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# The Review

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## Quick Hits

Today, Friday (Dec. 11), a group called The Concerned Citizens of Hamtramck will hold a rally/press conference at Zussman Park.

The event starts at 1:30 p.m., and a number of leaders from Hamtramck’s Bengali and Yemeni communities will gather to voice their opposition to terrorism and send their condolences to those who have been harmed in recent attacks in the U.S. and worldwide.

Hamtramck’s population is now almost 50 percent Muslim, and they have begun to assert themselves politically.

The new city council that will take office in January is now a Muslim majority – a possible first for any American community, which is something that has garnered a lot of media attention nationally and internationally.

**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.

**“Hamtramck is a very caring community.”**

## — HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

# Steps are being taken to save ‘Hamtramck Disneyland’

**By Charles Sercombe**

Good news for fans of Hamtramck Disneyland. The dispute over the estate of Dmytro Szylak has been settled, and there is talk of a plan to fund a way to preserve Szylak’s famed folk art creation.

Szylak died last May at the age of 92, and his two houses on Klinger, which support the massive creation, have been unoccupied since then. His step-son, Yuriy Byega, said he is now in charge of the estate.

This past week he began emptying out the contents of the two houses. He told The Review there are a few options for the artwork that has attracted the attention of media outlets throughout the world and each year attracts thou-

sands of visitors.

“We’re not taking it down,” Byega said of way of introduction to meeting a Review reporter asking about the future plans for his step-dad’s creation. “That’s the good news. We’re going to try to preserve, and if that doesn’t work we’ll auction it.”

Byega said he will be looking into starting an internet fundraising site to turn the house into a permanent museum.

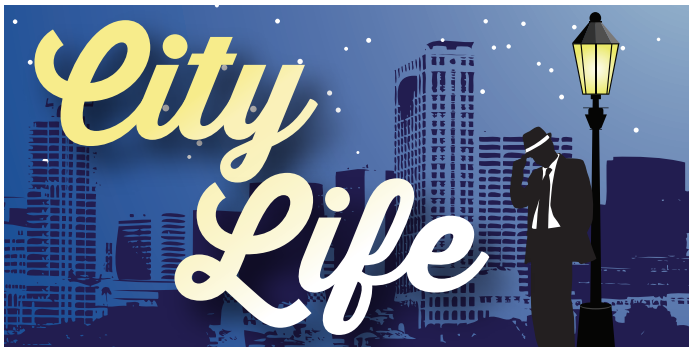
He added that he is meeting with Mayor Karen Majewski to brainstorm a plan.

For decades Szylak fashioned together homemade whirligigs and found objects. He began the project in the early 1990s. It’s a whimsical collection of this

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**Above: A detail of the immense folk art sculpture by Dmytro Szylak that he calls “Hamtramck Disneyland.” Szylak died last May and since then there has been concern about what will happen with the art piece, located on Klinger. Below: Szylak’s house is being cleared out by his stepson to make way for the preservation of the artwork.**



**By Walter Wasacz**

*(Editor’s note: City Life is a column about walkable discovery in Hamtramck.)*

As winter approaches I begin to step up my walking activity. Sounds a bit odd at first, yes?

But think about it: now is the time that we all need to move our bodies and clear our minds the most. Taking daily walks

is good for physical and mental health, an effective way to attack the freezing-weather-and-less-daylight blues. We need all the vital energy we can get when it’s cold and dark.

It’s also the best stimulant I know for writing with motivation and clarity. I just got back from a short walk and immedi-

ately sat down at my keyboard. Thoughts and words flow much better after a cardiovascular workout, however slight (this time only 10 blocks).

I saw something I’d never noticed before. As I walked east toward Conant I saw north-south motor traffic in the distance, through the bare trees and between houses on either side of Edwin. When I stopped and focused I knew what it was: cars and trucks traveling over the bridge that links Mt. Elliott with Mound — and with Caniff, which leads back into Hamtramck.

There are train tracks in front of the bridge. My guess is that this view is blocked much of the time from where I walked, about 1.4 miles directly west as the soaring eagle flies.

This put me in mind of two things from personal history.

My mother worked at the Chrysler Lynch Road plant (the buildings still remain behind that bridge) from 1948 to 1960. To locals it was simply known as “Plymouths” and closed in 1980. On a clear night you could alternately hear the klang of machin-

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## Favors for some in city hall?

**By Charles Sercombe**

Former City Councilmember Cathie Gordon dropped a bombshell at Tuesday’s City Council meeting.

She claimed Mayor Karen Majewski has not been paying water bills at her store, Tekla, for over two years.

To back up this claim, she handed out to councilmembers a current water bill statement that she downloaded from the city’s website.

Sure enough, the document shows that the building, located at 9600 Jos. Campau, is not charged for water and sewerage service or for any of the added fees for sanitation and a bond issue.

A cameraman from WXYZ Channel 7 was on hand to record Gordon’s presentation but nothing has been reported on the matter.

Mayor Karen Majewski did not respond to the accusation at the time, but on Wednesday morning she talked with The Review.

“I pay for my water,” was the first thing she said, followed with: “It’s a complicated story.”

The situation is this, she said: At one time her building was connected with a building nextdoor. At some point decades ago the buildings were separated, but there was never a direct water line installed for her building.

That means she shares payment of the water and sewerage services, along with all other fees tacked onto the bill, with her neighbor.

That’s been the arrangement since she took own-

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# Favors for some in city hall?

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ership two-and-a-half years ago.

“We’ve been trying to fix that,” Majewski said in reference to the arrangement.

Majewski said she is in negotiation with her neighbor to get a right of way in their basement and install a separate water meter for her building.

The other option is to run a line from the street, but that would require tearing up a part of Jos. Campau in front of her store and digging down four feet through the entire length of her building to the rear.

The estimated cost for that, not counting the loss of business, is in the range of \$25,000 to \$40,000, Majewski said.

One other option would be to install a line through the rear of the building, but that would require tearing through houses behind the building.

The situation poses a question of why she received the all clear from a city inspector to begin with and a permit to occupy the building.

“Nobody thought it was a serious problem,” Majewski said. “The last thing I would try to do is scam the city.”

City Manager Katrina Powell said she has been aware of the mayor’s arrangement.

“Once we were all made aware of the situation, the mayor has been very willing to correct this issue and has worked diligently with staff to come up with a cost feasible solution for both property owners to have their own water services and meters,” Powell said.

Powell added that she had earlier asked the city’s water line repair contractor, CPI Excavation, for an estimate to install a water line.

She confirmed the mayor’s scenario of the costs.

That was a while ago and since then CPI has filed a lawsuit against the city for breach of contract, claiming that Powell is using city employees and other contractors to perform their work.

Charles Smith, of CPI, recently posted on Gordon’s Facebook page, claiming Powell and Mark Ragsdale, the Director of Public Services, have their own agenda.

“... Since they took office their lack of experience has put the city infrastructure back 10 years there are leaks, broken sewer sinkholes man-hole structures all over town not to mention for the first time in 15 years hydrants out of service everywhere this is just sad,” Smith said.

Gordon, who has been a political opponent of the mayor and ran against her two years ago and lost, said on her Facebook page after Tuesday’s council meeting that she exposed the mayor.

“Well I went to the council meeting and I uncovered the BS your mayor

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# Steps are being taken to save ‘Hamtramck Disneyland’

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Dmytro Szyrak began creating “Hamtramck Disneyland” in the early 1990s. It has since attracted thousands of visitors.

and that.

On any given afternoon it is not unusual to see a gathering in the alley behind Szyrak’s house of students or visitors from overseas viewing his creation, which he continued to add to over the years.

When he died there

was concern among many that the art piece would be torn down. As of now the work is a little worn and could use some tinkering but it is largely intact.

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**Santa at the Library** – Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 5 p.m. – Santa visits the Library. Come and get your photo taken with Santa Claus.

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

**Drop in Craft** – Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 3:30 p.m. – All are invited to the library to make a special Holiday craft.

**Movie Night** – Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. – National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation

**Friends of the Library Meeting** – Thursday, Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. – FHPL President Kathy Kristy and Treasurer George Gorday invite all members and volunteers to participate in the regular monthly meeting.

**Book Signing, Detroit in WWII** -Thursday, Dec. 17, at 6:30 p.m. – Book signing with Prof. Gregory Sumner author of “Detroit in World War II.” Gregory D. Sumner is a professor of His-

tory at University of Detroit Mercy and the author of the books “Dwight Macdonald and the Politics Circle.” And “Unstuck in Time: A Journey Through Kurt Vonnegut’s Life and Novels.

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# Second Front Page



## School Bell

### Kosciuszko Middle School News

• Tuesday, December 15 – Winter Band Concert from 1:15- 2:10 p.m. in the auditorium. Parents and the community are invited to attend.

• Wednesday, December 16 – Winter Orchestra and Choir Concert from 1:15-2:10 p.m. in the auditorium. Parents and the community are invited to attend.

The November KMS Academic Support Door Decorating Contest results are in. The Door Decorating Contest was sponsored by the student council to promote student learning in academic support.

International Education



**At Kosciuszko Middle School, Mrs. Carol Dobos's academic support class won the school's Door Decorating Contest. Her class chose England as their country to learn about.**

Week was November 16-20 and was the foundation of November's theme. Every class picked a country to decorate their door with

facts from that country.

It was judged based on creativity, originality, collaboration and craftsmanship. November's winner is Mrs. Carol Dobos's academic support class which picked England as their country to learn about.

### Hamtramck High School News

• Thursday, December 17 – Hamtramck High School Band and Choir present their Winter Concert at 6 p.m. in the school auditorium. Parents and the community are invited to attend.

### Dickinson West Elementary School News

• Tuesday, December 15 – Reading and Math Cur-

riculum night from 3:30 p.m.- 5p.m. Please come and learn about what your child is learning in their reading and math classes and how to help them at home. Light refreshments will be served.

• Wednesday, December 16 –The first grade classes are going on a field trip to the Michigan Science Center to extend their learning from the classroom.

### Dickinson East Elementary School News

• Wednesday, December 16 – Winter Concert at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the auditorium. Parents and the community are invited to attend.

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Dec. 24 - Vigil of the Nativity of our Lord 9 a.m.  
Holy Mass. , 11:30 p.m. Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long  
12 - Midnight Shepherds Mass (Pasterka)  
Dec. 25 - Solemnity of Nativity of our Lord 9 a.m.  
Holy Mass.  
Dec. 26 - Feast of St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr  
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the Museum, 9525 Jos. Campau.

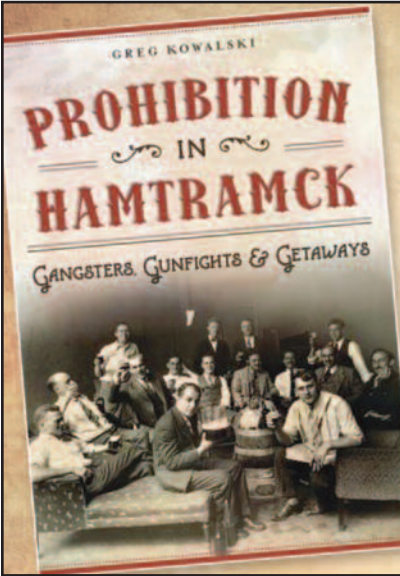
This is a member appreciation event, so Friends members enter free. But everyone is welcome. Admission for non-members is \$5. And you can get a membership at the door. There will be cookies and cocoa and a PowerPoint presentation of photos of Christmas in Hamtramck through the years. It's sure to bring back memories.

If you have photos of Christmas in Hamtramck

you'd like to share, bring them to the event. We'd love to see them.

Doors open at noon. And remember, you can still do your holiday shopping on Jos. Campau, eat at one of the restaurants, come to Midnight Mass, east at grandma's and create some new Christmas memories.

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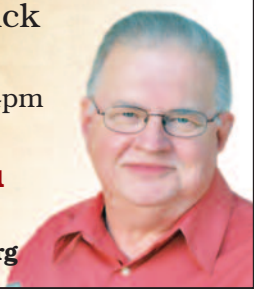
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# Favors for some in city hall?

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has been pulling for over 2 years. It is a fact that she has not paid a water bill since she opened her store Tekla,” Gordon said. Gordon went on to say: “Curious how she got a Certificate of Occupancy on that building, not to mention her plumbing was signed off as OK? How do you sign off on plumbing when there's no water in that building?? Special rules for certain people I guess.”

Majewski said she has heard that she is not alone in having to share a water bill. She said that there are other buildings on Jos. Campau in the

same situation. It's a problem, she said, that could seriously hamper economic development if building owners are forced to install separate water lines. Powell said the city is working on the problems as they become known to the city. “There are several buildings on Jos. Campau that have this same issue, and we're told there are a few on Caniff as well,” she said. “As we discover these situations, we will assist the property owners in rectifying the problem, as we have the mayor.”

# Holiday spirit arrives with ‘Winter Glow’ at community center

**By Charles Sercombe**  
Hamtramck got a taste of winter and the holiday season this past Saturday. The Hamtramck Recreation Department, which is run by the public schools, held its annual Winter Glow at the high school community center. Hundreds of kids got to do crafts, ride down a huge blow-up slide, enjoy a free horse-driven carriage ride around the high school block and take a photo with Santa. A different twist to this year's event was free ice skating on a portable rink.

“We wanted to try something different this year,” said Recreation Director Craig Daniels. From the looks of things, Hamtramck kids could use a lot more time on ice honing their skills. Anyone up for creating a real ice skating rink in the park this winter (assuming winter temps arrive)?

**Scenes from last Saturday's Winter Glow, sponsored by the public schools' Recreation Department and held at the high school community center.**



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## CRIME LOG

**By Charles Sercombe**  
This week's Crime Log covers Dec. 1-7.

**Tuesday, December 1**

- A resident reported being assaulted on Nov. 8 while in the 12000 block of Dequindre.
- A woman reported an attempted theft of her car while it was parked on Norwalk.
- An agent for a delivery service reported the theft of a shipment from a delivery truck while it was parked at Conant and Evaline.
- A resident in the 3200 block of Caniff reported damage to his porch.
- A Nagel resident re-

ported that while she was out for a walk someone broke into her residence and stole several items.

**Wednesday, December 2**

- No incident reported was available for this date.

**Thursday, December 3**

- Caniff Liberty Academy reported that a student has missed 24 days of school.
- At 3:30 a.m. officers assisted an ambulance crew with an elderly woman who needed med-

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### City manager has a right to put her vision together

Like it or not, every city administration gets to decide who is part of its team.

Recently, City Manager Katrina Powell has been making adjustments to her administration, and she has changed up the work for some contractors and shifted how services are delivered to residents.

That means three main contractors are either now working on a limited basis or have been let go. The three contractors in question have been with the city for a number of years and naturally over time have been considered part of the family in city hall.

Hamtramck is a small town and we easily forge alliances over the years. The changeup has upset a few folks.

That's natural too.

But in city government, things change. Increasingly, communities are looking for the best deal, and it's not unheard of to have new contractors vie for services every few years.

It is the duty of the city administration to provide the best bang for the taxpayers' buck.

Those who do their work by bidding for a contract know that their time may be limited. There is usually no long haul in

this type of business.

Has Powell made the right choices? Like we said, every administration deserves to be allowed to hire who they think suits the city best.

Powell is about one year into her two-and-a-half year contract. We're surprised she didn't start making changes earlier.

When her contract is up, Powell will also be subject to getting the boot. She has another year-and-a-half to prove her worth. While it may rub some folks the wrong way, she has every right to put her vision together.



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ery from the factory floor and from the rail yard.

When I was 11, maybe 12, my friends and I used to walk just beyond Mt. Elliott and Lynch to look for tadpoles, frogs and crawfish. There are pockets of a fresh water stream along the tracks, the likely remnants of the old Holbrook or Carpenter creeks, which flowed into Hamtramck (the cur-

Or, as I have done since I was a kid, you can stretch your Hamtramck walks into nearby Detroit neighborhoods.

In the past few weeks I have walked several times into what was once known as North Detroit, then NoHam and currently called Banglatown.

I just published a piece in Model D on the Bangla School of Music, which



For a different view of the city, take a walk over the bridge that links Mound and Mt. Elliot and Caniff.

there.

Last Friday, I walked to an art opening at Popp's (a show featuring work by artist Dylan Spaysky, who once organized an exhibition at the abandoned car wash at Norwalk and Buffalo streets), then crossed Carpenter for a series of performances at CMAP — the letters stand for Carrie Morris Art Production, which, along with Popp's Packing and Bangla School of Music, recently won 2015 Knight Arts grants.

There is a bunch of talent being assembled on each side of Carpenter. Both places were packed with people and, yes, vital energy.

Afterward, still feeling it, I zipped about 1.5 miles through side streets and alleys, around churches, mosques and Zen meditation halls, then down Jos. Campau to Evaline to Mitchell and finally to Bumbo's, where the party was to continue long into the night. I was walking but felt as if I were flying.

The next City Life column will be Jan. 8. Be safe, have some good walks and enjoy the holidays.

## Odds & Ends

**Call for artists ...** Once again Recycled Treasures is asking for local artists to lend a hand for its annual fundraiser.

The deal is this: Each artist is given a chair to create something special, and then all of the chairs are auctioned off at a dinner-celebration on Jan. 30.

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Recycled Treasures is located on the northend of Jos. Campau and offers super low prices on used goods and items – some-

thing for everyone.

**Cat's pajamas ...** HCAT recently held its annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser and is pleased to report a great turnout of about 150 guests.

HCAT has spayed and neutered hundreds of homeless cats during the past several years.

“Hamtramck is a very caring community,” said Heidi Zdral, who heads up HCAT—Hamtramck Cat Assistance Team. “I have found that sometimes those with the least have the biggest hearts.”

More than 70 donated

raffle prizes were available to ticket-buying dinner guests to the point that almost every person won one or more. Donations included \$30 oil change certificates from Botsford Collision to holiday items from the Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home to a purse from Day's Fashions. Gift certificates came in from Amicci's Pizza, Café 1923 (in a mug with coffee beans), Lo & Behold record store and Polish Village Cafe, and many more articles were donated by Moose Lodge members as well as all the locals and non-residents.

### Housing lawsuit rears up again and hits up taxpayers one more time

**By Charles Sercombe**

Call it the lawsuit that won't go away.

The longstanding housing discrimination lawsuit filed against Hamtramck five decades ago was once thought to be over and done with.

But despite various media reports in the last several years – including from The Review – that said the lawsuit was over, it somehow returns again and again.

This time it returns in the form of a court-ordered tax millage. Yes, that's right, Hamtramck property owners are being forced to make an extra payment with the winter tax bills.

The extra tax will amount to 3 mills, which will cost \$40 to \$50 for the average homeowner.

What's the money for?

The attorney for the plaintiffs of the housing lawsuit

says the city fell three houses short on building or creating 200 housing units, which was part of a settlement agreement.

The federal judge overseeing the case, Damon Keith, who is now retired, agreed and ordered the tax payment. This one-time tax will raise \$600,000 – presumably enough to build the last three houses.

There have been previous taxes for the lawsuit in the past, all ordered by Judge Keith, that have amounted to millions of dollars.

The federal government, under President Obama, has also injected millions of dollars to build housing for the plaintiffs, many of whom have been long deceased. Their surviving family members have been able to purchase the new housing with government incentives and tax breaks.

Although the newest tax was court-ordered, the matter went to the city council for approval. The council vote ended up in a tie voted.

Councilmembers Robert Zwolak, Mohammed Hassan and Abu Musa voted against it.

Zwolak opposed the tax, saying Judge Keith has “created a whole new class of victims” – meaning property owners.

Mayor Karen Majewski had to break the tie, voting in favor of the tax. She said those who voted against it “dodged a bullet.”

“We really have no choice,” Majewski said. “It's court-ordered, and to defy a court order is treading dangerous water.”

In other words, she said, the council could have been held in contempt of court.

rent streets were named for the creeks).

Old Conner Creek also flowed just east of there. All have long been buried in concrete, much of it converted into sewer lines. There is talk of “daylighting” some of these old waterways, bringing them back to the surface as part of possible redevelopment projects.

The one most likely to get done is Bloody Run Creek, buried just south of Hamtramck's city limits and meandering through Elmwood Cemetery before emptying into the Detroit River.

The best part about turning life in Hamtramck into daily (or nightly) adventures is that the city itself does not limit you at its borders. You can walk a tight 1-2 miles in any direction in a city that is only 2.01 square miles in area. You can do straight lines, back and forth, or you can do jagged circles around the neighborhoods of your choice.

uses a converted house on Moran at Lawley (now known as Play House) for classes, rehearsals and concerts.

This music story is actually more about the harmony that exists between the Bengali community and Detroit artists repurposing properties in what once was an old Polish- and Ukrainian-American neighborhood. It's a real place, where real people live and work, a social model of 21st century empathy and creativity.

I usually take friends from out of town on walks north as far as Davison, as far south as Denton. In the other direction we go to the neighborhood local artists are calling the Northwest Territories. The center of activity here, on the west end of Carpenter at St. Aubin, is Popp's Packing, a gallery and performance space with a residency program for visiting artists. A lot of the visitors come from Europe, many with young families, and there is a long waiting list to stay

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Obituaries

JOZWIK

James J. Jozwik, 59, died December 5, 2015. Mr. Jozwik was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Sylvia. Mr. Jozwik is survived by brother, Robert; nieces, Jessica, Jennifer; nephew, Jeremy; many great nieces and nephews; dear friend Richard Szczepanski. Visitation is Friday, December 11, from 3-9 p.m., at Jurkiewicz & Wilk

Funeral, 2396 Caniff, Hamtramck, MI 48212. Mr. Jozwik will lie in state Saturday, at 9:30 a.m., until time of the funeral Mass at 10 a.m., at St. Florian Church, Florian St. at Lathaem. Interment will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

School Bell

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- Thursday, December 17 – National Elementary Honor Society Induction Ceremony at 5 p.m.

The Dolphins of the Month for the month of November are: Abu Khan, Reem Alkadi, Ishak Mohamed, Eldin Muhamedovic, Hiba Musleh, Sadia Rahman, Mustakim Khalique, Tanzia Hossain, Nua Ruiz, Arifa Ahmed, Shinha Chanda, Laila Al-mardahi, Stella Hughes, Halima Islam, Tanver Rahman, Ismet Fazlic, Yasmin Mithu, Farisa Zarin, Nusrat Ahmed, Sabyasache Baidya, Amaal Mazab, Cory

Florence, Reem Alsomairi, Rejoana Evana, Mira Hughes, Melvin Taylor, Dina Ansari and Rabab Mohamed.

All Schools

- Thursday, December 17 – Progress Report #2 Distributed.
- Saturday, December 19- January 3 – No school for students. Winter Break.
- Monday, January 4 –

School Resumes.

- Athletic Events
  - Monday, December 14 – KMS Boys’ Basketball vs. Ecorse at 4:30 p.m. Away.
  - Wednesday, December 16 – KMS Boys’ Basketball vs. Taylor Trillium at 4:30 p.m. Home.

School Bell is compiled by Janice Gandelman.

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Saturday, December 12

Healing Mass (Anointing the Sick) .....5:30 pm

Thursday, December 24 • Christmas Eve Family Mass English .....4:00 pm

Midnight Mass (both Polish and English) .....12:00 midnight

Preceded by singing of Christmas carols (koledy) at 11:30 pm

Friday, December 25 • Christmas Day Mass (English) .....8:00 am

Christmas Day Mass (Polish) .....9:30 am

Thursday, Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Mass (English) .....5:30 pm

Friday, Jan. 1, 2016 - Solemnity of Mary (English) .....8:00 am

Solemnity of Mary (Polish) .....9:30 am

Coming events

SATURDAY, Dec. 12, 9-3 p.m. – Hamtramck’s Recycle Center is open at Caniff and McDougall. Drop of your recyclables for free.

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

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