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## HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD

# A new year and a new start in city council and school board

By Charles Sercombe

It's a new year and there are some changes in city government and the Hamtramck Public School Board.

Nothing big, though.

For the city council, City Manager Kathy Angerer has canceled work sessions that have taken place an hour before the regular council meetings for the last three years.

The work sessions were created by former City Manager Katrina Powell.

Prior to that, work sessions were held here and there, usually just for special issues.

Powell started up the work sessions in an effort to train councilmem-



The first Yemeni-American woman, Jihan Aiyash, to serve on the Hamtramck School Board was sworn into office recently. Her brother, Abraham Aiyash, holds a Koran as Jihan takes the oath of office.

bers on how government works and to allow time for them to vent. That was at the time when the

city was under the supervision of the state Treasury Department.

The city was in the

process of coming out of being under the control of a state-appointed emer-

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## Quick Hits

Martin Luther King Jr. Day will again be getting its proper respect this year in Hamtramck, thanks to the 22nd Annual Prayer Breakfast being held at the Community Center at 11350 Charest.

Once again overseen by The Concerned Women of Hamtramck, the keynote speaker is Pastor Wallace R. Mills, Jr. of the New Ebenezer Baptist Church.

The date, as a reminder, is this Monday, Jan. 21, from 9 to 11 a.m. There is a requested donation of \$20 for adults, \$10 for children. If you have 10 people in your party, you qualify for a group discount of \$190 per table. Checks will be accepted, and should be made out to: Concerned Women of Hamtramck.

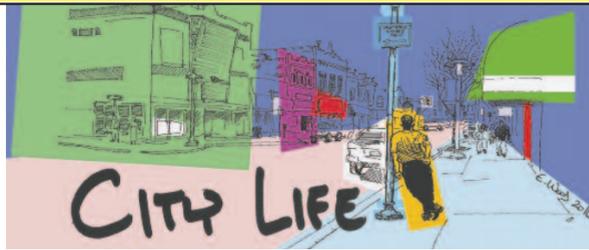
The breakfast will consist of a buffet featuring all the usual morning favorites, from eggs to, yes, pancakes.

It should be noted that the donation cov-

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A recent accident at Gallagher and Edwin underscores the need to "calm" down our streets to end speeding.



## Turning words into action

By Walter Wasacz

I was sitting in a chair writing and listening to music when I heard a crash and a shake in the wall facing the street.

Through an upstairs window I saw a car on the opposite curb with its

front smashed in. At my side window I looked down to see a utility truck on its side, pressed against the house.

Outside I found a crowd already gathering at my corner, that's Edwin and

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# A new year and a new start in city council and school board

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gency financial manager.

Initially, there were some councilmembers who protested the work sessions, saying the public was being shut out of their discussions despite the fact that work sessions were always open to the public.

The meetings were held in a much smaller room than the regular council chambers, but there was rarely any issue of people not being able to get in.

Flash forward to now, and Angerer told The Review the reason she canceled the work meetings was there is no longer a need.

"We will discuss matters in open session and on camera," she added.

But there was some opposition.

"Work sessions are when we can ask questions and get clarity on things. Taking away the work session is a step

backward and is a disservice to community," said Councilmember Ian Perrotta.

"Moreover, meetings are broadcast only to those who have Comcast, that broadcast only airs live, and the quality is so bad that after requesting upgrades to the equipment since 2017 I started bringing in my own gear to broadcast meetings on Facebook. We could easily broadcast work sessions from the conference room for under \$100."

Councilmember Anam Miah – who has been steadfastly opposed to the work sessions – welcomed the change.

"Now the public is included in the process," Miah said. "Now the public can listen in."

Council meetings are held in city hall on the second floor on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, and they

start at 7 p.m.

Over at the school board, new member Jihan Aiyash was sworn in at the January board meeting.

She beat incumbent Aatur Khan in last November's General Election in a write-in campaign. Khan initially decided not to seek re-election, which left an open seat on the board.

That left Board President Maggie Srodek the only candidate running for re-election – at least initially.

Khan had second thoughts about seeking re-election but missed the deadline to register to be on the ballot. He ran as a write-in candidate.

So did Aiyash, who had never run for public office. She ended up soundly beating Khan in the election by 542 to 290 votes. She is the first Yemeni-American woman to hold a position on the school board.

Aiyash is no stranger to the field of education. She is a graduate research assistant at Wayne State University.

Her brother, Abraham Aiyash, ran for state senator in the November election but lost.

# Turning words into action

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Gallagher, with police, fire and emergency medical vehicles arriving within minutes of the accident. The driver of the SUV was sitting on the sidewalk, his back to the wall of my house, talking on a phone.

The other driver was calmly explaining to people, including an EMT tech, that he didn't need medical attention. Both men appeared to be OK, but their vehicles were wrecked and not drivable.

The truck had apparently flipped while traveling northbound on Gallagher. The other car had been heading westbound on Edwin and edged out into the path of the SUV.

Whether that driver blew through the stop sign is unknown. The rate of the truck's speed and other exact details are also unknown. There were no apparent eye witnesses, none that I could find.

But excessive speed and carelessness are fair guesses as factors in a senseless crash like this. It appeared the SUV hit my house with the tip of its bumper, luckily just scraping some siding and trim. The foundation appears secure, only minimal damage was done.

Both vehicles were towed. Police stayed on the scene for about 45 minutes then left. Firefighters hosed splattered oil and various small pieces of debris off the street. Just over an hour after the crash the cleanup was so thorough it was as if it never happened.

All departments and agencies worked together impressively. I tip my hat to them.

But now a question:

how do we, as a community, take positive action to calm the streets and make them safer for everyone?

Including people in their own homes, like I was, comfortably settled in after 11 on a late December night?

Let's think hard on this.

Houses being hit by motor vehicle crashes constitutes a crisis of bad road behavior that needs, at the very least, persuadable modification. Drivers must be hyper-aware of their environment as they travel through Hamtramck. We need to help them with this awareness.

The city is densely populated with residential and commercial properties only a few feet from the sidewalk and street. Striking them at any rate of speed is unacceptable. Direct hits at high rates of speed can cause catastrophic damage and serious injury or death.

We need productive dialogue between residents, the city, the schools, whose students – the most vulnerable members of our community – must dodge motor traffic impeding their right of way in crosswalks like the one in front of my house, the scene of this accident.

Or put it this way: what is needed is a total buy-in by every community member to insist that the streets be calm and safe. Period.

Who can disagree?

It's unfortunate to personalize it this way, but it should get everyone's attention when the author of a column about calming the city's streets becomes part of a crash story while minding his own business in his own house. A writer cannot in-

vent irony so rich as that.

The good news is that public spectacles even on a microscopic neighborhood level have the potential to get public attention and positive reaction, some of it by officials that can do something about it.

In November I met with the Hamtramck Board of Education and the schools superintendent Tom Niczay. I left the meeting believing all get the urgency of the message: slowing down the streets is a top priority to maintain the safety of the local student population and its families.

Earlier this week I met with City Manager Kathy Angerer, Police Chief Anne Moise and Rodney Johnson from the department of public services.

We talked about traffic calming ideas that work in other communities, focusing first on increased speed limit signage, reflecting tape on stop signs and repainting crosswalks to make them more visible for approaching motorists.

We also discussed finding ways to communicate a common-sense message: that it will take a community-wide effort to create slower, safer streets, and that it is only possible if we do it together.

On the back end of safety is the side benefit of increased walkability and economic development.

We have a good start, with more meetings and actions planned, boots already on the ground. I'll update as projects, however small, move forward in the year ahead.

Walter Wasacz is a Hamtramck native who writes about walkable discovery for the Review.



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**ESL Class Tuesday** January 22nd, 12:00 pm. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

**ESL Class Wednesday** January 23rd, 9:00 am and 12:00 pm. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

**ESL Class Thursday** January 24th, @ 12:00 pm. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck

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# Second Front Page

## Something for everyone at this year's Detroit Auto Show

By John Kovach

### Special to The Review

Detroit's last January North American International Auto Show kicked off this past Monday with a press-only event.

The show was officially opened by Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan.

This is the 30th year that the Detroit Auto Show has retained the "International" status.

Motor Trend Magazine announced the Car and Truck of the Year.

The Genesis G70 is the Car of the Year. Genesis is the luxury spin off division from Hyundai. Truck of the Year honors went to the Ram 1500 from Chrysler.

Among passenger cars, many models were carry-overs with mild changes. The Buick lineup of vehicles — including the new Buick Regal Station Wagon — meets the needs of everyone.

This notable vehicle meets the needs of someone who wants to drive a passenger car



Above: The new Chevrolet Blazer and below is the Mahle "MEET." Photos by John Kovach



while having extra storage capacity.

For urban vehicles, independent automaker Mahle offers its "MEET"

model. The "MEET" is a small electric urban mobility model that can go a week without recharging. Some familiar names

are making a comeback. Ford showed its new 2019 Ranger pickup truck, while Chevrolet showed off its new Blazer SUV.

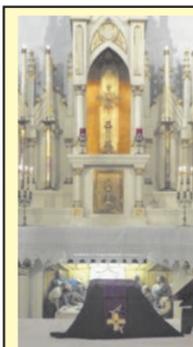
The Ranger is powered by the 2.3 liter Ford Eco Boost engine in both SuperCab and CrewCab models.

The Blazer, on the other hand, offers a four-cylinder engine and an optional six cylinder.

Ford also debuted the 2020 Ford Explorer. This vehicle is a full-sized SUV and has always been a hit with customers.

As usual, the North American International Auto Show is held at Cobo Center in Detroit and is open to the public from Jan. 19 through the 26th.

Ticket prices are: Adults, \$14 per person, seniors: \$7 (65 and older), children: \$7 (7-12 years old; 6 and under free with a parent or guardian).



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## Quick Hits

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ers all you can eat, so be sure to bring a hearty appetite.

Also on the bill, is a Hamtramck Public Schools Talent Show.

Advance tickets for the

breakfast are available at the Hamtramck Public School District Office at 3201 Roosevelt.

Want more info? Contact Hamtramck Concerned Women member Madelyn Porter at (313) 573-0782, or Sharon Streen at (313) 892-5170.

## Review celebrates 10th anniversary

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the public schools and graduating from Hamtramck High School.

"It's been a distinct honor to serve this community," he said.

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some special celebrations in the coming year to show our appreciation. And as always, we are honored to be serving you.

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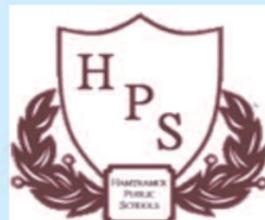
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# Police camera tells all

By Charles Sercombe

A Hamtramck police officer was accused of being "disrespectful" by the president of the Detroit City Council.

But the officer's dashboard recording of him giving Mary Sheffield a speeding ticket last May refutes that claim.

The issue came to light in a December report on television news station Detroit Fox2 by reporter M.L. Elrick.

Elrick obtained the dashboard footage and recently aired the story.

In the footage officer

Luigi Gjokaj is seen pulling over Sheffield on Conant for going 63 miles per hour in a 35 mile per hour zone.

In the footage, Sheffield immediately told Gjokaj that she is a city official and was travelling to a meeting.

Sheffield, in an interview with Elrick, denied going that fast but admitted she paid the ticket.

It is not clear why Sheffield accused Gjokaj of being disrespectful unless she meant that as a city official she should be not be ticketed.

In the report Elrick talked with Southfield attorney Solomon Radner who specializes in cases that involve police abuse or misconduct.

After watching the officer's exchange with Sheffield, Radner said the officer acted appropriately and there was no sign of disrespect.

"He handled himself extremely professionally, calmly. I don't see anything wrong here with this officer. I don't see anything disrespectful, at all," Radner said.

## Hamtramck High School names its new assistant principal

By Alan Madlane

Hamtramck High School has found its new assistant principal.

After what it terms a "rigorous... hiring process" overseen by MI Excel (a program of the State Department of Education), Anthony Kiner was selected from the field of candidates to assume the post.

Kiner was an in-house hire who had previously been serving the school in its position of Behavior Interventionist. He replaces John Summerhill, who had vacated the job in order to become the new principal at Eastpointe High School, ac-

ording to a hiring announcement from School Superintendent Tom Niczay.

The new assistant principal is a master's degree candidate in educational leadership through the Utah-based Western Governor's University. His bachelor's degree in science comes from Western Michigan University, where he majored in family and consumer science, graduating in 2007. He then supplemented that degree with a teaching certification three years later, also from Western Michigan.

Prior to arriving on the

Hamtramck educational scene, Kiner had served at L'Anse Creuse High School North in Macomb as a life management teacher. While there, he also became the head coach for the football and track teams, in addition to being a member of the school's improvement team.

He worked in the district for seven years total, and won several awards related to his coaching, including the Associated Press 2012 Division 1 Coach of the Year award for Michigan high school football.

Here's wishing him well in his new position!



## School Bell

### Alpha Delta Kappa Beta Nu (ADK) Sorority News

ADK Sorority President Jackie Dziedziula and Contest Organizer Kathy Hill, presented the winners of the Superhero Teacher essay contest to the Hamtramck School Board at the December board meeting.

Superintendent Thomas Niczay recognized each winner with a Certificate of Recognition and students also received an award of \$50 from ADK sorority for their winning essays.

The winning essays were written by students, Laith A Al Hadwan, Yazmeen Alwaisi, Taher Alhagri, Elias Thabet, Abdulrahmen Saleh, Sammi Samim, Amal Al Sabihi and Asalah Mohamed. All the essays that were submitted to the contest have the honor of being published in a book for all the students and teachers to enjoy.

Also, we want to recognize the Superhero Teachers: Mrs. Janet Kushner, Mrs. Angela Knight, Ms. Rahiel Housey-Johnson, Ms. Megan Callahan, Mrs. Anne Clemente, Mrs. Victoria Keller and Mrs. Jackie Dziedziula.

They were presented with a gold framed copy of the student's essay. Congratulations to all!

### Dickinson West Elementary School News

Dickinson West is proud to announce December's Students of the Month. Each teacher has chosen a student who has shown academic progress, good behavior, and a scholarly attitude.

We are extremely proud of the following students: Ayann Hussain (Mrs. Miller); Kanaan Anam (Ms. Gilbert); Shahriar Chowdhury (Mrs. Adamus); Tahirah Uddin (Mrs. Lambdin); Raisa Sattar (Mrs. Arnold); Monya Alharbi (Mrs. Gerstacker); Amir Hossain (Mrs. Seawood); Kaled Korin (Ms. Carrico); Nabihah Rahman (Mrs. Sliwinski); Tishiya Chowdhury (Mrs. Twymon);

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Above and below: Students who won an ADK Sorority-sponsored essay contest received certificates from Schools Superintendent Tom Niczay. Bottom photo: Teacher Rahiel Housey-Johnson (left) poses with a student essay winner.



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### City of Hamtramck Plan Commission Public Hearing Notice

The City of Hamtramck Plan Commission will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at City Hall, 3401 Evaline St, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212. The subject of the hearing is:

- A request for special land use approval for 8760 Joseph Campau. The proposed project is a new mixed-use residential and retail building on a site which is currently a vacant lot.

Written comments may be mailed to the City of Hamtramck City Clerk at 3401 Evaline St, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212. All mailed written comments must be received by the City of Hamtramck by Tuesday, February 5 to be considered at the meeting. Comments can also be voiced at the public hearing.

August Gitschlag  
City Clerk

### City of Hamtramck Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing Notice

The City of Hamtramck Plan Commission will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will be held at City Hall, 3401 Evaline St, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212. The subject of the hearing is:

- A variance request for 2412, 2418, 2424, and 2430 Faber. The applicants request relief from Article V – 1.05.b. of the Hamtramck Zoning Ordinance, requiring the maximum lot size in the R district to be 6,000 square feet. The proposed project would create one lot with of 12,000 square feet in size.

Written comments may be mailed to the City of Hamtramck City Clerk at 3401 Evaline St, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212. All mailed written comments must be received by the City of Hamtramck by Tuesday, February 12 to be considered at the meeting. Comments can also be voiced at the public hearing.

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- A request for special land use approval for 2412, 2418, 2424, and 2430 Faber. The proposed project is apartment houses, totaling six residential units, on four existing vacant lots.

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### Partnership between city and schools pays off in grant

Talk about something to be thankful for during this past holiday season.

In December it was officially announced that the Hamtramck Public School District was awarded an \$800,000 grant from the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation to replace the artificial turf at Keyworth Stadium.

That grant also awarded the city over \$100,000 to create a master development plan on renovating Veterans Park.

These are huge gifts.

The Wilson Foundation has been giving grants to communities to encourage young folks to be physically active. On almost a daily basis during good weather you can see dozens of teens and youngsters playing soccer at the stadium.

The stadium is also home to the now professional soccer team, the Detroit City Football Club.

The team attracts thousands of fans to their games, and in return it is also paying for

improvements at the stadium.

Kudos for the Wilson Foundation grant goes out to the school and city officials who have formed a partnership to apply for further grants from the Foundation.

This is what happens when public officials work together.

There are plenty of good things happening in the city. And it's very likely even more good news will be coming this year.

## Odds & Ends

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**Garden club...** The Hamtramck Public Library is getting a head start on its public garden project.

The library is inviting volunteers to meet on Feb. 19, from 6 to 7 p.m. to begin planning for the upcoming gardening season.

Here is what they have to say about the meeting:

"This meeting will focus on information for any newly interested gardeners, setting a calendar, and brainstorming for ways to improve from last year and what we want to do differently this year."



## 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 Nov. 12, and all councilmembers and the mayor were present.

The council chamber was packed with residents, most of whom were there to oppose two ordinances under consideration that would allow the sale of medical marijuana and create a zoning map of where they could operate.

The initial public discussion was mostly about this topic.

One person who spoke up in favor of the ordinances was former city Councilmember Cathie Gordon, who is also a former nurse. She said there are glaucoma patients living in the city that depend on medical marijuana and have a need to be able to purchase it locally.

Those against the ordinances said it would lead to children getting ahold of marijuana and also increase crime.

Nasr Hussein warned the council "do not rush

to judgment" in passing the ordinances.

Carrie Beth Lasley said the city should at least allow grow facilities to operate in the community. That operation would not be open to the public for retail sales.

She said that otherwise the city will lose out on tax revenue.

Councilmember Anam Miah thanked those for speaking up.

"We have always entertained your thought," he said. "What we do is on behalf of what you guys want us to do. We are listening. Going forward, let's engage more."

The council unanimously agreed to remove the two ordinances from the agenda, and thus a vote on them was never held.

(Editor's note: The council could revisit the ordinances at a later time.)

City Manager Kathy Angerer talked about a recent test for lead in the city's water lines. She said a recent test

showed a couple of locations where lead tested high. As a result, the city is offering home water testing kits, which you can get by signing up in city hall.

Police Chief Anne Moise said a stop sign has been installed at Commor and Mitchell, where there have been a number of accidents.

Susan Hendricks, the city's Finance Director, said the city has to make a correction in its pension payment plan. She said that going forward, proceeds from property that the city sells will go into the pension fund.

City Manager Angerer said many communities in the state are having trouble keeping up on their pension payments. She said there is hope that the state legislature will take up the issue.

"It's a little bit of a waiting game," she said.

Hendricks said current city retirees will not be affected.

## Crime Watch ...

### Increasingly, we are easy victims of fraud

**By Charles Sercombe**

Just about every week there are multiple reports of fraud.

You can read them in our weekly Crime Log round-up. Typically, though, few details are given.

Nationwide, incidents of fraud are increasing every year as scammers get more and more sophisticated.

The Hamtramck reports raise a few questions: What type of fraud is occurring and why are people making police reports?

We posed these questions to Police Chief Anne Moise, and she provided a pretty detailed response.

We're just going to put her entire response right here:

"Often people make reports for insurance purposes, or to provide to their banking institution or for identity theft reasons. Most are difficult to prove, but we still encourage people to make police reports.

"Some reports may be related to credit card fraud where someone has either skimmed the data and created a cloned card or has taken possession of the card or the card data and are using it fraudulently.

"We also get reports where someone is a victim of identity theft and thieves have stolen the person's personal information and obtained credit, utilities or even filed taxes in the victim's name.

"We do see cases where someone has fallen victim to a scam, such as receiving calls or emails demanding payment for something, such as 'clearing a criminal record' or an IRS scam where they are told to make a payment for back taxes.

"Another popular scam is telling the victim they have received a prize and only need to pay the taxes. People can sign up online to receive scam alerts at [www.FTC.gov/scams](http://www.FTC.gov/scams).

"If they believe they have been a victim of fraud, they should make a police report with their local police department and also report this to the Federal Trade Commission at [www.ftc.gov/complaint](http://www.ftc.gov/complaint).

"It is important for people to be aware of potential scams and never give out your personal information without knowing more information first. Government officials will not call and demand payments over the phone.

"Also, do not believe your caller ID. It is very easy for scammers to make fake caller ID information. And, if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

Chief Moise says there will be more information about fraud in the city's upcoming winter newsletter, which is included along with water bills. You can also read the city's newsletter on its website at <http://www.hamtramck.us>

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## School Bell

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son (Ms. Vujic).

### Early Childhood Elementary School News

Winter hasn't made much of visit outside with snow, so the students at the Early Childhood Elementary brought winter

inside.

Using recycled paper from the school, students made their own snowballs and had a fantastic snowball fight in the gym. Students also received a cute little windup penguin from Principal Collen Stevens.

January has the students busy with testing to show how much they have progressed and learned this school year. Students in kindergarten through second grade are taking the NWEA reading and math tests.

They are also being tested in the class through MLPP and DRA reading tests to chart their progress.

It is very important that the children get plenty of sleep, eat good meals and come to school on time.

The students will also be commentating the life and achievements of Dr.

Martin Luther King Jr. through art, stories and videos.

### Upcoming Calendar:

- January 18 – Hamtramck and Horizon High School and Kosciuszko Middle School Semester Exams. Half day for all Hamtramck Public School students including all Elementary Schools.
- January 18 – End of 2nd quarter and 1st semester.
- January 21 – No school for staff and students. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- January 24 – Report

Card #2 distributed.

### Athletic Events:

- January 18 – HHS Boys' Basketball vs. Henry Ford Academy at 7 p.m. Away.
- January 22 – HHS Girls' Basketball vs. Voyageur at 6 p.m. Home.
- January 22 – HHS Boys' Basketball vs. Voyageur at 7:30 p.m. Home.
- January 23 – HHS Wrestling vs. Lutheran Northwest at 5:30 p.m. Home.
- January 25 – HHS Girls' Basketball vs.

Harper Woods at 6 p.m. Away.

- January 25 – Boys' Basketball vs. Harper Woods at 7:30 p.m. Away.

### Recreation Department News

For more information give us a call at (313) 892-2635. Follow us on Facebook for the most up to date information: [www.Facebook.com/HamtramckRecreationDepartment](http://www.Facebook.com/HamtramckRecreationDepartment)

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ECE students got into the winter spirit by staging a "snowball" fight in the school's gym.



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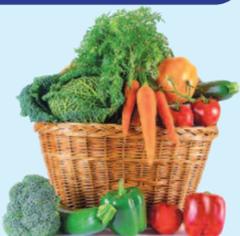


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## By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Jan. 8-14.

### Tuesday, January 8

• At almost 4 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for purposely damaging a building in the 5100 block of Yemans St.

• At 4:30 a.m. a Jos. Campau business owner reported someone busted out a window.

• A Jos. Campau business employee reported being assaulted by a customer.

• A Florida Sheriff's department recovered a car stolen out of Hamtramck.

### Wednesday, January 9

• A resident in the 2100 block of Trowbridge St. reported a break-in and the theft of two ladders.

• A resident on Oklahoma St. reported their car was stolen.

• A Caniff business owner reported damage to their property.

• A resident reported

an incident of fraud.

• A resident in the 2200 block of Florian St. reported the theft of two packages from their porch.

• Officers found a loose brown and white pitbull puppy in the 5200 block of Evaline St. The dog was taken to the Michigan Humane Society.

### Thursday, January 10

• A resident on Selfridge St. reported being robbed.

• A resident on Charest St. reported a suspicious situation.

### Friday, January 11

• A Florian St. business owner reported a theft.

• A Belmont St. resident reported an incident of fraud.

• A Hamtramck business owner reported an incident of fraud.

• A resident in the 3300 block of Doremus St. was arrested after

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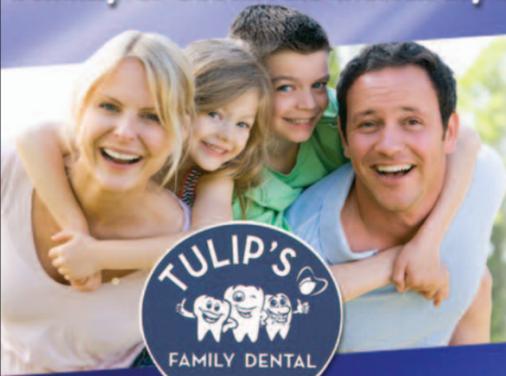
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## Hamtramck Police Department

**\*Press Release\***

The Hamtramck Police Department is currently investigating a shooting that occurred on 12/23/2018 at approximately 0130 hours in the area of Joseph Campau & Casmere. During the course of the shooting 21 YO Marquise McCray was shot and killed. Two other victims, struck by gunfire were treated and subsequently released from the hospital.

If anyone knows the identity of the persons pictured below, Detectives would like to speak with them concerning any information they may have regarding the shooting:



Detectives also believe there may be other witnesses to the shooting. The Hamtramck Police urges anyone who saw the incident or anyone who knows the identity of the two persons to contact 313-800-5280.

## Coming events

**WEDNESDAYS, 7 p.m., every second Wednesday of the month** – The 3C7 and Midtown Block meets at 2339 Caniff PCS Senior Day Center. This block club includes all residents and businesses west of Jos. Campau and north of Holbrook.

**MONDAY, Jan. 21, 9-11 a.m.** – The Concerned Women of Hamtramck 22nd Annual Dr. Martin L. King Prayer Breakfast. The breakfast will be held at the Hamtramck High School Community Center located at 11350 Charest. Donation is \$20 for adults, \$10 for students, or \$190 for a table (sits 10 people). MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO CONCERNED WOMEN OF HAMTRAMCK. CALL: Madelyn Porter – (313) 573-0782 or Sharon Streat – (313) 892-5170. TICKETS available at Hamtramck Public School District Office – 3201 Roosevelt St - (313) 872-9270, or at any of our Hamtramck Public Schools and at the door.



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making numerous false 911 calls.

- A resident was arrested for driving without a license (with eight previous convictions for this offense) and driving with improper license plates.

- A resident reported being defrauded out of \$32,000.

- A resident reported that while in the 5000 block of Prescott St. they were assaulted and robbed by two male suspects.

### Saturday, January 12

- Residents in the 2600 block of Holmes St. reported hearing shots fired. Officers responded but no arrests

were made.

- A mentally ill person attacked a person in the 8800 block of Jos. Campau. The suspect was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital for a psychological evaluation.

- A pizza delivery person reported delivering a pizza to a household in the 2200 block of Florian St. where a man wearing boxers took the pizza, cussed out the delivery person and slammed the door shut without paying.

- A resident reported that while walking their dog in the Casmere-Fleming area, a loose pitbull bit them and attacked their dog.

### Sunday, January 13

- A Detroit resident was arrested in the 3900 block of Christopher St. for assault.

- A Belleville resident was arrested for driving with an expired license after causing an accident in the area of Caniff and Nagel.

- At about 2:30 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for drunk driving and driving without a license.

- A hit-and-run accident was reported at Conant and Caniff.

### Monday, January 14

- A Pulaski resident reported a theft.

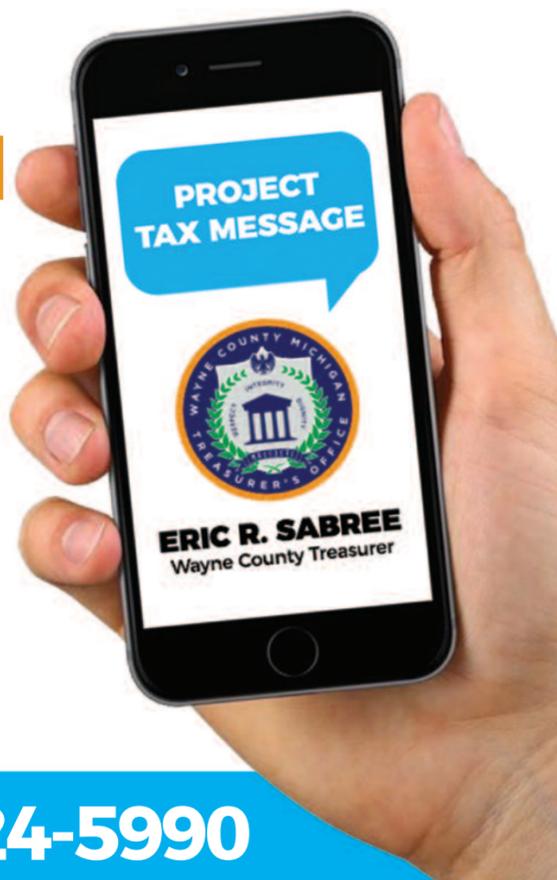
- A Trowbridge St. resident reported a break-in and the theft of items.

- A Gallagher St. resident reported someone damaged their screen door.

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