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We hear the play is, er, really, really funny. It's about a group of college friends who gather after a wild all-night party.

There are a range of ticket prices, depending how much you can afford to donate. Admission starts at \$30 or one or \$50 for two.

The event starts at 7 p.m., and Planet Ant is located at 2357 Caniff.

Quote of the week ...

Who said this, and what is it about? You can find the quote and the story it belongs to somewhere in the pages of this issue.

"We have to correct our ways."

— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD

Road repairs can be a bumpy ride for some residents

By Charles Sercombe

For the past few weeks it's been an ordeal for residents living near Casbetween Campau and Gallagher.

The street was milled down two weeks ago, but there is no sign of it being repaved.

Dave Ellington, who lives on Klinger near Casmere, said he was initially upset because he and other neighbors never received notice of the street being closed for the milling part of the project.

"Nobody said anything was going to happen," Ellington said. "They just blocked off the street."

noticed there were some the milling. Workers are with Disabilities Act.



Repairs on Casmere should be finished within the next two weeks, which will allow repaving to begin. Work is also finishing up on Trowbridge.

fliers about the street now making repairs to the closing attached to some foundation of the street pleased the city is redoing doors in the area. and installing new corner the street, but he and oth-The street was re- sidewalks to be in compli- ers have had to endure But a Review reporter opened a day or two after ance with the Americans dust from the street.

Ellington said

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The lore of Hamtramck ...



The colorful cover of the 1996 Centurian yearbook.

Yearbooks preserve school day memories

By Greg Kowalski

Near the front window of the Hamtramck Historical Museum, piled on two old school desks, stacks of high school yearbooks.

These are extra copies from the museum's archives that are placed

out on the desks to act as a lure to draw people into the museum. And they do. People passing by often spot the yearbooks and come inside to page through them. Yes, they take a bit of a beating, but there are

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Hearing set for 'whistleblower' lawsuit

By Charles Sercombe

City officials will know on Monday whether a whistleblower lawsuit gets settled, dismissed or goes to trial.

Former Public Works Department Director Steve Shaya accused several city employees and department heads in his lawsuit of using ethnic slurs regarding his Chaldean heritage and retaliating against him after he made several accusations of wrongdoing.

Shava was fired two years ago by former Emergency Manager Cathy Square after Shaya admitted he was the uncle of a contractor who did work for the city and whom he supervised and authorized billings to the city.

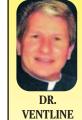
His relationship with the contractor had not been known.

A federal judge overseeing the lawsuit ordered the city and Shaya to hold a settlement hearing on Monday.

City Attorney Travis Mihelick said the hearing is a routine procedure. A magistrate judge previously submitted a rec-

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Yearbooks preserve school day memories

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numerous extra copies of these particular yearbooks in the archives.

There's something special about them. They recall a more innocent time, when childhood was coming to an end, and for most, before the harsh realities of life as an adult came about.

Yearbooks have changed greatly through the years in some ways. Earlier ones are simpler in design, carrying small photos and reams of names.

The Hamtramck High School yearbook for 1935 (which is not on public display) is typical for its time. It has soft paper covers and includes photos of all the class members. There are a few group photos of sports teams and club members and the cast of the senior play, "Along Came Peggy," as well as some cute features, like the "Class wills."

"I, Lucille Borowski, will to Clara Mikulski and Mary Sofian my ability to make up emergency excuses, (P.S. They never work anyway)" is typical.

By the 1950s, the yearbooks had mostly acquired hard covers, and ads, but the wills were still there.

"I, Olga Wach, leave my ability to stay awake in shorthand to anyone who can't," was in the HHS 1951 yearbook.

By the 1970s, year-

books were getting pretty fancy. The St. Florian 1979 Centurian has a nicely embossed cover and is brimming with photos of students, staff and classes in action.

Miss Sue Szczerba taught art, Sr. Mary Alberta taught religion and Polish. So did Mr. Mark Privette. And who could forget Mr. Allen – Allen Konaszewski - who taught English and religion? For many, he was synonymous with St. Florian.

But by the 1990s, signs of change were evident. The 1996 St. Florian Centurian boasted a gorgeous full-color glossy cover, but it was a mere 80 pages long. Still that was enough room for everyone's name and photo. Senior class President Dawn M. Woods is there. So is Student Council Executive Board Secretary Melissa Wisniewski.

In many ways it's ages removed from that HHS 1935 yearbook. But in others, the only difference is the quality of the paper.

The hair styles have changed but the faces of the students are remarkably similar - young, fresh, hopeful. It's hard to know what happened to those students although a few names stand out. Martin Dulapa became a city councilman. John Hodiak (HHS - 1932) became a major movie star. But what happened to Irene Kedzierowski, or Thelma Jones we probably will never know.

Hopefully, they lived lives that fulfilled their dreams. And that goes for all the students whose images are preserved in the stacks of yearbooks.

You can see them at the Hamtramck Historical Museum, 9525 Jos. Campau. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. Call (313) 574-9758.

Road repairs can be a bumpy ride for some residents

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According to the city's update. engineering repaving should start in a week or two.

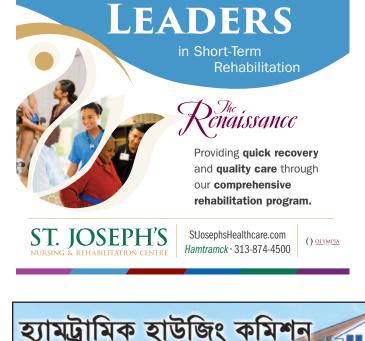
Similar work is being completed on Trowbridge, between Jos. Campau and Conant.

After those streets are completed, work begins on Botsford.

The repairs are part of a multi-million dollar project the city scheduled for this

Next year work begins on reconstruction of Holbrook, from Jos. Campau to Conant, and parts of Hamtramck Dr.







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This week at the library...

ESL Class - Monday, September 19, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Wednesday, September 21, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

ESL Class - Friday, September 23, 9 a.m.

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Second Front Page



School Bell

The Early Childhood Elementary School staff welcomed students and parents on September 6, the first day of school, in the school's gym.

Students have been getting to know their teachers, keeping cool, learning in the computer lab and learning the rules and expectations



3:45-5:45p.m. and learn what math skills your child will be learning this year and how you can help your child at home.

Holbrook Elementary School

· Wednesday, September 21 - Curriculum Night will be from 3:30-



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of the school. Also, students are learning routines for Daily 5 Reading as well as how to be a good writer.

Upcoming Events Hamtramck High School

· Wednesday, September 28 - Title I Parent Meeting and Curriculum Night from 5-7 p.m. Come and meet the teachers and see what students will be learning in school this year. Also, learn how you can help your child have a successful school year.

Early Childhood Elementary School

- Monday, September 19 - First day for preschool students. Half day.
- Tuesday, September 20 - Half day for preschool students.
- Thursday, September Curriculum night from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Come and meet teachers and see what students will be learning in school this year. Also, learn how you can help your child have a successful school year.
- · Wednesday, September 28 – Math night from



5:30 p.m. Come and meet teachers and see what students will be learning in school this year. Also, learn how you can help your child at home.

Compiled by Janice Gandelman



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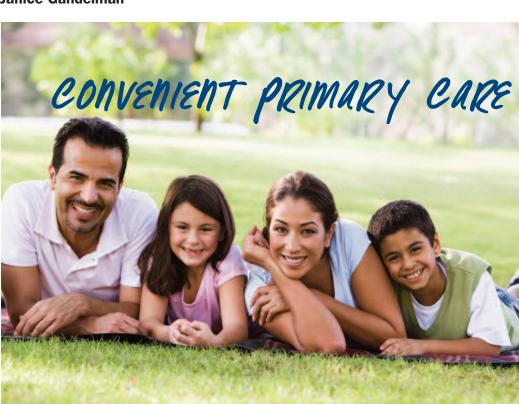
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Above: Scenes from the first day of school at the **Early Childhood Elementary School.**



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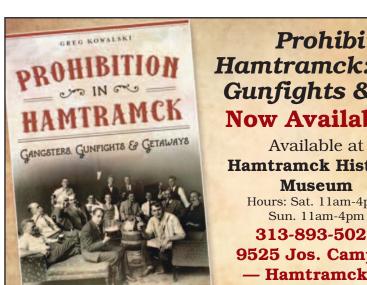
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Hearing set for 'whistleblower' lawsuit continued from front page

ommendation to the federal judge overseeing the lawsuit to have the lawsuit dismissed.

Mihelick said the city would consider a settlement "if it makes financial sense."

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Shaya is seeking \$10 million in damages.

If there is no agreement on Monday, a district court judge presiding over the hearing could recommend dismissing the case or

go forward with some aspects of the lawsuit.

cepts the recommendation to dismiss the case, Shaya's lawsuit will be

Those accused of cre-

The magistrate judge who recommended dismissing the case noted that of Shaya's allegations of ethnic slurs or tions failed "to rise to the level he perceives

magistrate said Shaya "has simply failed to show conduct 'so outrageous in character, and so extreme in degree, as to go beyond all possible bounds of decency and to be regarded as atrocious and utterly intolerable in a civilized

In one instance he was allegedly called an "Arab prince," in another he was called "ghetto," and in another he was chastised for being "too busy with your sand meet-

The magistrate said the indignities, annoyances,

Shaya's lawsuit also included allegations of retaliations for actions he

In one instance he alemployees

As it turned out, Shaya



If the federal judge ac-

ating a hostile work environment included former Police Chief Max Garbarino, former Acting City Manager Eric Tungate, former City Administrator Kyle Tertzag and various city employees.

other comments and acthem to be." Citing case law, the

community."

comments - if they were truly made - were "mere insults, threats. petty oppressions, or other trivialities."

took.

leged that two water department shut off water service to his sister, who at the time lived in the city, in response to his allegation that one of them committed water billing fraud.

admitted in a deposition that his sister had been behind in paying her water bill at the time.

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- 21. Clothes washer in Asia
- 22. More peculiar
- 23. A large warship
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- 28. Hampered
- 31. Compel
- 34. Owl sounds
- 35. Large flightless bird
- 36. Greeting at sea
- 37. Anklebone 38. Dry
- 39. Do it yourself 40. Anagram of "Sneer"
- 41. "Beau ___"
- 42. Lather
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- 63. Mousses

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- 3. King
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- ointment 51. Chocolate cookie
- 53. Beseech 56. Bleat
- 57. Children's game



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CITY OF HAMTRAMCK

The Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing in the 2nd Floor Council Chambers of Hamtramck City Hall, 3401 Evaline Street, Hamtramck, MI 48212, on October 5, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., to consider and afford the opportunity for input to be recorded on the appeal for a modification under Zoning Ordinance 497 on the premises described below. Any variation or modification granted would have no bearing on private restrictions. The public is invited to attend and comment at the public hearing or to make written comments on or before the date of the hearing. Written comments should be made to the attention of Kathy Angerer, Community and Economic Development Director, ATT'N: Zoning Board of Appeals, 3401 Evaline Street, Hamtramck, MI 48212.

- · PUBLIC HEARING American Yemeni Islamic Center, Hoedi Gazaly, 8557-59 Joseph Campau, Ord. 497, Article VI. Commercial Zones - Section 2, Central Business District (CBD) Paragraph 2.02. Permitted Uses. The request is for a use variance to permit an after school child care center at 8557 Jos Campau.
- PUBLIC HEARING JAS Investments, Dave Salerno, 8800 Conant Ord. 497, Article IX. General Provisions - Section 5, Off Street Parking, Paragraph 5.02.1. Required Spaces and Appendix B. The request is to waive 30 of the required 100 parking spaces at 8800 Conant.

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In Our Opinion

State investigation into housing deal is welcomed

Recently, plaintiffs as- gan Civil Rights Commissociated with the housdiscrimination lawsuit filed against the city over 40 years ago asked the state to step in and help settle a dispute they have.

housing units for the plaintiffs, as part of a settlement reached between the two parties, but the plaintiffs are now complaining their property assessments were increased.

The homeowners claim they are exempt from assessment increases as part of a development deal.

For over a month the plaintiffs have attended city council meetings seeking an answer. The only answer they have received is the city is looking into the deals that were made.

In the meantime, some of the plaintiffs have filed an official complaint with the Michision.

We support them seeking all avenues to settle this matter. But from what we have found out, it's unlikely there was such a deal The city recently built for the majority of the homeowners.

> There were exemptions given to some of the homeowners – but not all. Those with exemptions are part of what's called a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone.

From what we are hearing, those claiming exemptions are relying on something HUD officials gave them. And that was a list of suggestions on how to budget their money and still keep their homes.

HUD advised them to set aside 30 percent of their income to meet housing costs.

Some of the plaintiffs believe this is a legally binding agreement with the city. That's not the

case, folks. It was simply advice on how to manage finances.

For many of these homeowners this explanation will likely be unacceptable. Our heart goes out to these homeowners, many of whom are on fixed incomes.

It should have been made clear to them from the onset before purchasing their houses that eventually their housing costs would increase and without an increase in income, they would not be able to remain as homeowners.

Our gut tells us that at the time HUD and state officials just wanted to fill those houses with plaintiffs and be done with them.

The state investigation is still ongoing, but we have a pretty good hunch the homeowners should prepare for a set-

A look back at American radical political movements

By Mike Murphy Review Special Writer

You say you want a revolution?

Well, you know there's several coming up in the vicinity starting month, if you can imagine.

Temporarily apparent, but not real, the revolutions will be just one com-"The ponent of Radicalization Process," a performance piece presented by The Hinterlands Ensemble from Sept. 23 to Oct. 1 (Wednesdays through Saturdays) at 8 p.m. and Sundays, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2, at 2 p.m. at Play House at 12657 Moran, just outside Hamtramck in Detroit.

Layering historical accounts of the radical left of the 1960s and 70s with a master class in American method acting, socialist pageantry, and a gleefully obtuse re-production of The Living Theatre's "Antigone," Radicalization Process" stokes the embers of America's past revolutions to ignite the audience's radical potential.

The Living Theatre, founded in 1947 in New York City, is the oldest experimental theatre group

in the United States. It is known for challenging its audiences and "The Radicalization Process" sets out to do the same, according to co-directors and creators Richard Newman, Liza Bielby, and Dave Sanders.

With "The Radicalization Process," the playwrights have set out to explore the intersection between radical art, radical politics, and the imagination.

In the ensemble piece, the creators challenge audiences to question assumptions about what drives us to take action, how far is too far, and what role the imagination has in revolution.

Any attempt to tie the performance piece to a particular genre is difficult, since "genre-busting" is one of the intentions of the playwrights.

Sometimes "The Radicalization Process" is meant to be funny, and other times it's meant to be dark, according to its creators. Just like the United States.

As both partners to and spectators of the ensemble piece, audiences will begin the performance sifting through a basement archive of a forgotten revolutionary, navigating histories true and false, real and imagined, before they make their way into the performance space, a safe-house within a house in 1970s Detroit.

Multiple timelines run concurrently, and both mundane and shocking imagery unfolds. The ensemble piece will be supplemented with a live score performed on analog synthesizers and everyday objects. "L'Internationale" is sung; a bomb is built.

The "Radicalization Process" is an original performance by The Hinterlands, created and performed by Richard Newman, Liza Bielby, and Dave Sanders.

The Hinterlands, which in the past has produced and performed immersive psychedelic Wild West shows, drive-in vaudeville shows and border-crossing street festivals is known for its signature genre-busting performance style.

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The program will be held

Thursday, Sept. 22, at the museum, 9525 Jos. Campau. The catered dinner is \$15 and includes the program. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at History program spon- 6 p.m. and the program at 7 p.m. The program without dinner is free.

To make a reservation, call (313) 313-574-9758 or (248) 770-8389, or email hamtramckhistory@gmail.c om. Or visit the website www.hamtramckhistory.org and click on the Hungry for History link on the home page.

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Crime watch: Group of males on robbery spree

By Charles Sercombe

A disturbing crime trend has popped up in the last week.

In two separate incidents, a group of males, described as African-Americans in their early 20s, robbed people at gun-

The first incident happened on Sunday at about 11:45 p.m. when two residents in the 3300 block of Comstock were approached by three suspects who robbed them at gunpoint, according to a daily incident report issued by the Hamtramck Police Department.

It was not reported what

was stolen.

On the next day, Monday, at about 10:45 p.m., three people in the 2300 block of Poland were approached by four suspects, one of whom had a handgun. The victims were robbed of their cellphones, an i-Pad, wallets, a handbag, Social Security card, debit card and \$40 in cash.

no arrests. Police Chief Anne Moise

said there is no indication the robberies were committed by the same suspects.

"These street robberies often appear to be a crime

of opportunity," Moise said. "The suspects appear to come across unsuspecting victims that may be approaching their vehicles or residences. Citizens are advised to please be aware of their surroundings and report any suspicious behavior."

another ongoing crime trend, numerous reports have been made in So far there have been the past several weeks about house windows being smashed out as well as car windows all throughout the city at different times of the day.

> None of the cases appeared to be part of a rob-

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Obituaries

MARGERUM



Joan Michalene Margerum, 80, died July 2016.

Mrs. Margerum was born in Hamtramck and lived in Absecon, New Jersey for the past 25 years. Before her retirement, Joan was an events coordinator with the Shops on Ocean One, in Atlantic City. She was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Absecon and was a member of the WOTM Chapter 2095 in Hamtramck. In her free time, she was always working on jigsaw and crossword puzzles, loved crocheting and was an avid reader.

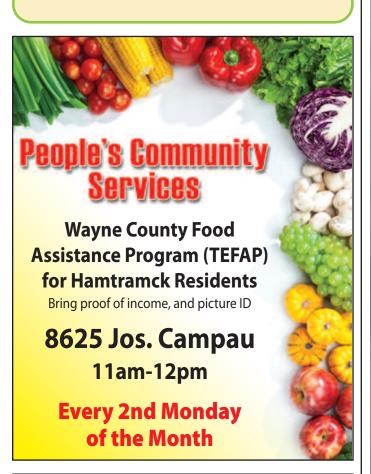
Mrs. Margerum was predeceased by her husband, Jay; parents, John Marianna Brys; brother, Arthur W. Brys. Mrs. Margerum is survived by sisters, Mary Brys Ura, Rose T. (Burt Bathurst) Brys; cousins, Cassie (Peter) Sapienza, Edward Kosinski, Geraldine Izzard.

A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, September 17, 2016 at 11 a.m., at St. Ladislaus Church in Hamtramck. Arrangements were made by Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home.



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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 Aug. 23, and all councilmembers were present.

Before the regular meeting the council met in a work session. During that meeting City Manager Katrina Powell talked about an agreement with the Wayne County Land Bank Corporation that would fund clearing out blight in the city.

Powell said the agreement will allow the city to demolish blighted properties that the city doesn't

The lots where the structures are located will be turned over to a state landbank and eventually put up for sale.

Interim Fire Chief Dan Hagen talked about updating fire codes. He said the city is currently operating under 2012 fire codes.

Councilmember Mohammed Hassan ques-

tioned why the city is taking this action now.

"Because we're late," Hagen said.

Hassan noted that in the past department heads always said they were on top of things and were doing a good job. Now, he said, it doesn't appear to be the case.

"We have to correct our ways," he said.

Councilmember Anam Miah guestioned why the previous fire chief didn't

bring the city up to code. "We're trying to get it to-

gether," Powell said.

Powell also talked about adopting an ordinance to adopt a property maintenance code. She said the guidelines are set by the state and would bring the city up to

Councilmember Miah asked what changes were made in the new codes.

Powell said there are changes in fees and other items. Miah insisted on getting a detailed list of changes.

Powell said since the codes are set by the

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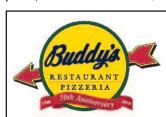
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By Charles Sercombe This week's Crime Log covers Sept. 6-12.

Tuesday, September 6

- · Dearborn police recovered a vehicle stolen out of Hamtramck and arrested the person who stole it.
- At a little after 3 a.m. a store owner in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau called 911 and said he had not slept in three days and that he left a person he does not know in charge of the business. Officers located the store employee who said he was waiting for the owner to come back and lock up.
- At almost 3:30 a.m. two Sterling Heights women parked in the 12000 block of Dyar to meet up with two men that they met online. The men entered their car and stole their purses and fled into an apartment. The women knocked on the apartment door, demanding their purses be returned. The suspects threw their purses at them, but took their money and credit cards.
- · At almost 4 a.m. a Clinton Twp. woman reported someone stole her purse.
- · A business in the 11400 block of Conant was found to be engulfed

in flames. Hamtramck and Detroit firefighters extinguished the blaze.

- · A Holmes resident reported someone broke out their car window.
- · A Caniff resident reported being assaulted by her live-in boyfriend.
- · A Commor juvenile reported she was being stalked.

Wednesday, September 7

- · Officers dropped off at the station a black and white colored dog they found wandering the streets near Carpenter and Conant.
- A resident in the 12000 block of Dequindre reported someone broke out their car windows with a brick.
- · Detroit police recovered a stolen 2003 Chevy Impala stolen out of Hamtramck.
- · An agent from a business in the 11800 block of Jos. Campau reported receiving a fraudulent
- · An agent of Genesee County Jail informed police that a person who had been reported missing from Hamtramck was in the jail.
- A Burger resident was arrested after damaging his neighbor's car.

Thursday, September 8

· A resident reported

someone made fraudulent charges to her credit card.

- An agent for Walter's Party Store reported that a person they know broke out a window at the business.
- A Whalen resident reported his ex-girlfriend cut him on the face with a knife and broke out two windows at his residence.
- A Grand Haven resident reported someone threw eggs at her residence.

Friday, September 9

- At about 2:30 a.m. a witness saw a man about 18 to 25 years old use a "Slim Jim" to unlock car doors in the area of Lehman and Jos. Campau. Officers located the suspect but the suspect was able to run away through the yards.
- · A Detroit woman accidently locked her granddaughter in her car. Officers were able to get the child out.
- · A resident reported someone fraudulently used her bank account.
- An employee at a business in the 10000 block of Conant reported a suspect threw vitamin water on the cash register, which caused the register to no longer work.
 - · A resident was ar-Continued on page 8







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say-so."

Powell introduced a new ordinance regarding the regulation of vacant properties.

Kathy Angerer, the city's Director of Community &

state, the city has "no Economic Development, said the new ordinance would give property owners more time to make repairs as long as they are "actively engaged" in doing so.

charge higher fees to those who own vacant commercial properties, and only "reasonable" fees to homeowners.

During the public comment section in the regular meeting, the owner of DeLite Café complained that the city refuses to enforce a parking limit in front of the Caniff eatery.

Parking there is limited to 30 minutes. He said non-customers are abusing that and hog the parking spaces, leaving none for his customers.

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The owner said that when he complains he gets a runaround by the city.

Robert Zwolak noted that an inspection pro-

posal for houses that are being sold is "self-serving" for the city's code inspection contractor.

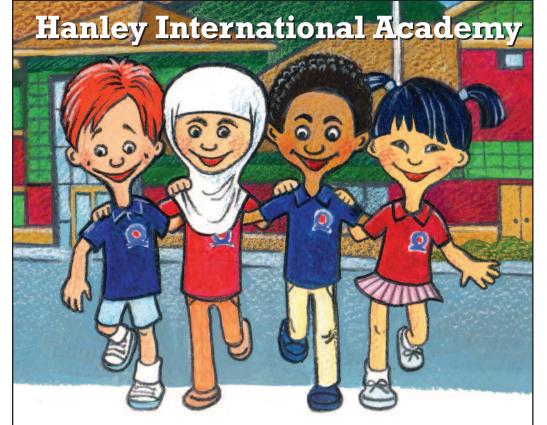
Later in the meeting Councilmember Andrea Karpinski disagreed with Zwolak, saying the proposal would help maintain the city's housing stock.

That proposal was later shot down by Councilmembers Miah, Hassan, Abu Musa and Saad Almasmari.

Councilmember Hassan spoke in regard to ongoing complaints by Hamtramck homeowners who were part of a housing discrimination lawsuit filed against the city years ago and now own homes

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rested at Caniff and Lumpkin for being disorderly.

Saturday, September 10

- · At 8:30 p.m. a juvenile reported an unknown male pointed a gun at his head.
- · A Detroit resident was arrested in the 2300 block of Carpenter for being disorderly.

· Officers located a

- white dog in the 3000 block of Belmont that had been reported lost. · A resident in the
- 2200 block of Faber reported someone damaged his residence. · A resident in the 12000 block of Dequin-

dre reported someone

broke out a front window of her residence. Officers responded to an alarm at a charter school on Buffalo and found two open doors.

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- · A resident reported that an unknown male kicked the side of her car after an argument. No damages were found.
- · A resident reported his wallet was stolen while he was shopping at a business in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau.
- · A Selfridge resident reported her car had been damaged.
- · A Poland resident reported a possible garage break-in.
- · A Troy resident reported receiving harassing phone calls from a former Hamtramck employee.

Sunday, September 11

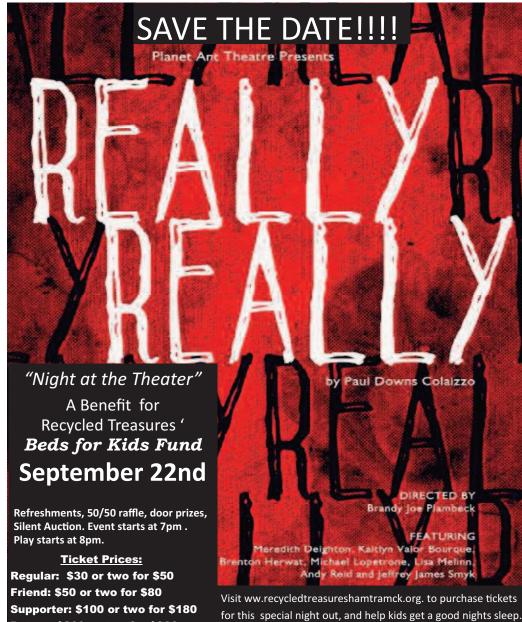
- At a little after 11 p.m. officers arrested two people in a parked car following an investigation. The driver had a suspended license and the passenger was a juvenile Nothing appeared to be violating the city's curfew.
 - A prisoner in a Ham-

tramck holding cell was cited for improperly asking for an ambulance after faking a medical emergency.

· A Detroit resident was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident at Caniff and Conant.

Monday, September 12

- At 11:45 p.m. two residents reported being robbed at gunpoint by three males while in the 3300 block of Comstock.
- · A resident reported fraudulent charges to her credit card.
- A resident reported receiving a phone scam in which the caller threatened him to make a payment or ISIS would blow up his house.
- A Jos. Campau business owner reported stole someone his iPhone from his business.
- · A Holbrook resident reported someone stole money from his apartment.
- A resident reported someone stole her Social Security card.



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