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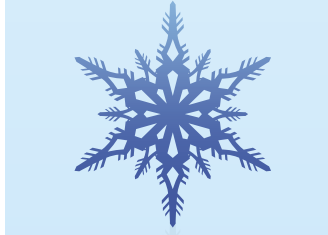
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You can read more about Hamtramck’s newest business Woodward Throwbacks on page B4.



— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Merry Christmas

A Christmas story: Helping those less fortunate

By Charles Sercombe

A family tradition is living on. For many years now, John Hypnarowicz and friends have rounded up turkeys and other food items to give to the family of his Special Ed kids.

Many of those families are low-income and deeply appreciate receiving a free turkey for the holidays.

John, who goes by the nickname “Hippo,” was a bus driver for the kids in the public school district, and he developed a deep bond with them. He has been retired for several years, but continues the tradition with the help of his wife, Mary.

Hippo has slowed down in recent years, and has passed on the job to his son, John Jr.

“I wanted to keep the tradition going, so I took over,” John Jr. said.

Members of the Warren Alhambra still help out as do school employees. Last week they loaded up 108 turkeys (that’s about 1,200 pounds worth) onto a school bus at the public schools’ bus garage.

They were then dropped off at the homes where the students live.

Schools Superintendent Tom Niczay was also on hand

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John “Hippo” Hypnarowicz helps load up a school bus with turkeys that are given to the families of Special Ed students in the Hamtramck Public Schools.



The true gifts of Christmas

By John Ulaj

Christmas is fast approaching!

Only 10 more days to go, and hopefully there will still be some of this plentiful snow on the ground to make the season bright.

It looks to be a delightful white Christmas, so put on your mittens and let the child in you come alive!

What is your Christmas wish? What exactly makes you happy during this holiday season?

Is it love – the inherent warmth of the season? Or the sense of adventure in traveling? Is it getting gifts, or giving them; watching a child's eyes light up – or those of a spouse or significant other, or a parent? Or someone who helps you throughout the year by bringing your mail, or your newspapers, or serving you coffee, or staffing your dentist's office?

Or does the season bring sadness, or a sense of loneliness or depression?

I want to share something special sent to me by a dear friend, Jackie Starr, which has helped to put things into perspective.

Do you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on

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| Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day | |
| Mass in Polish & English | 9:30 am |
| Sunday, December 31 - New Year's Eve | |
| 8:00 am, 9:30 am | |
| Monday, January 1 - New Years Day | |
| Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Mass (Polish & English)..... | 11:00 am |
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Holiday hours –The Hamtramck Public Library will be closed to the public from Saturday, December 23 through Monday, January 1, 2018. The Library will reopen Tuesday, January 2 at 11a.m. The staff would like to wish everyone a joyous holiday season.

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For more information about events at the library call (313) 733-6822, or visit its website at <http://hamtramck.lib.mi.us> where you can also access the online catalog. The library is located at 2360 Caniff.



School Bell



Members of the Kosciuszko Middle School's Lego team poses for a photo.

bringing great ideas from concept to reality.

This is a description of the award: The Rockwell Collins Innovate Award celebrates a Team that thinks outside the box, and has the ingenuity and inventiveness to make their designs come to life. This judged award is given to the Team that has the most innovative and creative Robot design solution to any specific components in the FIRST Tech Challenge game. Elements of this award include elegant design, robustness, and “out of the box” thinking related to design.

This award may address the design of the whole Robot, or of a sub-assembly attached to the Robot. The creative component must work consistently, but a Robot does not have to work all the time during Matches to be considered for this award.

The Team's Engineering Notebook must include journal entries to show the design of the component or components and the Team's Robot to be eligible for this award. Entries must describe how the Team arrived at their solution.

Kosciuszko's team won the Control Award, Mastering Robot intelligence. This is a description of the award: The Control Award celebrates a Team that uses sensors and software to increase the Robot's functionality on the field.

This award is given to the team that demonstrates innovative thinking in the control system to solve game challenges such as autonomous operation, improving mechanical systems with intelligent control, or using sensors to achieve better results on the field.

coached by Mr. Mike Dobbryn.

Mr. Dobbryn and Mrs. Conwell would like to thank Mr. John Stofflett for coaching, mentoring and sponsoring both teams. Congratulations to the Holbrook and Kosciuszko students and coaches. Good luck to the Holbrook Hawk team this weekend in the state finals. Go Hawks!

Hamtramck High School News

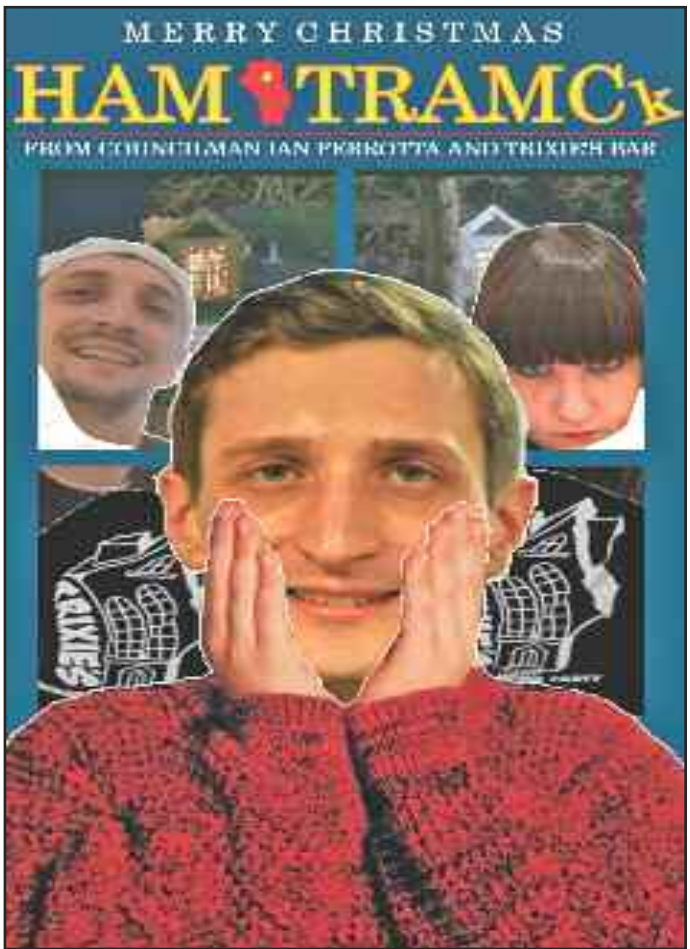
Kameron Bell was recognized this past week by the Detroit News All-State Football team, division 3-4 with an honorable mention for his outstanding contribution as an end for the Hamtramck High School football team.

Kameron, a receiver/corner back smashed through the statistics back in October with 39 receptions, 684 yards and 12 touchdowns at that time. Voting online for outstanding achievement in his position closed this past month with Kameron representing Hamtramck. We are all proud of him.

Early Childhood Elementary School News

Congratulations to Mrs. Farhana Akther, paraprofessional at the Early Childhood Elementary School, who received from the Council for Professional

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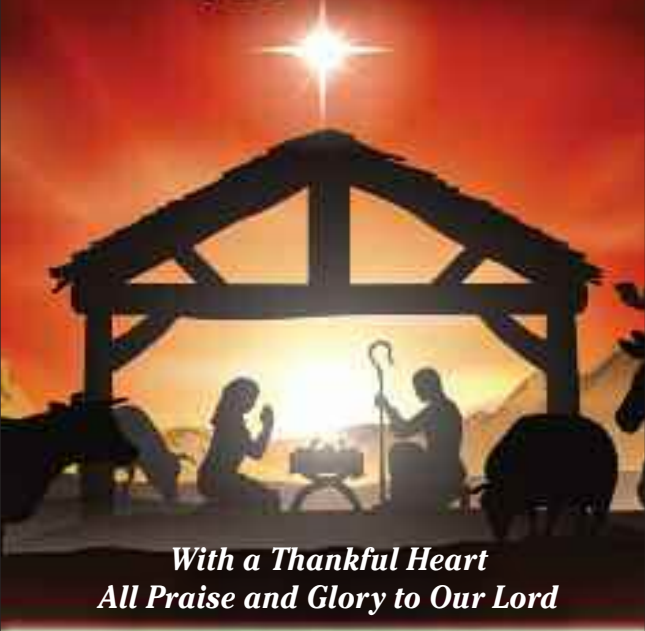
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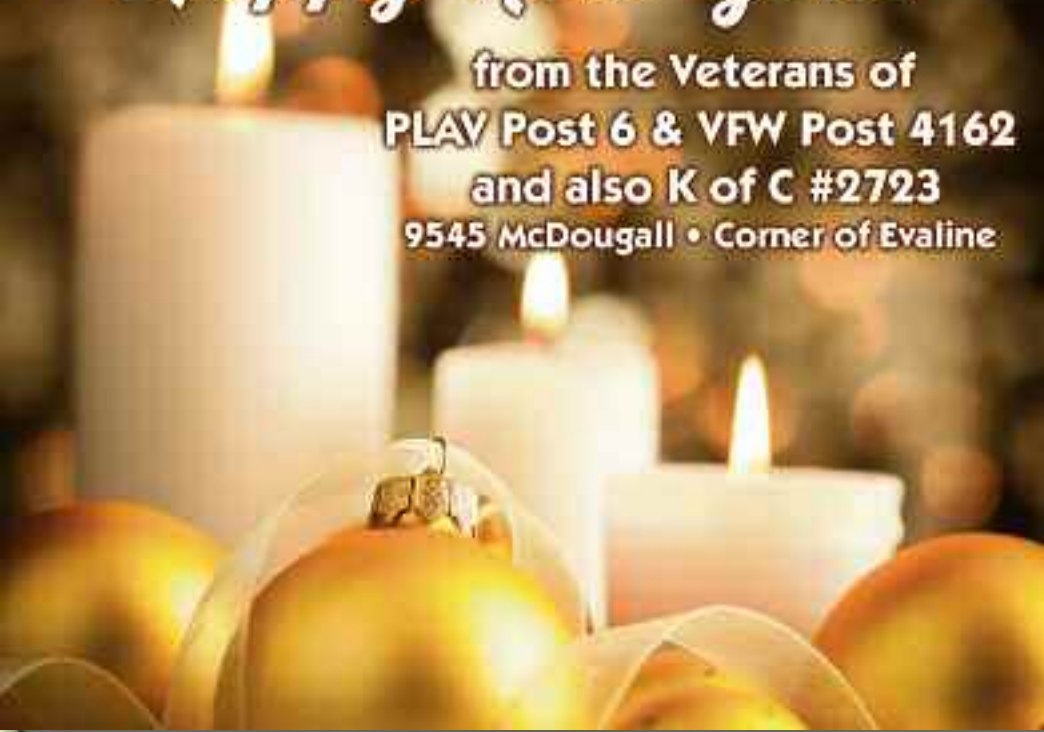
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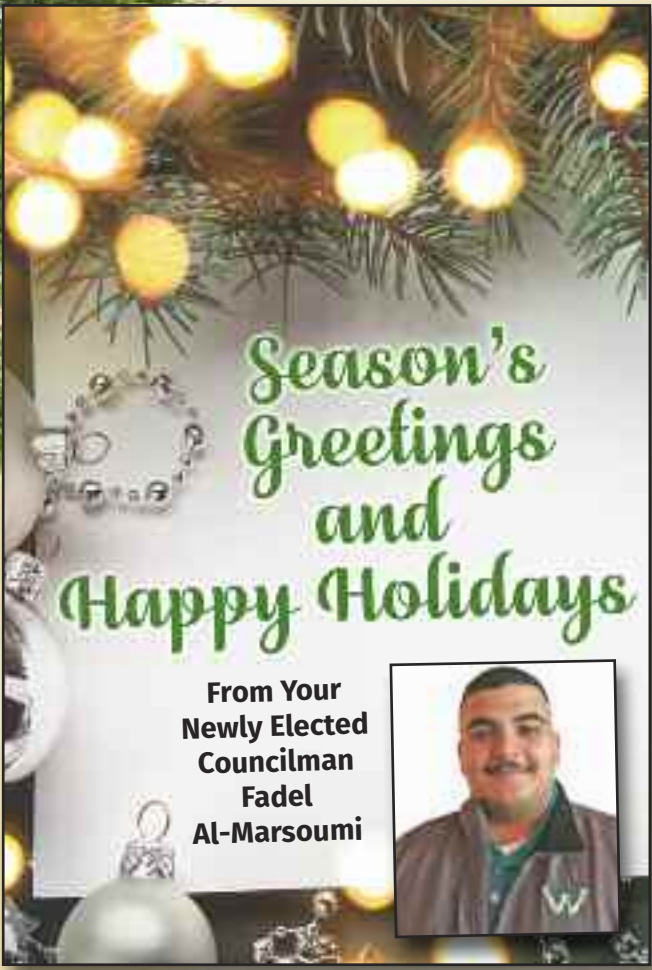
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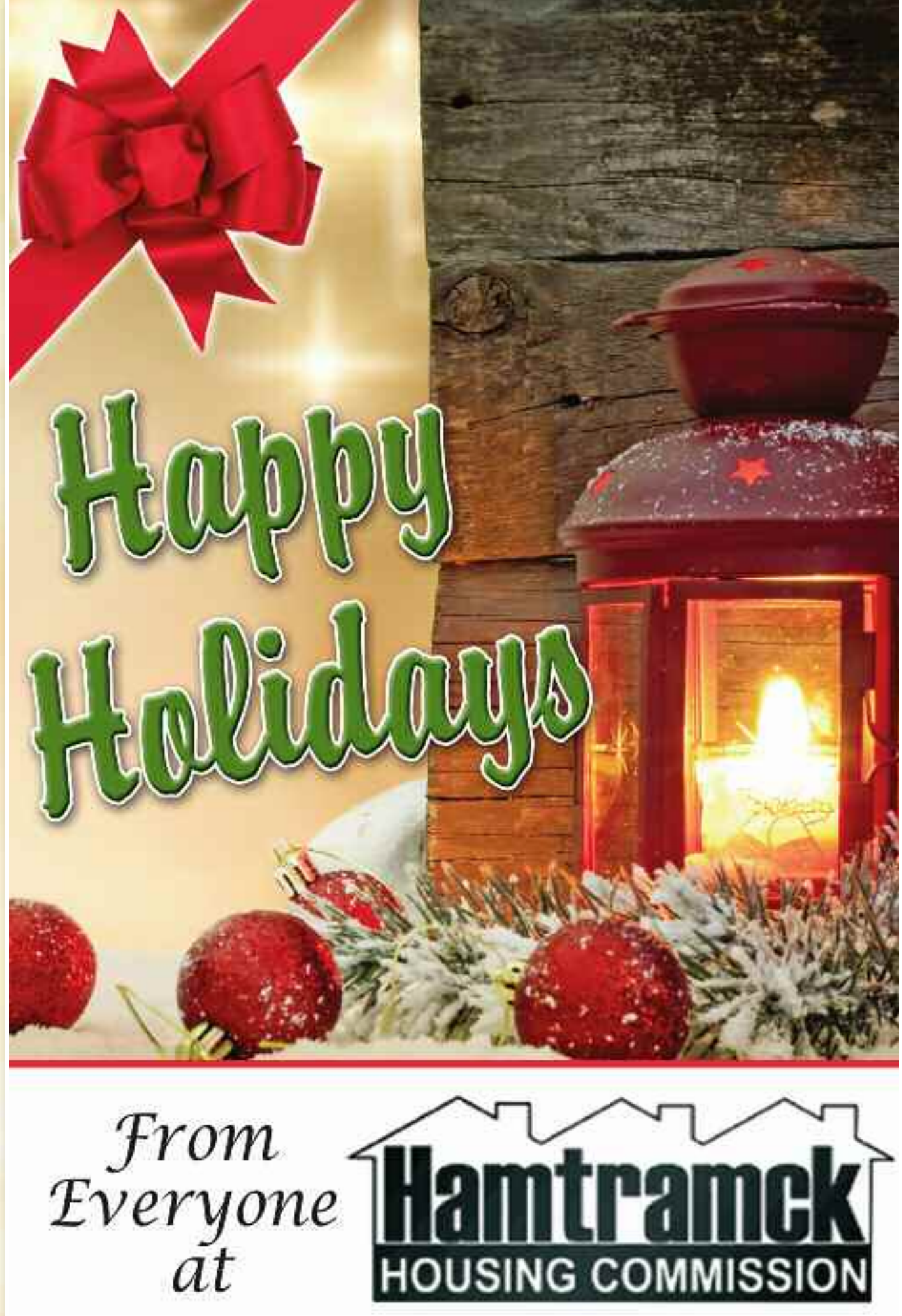



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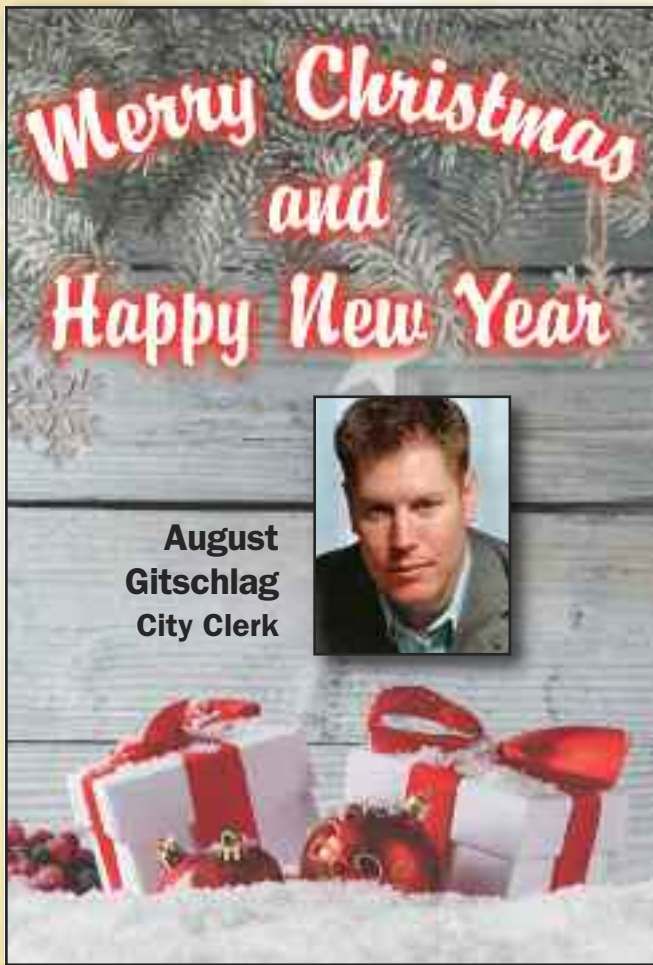
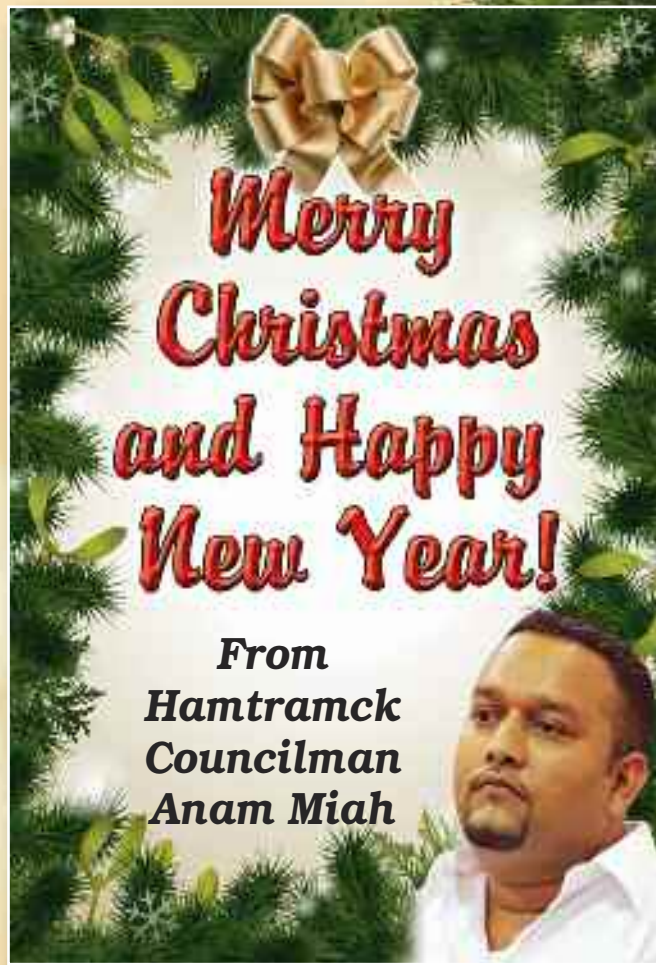
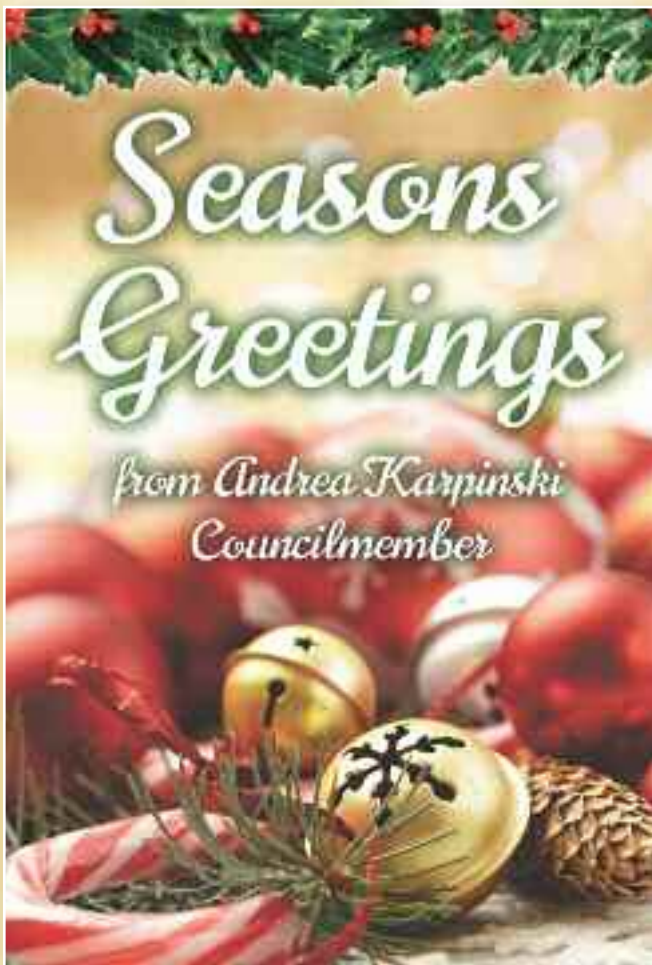
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9:00 a.m. - Holy Mass

Tuesday, Dec. 26th:

Feast of St. Stephen, Proto Martyr

10:00 a.m. Holy Mass (Msza Św. w języku polskim)

Wednesday, Dec. 27th:

Feast of Saint John the Apostle

10:00 a.m. - Holy Mass (Blessing of Wine)

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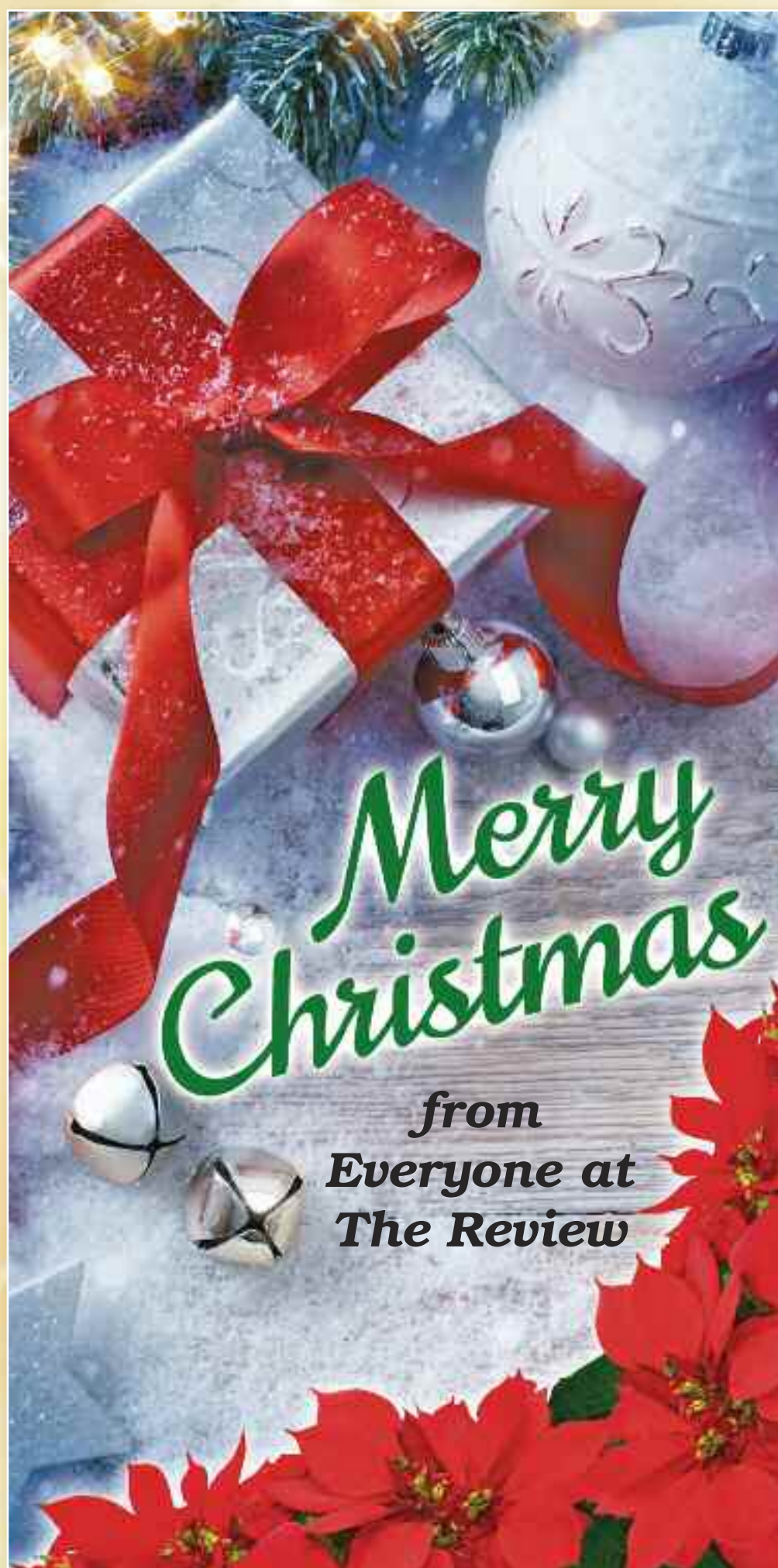
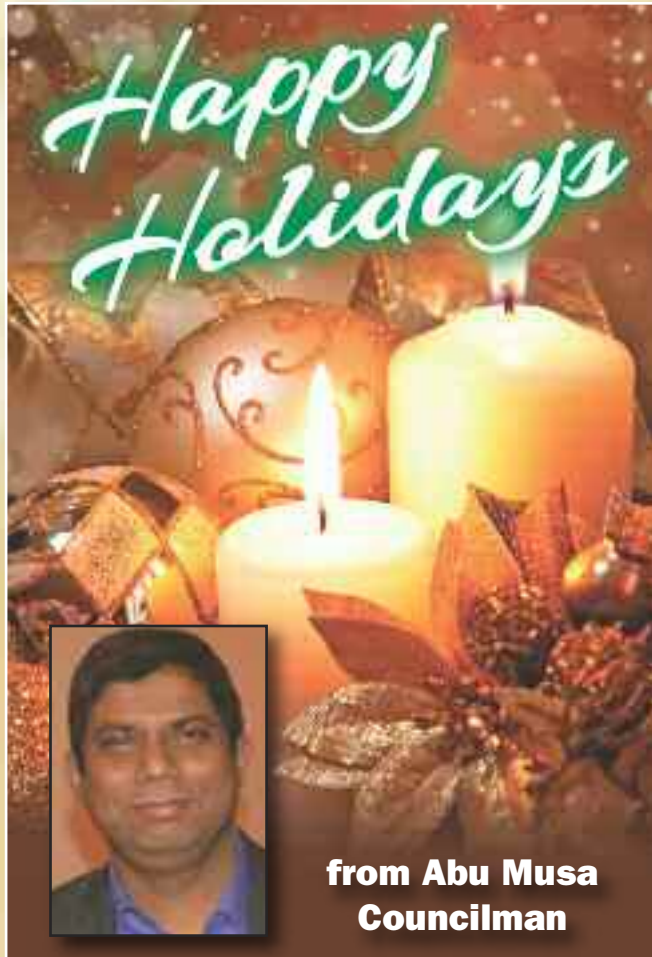
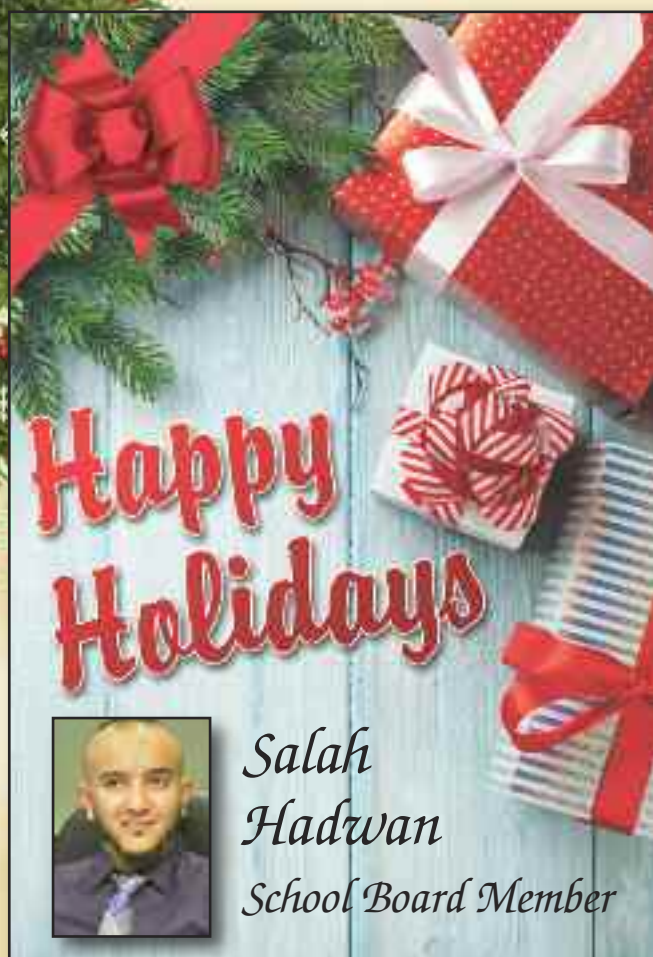
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Merry Christmas



Scenes from The Hamtramck Review 2017 Christmas Party



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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

A time for all of us to reflect and rejoice

This week's issue is our annual Christmas edition.

The holiday season has always been special here in Hamtramck. Whether you are religious or not, it's a time of reflection for all of us.

While we have many different cultures and religious beliefs in our city, we all share the season's spirit of good will.

The next few weeks also gives our staff some down time to recharge their batteries, so to speak, and gear up for what will likely be another exciting year in Hamtramck.

The city's continued path to financial solvency will be the top chore of elected officials. We will also see the hiring of a new city manager, and we look forward to that search coming to close.

After this week's issue, we will be presenting our year in review in two parts over the next two weeks.

In the meantime, we wish peace and health to all of our readers and advertisers, and know that we humbly appreciate your support.

A Christmas story: Helping those less fortunate

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loading up the turkeys. Once again the Srodek family, the owners of Srodek's Campau Quality Sausage here in Hamtramck, pitched in and helped get a deep discount on the turkeys.

Each family received a good-sized turkey, weighing 10 to 12 pounds.

From father to son, it looks like another generation of needy kids will be looked after.



It's a team effort to distribute 108 turkeys to the families of Special Ed students in the Hamtramck Public School District.

School Bell

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It was a busy week of Science when first grade and second grade students went to School Livonia to participate in Science Day. Students experimented by using clues and deducting ways to open locked boxes to find more clues to "Save the World."

That same week, Jupiter Jaye from High Touch High Tech Science program came to ECE and taught about the workings of magnets in our world. The students experimented at different centers as they tested and observed what magnets could do. Everyone had fun learning.

Wednesday, December 20th – Winter concert at 9:30 a.m. in the gymnasium. All parents and supporters are encouraged to attend.

Dickinson West Elementary School News

- Tuesday, December 19 – Winter concert at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. All parents and supporters are encouraged to attend.

All Schools

- Wednesday, December 20 – Progress Report #2 distributed.
- Saturday, December 23- January 7 – No school for students and staff. Winter Break.
- Monday, January 8 – School resumes for all students.

Recreation Department News

- Winter Break Schedule: The Community Center will be closed December 25-26 and January 1-2. Special Hours: December 27-December 29 and January 3-January 5 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Girls Volleyball: Start date TBA. Time: 4 p.m. Grades 4th – 8th Uniform provided, \$15 resident. \$25 non-resident.
- Junior League Basketball: Co-Ed. Ages 8-13. Locations KMS/DW, D. East, Holbrook. Starts Saturday January 20th at Community Center at 1 p.m. \$15 resident. \$25 non-resident.
- Soccer Clinic: Co-Ed ages 7-13. Practice held at the Community Center. Starts Saturday, January 20, \$15 resident. \$25 non-resident.
- Open Basketball: For students ages 11-18. High school students need stu-

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Friday 12 to 6pm
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Furniture company repurposes material and former auto dealership

By Alan Madeleine

To some in the Detroit area, Hamtramck itself may seem like a throw-back.

People often think of the city in terms of the past. Perhaps they grew up in, or around, Hamtramck. Maybe they used to come here for the many bars, clubs or restaurants that have long been such a part of the city's fabric.

Judging by their name, Woodward Throwbacks clearly isn't shy about letting people in on their love of civic nostalgia. Now occupying the former Garrity Dodge Dealership, last known as Al Deeby Dodge, the 24,000-square-foot two-story building is open to the public as a source of salvaged, repurposed lumber, hardware and unique functional furniture pieces, barware, wall art and more.

You have a great chance to get to know the creative team of Kyle Dubay and Bo Shepherd at their first-ever Hamtramck Open Market



Bo Sheperd, co-owner of Woodward Throwbacks, shows off some of the products her company creates out of reclaimed wood.

Night this Saturday (Dec. 16) from 6-11 p.m.

They'll have a couple breweries serving up suds, a couple of food trucks slopping out chow, and a DJ. There will also be roughly 45 artists, as well as some vintage clothiers, set up to peddle their wares. Just in time for late-term Christmas shopping.

The old Garrity-Deeby building, which had sat empty for the previous half-dozen years, features a high-ceilinged street level floor and a standard height

second floor, a design befitting its former use. The roof is also accessible, and there has been talk of installing AstroTurf, if it hasn't happened already.

In all, visitors can look forward to ample space for the gathering, and a wide selection of potential gifts, from large to stocking-filler size.

Woodward Throwbacks is also proactively offering both workshops and internships for people interested in learning creative woodworking. Their web-

site, woodwardthrowbacks.com, has a link on its page to a couple of upcoming Wednesday evening classes.

On Jan. 24, come in and build yourself a record crate to take home. Or, choose to build your pet a food-and-water bowl combo on Feb. 7.

The classes are inexpensive and informal. The reasonable fee includes materials, the use of tools, and instruction. Refreshments and snacks are provided, and you can bring your own beverages too. Wink, wink.

For many, it will be a pleasure to see a company that makes products from repurposed materials, in a repurposed building, in a city that seems to be repurposing itself daily, growing and evolving.

Check them out, if you haven't already. Woodward Throwbacks is located at 11500 Jos. Campau, at the southeast corner of Casmere.



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CRIME LOG

By Charles Sercombe
This week's Crime Log covers Dec. 5-12.

Tuesday, December 5

- A resident reported an item being stolen from their car in the 11900 block of Conant.
- A resident reported the theft of their 1998 Ford Taurus while it was parked in the 12000 block of Dequindre.
- A highly intoxicated homeless man was found in the 12100 block of Conant and taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital.

Wednesday, December 6

- A resident reported a theft of jewelry.
- At 3:30 a.m. a Klinger resident was arrested for domestic violence.
- A resident in the 3100 block of Belmont reported their construction contractor was acting irrational. The contractor was found with narcotic paraphernalia and possessing heroin. He was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital for treatment of a possible overdose.
- An Ypsilanti resident reported a person he knows smashed out his windshield while his car was parked in the 9100 block of Jos. Campau.
- A Detroit resident was arrested after a crash for driving without a license and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

Thursday, December 7

- A Yemans resident reported being assaulted in an incident of domestic violence.
- At almost 2 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for possession of narcotics while in the area of Carpenter and Mitchell.
- A Goodson resident reported an incident of identity theft.

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





School Bell

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dent ID for entry. December 27-29 and January 3-5 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Free.

Athletic Events

- Saturday, December 16 – HHS Varsity Boys' Basketball vs. Ecorse H.S. Tourney at 3:45 p.m. Away.
- Monday, December 18 – KMS Boys' Basketball vs.

Community at 4:30 p.m. Away.

- Tuesday, December 19, – JV Boys' Basketball vs. Bradford Academy at 5:30 p.m. Home.
- Tuesday, December 19, – HHS Varsity Boys' Basketball vs. Bradford Academy at 7 p.m. Home.
- Wednesday, December 20 – KMS Boys' Basketball

vs. Voyageur at 4:30 p.m. Home.

- Friday, December 22 – JV Boys' Basketball vs. Lakeland at 5:30 p.m. Away.
- Friday, December 22 – HHS Varsity Boys' Basketball vs. Lakeland at 7 p.m. Away.

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