalling Mayor Karen Majewski from office. He said they are prompted by her water service arrangement at her store on Jos. Campau.

(Majewski's water line and billing is shared with a nextdoor business. That had been the arrangement for the building before she bought it.)

Koroj encouraged people to call him about recalling the mayor.

Odds & Ends

Grand opening... Last week U.S. Fish & Chicken, located at the former Wendy's burger joint, was supposed to celebrate its grand opening with a free lunch giveaway.

But that plan was dashed when a problem with the building's malfunctioning gas lines suddenly put a kibosh to that.

The owner of the restaurant offers his apologies and hopes to open soon with the same offer. Stay tuned.

An affair to remember... Set aside Jan. 30 for the annual "Chair Affair Dinner" at Recycled Treasures. The dinner helps raise money for the organization, which sells used household goods at super low prices and has been supplying free items to those in need or in emergency situations.

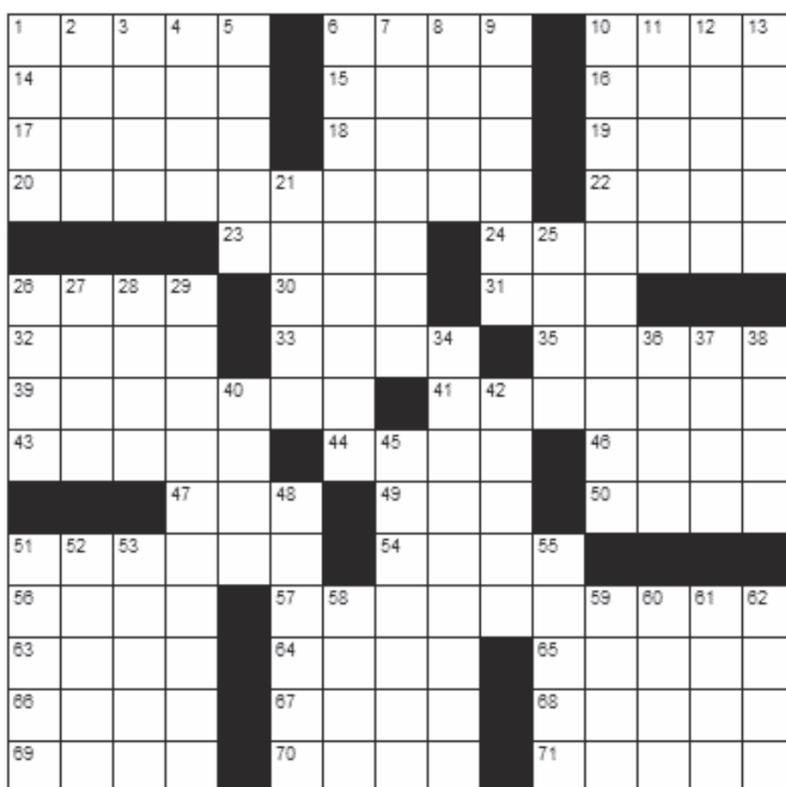
Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online at www.recycledtreasureshamtramck.org, or at the store, located at 12101 Jos. Campau. The

dinner starts at 6 p.m. The event features an auction on chairs that local artists have redone, often in fun, whimsical ways.

Volunteers needed... Friendship House needs some extra help for an upcoming food drive at two Kroger's supermarkets. The collection is this Saturday and Sunday (Jan. 23 and 24).

There are two shifts at each store. To volunteer and for more information call Cathy at (734) 507-9825.

Crossword puzzle



ACROSS

- Time indication device
- As a result
- Boohoos
- A radioactive gaseous element
- Hindu princess
- Acquire deservedly
- Mire
- Wings
- Largest continent
- Mystifying
- Short skirt
- Not short
- Anagram of "Steals"
- A Maori club
- Beer
- Play a role
- Again
- A short musical composition
- Delete
- A crisp lustrous fabric
- Rats
- Aspersions
- Found on rotary phones
- Render unconscious
- Utilize

DOWN

- 56 in Roman numerals
- On the left or right
- Battalions
- Not pre-recorded
- A grimace
- Competition
- Ride the waves
- District
- Wear away
- Brother of Jacob
- Long ago
- Engine
- Peddle
- If not
- Honor

ACROSS

- Fertile area in a desert
- Salt water
- Escargot
- Cut of beef
- Breezed through
- Taps
- A Freudian stage
- Curdled soybean milk
- Unproductive
- Move toward
- Against
- An upright in a wall
- Feudal worker
- Being
- Drink garnish
- Sickness
- Break out
- Church recesses
- Awaken
- Wall painting
- Colonic
- By mouth
- Anagram of "Wort"
- Greek letter
- Smell
- Egghead

Solution on page 7

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Metro news ...

It's said that whatever happens to Detroit, so goes Hamtramck. Our friends over at model-media.com have been reporting on fascinating development projects for the past several years.

With their permission, here is an edited version of this week's story:

A new report released by the Detroit Greenways Coalition highlights five bike and trail projects that the bicycle and pedestrian advocacy group is most looking forward to in 2016.

According to the DGC, Detroit will see a number of improvements to its cycling infrastructure in 2016, including the offi-

cial completion of the Dequindre Cut, upgraded biking conditions along Cass Avenue, and the introduction of the much-anticipated public bike share program. The report also hints at an indoor velodrome that could be in Detroit's future.

Detroit Greenways Coalition works with both public and private entities, including city and state governments, and an array of foundations, to improve the quality of non-motorized transportation and recreation in Detroit. Todd Scott is the group's executive director.

Highlights from the

DGC report include the following:

- The Link Detroit project will officially be completed in 2016. Link Detroit connects a number of communities, from Hamtramck to Midtown to Eastern Market to the Riverfront, through a series of bike lanes and the Dequindre Cut.

- Biking from Midtown to downtown should prove easier in 2016 as improved biking conditions along Cass Avenue are completed this year. Upgrades are designed, in part, to discourage bikers from using Woodward Avenue and the accompanying safety concerns of the M-1 Rail.

- Automated counters will be installed along the Dequindre Cut and Cass to provide the DGC with real-time data as they look to better under-

stand and utilize bicycle and pedestrian trends throughout those corridors.

- 2016 could also be the year that a public bike share program is introduced in Detroit. Though nothing is definite, the DGC says the Detroit Downtown Partnership is hopeful that the first phase of the program will open this year.

- Bike lanes along a four-mile stretch of Livernois Avenue are being installed by the city of Detroit and will run from Grand River Avenue to W. Vernor Highway. Pop-up bike lanes, intended for viability tests, will also be installed along Livernois from McNichols to 8 Mile Road.

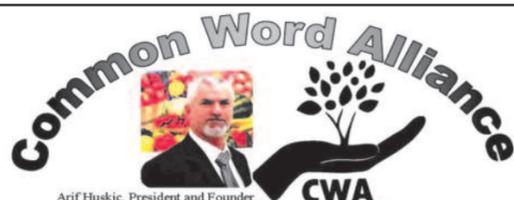
Writer: MJ Galbraith

Coming events

THURSDAY, Jan. 28, 4:30-5:30 p.m. – The public is invited to an Annual Regional Inter-Religious, Civic, Clergy, Residential Revival Roundtable, at the Hamtramck Public Library.

SATURDAY, Feb. 13, 9-3 p.m. – Hamtramck's Recycle Center is open at Caniff and McDougall. Drop of your recyclables for free.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 17, 7 p.m. – The Hamtramck Midtown Block Club will not meet during December 2015 and January 2016. In 2016, the block club will meet Wednesday, February 17, at 7 p.m. in St. Florian's Convent, 2626 Florian; please use the side entrance. Share information with your friends and neighbors and listen to guest speakers. Light refreshments will be served. Please invite others to join us.



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By Charles Sercombe
This week's Crime Log covers Jan. 12-18.

Tuesday, January 12
• A Charest resident reported someone damaged his city-issued garbage can.

• A Dequindre resident reported the theft of her 2008 Chrysler Town & Country from in front of her residence.

• A man reported the loss of his Palestinian passport.

• A Hamtramck runaway was located and returned home.

• A Rochester Hills resident was arrested at the Macomb County Jail for being wanted on an outstanding Hamtramck felony warrant.

Wednesday, January 13
• At a little past 1:30 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested following a traffic stop for possessing an open intoxicant and being wanted on warrants from several cities.

• At a little after 2 a.m. a Detroit resident asked officers for assistance in locating her husband. The woman said her husband was highly intoxicated and asleep in their van somewhere in Hamtramck. The temperature at the time was 10 degrees. Officers found the man asleep in a van parked in the Conant alley near Carpenter.

• At 2:30 a.m. a resident in the 2200 block of Danforth was ticketed for

violating the city's noise ordinance.

• The Hamtramck Treasury Office reported receiving a counterfeit \$20 bill.

• A Detroit resident was ticketed for drinking a beer, an open intoxicant, at Jos. Campau and Caniff.

• A Caniff resident reported someone damaged his car.

Thursday, January 14

• A Highland Park resident was arrested for possessing a stolen car.

Friday, January 15

• At almost 1 a.m. a Sterling Heights resident was arrested following a traffic stop for possessing an unregistered and loaded handgun.

• A break-in was reported at a business in the 2900 block of Caniff.

• Three businesses in the 12000 block of Conant reported receiving fraudulent checks.

• A Danforth woman reported someone damaged her backdoor.

• A resident reported someone opened a Comcast account in her name without her permission.

• A Rochester Hills woman reported someone stole her purse while she was at work in the 9400 block of Conant.

• A Caniff resident was arrested for stalking a woman.

Saturday, January 16

• At a little after 3 a.m.

a Detroit resident was arrested following a traffic stop for driving without a license, obstruction and providing false information to an officer. The driver was also wanted on a felony warrant.

• A car was impounded for having an expired license plate.

Sunday, January 17

• At noon a Holmes resident reported being assaulted by her boyfriend.

• A Bloomfield Hills resident was arrested on a Hamtramck warrant.

• A resident in the 3900 block of Evaline reported a break-in, but said nothing was stolen.

Monday, January 18

• A business on Hamtramck Dr. reported a break-in and the theft of numerous items.

• A prisoner in the city's jail cell was ticketed for faking several illnesses and calling for 911 while in the holding cell.

• A resident was ticketed following a traffic stop for possessing fraudulent proof of insurance and possessing marijuana.

• A Detroit resident recovered his own stolen car located in the 3500 block of Caniff.

• A Mitchell resident reported the theft of a package from his porch.

• A Holmes resident reported a hit and run.

• A resident reported the theft of his 2003 GMC Yukon while it was parked at Jos. Campau and Evaline.

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