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Quick Hits

On Monday (Jan. 18), the schools, banks, government offices and post office will be closed in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

But at the Hamtramck High School Community Center a special presentation will be held in honor of the slain civil rights leader.

Concerned The Women of Hamtramck will host The 19th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast. It will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Community located Center, 11530 Charest.

The theme of the "Hambreakfast is tramck's Got Talent." Student performances will be centered on Dr. King's speech, "A Look To The Future." Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children.

There is no admission fee for students performing in the program.

If you are not able to attend, but would like to make a donation please make checks payable to The Concerned Women of Hamtramck c/o of Madelyn Porter 11411 Lumpkin, Hamtramck, MI 48212, or donations may be dropped off at Kosciuszko Middle School.



School board declares Boardmember Huda's seat is vacant

By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck School Boardmember Mohammad Huda's residency status finally caught up with him.

At Wednesday's board meeting, Huda's seat was declared vacant and the board will now seek a replacement.

Last year the board authorized an investigation into Huda's residency after a Review investigation revealed he was claiming a 100-percent Homestead tax exemption for a Warren house. That exemption means Huda lives in that house.

Huda had claimed to live in a house on Fleming, but in repeated visits to that house there was never anvone home.

The school district's investigation, conducted by private investigator David Adamczyk, confirmed The

Review's findings uncovered more evidence that Huda did not live in the

The findings were sent to the Governor's Office. The district had asked the governor to remove Huda.

A representative from the governor's office sent the district a letter saying removing Huda was not necessary.

"On the advice of the Attorney General, we will not pursue removal action because, if all the allegations you provided are true, then Mr. Huda does not reside in the district and thus has voluntarily vacated his seat effective immediately," said Travis Weber, a Deputy Legal Counsel.

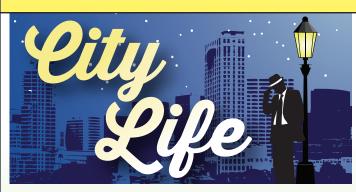
"If the office is vacant, then removal proceedings are neither proper or

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Above: Mohammad Huda's seat on the Hamtramck School Board was declared vacant following an investigation that offered evidence that he does not actually live in the city. Below: At the time he ran for school board and took office, Huda declared a 100-percent Homestead exemption for this house in Warren. That tax break is for homeowners who live in the house that receives that exemption.





Winter walking – past, present, future

By Walter Wasacz

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

If you have the proper clothing, especially the right footwear, winter might be the best time for walking in Hamtramck.

If it's dry, the sidewalks and alleys offer smooth sailing for long, fast travels. When it snows, the landscape becomes im-

measurably more pretty as your pace slows, allowing you to see things you may have missed at an slightly even higher speed.

Like witnessing the of streetlights glare through bare, leafless trees at dusk. There is a spectral, dreamlike quality to this time, when day becomes night, regardless of the season.

evening approaches: you can almost feel the sun straining to pour more light onto the milky sky above. It's a simple beauty, best experienced in a mobile state, hustling close to the ground, one foot in front of the other.

I spent a good part of my holidays walking around the city, for fun and exercise. My favorite winter exercise walks go something like this: I head north to Carpenter using various routes, but usually begin by going through Zussman Park using the diagonal sidewalk from Evaline to Yemans. After I pass city hall I either take the northbound alley (one

But in January the days of my favorite cut-throughs begin to stretch as when I was a kid) or go straight to Conant.

I love Conant, always have from an early age. Hamtramck's secondary main street has undergone a remarkable transformation over the past 50 years, which roughly corresponds to my conscious life.

I remember walking this way with my mother as early as 1963, to the PNA Hall at Belmont or to mass at Our Lady Queen of Apostles. The intersection of Conant and Caniff had commercial buildings on all four corners. There were apartments upstairs at the building on the southeast corner, where

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City tackles first snow clearing on its own

Bv Charles Sercombe

The city was able to test out its new snowplowing strategy this week.

And according to Mark Ragsdale, the Director of Public Works, the plan not only worked, it saved the city a ton of money.

The cost for plowing and salting every street, he said, was \$3,000. Had the city relied on its contractor, he said, the cost would have been about \$45,000.

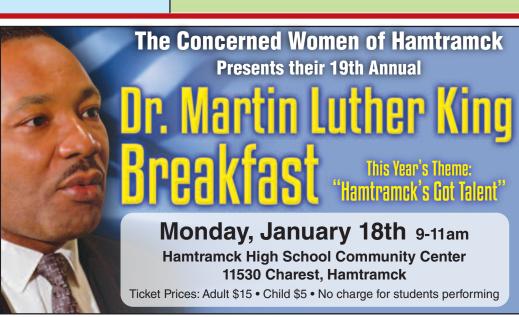
Recently, the city purchased four trucks and outfitted them with snowplowing equipment. The cost was covered by a state grant. The work is being done by city employees.

Prior to this year Platinum Landscaping was the city's contractor for snow plowing. In the winter of 2013-14 the city paid the company over \$800,000 for snow plowing and salting. Platinum is contracted to only plow the city's main streets and emergency routes, which amounted about a dozen streets.

The company is still technically a contractor for the city. City Manager Katrina Powell said it will be used in cases where there is heavy snowfall and a backup is needed.

Speaking about doing the work with city equipment and employees, Powell said: "We're trying really hard to do it in the most economic way."

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School board declares Boardmember Huda's seat is vacant continued from front page

necessary. Instead, if a Americans on the board. vacancy exists then 'the remaining school board members shall fill each vacant office by appointment' pursuant to Michigan Election Law, MCL 168.311(1)."

Voting in favor of removing Huda were Boardmembers Maggie Srodek, Dennis Lukas, Evan Majors, Jackie Starr and Hedy Shulgon.

Voting against that action was Ataur Kahn. Huda was not present at the meeting. Khan did not comment on his objection. Khan and Huda were the only Bengali-

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Huda was elected to the board in 2014.

At press time it was not known if the board has anyone in mind to take Huda's seat.

The evidence on Huda's residence was presented to the board last summer.

Adamczyk, a former Hamtramck police officer who runs a private investigation company called Michigan Investigators Group, laid out the following pieces of evidence:

 Huda had changed his address from Hamtramck to Warren and back again several times

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- · On his 2014 candidate application to run for school board he claimed to live on Fleming while at the same time claiming a 100-percent Homestead tax exemption at a house on Omar in Warren.
- · On that same application, called an affidavit. he said he had been a resident of Wayne County for nine years, which contradicted his previous moves to Warren, which is in Macomb County.
- Huda established three organizations that bore his Warren address as their headquarters.

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 While claiming to live at 11813 Fleming, the city's Water Department sent a letter to that address saying there was a problem with the water meter and they needed to look at it. Huda did not respond to that letter, and subsequently the city shut off water service.

- · Huda is married and has children. Adamczyk said there is no court record of a divorce or separation.
- · The school district also sent a package of material to Huda at the Fleming house but the district received notice that it was not picked up. The package sat on the porch of the house for 16 days.
- · Neighbors at the Fleming address said they knew of Huda because he picked up mail there, but they said he did not live there.
- · Adamczyk also spoke with neighbors who live near the Warren house who said Huda lived there with his wife and kids for the past 18 months.
- · Adamczyk went to the Warren house where he encountered Ruhul Mumen, who identified himself as Huda's brother and his attorney.
- · Mumen said Huda was not there, but during that conversation Huda drove by but did not stop.
- · Mumen asked to meet Adamczyk along with Huda, but Adamczyk said that despite three attempts to schedule a meeting he never received a call back from Mumen.
- · During that visit in Warren Mumen called Warren police and admitted Huda lives in Warren.

City tackles first snow clearing on its own

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appointed emergency manager, most of the work previously performed by the Public Works Department was contracted out. It now appears Powell is reversing that decision and bringing more work back

into the department.

Although city officials praised the job done by the Public Works Department, there were some residents saying Facebook that their streets were never cleared.





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

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ESL Class - Wednesday, January 20, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

Night Movie Wednesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m. "Straight Outta Compton"

Friends of the Library Meeting -Thursday, January 21, 6 p.m. FHPL President Kathy Kristy and Treasurer George Gorday invite all members and volunteers to participate in the regular monthly meeting.

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Tax program - Mondays, January 25-April 11, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Wayne Metro's Free Tax Program offers accessible services throughout Wayne County, with different times and locations. While appointments are encouraged, walk-ins are also accepted. To make an appointment please call: 313-388-9799.

Michigan Activity Pass - The pass will enable Library card holders to obtain a one-time free entry into any Michigan State park or recreation area, and free entry into over 100 participating cultural institutions. Ask at the circulation desk for more details.

For more information about events at the library call (313) 365-7050, or visit our website at http://hamtramck.lib.mi.us where you can also access our online catalog.

Second Front Page

Councilmember responds to city manager's explanation

Last week we published an open letter to the public from City Councilmember Anam Miah regarding the process in which the city manager took to hire a new police chief.

We also ran a response to Miah's letter from City Manager Katrina Powell. This week, we have a response from Miah to Powell.

Dear City Manager Pow-

I have read and now reread your latest email and the orders from the former emergency manager that I believe you referenced in your email responding to mine.

I must say that I am terribly concerned about your ability to respond truthfully to my legitimate concerns. While I concede your point that the prior emergency manager entrusted you with the weighty task of appointing certain personnel, there is not one word in those orders or in Public Act 436 which says you should ignore best practices OR completely disreelected the representatives of the people you are supposed

Indeed, you have said nothing that would lead me to conclude that you did anything other than appoint the new chief without any consideration of other candidates. That does not speak well of your managerial abilities. The fact that you ignored this criticism altogether in your petulant display of raw power speaks even less well of your character.

Perhaps most importantly it does a disservice to the new chief who deserved the vote of confidence that would have come from a fair, open, and transparent search process that could have included input from community stakeholders (starting with the elected representatives of the people).

Other communities under state supervision have survived such open processes and placed good candidates as a result – candidates that the community embraced and empowered because they had a voice in the process.

I am going to give Chief Moise my support notwithstanding your deaf, dumb,

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and blind approach to community engagement. I will encourage other residents to do the same.

I am not going to penalize her because you blew an important opportunity to tell the people of our city that their votes and their voices matter. won't mire the police department in controversy because you chose to select its leader in secret according to criteria you haven't bothered to share with its members or the people that they protect.

All we can do now is hope that our community's tremendous ability to rally will sooth the hard feelings that many of us have regarding your secretive approach to selecting our top community police officer.

Yes, we all understand. you are the lord and master of our community. For now. But I am a patient man. And, I know that there will come a day in the not-too-distant future that your powers as the governor's viceroy will be removed.

Understand that in the interim and beyond you will get the cooperation that you give. The funny

thing about the Internet age and the nature of public administration is that my words will have a tendency to follow you to the next job interview where the next city council will see your history of disrespect and disregard of best practices and simple common courtesy.

This new Hamtramck City Council has done absolutely nothing - hasn't even had an opportunity to demonstrate that it lacks the ability to engage in the dialogue and leadership necessary to carry out its charter-mandated function to vote on your selection of a police chief.

You've decided to take an adversarial and disrespectful position out of the gate and lie to me with a claim that the emergency manager's final orders required you to circumvent the Charter and required you to hire a chief without so much as even a perfunctory search process.

You insult, not just my intelligence, but the intelligence of every person that votes in this community. We both know, your crafty and deceitful response

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School Bell

All students in Hamtramck Public Schools received a new pair of mittens from Mittens for Detroit.

The mittens came just in time for the cold and snowy January weather. Mittens for Detroit is a charity that was founded by "Detroit 187" actress Erin Cummings in 2010.

The sole purpose of Mittens for Detroit is to collect, purchase, and distribute new, unused mittens and gloves to Detroit charities, agencies, schools, and programs that help children and adults in need.

In the first five years, Mittens for Detroit has collected and distributed over 103,000 new pairs of gloves and mittens to the metro Detroit area. The students would like to thank Mittens for Detroit for their generous donation.

Kosciuszko Middle School News

The KMS December Academic Support Door Decorating Contest results are in.

The door decorating/ class quilt contest is an opportunity for students to express themselves. The theme for the month of December was "2016 New Year's Resolution" with a bonus challenge of a winter theme.

Mrs. Carol Dobos' class won again. They had a perfect score of 24 out of 24. Each student wrote their new year's resolution on a snowflake and decorated the door with their resolutions. All the students in the class won a goodie bag that consisted of a pencil, pencil sharpener and some snacks.



The class of Carol Dobos once again won the monthly door decorating contest at Kosciuszko Middle School.

For every \$100 spent in locally owned business, \$68 returns to the

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Above: Hundreds of students received a free pair of mittens courtesy of the Mittens for Detroit organization. Below: Students enrolled in an improvisational theater group showcased their talents recently at the Marlene Boll Theater.



Hamtramck High School News

Five Hamtramck High School students participated in the Improv Project's December 19 showcase at the Marlene Boll Theater within the Boll Family YMCA on Broadway Street in Detroit.

The showcase was a culmination of 10, two-hour after school improvisation sessions each Tuesday. The program is funded by The Detroit Creativity Project and administered by Y Arts Detroit.

It aims to enhance the development of skills in collaboration, listening, critical thinking, and communication as they relate to storytelling and public speaking.

Lauren Bickers was the teaching artist who facilitated the weekly sessions and emceed the showcase. The five HHS showcase participants were Brejon Hollis, Merys Balcinovic, Nolyn Bobic, Bianca Freeman and De'Asia Chambers.

Holbrook Elementary School News

- ESL classes will begin at Holbrook Elementary School. Please contact the school if interested at (313) 872-3203.
- Tuesday, January 19 Parents of Great Students (PO.G.S.) meeting will be held at 10 a.m.

All Schools

- Monday, January 18 –
 No school for students due to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- The Concerned Women of Hamtramck will host The 19th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast. It will be held from 9-11 a.m. at Hamtramck High School Community Center located at 11530 Charest.

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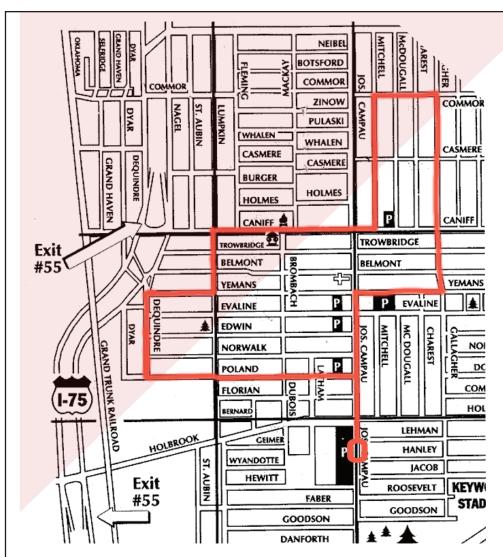
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- Thursday, January 28
 Half day for Hamtramck
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 Middle School and Horizon High School- Semester Exams.
- Friday, January 29 Half day all for all schools. Hamtramck High School, Kosciuszko Middle School and Horizon High School-Semester Exams. Half day Elementary Schools.
- Thursday, February 4
 Half day for all schools.
 Parent-teacher conferences from 12:30-3 p.m.
 and 5-7 p.m. Report Card #2 distributed.

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In Our Opinion

Change in election law will hurt Hamtramck voters

It's not often we talk sibility of spoiled balabout issues outside of Hamtramck.

But recently Gov. Rick clamoring Snyder, a Republican, signed into law two very bad pieces of election law that will negatively affect Hamtramck vot-

Both laws were driven by Republican legislators in an ugly display of partisan politics.

The first to be signed into law does away with allowing voters to vote a "straight ticket" - a method of voting that allows in certain races to fill in one circle on the ballot that allows either voters to vote straight Republican or Democrat.

It is a major timesaver for many voters and also helps avoid spoiled ballots.

Now, voters have to carefully read the ballot and vote for individual candidates. City clerks statewide are complaining that this needless change will lead to longer waits at the polls and the increased poslots.

No one had been for this change other than Republicans.

Why?

Republicans insist it forces voters to consider the merits of individual candidates.

The real reason is that according to studies reported by local media outlets those most likely to vote the straight ticket format are Democratic voters.

The next piece of legislation Snyder signed into law prohibits government and school agents from informing voters on ballot proposals two months leading up to election day.

That means if you want to know the meaning of a ballot proposal and ask the city clerk within that prohibited time period the clerk cannot answer your questions.

It also means school officials cannot hold informational meetings about their ballot proposals during this 60day period.

We're guessing Republicans want voters to remain ignorant of ballot proposals many of which are usually about special taxes to help fund projects and vote against them.

For a party that professes to favor government backing off on our lives these two pieces of legislation are awfully intrusive.

As for barring government officials from talkabout ballot proposals, that's just plain unconstitutional to muzzle their right to free

Our guess is that it will be struck down by the courts, but what a waste of time and money.

There seems to be a fight going on nationwide for the soul of our country. Taking away our rights is not the direction we think is the right path for our country's fu-

DDA is offering grants for businesses to purchase new signs

owners who are thinking about getting a new sign this year have a helping hand waiting.

The city's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is once again offering financial assistance to businesses seeking to update their business sign.

The DDA has a pool of \$5,000 to dip into. Some 10 lucky business owners will be able to receive \$500 in support.

The grant will target eligible applicants who are commercial property owners, as well as business owners (with the property owner's written permission) whose businesses are located in the DDA district. Applications are available at the Department of Community and Economic Development office in City Hall or by

Jos. Campau business calling Kathy Angerer, (313) 876-7700, extension 326.

The DDA district is located on Jos. Campau between Hamtramck Dr. and Carpenter.

"This grant program is one more way that the DDA is using the revenue collected from businesses in the district for the good of the city," said Hamtramck's Director of Community & Economic Development Kathy Angerer in a press release.

Angerer also said that at the DDA's recent meeting a "year in review" presentaion was held.

During 2015 the DDA accomplished the follow-

- The painting of Jos. Campau curbs
- Replanting planter boxes and providing water cans for merchants to

take care of the planters

- · Repainting of fire hydrants and parking me-
 - Banner installations
- Installing holiday lighting on Jos. Campau
- Sponsoring a number of events, including Paczki Day and the Paczki 5K run Offering tours of commercial real estate
- Veterans Park and Pope Park renovations
- Promote Hamtramck Labor Day Festival
- Becoming a member of the Detroit Convention

& Visitor Bureau The DDA Board is led by Chairman Vince Szymborski, and meetings are held at Hamtramck City Hall, on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Any member of the public or business community is welcome to attend.

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the BP station is now. Some friends of my parents lived there and I recall visiting them once back then.

Where Small's is now abandonment closed and in disrepair until the late 1990s. The buildings on the northeast and northwest corners are but vague, ghostly memories for me. They have long been demolished.

Oddly, I have occasionally dreamed of this corner as it was when I was boy. It made a big impression on me. Perhaps there is someone reading this column who recalls what those buildings were and

what they looked like? My walk up Conant is like a journey through time. Much of it looks exactly the same as it did in the 1960s. Physical Conant today, the built envi-

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ronment, resembles physical Conant then. But culturally and economically, it is far different. After years of disinvestment and was another bar, later 1970s and the 1980s were decades of commercial decline - the avenue now is a colorful, vibrant business strip, dotted with largely Bangladeshi-owned shops.

It is a food district, among other things, that draws people to it from the immediate neighborhood on foot and from greater distances by car. As I walk, up to Carpenter and turn the corner (either into Detroit, where the street leads east to Buffalo, or left as far as the Col. Hamtramck Homes beyond I-75), I have premonitions of more activity to come along this route. There is momentum here,

the start of even better things to come.

What will it look like in five years? Or 10?

This past Tuesday, during a daylong winter advisory, I spent the morning at Cafe 1923, where I was interviewed by a German TV crew. They were here to report on the Detroit Auto Show downtown but also interested in how Hamtramck manages to maintain its cool despite the city's constantly changing ethnic and cultural demo-

graphics. The interviewer was smart. She had done her homework and understood that the city was long a landing spot for settlers, refugees and immi-France, grants: from Germany, Poland, American south, Ukraine, Yugoslavia, Yemen and

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Bangladesh.

It's long been a welcoming place, I offered, one of the first townships in Wayne County when it was organized in the late-1700s.

"But how is it that everyone appears to get along?" she asked me.

I told her, among other things, that people have an affordable opportunity to better themselves in Hamtramck, whether they are Muslim families or agnostic artists. People can achieve a humble form of prosperity and contentment here, enough to take care of themselves and those they love. The cost of living is low, the quality of life high.

I also admitted that there is something else at work in this town that is hard to put into words. Some of us have tried, over the years, to describe it. Yes, it is hardscrabble and hardworking, the people here historically no-

nonsense and direct, never a stranger to the changes that come with new neighbors, new community members, new politicians.

One of the major differences now is that our neighbors want to be here. You can feel that kind of momentum, too. This was not always the case. Most, if not all, of my peers growing up are

My mother's generation, nearly all gone. There is a future here for those that choose Hamtramck to create a business or to create art or music. Or simply to live and work in a real life place, as I do. The future is a place where you should want to be. Perhaps more than ever, Hamtramck is that place.

Walter Wasacz writes about experience and participation in Hamtramck, where he was born and still lives.

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notwithstanding, that you were never required to make your decision in secret and without any form of transparency.

This is America, after all. You were selecting a police chief, not the head of the KGB.

Future elected officials are well-advised to consider whether past will be prologue when they decide if you possess the maturity and leadership necessary to work cooperatively with them or whether, instead, you will as you just did blatantly ignore their legitimate role as representatives of the people.

Respectfully, Anam A Miah Councilmember

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Mr. Cataneo was a life-

Mr. Cataneo enjoyed traveling to many of his favorite pastimes. Some of his favorite pastimes were gambling with his long time girlfriend Delores Koday, who predeceased him by just over one year, bowling and golfing. He was also very fond of his dogs and would spend much time caring for them.

He is survived by his nieces Gail Janutol of St. Clair Shores and Patty Perry Grebe of Milwaukee, WI and nephew James Perry of Grosse Pointe Farms. He is the greatuncle of Tom Grenkowski, James and Carol Perry, P.J.

Private services were held.



Coming events

TUESDAY, Jan. 19, noon - Discussion with Fr. Ventline on Dr. Martin Luther King's "Concept of faith," at Three Star Restaurant, Jos. Campau and Commor, RSVP only, 313-530-2777.

SATURDAY, Feb. 13, 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.



REFLECTIONS BY FATHER LAWRENCE VENTLINE, D.MIN., ON THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND, HIS CONCEPT OF FAITH WITH THE DIS-SERTATION OF FATHER RANDY PHILLIPS. SUNDAY. JAN. 17, 3 pm, in Rose's Family Kitchen, 31301 Harper Ave., St. Clair Shores, MI., Meeting Room. RSVP at LawrenceMatthewVentline@gmail.com. All are welcome!







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Obituaries

CATANEO



long resident of Hamtramck. He was a World War II Navy Veteran. He worked as an Assessor for Wayne County Government until his retirement in 1977. He continued working as assessor for the city of Hamtramck after leaving his position with Wayne County. It was during this period that Mr. Cataneo purchased the Winner Square Lottery and Lunch Counter in Hamtramck.

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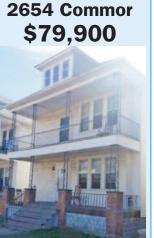
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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Jan. 5-11.

Tuesday, Jan. 5

- A robbery was reported at Caniff and Charest. The suspects were two men approximately 18 to 20 years old with one wearing a redhooded sweatshirt.
- A South Lyon resident was arrested for possessing an open intoxicant while driving.
- A break-in was reported in the 9300 block of Mc-Dougall.
- A resident in the 3900 block of Oliver reported someone attempted to steal his car.
- · Two men on Andrus were arrested for assaulting each other.
- · A Casmere resident was arrested for assaulting his neighbor with a fence

Wednesday, Jan. 6

- A Detroit resident was arrested in Wayne County Jail on a Hamtramck warrant.
- A Hamtramck resident was arrested in Oakland County Jail for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- A resident in the 9300 block of Mitchell reported the theft of a cordless drill from his car.
- A resident was arrested for driving without a license and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

Thursday, Jan. 7

· At a little after 11 p.m. a resident was robbed at gunpoint by a man in the 2300 block of Neibel. The suspect had a pump action shotgun and fled in a car.

- · A resident in the 12000 block of Selfridge reported damage to a window of his residence.
- · A man reported someone broke into his car while it was parked on Holbrook and stole several items.
- A resident also reported that while his car was parked on Holbrook someone broke into and stole items.

Friday, Jan. 8

- · An employee at a bar in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau reported a person known to her stole her iPhone.
- · A person was arrested for disorderly conduct following an investigation in the 2200 block of Danforth.
- · A Holmes resident reported someone smashed her car windshield. · A landlord reported
- being assaulted by his ten-
- · A resident on Grand Haven reported someone broke out a window of their residence.
- A woman reported being followed by a person in a black vehicle while in the Conant-Carpenter area. Officers drove the woman

Saturday, Jan. 9

- Michigan State Police reported recovering a car stolen out of Hamtramck and the arrest of three sus-
- · At almost 2 a.m. a resident was arrested for getting into a fight at a bar in the 11400 block of Jos.

- · At a little after 3 a.m. officers located the driver of a hit-and-run crash and arrested him.
- At a little after 3:30 a.m. a resident in the 9300 block of McDougall reported a man was standing on her porch when she came home. The suspect, described as having a tattoo of a cat on his neck, had been observed peeking into her windows earlier in the week.
- · A resident in the 2300 block of Holmes reported someone broke out their car windows.
- A person was arrested following a domestic dispute in the 9000 block of McDougall.

Sunday, Jan. 10

- · At 12:15 a.m. a suspect was seen trying to steal items from a car in the 11600 block of Fleming.
- · At 1 a.m. a resident was arrested for fleeing and eluding, possessing an open intoxicant and obstruction.
- · At 8:30 a.m. officers secured an open door at a school in the 2600 block of
- · At about 3 p.m. a resident reported being robbed of her purse by a man on a bike in the 3000 block of
- · A resident reported the theft of his 2000 Honda Civic while it was parked in the 9300 block of Conant.
- · At about 9 p.m. two Detroit residents were arrested for breaking into cars in the area of Sobieski and Casmere.

Monday, Jan. 11

 A person was arrested following a traffic stop for offering fraudulent proof of insurance. The car was impounded.

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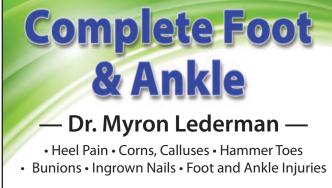
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