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## Quick Hits

Today, Friday Nov. 11, is Veterans Day.

As usual, the good folks at PLAV Post 10 will hold a ceremony at their hall, located at 11824 Jos. Campau.

You can meet up at 10:30 a.m., and participate in a toast at 11 a.m., followed by plenty of food, music and friendship.

And then Monday, Nov. 14 at 6:30 p.m. the Hamtramck Community Initiative presents a “Welcome reception for all new Hamtramck residents and a Fall Town Hall Meeting” at the Hamtramck Public Library, 2360 Caniff.

Topics include basement flooding, code enforcement, winter cat rescue, emergency preparedness and a question and answer period from residents.

## 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.

**“Every day it gets better and better.”**

## — HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

# Presidential Election attracts large voter turnout on a day for the history books

**By Charles Sercombe**

Hamtramck voters overwhelmingly remained true to their Democratic Party roots and supported Hillary Clinton for president.

Unfortunately for Clinton, she didn't receive enough support nationwide to garner the needed Electoral College votes to claim the presidency. But she did win the popular vote nationally by a margin of over 100,000 votes.

Her Republican challenger Donald Trump is now the President-Elect. Locally, he received 709 votes in Hamtramck.

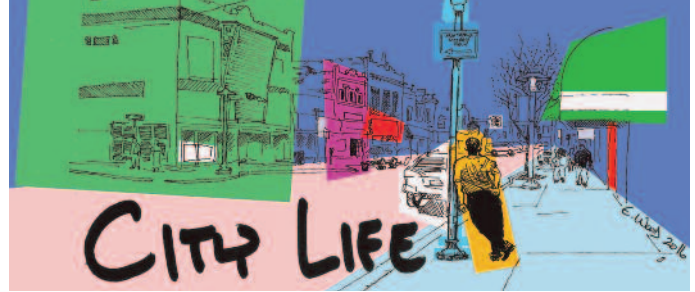
Hamtramck's voter turnout was large, as expected. Some 6,226 vot-



**Voters came out in droves on Tuesday in what turned out to be a historical election. Hamtramck voters remained true to their Democratic Party roots and supported Hillary Clinton. However, nationally she lost to her rival, Donald Trump.**

ers participated, which is more than 50 percent of the registered voters.

Federal election moni-



## Everything starts now

**By Walter Wasacz**

Fall might be the best time for walking long distances. The air is cool, colors are changing, sunlight is more a sideways glance than a downward splash, giving the day a much different glow than

in summer.

Winter and spring walks can be lovely, too, of course, but the wet and the cold are unpleasant at times.

Some of my best walks this year, in and out of

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**Walking in Hamtramck takes on a special experience in the fall when the air is cooler and the leaves are colorful.**

## New era for School Boardmembers

**By Charles Sercombe**

Two incumbent school boardmembers lost their bid for re-election to two newcomers in Tuesday's election.

The results also usher in a historical moment for the school district and the city: The new makeup of the school board will now consist of a Muslim majority.

That development mirrors what has happened in the city council as well.

School Boardmembers Hedy Shulgon, a 13-year veteran, and Jackie Starr, who has served for two years, were ousted by Moortadha Obaid and Showkat Chowdhury.

Obaid has not run for office before but Chowdhury had previously run for city council without success.

Hamtramck has long been known as a Polish enclave, but the city's population makeup has changed dramatically toward those of the Muslim faith in the last several years.

That development has attracted national and international media attention. The school board election will no doubt attract more media focus.

Boardmember Salah Hadwan ran unopposed to fill a partial term of four years. Hadwan ran

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# Presidential Election attracts large voter turnout on a day for the history books

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dents during the day.

The Hamtramck presidential results were:

Hillary Clinton (D): 5,307

Donald Trump (R): 709

As usual, most voters took the easy way to vote by voting a straight ticket, which required filling in a single oval.

State Rep. Rose Mary Robinson and Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence easily beat their Republican rivals here as well as in their entire district.

Voters here were more generous than voters in other communities in supporting a regional transit authority. That millage was ultimately defeated.

Voters here also supported a school millage to help public schools in Wayne County. That millage also squeaked by in the countywide vote. The millage will bring in \$1.1 million a year to Hamtramck's Public School District for the next six years.

In other election news: Normally the weather for the November General Election is chilly and sometimes downright cold and nasty. Not so on Tuesday. The metro area has



Democratic Party member M.D. Rabbi Alam came from Kansas to Hamtramck to promote Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. He said he was here because Michigan was considered a battleground state.

been experiencing a warmer fall with temps in the 60s.

An early rain chased some voters away, but the skies soon cleared.

By 7:30 a.m., voters were already lined up outside polling places. At the Hamtramck High School Community Center there was a steady stream of voters all day.

The wait was about 15 minutes on average.

Election results were expected to come in late, and they were released at about 11:30 p.m.

Voters took advantage of early voting on Saturday and Monday by voting absentee. Over 300 voters took that option on those days.

At least one school board candidate took advantage of that gathering. Showkat Chowdhury was seen approaching voters in city hall and even helping them to fill out their

ground state," Alam said.

Indeed it was. It wasn't until Wednesday that it was determined that the state – normally a blue state – went for Trump by a slim vote margin of 13,000 votes.

School Boardmember Salah Hadwan, who ran unopposed for a partial four-year term, earned 2,979 votes. But curiously, there were also 165 write-in candidates in that race.

Just who were they? We didn't have enough time to find out, but come back next week.

File this one under Irony Alert. A woman who identified herself as a represen-

tative from the Michigan Democratic Party initially tried to prevent a Review reporter from taking photos inside the precincts at the Community Center.

The reporter reminded the party representative that it is legal to take photos of voters in precincts. She said she stopped the reporter because he looked "suspicious."

The party representative was there to prevent voters from being intimidated. The Review reporter reminded her that he was there performing his job, which is protected by the First Amendment – you know – freedom of the press.

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Hedy Shulgon Jackie Starr

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**ESL Class** – Friday, November 18, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

**ESL Class** – Wednesday, November 16, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

**Video Game Night** – Wednesday, November 16, 6:30 p.m. We will have multiple video game systems set up around the library with retro games.

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# Second Front Page



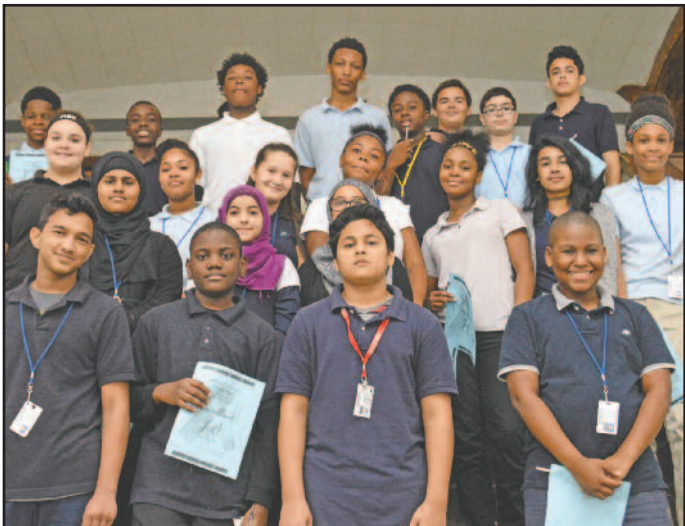
## School Bell

### Kosciuszko Middle School

Kosciuszko Middle School is proud to announce the students of the month for November: Nadir Ahmed, Rania Alasad, Ahmed Al Omari, Nemah Al Qosimi, Mutamim Choudhury, Jeffrey Clark, Demani Coleman, Aziza Cook, Armani Chambers, Sedina Durakovic, Saida Fouzia, Emaunie Green, Mylitka Grove, Gillian Gubin, Jayvon Hall, Jackee’ Jackson, Abida Khanom, Georges Nemer, Shahriar Rahman, Arness Stubbs, Lathan Tyler-Davis, Elon Waller and Sha’kira Wheeler.

Our annual fall Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, November 17 during two different sessions. The first session will be 12:30-3 p.m. The second session will be 5-7 p.m.

At this time, you will be able to conference with your child’s teacher about their academic performance and address any concerns or questions you may have about your



The Kosciuszko Middle School Students of the Month pose for a photo.

child’s progress. In order for the conference to go as smoothly and efficiently as possible, please visit the parent portal before coming to the conference and prepare any questions you may have about missing work or test grades in advance.

You may also want to consider bringing a list of other questions to better help you understand the dynamics of the class.

Here are five questions to consider: Is my child on grade level? What are my child’s strengths? What does my child struggle

with academically? How is my child doing behaviorally and socially? What can I do at home to support my child academically, behaviorally and socially? We are looking forward to seeing everyone on November 17.

### Holbrook Elementary School

- Monday, November 14 – Mobile Dentists visit Holbrook.
- Wednesday, November 16 – Parent Teacher School Association Meeting 2-3 p.m. All parents are invited to attend.
- Thursday, November 17 – Bake sale.
- Friday, November 18 - Bake sale.

### Hamtramck High School

- Wednesday, November 16 – All Hamtramck High School parents are invited to attend the school improvement meeting which will be held 7:50 a.m.- 8:45 a.m. in the high school library. You will have the opportunity to discuss ways to improve the high school with teachers and staff.

### Dickinson West Elementary and Kosciuszko Middle School Library News

A donor gave our library some professional development books. The library is continually building up our professional development

teacher collection. A few titles currently available include: “Guiding Readers and Writers,” “The Next Steps in Guided Reading,” “Rigor Is Not a Four Letter Word,” “Active Literacy Across the Curriculum,” “Teach Like a Champion.” We are thankful for any donations to our school library for students and staff.

### All Schools

- Thursday, November 17 – Report Card 1 distributed for all students.
- Thursday, November 17 – Half day for Early Childhood Elementary, Dickinson East Elementary, Dickinson West Elementary, Holbrook Elementary and Kosciuszko Middle School for Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Full Day for Hamtramck High School and Horizon High School.
- Friday, November 18 - Half day for students. Professional Development Day for teachers in the afternoon.
- Wednesday, November 23 – Half day for students.
- Thursday, November 24-27 – No school for students. Thanksgiving break.
- Monday, November 28 – School resumes.

### Athletic Events

- Monday, November 14 – KMS Boys’ Basketball vs. River Rouge at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Wednesday, November 16 – KMS Boys’ Basketball vs. Highland Park at 4:30 p.m. Home (Community Center.)

Compiled by  
Janice Gandelman



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# New era for School Boardmembers

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as a slate mate with Obaid and also endorsed Starr.

Obaid also received support and endorsement by School Board President Magdalena Srodek and Boardmember Evan Majors. They also endorsed Starr, but not Shulgon.

The teachers' union also endorsed Obaid and Starr.

Tuesday's turnout was huge, with 6,626 voters participating – about 50 percent of the registered voters. That number was higher than the turnout four years ago for President Obama's second term.

Federal monitors were on hand here as well as in Detroit and Dearborn Heights to make sure there was no voter intimidation.

City Clerk August Gitschlag said there were no significant issues during the day.

The elections results for two seats with a full, six-year term were:

\*Moortadha Obaid: 2,199  
\*Showkat Chowdhury: 1,665

Jackie Starr: 1,393  
Hedy Shulgon: 888  
Renee Savage: 837  
Jeff Salazar: 657  
Lamont Stinson: 320  
School Boardmember Salah Hadwan received 2,979 votes.

On her Facebook page, Starr thanked residents for their support

“Thank you Hamtramck Residents for entrusting me with making very im-



**Moortadha Obaid (above) and Showkat Chowdhury were the top vote-getters for two regular terms on School Board. They ousted Boardmembers Hedy Shulgon, who had been on the board for 13 years, and Jackie Starr, who has served for the past two years.**



portant decisions for your children. I was honored to serve you and the Hamtramck Public Schools,” Starr said.

“I now turn my baton over to Mr. Obaid and Mr. Chowdhury. I congratulate both gentlemen on a great campaign and ask you to show them the same respect you have given me, during my last two years on the Hamtramck School Board.”

Obaid also commented on his Facebook page:

“This victory is not for just one part of the com-

munity but for the entire diversity that represents Hamtramck,” Obaid said. “I hope that many more of the youth regardless of ethnicity, culture or background will realize that if you are willing to step up and want to be a part of any community organization I will stick to what Sal and I stand for and back the best person for that position. ... Thank you all I truly appreciate you and will show that I am in this for our children and their best interest!”



## 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 October 25 and all councilmembers were present except for Mohammed Hassan. Mayor Karen Majewski was also absent.

Before the regular council meeting a work session was held. During that meeting City Manager Katrina Powell said

that new water meters are being installed, starting with industrial sites.

She said the installations must be completed before a scheduled study on water rates.

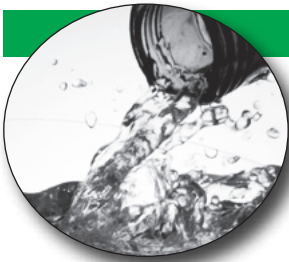
Councilmember Anam Miah questioned the cost for police service for the Hamtramck Labor Day Festival. Police Chief Anne Moise said it was

\$9,000.

Regarding a recent engineering study on the condition of city alleys, City Manager Powell said it will cost \$12 million to repair all of them, and \$3 million for the “major alleys.”

She added that the condition of most alleys is “below grade.”

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## TOAST of the TOWN

*When it comes to good food and great times, Hamtramck has plenty to offer. In this column, we'll talk about what's happening at our bars, restaurants and other events throughout the city.*

By Charles Sercombe

Three years ago Hamtramck lost one of its most iconic bar owners, Virginia Szymanski.

Her family had owned Jean's Bar since 1971. “Virg,” as everyone called her, ran the bar for a good portion of those years. She died three years ago at the age of 86.

Last Saturday, her beloved bar on Jos. Campau and Commor ended its long run.

The bar's license has been sold, to whom it is still not immediately known, and the last call was made with her old buddy Cathie Gordon holding down bartending duties.

Although Gordon owns New Dodge Lounge, the two didn't consider themselves rivals.

They became close friends 20 years ago when they began organizing the now-defunct “Fun Train” – a bar-hopping promotion that attracted new visitors to the city. Jean's Bar has also been part of the Metro Times Blowout from its inception.

“Our friendship blossomed from there,” Gordon told The Review three years ago.

Gordon said she considered her “the sister I never had.”

Hamtramck has changed a great deal since Virg passed, and the dive bar scene, which she enjoyed, has mostly passed away.

The Review profiled her in 2011 when Virg was celebrating the bar's 40th anniversary.

Virg had a saying that “characters always welcome.” One of the biggest characters, she admitted, was herself.

“The bar is my stage. I'm a ham, this is where I

perform,” she said.

The bar is closed for good now, and Virg is a distant memory. Hamtramck still offers an exciting nightlife, but somehow it's a little less fun.

Here's to you Virg, and all the characters that graced your stage.

raise money for Greg's passion – preserving the city's history at the museum and making the many needed improvements to the building.

If you haven't visited the museum yet, get yourself over there pronto. It's located at 9525 Jos. Campau. Hours are 11 a.m. to



**Hamtramck lost one of its most colorful bar owners, Virginia Szymanski, three years ago, Last Saturday, her family's bar closed its door for the final time. The bar's license has been sold, and the bar is now closed for good.**



**Friends of Greg Kowalski (right, front) celebrated his 66th birthday a week ago at the American Polish Cultural Hall in Troy. Kowalski is the Chairman of the Hamtramck Historical Commission.**

If you need to find out something about Hamtramck's history, your go-to guy is Greg Kowalski.

He is the city's official historian, and appropriately enough chairs the city's Historical Commission and organizes the city's Historical Museum. Greg's the kind of guy who will put aside whatever he's doing at the moment to help you out.

It was only fitting that his friends and acquaintances returned the favor and celebrated his 66th birthday a week ago at the American Polish Cultural Hall in Troy.


It was also a nifty way to

4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday – or by appointment by calling (313) 893-5027.

Greg also hosts special dinner presentations as well as the very entertaining “Hamtrivia” nights.

You can also enjoy his regular columns for The Review, published every other week, called “The Lore of Hamtramck.”

And one more thing: Greg has also written several books about the city's colorful past. You can find copies of them at the Hamtramck Library and at the museum.



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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### Water rate study is much needed and long overdue

A few weeks ago it was announced by the city manager that there is going to be a study of the city's water/sewerage rates.

The question on City Manager Katrina Powell's mind is: How did the city arrive at the rates?

Or in other words what determined the rates?

Yes, believe it or not, no one knows what the charges are based on. It's outrageous, but understandable. The city has long hummed along on a number of assumptions.

No one knows how the charges were determined, but those in charge took it on faith there was solid reasoning and research backing the charges.

That's called dysfunction. And it's not just city officials who missed this, but also past state-appointed emergency managers.

Everyone just assumed the rates were justified.

It took an outsider like City Manager Powell, who has been on the job for over a year, to ask a simple question.

This is no small matter because water and sewer services are not cheap. For the average Hamtramck household it is at least \$50 a month.

Now while the public is certainly owed an explanation, there is the possibility that the city isn't charging enough. Some of you may already be thinking this is the real reason for the study.

The study's results should be looked at very carefully. At the very least, we will have a starting place to determine what is accurate and fair.

## Everything starts now

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Hamtramck, have come since late September.

To do research to write an article for another publication, I walked, with an old urban hiking buddy, from River Rouge to Wyandotte and back to Rouge again, a total distance of around 8.5 miles.

That was on an uncommonly warm early fall day. Walking through one of the world's most impressive industrial corridors, on paths alongside railroad tracks, into cemeteries and boardwalks on the riverfront, was well worth a little unseasonable discomfort.

I did two more walks in Wyandotte in early October and discovered that downriver's oldest community (it was incorporated in 1866) has a network of unpaved alleys, much like those just east and north of Hamtramck. I crisscrossed the city via green alleys bathed in golden light, as the afternoon grew long and dusk fell on the river. Not before I got some pictures of Fighting Island, now being remediated after a century of toxic waste dumped on it from the chemicals industries in Wyandotte.

October was a busy month for walks in Hamtramck as well.

I led a tour during the Michigan Historic Preservation Network's annual fall benefit held at Bank Suey.

I was expecting six or seven people to join, but it swelled to over 20 people, many of whom had never been to Hamtramck before. That's a big group. We only had an hour to walk before dinner so we had to hustle if we wanted to experience a fair representation of city life.

I do what I call an interactive mobile workshop, not a typical historical tour filled with facts and dates. Hamtramck is almost too rich in that regard: newcomers could get lost in the history and fail to experience what's happening here and now.

So I opt for an approach that attempts to keep everyone alive and alert in the moment, sprinkled with a few fun factoids. It also doesn't hurt to pay rapt attention to motorists, who need respectful but persistent reminders that pedestrians have the right of way.

I believe in a shared streets philosophy, meaning the streets are public places that belong to all of us, not the sole province of the car, truck or bus. Motorists, cyclists, walkers and runners are all partners in public life. It's part of the mission of this column to bring this message home, helping to make Hamtramck streets available and safe for all.

A week later I did a 15-hour "performance" walk for the Hamtramck Neighborhood Arts Festival. I called it Everything Starts Now.

The name is derived from a lecture given by writer and interpreter of Eastern philosophy Alan Watts, who says about

the past, "You can look back there to explain things but the explanation disappears. You will never find it there. Things are not explained by the past. They're explained by what happens now."

I was accessible via social media throughout the day and night. People sent me texts and asked where I was, joining me in my adventures if they were close enough to meet. In each arranged meeting, in every chance encounter, all the places I visited solo or with others were new chapters in a bigger story.

My walk was not continuous. I stopped at several locations throughout the day and night, to see artists perform, to eat and drink, to talk to old and new friends.

I started before noon at Bumbo's for the kickoff brunch and ended it at the festival after-party at Trixie's. In between I met newish Hamtramckan Simon Ray, an electronic musician originally from Australia; dropped into the splendid nearly-ready for public opening Oloman Cafe for espresso; and heard artists and writers read the works of local author Steve Hughes at the newly-dubbed Stupor House on St. Aubin.

Beary-eyed, I walked up the stairs and into my kitchen. The clock on the wall said 3 a.m. Today's story was over.

**Walter Wasacz — a Hamtramck native — was born, lives and writes here.**

## Odds & Ends

**Free course...** The Muslim Youth Association of Hamtramck is offering a free SAT preparation course on Saturdays, starting Dec. 3.

Classes will be at noon. The association is also looking to hire a part-time teacher. For

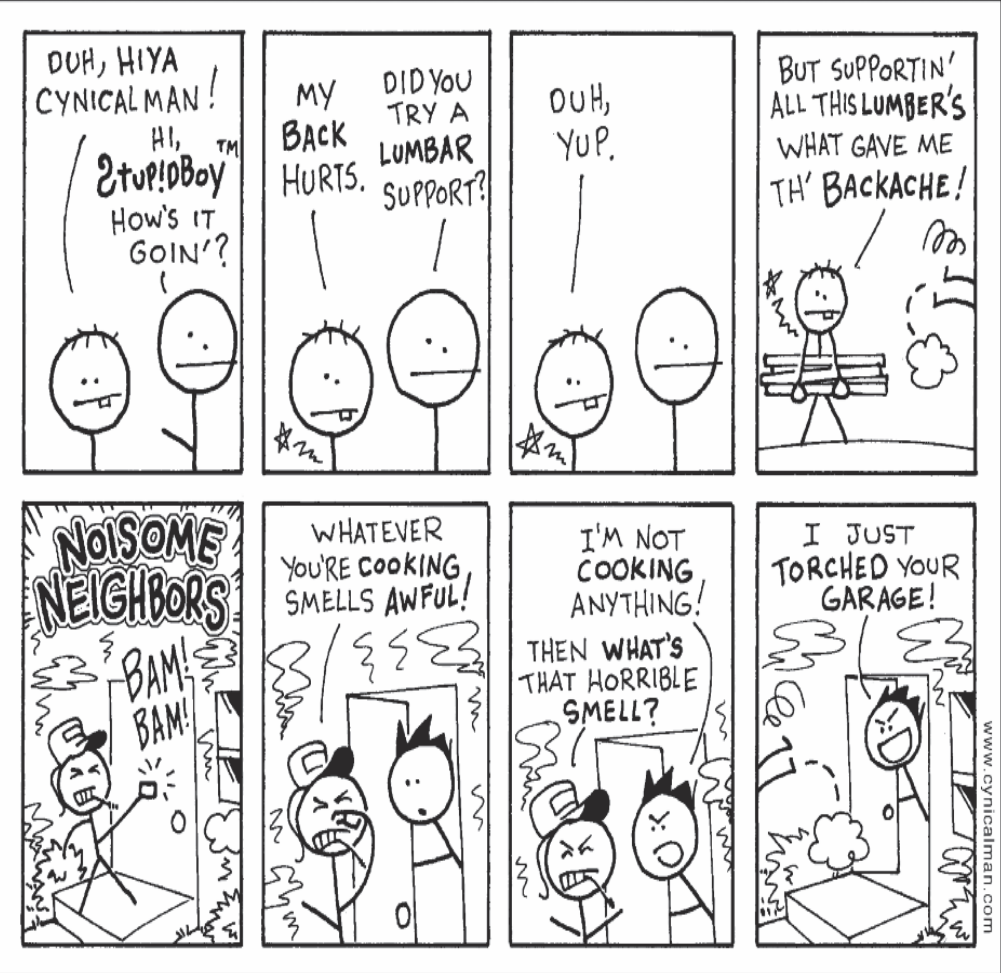
more information and to register call (313) 721-0902.

**Update...** St. Lad's will not be closing, as some parishioners there feared. Instead, it will now have limited services.

The Mass schedule is as follows: Saturdays, 5 p.m. (in English) and Sundays, 9 a.m. (in Polish).


During the weekday, Mass will be held on Mondays at 8 a.m. (in Polish) and on Thursdays at 8 a.m. (in English).

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## Obituaries

### BOIKE




Irene Patricia, 88, died October 31, 2016.

Mrs. Boike was the beloved wife of the late Eugene; loving mother of Gary (Maria), Catherine (John) Szyszkowski; proud grandmother of four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; dear sister of Mary Martin, the late Barbara Nick, and late brothers, Kenneth, Michael, Vincent Hreha.

Memorial Mass will be held Thursday, November 17, 2016, at 10 a.m. at St. Florian Catholic Church, 2626 Poland, Hamtramck, MI, 48212.

Interment will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, MI. Arrangements were made by Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home.

### RAKOWSKI



Mary Theresa Rakowski, 96, died on August 6, 2016 in Palm Bay FL. She is survived by her son Chester Rakowski Jr., and his brothers, Kenneth, Michael, Vincent Hreha.

Memorial Mass will be held Thursday, November 17, 2016, at 10 a.m. at St. Florian Catholic Church, 2626 Poland, Hamtramck, MI, 48212.

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She was deeply loved and will be sorely missed by all who knew and cared for her and her unselfish love and generosity to all who knew her. She passed comfortably with her loved ones present. Everyone was constantly in her prayers daily and the family would appreciate theirs in return.

A funeral Mass was held on November 9th at St. Ladislaus Church in Hamtramck. Interment was at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Cremation was handled by Ammen Family Cremation and Funeral Care of Palm Bay. Services handled by Jurkiewicz & Wilk in Hamtramck.

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# Metro news

It's said that whatever happens to Detroit, so goes Hamtramck. Our friends over at modeld-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:

Detroit Animal Care and Control (DACC) has begun moving in to its new facility, the old Michigan Humane Society building at 7401 Chrysler Dr. The building was a gift from MHS, which itself moved to a new facility at 7887 Chrysler Dr., just two blocks north of the building it called home since 1931.

The new headquarters is being heralded as a dramatic improvement for DACC in a year that has already seen its fare share. Since 2016, DACC began working with MHS, Detroit Dog Rescue, other local municipal shelters, and a number of additional partners to improve the city service, which is a division of the Detroit Health Department.

In 2015, the DACC live release rate was 26 percent. Since its new partnerships at the start of the year, the DACC live release rate has increased

to 61 percent.

DAAC was previously located at 3511 W. Jefferson Ave.

"This move will enable us to better serve the City's residents and their pets," Melissa Miller, Director of DACC, said in a statement. "We're really thankful to our partners who have made this possible, including MHS for donating the facility, and we look forward to the day when we are fully operational in our new space."

DACC will offer reduced services during the transition but will keep field units on city streets. Its dispatch line, reached by phone at (313) 224-6356, is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Michigan Humane Society left its longtime Detroit headquarters for its new campus in Spring of 2016. The new building is a 35,000 sq. ft. animal care center and is located on a five-acre campus off of the I-75 service drive. Its features include an expanded veterinary center, animal cruelty investigation and rescue center, and dog play yards.

By MJ Galbraith

# Metro Pub celebrates new kitchen with a surprise

By Mike Murphy

Local businesses and public institutions are getting a taste of what the recently reopened Metro Pub has to offer as the restaurant and bar's manager has pledged to distribute free trays of food to two lucky recipients each week.

So far the city's fire department, police department and Hamtramck's City Hall have been served heaping helpings of burgers, fries, wings, cheese sticks and chicken tenders, with more to come.

"There's going to be a salad there, too," said Metro Pub Manager Salen Tabakovic. "We just want to get our food out there, and help other businesses, too. It's just a charity donation for us."

The Metro Pub, which initially opened in Sep-



Metro Pub Manager Salen Tabakovic is manning the bar's newly-opened kitchen.

tember 2015 and operated for about a month before it was shut down by the Wayne County Health Department for non-food-related issues, is just weeks away from its planned grand opening.

Tabakovic said he is still miffed over the health department's reasoning behind shutting the Metro

Pub down.

"There were no issues with the food," Tabakovic said. "It was the placement of the sinks and where other stuff was placed."

Tabakovic said he received conflicting information from different health department officials.

"One lady told us to place the sink in one

spot, and the next person that came told us it was in the wrong place."

The Metro Pub, which is open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. and serves a variety of bar food each day from 11 a.m. until the kitchen closes at 1:30 a.m., is located at 11667 Jos. Campau, right where the Attic Bar used to be.

Tabakovic said the bar's interior has been completely remodeled and that business has been steadily increasing ever since the Pub reopened four months ago.

"Every day it gets better and better," Tabakovic said. "I have not had one single complaint on my food items. In fact, one lady who said her family used to own restaurants said she never had a better burger in her life."



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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Nov. 1-7.

Tuesday, November 1

- A business owner reported the windows of his car were broken out while the car was parked in the 2900 block of Trowbridge.
- An Evaline resident reported the theft of their catalytic convertor while their car was parked in the 2600 block of Evaline.
- A Detroit resident was ticketed for being a nuisance on the roadway.
- A Commor resident was arrested for domestic violence.
- A resident from Armada was treated for an overdose.
- A resident on Poland reported kids egged her house.
- An employee at a Jos. Campau business reported someone broke out her car windows.

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- A woman was arrested in the 11600 block of Mitchell for trespassing and possessing narcotics.
- A Selfridge resident reported damage to her car.
- A Conant resident reported the theft of property from his apartment.
- A Waterford resident reported the theft of his briefcase from a U-Haul parked in the rear of a Jos. Campau business.

Thursday, November 3

- At about 1:30 a.m. a highly intoxicated resident was arrested in the 2600 block of Botsford after calling 911 and falsely claiming there was a fire.
- At 2:40 a.m. a report was made of a break-in at a restaurant in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau. The suspect was seen fleeing in a maroon-colored car.
- A Roosevelt resident said her live-in boyfriend held a knife to her neck during an argument. The suspect fled before officers arrived.
- A Clinton Twp. resident was arrested after attempting to pass a bad check at a Conant business.

Friday, November 4

- At about 12:20 a.m. a resident reported that her 15-year-old son ran away, but the juvenile then returned home about 30 minutes later.
- A Madison Heights woman reported someone

broke into her car while it was parked in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau and stole \$2,500 worth of women's shoes.

- A person was arrested in the 11000 block of Jos. Campau for trespassing and being disorderly.
- A resident reported her son did not come home from high school.
- A Selfridge resident reported someone slashed her tires.
- A Caniff resident reported someone entered his unlocked car and stole his Army dress uniform and a circular saw.
- An Edwin resident reported the theft of her catalytic convertor.

Saturday, November 5

- At about 3 a.m. a resident in the 3000 block of Yemans reported a break-in.
- A resident in the 11000 block of Mitchell reported a break-in.
- A person was arrested for domestic violence following a disturbance in the 3000 block of Caniff.
- A man reported the theft of his 2002 Mercedes Benz while it parked in the 12000 block of Dyar.
- A man reported someone damaged his car while it was parked in the 2000 block of Caniff.
- A man reported that while at Keyworth Stadium two males took his cellphone from him.
- A woman said a suspect attempted to rob her while she was in the rear of a residence in the 2700

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block of Holbrook.

**Sunday, November 6**

- A Lathrup Village woman said she was assaulted at Jos. Campau and Yemens by a man she knows.
- A resident in the 2000 block of Holbrook reported a theft from his residence.
- A resident in the 2000 block of Caniff reported a break-in.
- A man reported the theft of his cellphone from his unlocked car while it was parked in the 3000 block of Caniff.
- A man reported being robbed in the 2900 block of Jacob by a man armed

with a handgun

**Monday, November 7**

- At 2:30 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license and having improper license plates.
- A resident in the 5000 block of Trowbridge reported someone broke out the rear window of his 2001 Toyota. A resident in the same block reported someone broke out the driver's side window of his 2005 Honda.
- A resident claimed her cousin was kidnapped at Moran and Carpenter, but

further investigation revealed no kidnapping. Instead, the matter was a family dispute.

- A resident reported being stalked.
- A Belmont resident reported someone damaged her car.
- A Trowbridge resident reported the theft of construction equipment from his backyard.
- A Birmingham resident reported someone dumped garbage on his Jos. Campau lot.
- An Oklahoma resident reported a break-in and the theft of a CD player.



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A plan to begin fixing the alleys will be produced soon, Powell said. She added that the city cannot tap into a state road repair grant that is received each year for alley repairs.

“But at least we have a plan to move forward,” she said.

The \$12 million price tag will have to come out of the city's general budget over time, Powell said.

Councilmember Miah said there is an alley at Prescott and Ellery that is not even paved. He said the alley is impassible.

“It's so bad the garbage trucks won't go down it,” he said.

Powell said she would get a truckload of gravel to spread in the alley to smooth it out.

In another matter, Miah said he had heard that Powell was “writing her ticket” to get out of the city. Powell said she had no idea what Miah was talking about.

“That's what I heard,” Miah said.

During public comment in the regular meeting, Kamal Rahman thanked the city for removing debris from a former party story that burned down on Carpenter. In another matter he said Detroit's Water Department has a plan Hamtramck can “opt in” that would help reduce water bills for low income residents.

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