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Quick Hits

Here's a fun way to combine sports and supporting а good cause.

Detroit Friendship House, which is actually located in Hamtramck, is holding a fundraiser at the Fowling Warehouse on Friday, April 15, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will help keep this important food pantry open. Friendship House regularly feeds hundreds of needy folks in Hamtramck and Detroit.

Tickets are \$30 in advance and that gives you three hours of fowling, food and a T-shirt. There will also be a "mystery" Detroit Lions alumnus on hand if you'd like a photo and autograph.

So what's fowling?

This is a creation that only someone in Detroit could come up with. Simply put, it's a combination of bowling and football. In other words, you throw a football at a set of bowling pins.

While it sounds easy, believe us, it's way more challenging than you think.

Add in the fact that you can drink beer and mixed drinks and the challenge gets, let's say, more interesting. And a lot of fun.

For tickets or more information, call Cathy Maher at (734) 507-9825.

HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

As identity theft grows, learn how to protect yourself

Bv Charles Sercombe

As it turns out, even top law enforcers are vulnerable to identity theft.

That was the takeaway from Monday's Town Hall Meeting on that very subiect held at the Hamtramck Public Library.

Gathered together to talk about their experiences were Michigan Supreme Court Justice Richard Bernstein, US Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan Barbara McQuade and FBI agent David Gel-

State Rep. Rose Mary Robinson organized the event, which attracted about 60 residents.

Bernstein started off the evening with a cautionary tale about receiving persistent, and aggressive, calls from people pretending to be from the IRS and insisting he owed money and would be arrested if

he failed to follow up.

Bernstein was suspicious about the call, but had his tax preparer check up on his returns just to make sure.

The calls continued to the point where Bernstein said he became scared. When he was asked to provide his Social Security number, he knew it was a

But imagine, he said, if he had not been on guard? "I would have been intim-

idated to give it," he said, such is the persuasive force the scammers can have.

"If a Supreme Court Justice finds it scary, you should not feel bad if you do," he said.

Calls from those pretending to be from the IRS are on the rise. The callers demand payments and threaten arrest. They also ask for personal informa-



On Monday a town hall meeting was held at the public library where a discussion was held on identity theft. The event was organized by State Rep. Rose Mary Robinson.

tion.

For the record, the IRS never demands payments over the phone or asks for personal information.

Another common scam involves credit cards, which is no surprise. Many people have been victims of having their card number stolen and used to make purchases.

Criminals have devised a number of ways to get your credit card info without you knowing it. One common technique is to attach a card reading device to gasoline card swipes.

"We've seen an explosion in this in recent years," McQuade said.

There is some good **Continued on page 2**

Voter deadline approaches

By Charles Sercombe

If you are not a registered voter and want to participate in Hamtramck's May 3 special election, time is running

This Monday, April 4, is the deadline to register to vote if you have never done so. You must be at least 18 years old, a US citizen and resident of Hamtramck to vote in the May 3 election.

You can register to vote at the Clerk's Office in Hamtramck City Hall or at any Michigan Secretary of State Office.

If you are a registered voter and moved to Hamtramck without changing your address, you must update your address also by Monday.

The May 3 election is being held to allow voters to decide whether to extend a recreation millfor another 10 years.

The millage raises about \$800,000 a year, and funds dozens of programs for kids, adults and seniors.

Those who rent in the city do not pay this tax. It is only for property owners.

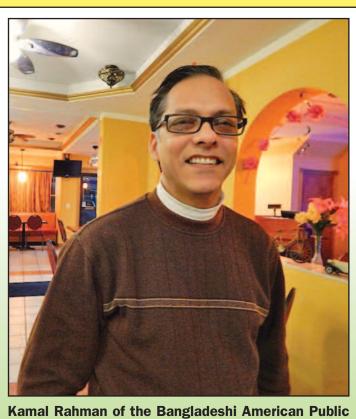
The Recreation Department is part of the public school district. The recreation tax has been in existence for 20 years.

Those voting by absentee ballot have already received a head start. According to the City Clerk's office, about 175 AV ballots were mailed out last week to those who requested a ballot.

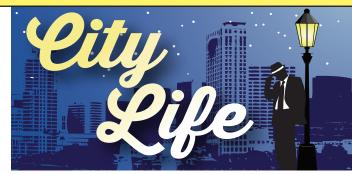
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Affairs Committee (BAPAC) says Hamtramck's "BanglaTown" on Conant is thriving. Photos by Walter Wasacz



Community life refreshed

By Walter Wasacz

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

There are any number of positive consequences when a new business opens in the community. When that business is also a place for people to gather — an art space, a restaurant, a coffee shop, a bar — it can have real,

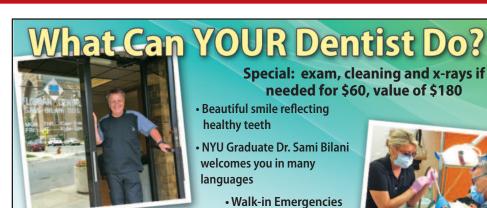
often instant, impact. If that place is at the edge of the city, on what local artist-activists have smartly branded the "porous border" of Hamtramck and Detroit, there is potential to alter social geography in a significant

The conversion of the crusty Turtle & Inky's (and Continued on page 2

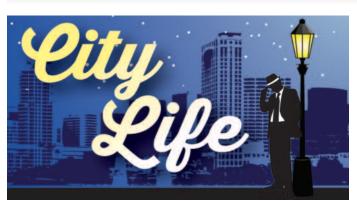
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City Cafe before that) into the shimmering Trixie's Bar on a once forsaken patch of Carpenter St. challenges old narratives and refreshes the notion of what community is, and what it is becoming. It sends a signal that people are here, living and working, doors are opening. We are creating our own future, you are welcome to join us, is the message.

The story of the transformation of Carpenter is one of organic neighborhood reinvention led by independent creative thinkers and doers, artists and immigrant entrepreneurs. This piecemeal redevelopment stretches from I-75 (an unfortunate barrier that separates Dequindre, Dyar, Grand Haven and the Col. Hamtramck Homes from the rest of the city) to Conant and even deeper into the blocks east of there.

Popps Packing, where artists have gallery, studio and residential spaces on both sides of Carpenter at St. Aubin, has helped stabilize the western end of this neighborhood, dubbing it the "Northwest Territories." A block east of Popps is Carrie Morris Arts Production (CMAP), where

programs featuring puppet theater, outdoor film screenings, live music and literary readings take place.

Jeff Garbus, who had several other locations on or near Jos. Campau for his vinyl-only shop Record Graveyard, moved the business to the front of the building he lives in on Carpenter just west of Mackay

On the eastern end of Carpenter is BanglaTown, made up of ethnic families with origins in Bangladesh; and artists, architects, academics, musicians, urban farmers and others drawn to the area by affordable housing and rich neighborhood life.

Recently, I walked up to Aladdin Sweets & Cafe to meet with Kamal Rahman of the Bangladeshi American Public Affairs Committee (BAPAC), a group involved in community economic development interested in expanding the BanglaTown brand.

Rahman has been around since the 1980s, when he was a student at Hamtramck High School. He remembers the city's first Bangladeshi-owned shop, Bengal Spices, which opened on Caniff in

1987. Later, the same family, the Ahmeds, bought the former PRCU Hall across the street and opened Taj Mahal, the first South Asian restaurant in Hamtramck.

The Bangladeshi tradition is to be businessminded and competitive in the marketplace, Rahman said, but it is also believes strongly in community valpau and in residential locations, echoing a pattern of neighborhood cornershops well known to Hamtramck-

Over the past 30 years, Bengali business people have collectively risen to the top of Hamtramck's merchant class. They have done so by first serving their own community, providing for basic needs like food, clothes, insurance,



Ian and Andrew Perrotta recently purchased the former Turtle & Inky's bar on Carpenter and after renovating it, have renamed it Trixie's. It is now part of a growing economic and arts scene on that side of town.

"We have had meetings with the artists (Mitch Cope and Gina Reichert of Design 99 and Power House Productions), we have the same goals to build strong community life here," Rahman said. "We like what they are doing, they like what we are

Rahman said that about 35-40 Bengali-owned busiare now in nesses BanglaTown, which stretches from central Hamtramck to Davison in Detroit. Most of the businesses are on Conant, but others have opened on Caniff, Holbrook, Jos. Cammoney transfers and real estate. The growing Yemeni community is also business-minded and applying similar fundamentals of entrepreneurship.

The next phase for each is integration of buyer and seller interests outside of their own communities. It is happening first with food - South Asian and Middle Eastern restaurants in Hamtramck are destinations for people of all backgrounds from inside and outside the city — with the next logical step being a coordination between multiple food options and, say, visitors attending the Hamtramck Music Festival, which drew over 4,000 people to 24 venues during a three-day period earlier this month.

One idea would be to get six to eight restaurants to stay open to until 4 a.m. that weekend. All festivalgoers will have wristbands, which could be shown to get a markdown on their bill. This can be the beginning of a more robust night economy in the city. People are already coming to Hamtramck for

a high quality art and music experience — food will keep them here longer, bringing in more money for local businesses.

Which leads me back to Trixie's, where twin brothers Ian and Andrew Perotta have put love and good taste into creating a cozy spot with high level potential. The business is named for lan and Andrew's mom, who passed away last year.

There is a stage for bands in the front and a dedicated space for DJs in the back. A deck behind the building is ideal for parties, which likely will spill

out to a fenced-in lot that extends from Carpenter to the alley on the west side of the property.

It's a nice walk for me, about one mile from my house, a smooth 15minute cruise to porous northern border of the city. I did it twice last weekend, and plan on doing more of the same as we get deeper into spring and summer.

Walter Wasacz spends most of his time walking, reminiscing and writing in Hamtramck, where he was born and still lives.

As identity theft grows, learn how to protect yourself cont. from front page

news in this development, said Gellos. Credit card companies, he said, "are doing a much better job" in detecting unusual activities on cardholders' cards and stopping it sooner rather than later.

So, what happens if you become a victim of identity theft?

If it involves your credit card, be sure to immediately call the credit card company and freeze your account.

"Time is of the essence when you are a victim," Bernstein said.

It also doesn't hurt to make a report with your police department. And if you suspect it's a

scam with widespread potential, call your local FBI office.

McQuade said it's not unusual for one group of scammers to be connected with a larger net-





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This week at the library...

Tax Program - Mondays, through 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 (734) 284-6999 or

(313) 388-9799. Food for Fines March through April. Team up with the Hamtramck Public Library to help our hungry neighbors in need. Bring in nonperishable food items this spring and help feed hungry children, seniors and

nity. To thank you for your donation, you will receive library fine forgiveness for each item you bring.

ESL Class – Monday, April 4, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

Citizenship Classes -Tuesday, April 5, 5 p.m. Hamtramck residents can get help in preparing for their citizenship Classes are free. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Wednesday, April 6, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration families in your commuis required.

Movie Night Wednesday, April 6, 6:30 p.m. "Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens," refreshments will be provided.

ESL Class - Friday, April 8, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

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

Hamtramck High School News

 Thursday, April, 7, 5:30-6:30 p.m. - Hamtramck High School Parent Association presents a special evening for students and parents with Dr. Patrick O'Connor, Associate Dean of College Counseling at Cranbrook Schools.

Dr. O'Connor is the author of "College is Yours 2.0." Learn everything you need to know about preparing, applying and paying for college.

This informational program will be held in the Hamtramck High School auditorium. Light refreshments will be hosted by the National Honor Society. We encourage all Hamtramck High School parents and students to attend.

Early Childhood Elementary School News

On Wednesday, March 23, Mr. Niczay, HPS Superintendent, Mr. Dennis Lukas, HPS School Board trustee, HPS principals, HPS employees and the Hamtramck firefighters all came to share the love of reading with the students at the Early Childhood Elementary School.

part of reading As guests month, the shared their favorite stories to the classes. The students were excited to hear the stories, meet the people and to see two fire trucks parked in front of their school. Everyone had a great time celebrating reading month.

Students from all the Hamtramck **Public** Schools performed at a district concert held at Hamtramck Community Center on March 22. Students from Early Childhood Elementary School sang, "You're a Grand Old Flag," and the different school bands performed various selections of music.

Songs of tradition and celebration were sung by the Dickinson East, Dickand West inson Kosciuszko Middle School choirs. The high school choir sang Cat Stevens' "Peace Train."

The seats were packed with many supportive families cheering for their favorites. The evening ended by recognizing Mr. Timothy Brennan, the current music teacher at Kosciuszko Middle School, upon his retirement this school year. Students were asked to raise their hands to show how many have had Mr. Brennan as a teacher.

The majority of students performing that night had been in Mr. Brennan's classes, whether at an elementary school, high school or middle school. We wish Mr. Brennan well on his retirement and he will be greatly missed.

Dickinson West Elementary School News

On Thursday, March 10, Dickinson West hosted its annual Guest Mrs. Reader Day. Suzana Bosnjakovski, the event coordinator and fifth grade teacher, invited community and school district members to come and read to the classrooms.

The classrooms range grades Kindergarten through grade. On this day, the school had over 40 volunteers come and read to the classrooms.

Amongst the volunteers were Sandra Ali, from Channel 4 news, 16 volunteers from the Poletown GM plant (some of the volunteers left books classroom the teachers and for the library), three elite members from the Detroit City Football Club (DCFC) who gave water bottles to the classroom in which they read and 4 tickets to a game to be given as a prize to a Dickinson West student, a local actress/screenwriter who had her classrooms enthralled in the film industry, Hamtramck residents and friends, and Hamtramck Public School emschool ployees and board members.

laughter and great conversation about the great behavior of the students. The teachers had nothing but praise about volunteers who graced their rooms with the written word and the importance reading. Dickinson West is proving to the students how far an education, and especially reading, will take them.

Holbrook Elementary School News

- Wednesday, April 6 Moms, Muffins with 8:30-9 a.m. All mothers are invited to attend.
- Thursday, April 7 Donuts with Dads, 8:30-9 a.m. All dads are invited to attend.
- Tuesday, April 12 --Kindergarten Round-Up, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Please join us if you have a child of kindergarten age.
- · Wednesday, April 13 -- P. T.S.A. (Parent Teacher Association) School Meeting at 1:30 p.m. All parents are invited to at-
- tend this meeting. Tuesday, April 19 --

P. O.G.S (Parents of Great Students) 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

- Thursday, April 21 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 12:30-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Please plan to attend our conferences.
- Friday, April 22 --Earth Day, several activities are planned for Earth Updates will be forthcoming (Hint: get your bikes/shoes ready; "Scavenger Hunt"and find old books).

Horizon High School

Students Ms. Horne's Biology class praise from all diners.

students then cleaned the kitchen and left it in perfect condition, according to Ms. Ashley, their daily food service provider.

When asked about the event, the following students made these com-

Quanisha Reed: "I feel I really learned about biomolecules from doing this really fun activity."

Masuma Akther: learned many things: I learned to eat many different kinds of food and how to help each other."



Students at Horizon High School recently participated in a food study course.

found recipes for healthy meals, went to a local grocery store to purchase ingredients, and each student group prepared a meal to share with their peers, teachers, and other staff members.

On Wednesday, March 23 during the students' 3rd period class, possible future chefs and food scientists took over the Horizon High School Cafeteria to create their ideas of what a healthy meal should be.

Students are currently The event was full of studying biomolecules found in food (carbohydrates, proteins, and fats) in Biology class and wanted to investigate this concept further.

Students decided to create healthy meals. The first step was to research "What makes a healthy meal?"

Students researched and found that a healthy meal consists of: 18g fat, 25g protein, and a minimum of 35g of carbohydrates.

The average high school student should consume approximately 2200 calories/day.

The students prepared a variety of meals that met the "healthy" criteria which included: Lamb Gyros, Mediterranean Panzanella Salad, Fresh Strawberry, Grape, and Feta Cheese Salad, Asparagus and Chicken Stir Fry, and Turkey Cheeseburgers with Baked French Fries.

The students enjoyed serving their principal, student advocate, teachers, and staff and re-

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Felicia Adams: "When you work together in a team, you can accomplish many tasks."

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Voter deadline approaches

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There is still plenty of time to ask for an absentee ballot.

A committee supporting the millage renewal has been active in the past several weeks, holding fundraisers to help promote the millage. Volunteers with the committee have also

begun going door-to-door to promote the program and millage.

The millage request will be the only item on the May 3 ballot. Because it is a special election with only one issue, voter turnout is likely to be low.

The lore of Hamtramck ...

Unburying the past

By Greg Kowalski

You might call it the ultimate case of suburban flight.

In 1965 Louis Ogushazetz relocated his father

from Hamtramck to the suburbs. At the time, his father had been dead for 65 years.

So where had the elder Mr. Ogushazetz been for

the previous six-and-a-half decades? Reposing in the Beth-Olem Cemetery.

Many Hamtramckans don't even know there is a cemetery in Hamtramck. Beth-Olem is on the grounds of the GM Poletown plant on the south side of town. You can see it from Hamtramck Drive on the west side of the plant. Just look for the clump of trees on the northwest side of the grounds.

The cemetery only covers a couple of acres, but it represents one of the oldest chapters of Hamtramck's history. Founded in about 1850, Beth-Olem is a remnant of the Hamtramck Jewish community.

It once housed a synagogue. There was another synagogue at Wyandotte Street and Jos. Campau back then, but both closed long ago, when most Jewish residents left Hamtramck in the 1920s.

But Beth-Olem re mained.

In time, the site grew from being a country setting to an intensely urban landscape. Dodge Main sprouted right across the street in 1910 and factories, stores and parking lots grew up around it. The cemetery was enclosed by a brick wall and became an island, largely forgotten, in a sea of asphalt, concrete and steel.

It isn't clear why the younger Ogushazetz decided to remove his father from the cemetery, but he apparently was determined to make the move. He also sought approval from the city to disinter his brother who had been buried there in 1903. Both were to be reburied in the Clover Hill Cemetery in Birmingham.

The removal was the *Visit the website,* first activity in 20 years at *www.hamtramckhistory,org*

Beth-Olem and apparently the last time a grave has been touched there. In the early 1960s the Chrysler Corporation bought most of the land around Beth-Olem to use as a parking lot. There had been some consideration given to buying the cemetery and removing all the graves to another location, but it was decided that wasn't feasible.

Some 15 years later, the same issue would arise when GM acquired the whole area for its planned Detroit-Hamtramck Assembly plant. Again, it was decided moving the dead wouldn't be feasible, so the cemetery was enveloped by the factory complex and remains an island on the grounds of the plant.

These days, Beth-Olem is open only on two days a year, the Jewish high holidays. Entrance is gained through the driveway on the plant's west side. From there it's only a short drive up an access road to the cemetery entrance, which once stood at the side of Clay Street.

Stepping inside is almost surreal. Seemingly ancient tombstones stand in the shadow of the walls of the massive factory. The smokestack at the power plant lords above the horizon. It's an uneasy blending of the 19th and 21st centuries. But at least those buried there can rest in peace, comforted by the secure fences of the factory.

You can learn more about Hamtramck's hidden corners at the Hamtramck Historical Museum, 9525 Jos. Campau. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Or by appointment. Call (313) 574-9758. Visit the website,



Dear Music Lovers,

Last weekend we saw people in the streets of Hamtramck, and it was amazing. We saw twenty five Hamtramck establishments offer themselves up to host over 200 local bands. We saw over 200 local bands, representing our music community, volunteer their time and talents to play for over 4,200 festival attendees. We saw over 4,200 festival attendees confer an overwhelming financial contribution toward Hamtramck businesses in just four days. Most importantly, we were witness to the good cheer of our community as we shared in making new memories with each other. We are happy to announce the third annual Hamtramck Music Festival was not only great, it was a rousing success!

For the second year in a row the Hamtramck Music Festival raised over \$10,000 for Ben's Encore, a local non-profit charity who will be making an immediate donation of \$4,000 to the music program at Mark Twain School for the Scholars in Detroit. The remainder of the money will be used throughout the year to continue the charitable mission of Ben's Encore; providing instruments, music lessons, and scholarships to local underserved kids and school music programs.

Between the musicians, business owners, music fans, the city of Hamtramck, the Hamtramck DDA, and all of our sponsors, there are so many people who require our most sincere thanks. Thirty-odd HMF organizers volunteered over four months of their time and worked diligently to create the best festival possible. HMF always has been, and always will be, a festival by the people, for the people. None of us do it for pride or praise, but solely out of appreciation for the community we love. On behalf of those organizers, I must say, last weekend when we saw people in the streets of Hamtramck...it was amazing.

We can't wait to do it all again next year, March 2nd-5th, 2017. We hope you join us!

With gratitude,

The Hamtramck Music Festival & Ben's Encore



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In Our Opinion

Want a piece of Hamtramck? Now is the time to invest

and next week's issue as well, contributing writer Walter Wasacz reports on fascinating developments happening in town.

From what we can tell, Hamtramck is heading full-speed toward greater things to come. And you can credit Hamtramck's rising economic development to Detroit's. A number of people and businesses can no longer afford the sharp increases in rent Midtown Detroit is experiencing.

It's no surprise some of them have looked no

In this week's issue, further than Hamtramck. We are conveniently situated just a few minutes from the New Center Midtown areas, both of which will be soon connected with the M-1 train line.

> Hamtramck has plenty of empty storefronts and affordable housing here - making it very attractive to those who are being priced out of De-

> The city's administration and its director of Community & Economic Development, Kathy Angerer, have been working closely with potential investors and business

owners the past few years.

That hard work is paying off, as you can read about in Wasacz's reports. From what we can tell Hamtramck property values have almost fully bounced back since the big economic meltdown in 2008.

Hamtramck's future appears to be bright and optimistic. In the not too distant future, we see a return of a hopping and bustling Jos. Campau.

If you are waffling about whether to invest in Hamtramck, hesitate no longer.

Crime Log

By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers March 15-28.

Tuesday, March 15

- · A resident in the 12000 block of Grand Haven observed a male teenager jumping on her car and damaging it. The suspect then ran away.
- · A man was arrested in Macomb County Jail for being wanted on Hamtramck warrants.
- · A man was found intoxicated and laying down in front of a business in the 8900 block of Jos. Campau. The man was taken to **Detroit Receiving Hospital** and ticketed for trespassing, public intoxication and indecent exposure.
- A teen was arrested for shoplifting at a business on Jos. Campau.
- · A Grand Haven resident reported someone fired shots at her apartment, causing damage to her front door and a tree in her yard.

Wednesday, March 16

· At 11 p.m. a resident

in the 2200 block of Yemans was arrested for domestic assault. Children's Protection Services was also on the scene.

- · At 12:30 a.m. a woman reported that her boyfriend stole her cellphone and \$350 from her purse when she went into a gas station.
- A Danforth resident reported the theft of three car batteries from his front porch.
- A man reported a break-in at his Miller residence.
- · Two people were arrested for having fraudulent proof of insurance.
- A man reported fraudulent activity on his ATM card.
- · A Miller resident reported the theft of his 2015 Ford Taurus from in front of his residence.
- A Detroit resident was turned over to police for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

Thursday, March 17

A man turned in prop-

erty that he found.

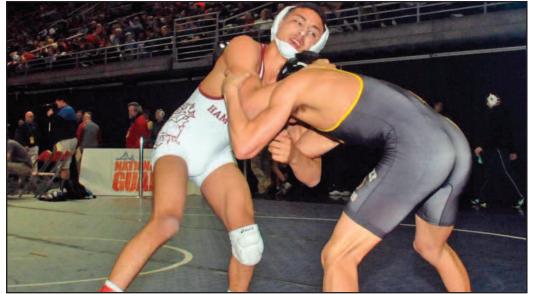
- A Detroit resident was arrested for driving without a license and having improper license plates.
- · Three teens were arrested for trespassing at a location in the 1900 block of Belmont.
- · An agent for the Hanley House for Boys reported a boy had run away. The boy later returned on his own.
- · A resident reported a break-in at his parent's house in the 3900 block of Trowbridge. The parents were out of the country during the break-in.
- A man was arrested in the 3200 block of Holbrook for being disorderly and obstruction.
- · Ferndale police arrested a man wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- · A resident reported two fraudulent charges on her debit card.

Friday, March 18

· A break-in was reported at a business in the

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Cosmos wrestlers achieve All-State status



HHS wrestler Wasam Kasem (left), a senior, beat David Leija of Lansing Waverly in the Division 2 match. Photo by Thomas Reznich/ Houghton Lake Resorter.

By Charles Sercombe

Wrestling is back at Hamtramck high School. Recently two members of the schools' wrestling team achieved some-

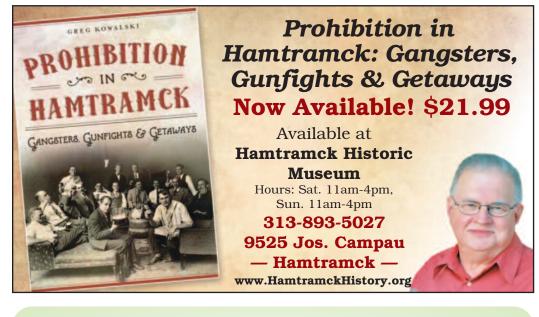
thing that hasn't happened maybe decades: They placed well in a statewide tournament.

Senior Wasam Kasem placed eighth in the Divi-2. 130-pound weight class, and junior Stahj McCoy also placed eighth in his division, which is the 145-pound

Coach John Summerhill said the students are considered AllState. He also credited both students with helping push the 12 others in the program to excel.

"They got a taste of if you work hard, it'll lead to good things," Summerhill said.

The tournament was held March 3-5 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.



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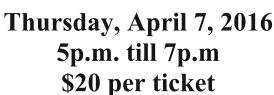
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Hamzah Alghazali: "I learned that lamb is a protein, potatoes are carbohydrates, and salad dressing is a fat. I also learned to set up a plate to appeal to diners."

Hussein Aljahim: "When a project isn't going the way you planned, take another direction. My partner was absent, so I couldn't cook, so I joined another team."

Sanad Abdorab: "I never cooked anything by myself before. I was surprised that everyone loved our meal!"

Ezell Allen: "It was a fun project! Teamwork really paid off and REALLY tasty!"

Khizir Chuwdhury: "I learned to cut carrots and celery!"

& Zaidah Gamoom: "We learned how to prep vegetables. We had a lot of fun! It was nice to see all the students laughing."

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Amir Sejdic: "I was absent for the meal, but I looked up the recipe for my team and listed all the nutrients. I found this to be very interesting."

Dajanique Bell: "I love to cook! I was in the kitchen with all of the other teams and we all worked together to create really good food!"

Md Abul Kassem: "It was very interesting!"

Mowaz Ourashi: "I had so much fun!"

Trudell Carter: "I really enjoyed the food and I had a great time! I liked hanging out with my friends and sharing different food."

All Schools

- Friday, April 1-3 No school students. Spring Break.
- · Monday, April 4 -School resumes.
- Tuesday, April 12 Only 10th grade (PSAT test) and 11th grade (SAT test) report to Hamtramck High School and Horizon High School. No

school for 9th and 12th grade.

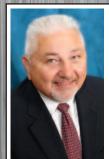
· Wednesday, April 13 -- Only 9th grade (PSAT) 11th and grade (WorkKeys test) report to Hamtramck High School Horizon and School. No school for 10th and 12th grade.

Compiled by **Janice Gandelman**



The Dickinson East Elementary Chorus recently participated in a district-wide performance held at the **Hamtramck Community Center.**

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3100 block of Caniff.

- · A man turned in an empty purse he found in front of his residence.
- A teen reported being robbed of his cellphone by three males.
- · A Mackay resident turned in ammunition found in front of his residence.
- · A pit bull was found near Charest and Yemans. It was returned to its owner.
- · A resident reported receiving threatening text messages.
- · A Belmont resident reported being assaulted and harassed by her neigh-

Saturday, March 19

- · A resident reported the theft of items from her car while it was parked in front of her Edwin residence. The items taken included her book bag that contained her checkbook.
- · A Sobieski resident reported the theft of a ladder from his yard.

Sunday, March 20

- A man reported the theft of his 2002 Chevrolet Impala from in front of his Moran residence.
- A resident found items she had reported stolen from out of her car.

Monday, March 21

- · At 10:30 p.m. a resident was arrested in the 2000 block of Belmont for domestic violence.

cers in the area of Belmont and Brombach attempted to investigate a suspicious black SUV but the vehicle sped off.

- · A man was arrested after a traffic stop for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- A woman was arrested by officers in Berkley for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- · A Jacob resident reported the theft of her Social Security checks.
- · Two pit bulls were recovered at Conant near Carpenter and taken to the Michigan Humane Society.
- · A resident reported someone opened a Comcast account in his name.
- · A resident on Roosevelt reported someone damaged her front door.

Tuesday, March 22

- · The Virginia Beach Police Department recovered a car stolen from the 3800 block of Oliver.
- At a little after 1 a.m. a woman in the 12000 block of Selfridge reported being assaulted by her boyfriend. She also said her boyfriend threw a brick at her car's front windshield.
- At 2:30 a.m. a resident in the 5000 block of Yemans reported someone threw a rock through her kitchen window.
- At almost 6 a.m. officers noticed a car parked · At about 4 a.m. offi- in the middle of the street

with its headlights off in the 11600 block of Moran. As officers approached the driver of the car sped off.

- · A Grand Haven resident reported the theft of a package that was in his
- A resident reported someone opened a Comcast account in his name.

mail.

- A Southfield resident reported someone entered her car and stole her wallet. The suspect then made charges to a credit card in the wallet.
- · A resident reported being swindled in an internet transaction.

Wednesday, March 23

- At 3 a.m. a resident reported being robbed by a man while at Caniff and Lumpkin. The suspect was armed with a handgun.
- An Edwin resident turned in a wallet containing an ID he found in front of his residence.
- A resident in the 12000 block of Charest reported an attempted break-
- A person was arrested for obstruction following an investigation in the 5000 block of Evaline.
- · A Romulus resident reported that while on Lumpkin a man grabbed his cellphone and ran off with three other men.

Thursday, March 24

- · At almost 6 a.m. a bar in the 11000 block of Jos. Campau was ticketed for having customers after hours.
- · A resident was arrested after he attempted

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to steal a cellphone from a customer inside a restaurant in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau.

Friday, March 25

- · At noon, officers investigated a domestic dispute at Jos. Campau and Holbrook.
- A resident reported fraudulent activity involving her Social Security.
- · A resident reported her ex-husband stole two handguns from her residence and sold them.

Saturday, Mach 26

- · At almost 2 a.m. a person was arrested following a traffic stop for obstruction and driving without a license.
- · A resident was arrested following a traffic stop for not having a license.
- · Two Hamtramck residents were arrested in the 3100 block of Caniff for possessing an open intoxicant in public and possessing heroin.
- · A juvenile was arrested for domestic violence while in the 5100 block of Yemans.
- · A Goodson resident reported rocks were thrown at her windows, causing damage.
- An Edwin resident reported someone broke into his car.

Sunday, March 27

- A resident in the 2600 block of Pulaski reported ulent proof of insurance. someone broke into her car and stole several items.
- A resident in the 3000 block of Roosevelt reported damage to his block of Evaline reported screen door.

- · A man was arrested for domestic violence while at his house in the 12000 block of McDougall.
- At about 5:30 a.m. officers attempted to approach a car in the area of Gallagher and Hanley for having no license plate. The driver, however, drove off. Officers called off their chase when the suspect was at the Holbrook/I-75 Service Dr.

Monday, March 28

- · At almost 11 p.m. officers responded to a group of 15-20 people fighting and brandishing guns in the 12000 block of Grand Haven. Officers confiscated guns at the scene, but most of the people ran off. One resident was arrested for obstruction and resisting.
- · At 12:30 a.m. a Detroit teen and a Hamtramck teen were arrested for curfew violation and possessing narcotics.
- · A Sobieski resident reported someone damaged his 2009 Mazda while it was parked in front of his residence.
- · A Dequindre resident reported someone damaged his satellite dish.
- A man reported the theft of his gun from his car while it was parked at Jos. Campau and Evaline.
- · A Detroit resident's car was towed for having fraud-
- · Officers confiscated a gun from an elderly patient who was checking into a medical facility on Conant.
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