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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.

"First, it uses all distilled water, which is better for several reasons."

— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Report confirms that Hamtramck is not alone in tackling pension

By Charles Sercombe

One of the major financial hurdles facing the city in the next few years will be finding a way to pay for rising pension costs.

It was a problem that former Emergency Manager Cathy Square left for the city to take care of with the help of state-funded consultants.

That was over two years ago.

Recently it came to light that the consultants indeed looked at the problem and concluded there wasn't anything the city can do.

That's what City Manager Katrina Powell said a few weeks ago while addressing issues that Councilmember Anam Miah brought up, which included finding a solution to the city's looming pension crisis.

"The city's pension problems were incurred through years of mismanagement and 'giveaways' to the employees through multiple bargaining unit contracts, and cannot be solved at this point," Powell said in an email to The Review.

Hamtramck is not alone.

Many communities are facing the same issue,



Despite the help of state-funded consultants, it was determined there was no immediate solution to funding Hamtramck's escalating pension costs. It's a financial problem many other communities are facing.

and so far no one has come up with a way to fund the obligations. The state legislature and the governor are also trying to find a fix.

At the same time, under Gov. Snyder, state revenue sharing with municipalities has been slashed by 20 percent.

Out of a budget of approximately \$15 million, the city will pay \$3.7 million this fiscal year on pension costs.

Next year that will increase to \$4 million, said Financial Director Bhama

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At Florian Dental, the emphasis is on the patient's comfort and time

**By Alan Madeleine
Special to The Review**

You go to the dentist to save your smile.

But you might find an extra smile or two if you should be so fortunate as to have your teeth tended to by Dr. Sami Bilani here in Hamtramck.

Dr. Bilani's practice originated over in Dearborn. He relocated to Hamtramck in 2004, originally down in the Town Center strip mall. He now runs

his practice, Florian Dental, out of his own building on the southwest corner of Brombach and, yes, Florian, a block north of Holbrook.

A cordial and worldly man, Dr. Bilani is happy to share his time with his patients. He makes a philosophical point to schedule his patients so that they don't wait, at least not more than a minute or two.

"How many times have

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Dr. Sami Bilani, the owner of St. Florian Dental, shows off new equipment with the help of hygienist Grace Navikaite.

Candidates forced to pay up

By Charles Sercombe

For about half of the candidates running for local office this year it's pay up or get kicked off the August Primary Election ballot.

Last week City Clerk August Gitschlag sent out letters to eight of the 14 candidates seeking election stating that in order to be on the August ballot they first have to pay outstanding debts to the city, as required by city charter.

Most of the candidates are behind in income taxes, although how much each owes cannot be made public because that is private information.

Mayoral candidate Asm (Kamal) Rahman is the only candidate who was behind in both property taxes and income taxes.

According to the Wayne County Treasurer, he owes \$2,264 in property taxes for his house at 3096 Caniff.

Cathie Gordon, who is also running for mayor, was the only other candidate to owe the county property taxes, \$752, for her house at 2758 Norwalk.

City Council candidates Mohammed Al-Somiri, Gias Talukder, Akil Al-Halemi, Ian Perrotta, Monzurul Karim and Saida Miah all owed income tax.

Perrotta, who is currently a city councilmember seeking re-election, told The Review that he did not owe anything. He said the Income Tax Department had failed to record that he filed his income tax for 2016 despite having a record of his payment. The issue was cleared up Thursday, Perrotta added.

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Cairns.

Cairns also noted that pension obligations rise \$200,000 to \$300,000 each year, which will require dipping into the city's \$4 million budget surplus.

The financial picture could get worse, according to an Associated Press story carried in Crain's Detroit Business.

Many communities, the report said, are financially vulnerable because of dropping property tax revenues, state tax revenue cuts and rising pension

and health costs.

If a recession were to hit, many cities, the report said, will be "ill-equipped."

Hamtramck has twice been placed under the supervision of a state-appointed emergency manager in the last 15 years because of financial emergencies. But in neither of the instances of being under the guidance of an emergency manager has the city's underlying financial problems – namely pension costs – been addressed.

At Florian Dental, the emphasis is on the patient's comfort and time

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you been to a dentist or doctor," he asks earnestly, "and end up reading a magazine for 15 or 20 minutes? I try to make it so there is no waiting. I try to be respectful of my patient's time."

Dr. Bilani is proud of his Lebanese descent. His wife works by his side, keeping track of appointments and billing. The only other employee present on this day is his hygienist Grace Navikaite, who is also his link to helping communicate with his ethnically diverse patients – she is fluent in a number of languages.

Dr. Bilani felt that the best way to demonstrate his new equipment was to put me through a full cleaning and check-up. Luckily, I was just a little overdue.

His primary room is now outfitted with a new and very expensive looking dental machine. Dr. Bilani touted its various features.

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The machine uses easy-on-the-eyes LED lighting. It has a higher speed apparatus for applying the paste after the cleaning.

But the real highlight is a small flexible micro-

scope, with an attached light, which the doctor says helps immensely in finding those tiny or incipient problems, "before they can get to be bigger ones," he says with a chuckle.

His casual approach to scheduling also helps him – and his patients – to not feel rushed.

"I prefer to take my time with my patients," he says with some pride.

He advocates a writer named Norman Cousins, author of the books "The Healing Heart" and "Anatomy of an Illness," going so far as to credit Cousins with helping to shape his dentist-patient philosophy.

He carries this over to having empathy for lower income or uninsured patients, working with them as best he can. He cautions, of course, that some who try to push the limits of his largesse must be counseled that his services can't be completely free.

And he offers some tips. He advocates for Sensodyne gel paste, but says that any gel is better than a non-gel type of toothpaste. This is a fact leadingdentists.com agrees with, stating "Gel toothpastes are often thought to be less abrasive than regular pastes, although the website warns that "gels can still be abrasive" and that "the great debate can rage on. ..."

Dr. Bilani comes across as a thoughtful and caring man, caring about his city of Hamtramck – he is a booster for the St. Florian Strawberry Festival, among other events and charities – and about the greater world beyond: his bookshelf is lined with books on politics, for example.

He is quick, and proud, to share a tour of his wine collection, in a room spe-

Candidates forced to pay up

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Gitschlag said on Wednesday that most of the candidates had settled up.

Candidates were given a deadline of May 19 to pay up or be kicked off the ballot. Gitschlag said a final determination will be made on May 22 to see who qualifies to be on the ballot.

Most communities require would-be elected and appointed officials to be debt-free to their community and any other government agency in order to serve.

Although it has come to light that some elected officials were in debt to the city after taking office, the issue wasn't pursued in the past. Gitschlag said he began checking with city departments to see if any candidates owed money for the last local election two years ago.

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School Bell

Hamtramck Public Schools (HPS) is having a Welcoming Hamtramck Families event on Friday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hamtramck High School Community Center.

The Community Center is located at 11350 Charest. Please plan to join us at this exciting event to meet Hamtramck Public School educators, student leaders, community organizations and free services will be offered. Some features of this event include individual Hamtramck Public School booths, community and family organizations, HPS art competition winners, educational resources, academic booths, HPS student band, dental care, blood pressure checks, glucose checks, BMI checks, health resources and referrals.

All participants that attend will have the opportunity for a free lunch, free gift bags, henna and face painting. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Jaleelah Ahmed at (313) 892-2025.

Dickinson East Elementary School News

Four of the Dickinson East speech team members competed on Saturday, April 22 at the Tri County Optimists Zone Level Oratorical Competition.

Two students represented the Optimists of Downtown Detroit: Al-Khalil Mashrah and Nazifa Suhail.

Two students represented a competing club, which is new this year, the Optimists of Central Detroit: Nishat Rahman and Tarik Custovic.

All students are in fifth and sixth grades. There were 14 students competing for two slots to advance to the state level. Although our students did not advance, they represented Hamtramck well and were the youngest to participate at that prestigious level.

The suspenseful speech competition season came to a close with the culminating event on May 2 entitled The Optimists of Downtown Detroit's Annual Winners'

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Above and below: Dickinson East students recently competed in a speech contest and enjoyed a trip to the Detroit Riverfront.



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Hamtramck High School grads celebrate multi-class reunion



By Charles Sercombe

Over 400 graduates of Hamtramck High School held a special reunion recently at the American Polish Cultural Center in Troy.

The reunion included graduates from the classes of 1957 through 1971.

“There weren’t too many from the 1950s,” said Gordon Starr, who graduated in 1962.

Well, that’s to be expected.

But still, there were plenty of former students to make it one of the more exciting nights for current and former Hamtramck-ans.

HHS grad and professional basketball star Rudy Tomjanovich (Class of 1966) was present and gladly talked with many in attendance. Tomjanovich was not only a standout at HHS, he went on to have a successful career playing for the Houston Rockets and then became the Head Coach of the Houston Rockets in the 1990s.

He led the Rockets to two NBA championships.

Soul singer Yvonne Singleton, who put out several singles with the all-girl group Donays, was also in attendance. The Donays enjoyed regional hits like “Devil in His Heart” and “Bad Boy.”

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

City finally cracks down on candidate ‘defaulters’

For years there was a little known city charter provision that was largely overlooked. It is Section 6-08 of the Hamtramck City Charter and it reads: “No person shall be elected or appointed to any office who is a defaulter to the city or to any board, or office, or department thereof, or to any school district, county, or other municipal corporation of the state, now or heretofore existing. All votes for the election or appointment of any such defaulter shall be void.”

Letters went out last week to eight out of 14 candidates seeking public office who were what the charter calls a “defaulter.” The letter, sent out by the City Clerk’s Office, gave candidates a deadline of May 19 to pay or not be included in the August Primary Election.

Well, bravo for the city. Elected and appointed officials are supposed to set an example for residents. While the occasional late water bill payment is understandable, we have had some serious debtors serve

elected office – some of whom have owed several thousand dollars in either property taxes or unpaid water bills.

Unfortunately, past city administrations declined to take action against those individuals and kick them out of office.

As it turned out, City Clerk August Gitschlag has reported most of the candidates who had been in arrears paid up this week.

For some, the amounts were trifling, but a principle is a principle.

Odds & Ends

Planting roots... Thanks to a DTE Energy grant, worth \$3,000, the city was able to recently plant 18 trees.

The city also partnered with Tree Detroit which recruited volunteers to assist, along with Hamtramck High School students, in the planting. The HHS students are also members of a school group called LEAP.

Trees were planted on Evaline, Mitchell, Norwalk and Trowbridge streets.

Cleanup/picnic... Who doesn’t like pancakes on a Saturday morning? What if we said you

could scarf down some pancakes for free? Well, that will be happening at the Popps Packing art space on St. Aubin this Saturday (May 13).

But there is one, let’s say small, catch. Satur-



Sen. Johnson addresses city council about his felony charges

By Charles Sercombe

Embattled State Sen. Bert Johnson stopped by the city council meeting on Tuesday to address “the obvious elephant” in the room:

His felony charges.

Johnson is facing federal charges of diverting the public’s money for private use. He is specifically charged with hiring a “ghost” employee – an employee who gets paid but performs no work.

That payment was allegedly for a \$10,000 loan Johnson took from the so-called employee. The employee was put on Johnson’s staff payroll and was paid \$23,000, say federal investigators.

Last month FBI agents raided Johnson’s home in Highland Park and also his office in Lansing. Documents were taken along with two shotguns.

Johnson has a previous felony conviction from 1993 when he committed an armed robbery. Convicted felons are not al-

lowed to possess guns. He has not been charged with a weapons violation.

Johnson described the FBI raid at his home to the Hamtramck City Council as “a pretty big spectacle.”

He said he has received numerous “well wishes” from constituents as well as people from “across the country.”

Johnson’s Senate district includes Hamtramck, Highland Park and part of Detroit.

His trial date is set for June 20, but his attorneys are asking for that date to be pushed back in order for them to prepare. Johnson told the city council he was confident he would beat the charges.

“We expect to be OK with this, but you never know,” Johnson said.

If convicted, Johnson could be sentenced to 10 years in prison.

In the meantime, a recall petition against Johnson has been OK’d. The State Senate has not taken any steps to suspend or expel

Johnson. This is Johnson’s last term in Lansing. He was previously a State Representative, which he was termed out of. This is his second, and last, term in the Senate.

Johnson also told the city council that he and his colleagues are attempting to craft a state budget that restores funding to cities. When Gov. Rick Snyder took office he slashed state revenue sharing to cities and school districts.

Johnson said the political climate has not changed in the last seven years that Snyder has been in office and expects budget negotiations to fall along party lines. He championed himself as a “shrewd negotiator.”

He also urged local officials to “be more vigilant and vocal” about Hamtramck’s financial needs.

In the past Johnson has made periodic visits with the city council to give brief updates about what the legislature was doing.

School Bell

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Circle Luncheon and Law Day.

Nine of the twelve-member team were treated to lunch while they interacted with the Downtown Optimists as well as winners of the high school essay contest from Cass Tech.

Fifth graders Shaira Choudhury and Halima Islam were given the opportunity to present their speeches because they had not yet had that chance this year.

As part of his keynote address, attorney Robert Clear expressed his delight in hearing the two speeches because he had never attended Optimist Oratorical contests.

The speeches centered on the late environmentalists Rachel Carson and Wangari Maathai, whose pioneering work displayed extreme forms of optimism that carry over into current events.

The event was attended by sixth graders: Tarik Custovic, Nishat Rahman, Marwan Nazad and Fahim Uddin; fifth graders Shaira Choudhury, Nilla Ghose, Halima Islam, Nazifa Suhal and Jasmin Begum.

It was not possible for sixth graders Shazid Khan, gold medalist Al-Khalil Mashrah and Farisa Zarin to attend the event.

The students were escorted by their coach, Rahiel Housey-Johnson and her mother, Lois De-neau. The total sum of prizes that our students won this season totaled \$1,500. Congratulations

to all involved.

Holbrook Elementary School News Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, May 30 – Bake sale after school.
- Wednesday, May 31 – Bake sale after school.

Hamtramck High School Upcoming Events

- Thursday, May 18 – High School Spring Concert at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 24 – Senior Honors Program at 6 p.m.

All Schools

- Friday, May 12 – End of Progress Report period 4.
- Thursday, May 18 – Progress Report 4 distributed.
- Friday, May 26 – Half day for students and staff all schools.
- Monday, May 29 – No school for students and staff. Memorial Day.
- Tuesday, May 30 – School resumes.
- Thursday, June 1 – Last day of school for Hamtramck High School and Horizon High School Seniors.
- Thursday, June 8 – Last day for preschool.
- Friday, June 9 – Hamtramck and Horizon High Schools Graduation Ceremony at 6 p.m.

Athletic Events

- Friday, May 12 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Softball vs. Voyageur at 5 p.m. Away.
- Friday, May 12 – HHS Boys’ Varsity Baseball vs. Voyageur at 5 p.m. Away.
- Friday, May 12 – HHS Boys’ JV Baseball vs. Pontiac AE at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Friday, May 12 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Soccer vs. Detroit Western at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Monday, May 15 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Softball vs. Harper Woods at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Monday, May 15 – HHS Boys’ Varsity Baseball vs. UPSM at 5 p.m. Away.
- Monday, May 15 – HHS Boys’ JV Baseball vs. Rochester Hills Lutheran NW at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Tuesday, May 16 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Softball vs. East Detroit at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Tuesday, May 16 – KMS Boys’ Baseball vs. River Rouge at 4:30 p.m. Home.
- Wednesday, May 17 – HHS Boys’ Varsity Baseball vs. Taylor Prep at 5 p.m. Away.
- Wednesday, May 17 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Soccer vs. Christo Rey at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Thursday, May 18 – KMS Boys’ Baseball vs. Melvindale ABT at 4:30 p.m. Away.
- Friday, May 19 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Softball vs. Melvindale ABT at 5 p.m. Home.
- Friday, May 19 – HHS Boys’ Varsity Baseball vs. Melvindale ABT at 5 p.m. Home.
- Saturday, May 20 – HHS Boys’ JV Baseball vs. Cranbrook Kingswood at 11 a.m./1 p.m. Away.
- Saturday, May 20 – HHS Girls’ Varsity Soccer Division 1 Championship TBD

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Sports clinic ushers in big plans at baseball stadium

By Charles Sercombe

A few dozen kids braved chilly temperatures on a recent Saturday to learn a few tips on playing baseball and soccer.

The event was sponsored by the Friends of Historic Hamtramck Stadium, and kids got to hone their skills on the grounds of the legendary stadium.

The organization is seeking funding to up-

grade the field and eventually bring the grandstands back to life. The site was once home to the Detroit Stars who were part of the Negro League back in the 1930s when blacks were not hired by big league white teams.

Plans also call for allowing all types of sports to be played at the site and to open it up to the community.



Scenes from a recent sports clinic hosted by the Friends of Historic Hamtramck Stadium.



Metro news...

It's said that whatever happens to Detroit, so goes Hamtramck. Our friends over at modeld-media.com have been reporting on fascinating development projects for the past several years.

With their permission, here is an edited version of this week's story:

Attention small business owners: the New Economy Initiative (NEI) is now accepting applications for its NEIdeas Challenge. For the fourth consecutive year, NEI will award 20 already existing small businesses with \$400,000.

To apply, a business must have been founded at least three years ago and have a demonstrated need for capital in order to grow. There are two tiers to the program, \$10,000 and \$100,000, depending on how much a business grosses.

According to a press release: "Since its launch in 2014, NEIdeas has

awarded 96 local businesses a total of \$1.5 million to help them realize their ideas for growth, as well as connected hundreds of others to technical assistance opportunities. Nearly 70 percent of past NEIdeas winners are minority-owned businesses, and 65 percent are woman-owned businesses."

As they do every year, NEI is holding a series of information sessions for prospective applicants. There are still three more remaining at the following dates and locations:

- May 18, 6 to 8 p.m. at Grand River Workplace (19120 Grand River Ave., Detroit, MI 48223)
- May 22, 6 to 8 p.m. at SER Metro Detroit (9301 Michigan Ave., Detroit, MI 48210) – bilingual session in Spanish and English.
- May 30, 6 to 8 p.m. at TechTown (440 Burroughs St., Detroit, MI 48202)

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By Charles Sercombe
This week's Crime Log covers May 2-8.

Tuesday, May 2

- At almost midnight a resident in the 2200 block of Danforth was arrested for domestic violence.
- At about 2 a.m. a resident in the 2300 block of Holmes was assaulted by a person they know.
- At 2:30 a.m. a resident in the 12000 block of Dyar reported someone damaged a window at their residence.
- A business owner n the 9000 block of Jos. Campau reported an employee had embezzled money.
- A resident in the 11600 block of Nagel reported a garage break-in and the theft of a lawnmower.
- An agent for the Hamtramck Recreation Department reported someone driving a U-Haul vehicle damaged the department's building.
- A resident reported he was pickpocketed while on

Jos. Campau.

- A resident turned over to officers a watch she found.
- A Jos. Campau business reported an incident of retail fraud.

Wednesday, May 3

- A Farmington resident reported that while in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau a man he knows threatened his life and brandished a handgun.
- An owner of a business in the 10000 block of Jos. Campau reported receiving a bad check.
- A Dearborn resident reported the theft of his car while it was parked at Holmes and Jos. Campau.
- A Dequindre resident reported someone damaged her window.

Thursday, May 4

- At 1 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for assaulting a woman.
- A fence was damaged in the 10000 block of Jos. Campau.

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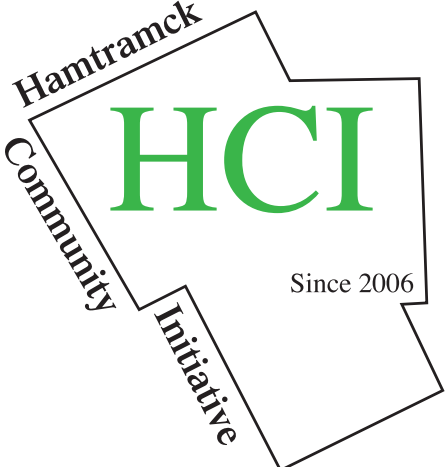
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Friday, May 5

- No incident report was available for this date.

Saturday, May 6

- Officers responded to a call about an assault but the victim refused to cooperate.
- Officers responded to a loud party at Evaline and Falcon. Those in attendance were told to quiet down or face being ticketed.
- At about 1 a.m. a Lehman resident reported her boyfriend assaulted her.
- At 2 a.m. officers responded to a large fight in the 2000 block of Caniff. The crowd dispersed when officers arrived.
- A driver in a roll-over accident attempted to flee from officers. He was apprehended and taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital for treatment of injuries.
- At about 4:30 a.m. a

Dyar resident reported their home has been egged repeatedly.

- A resident in the 2200 block of Yemans reported a garage break-in and the theft of many items.
- A Klinger resident reported a break-in.

Sunday, May 7

- A resident in the 12000 block of Dyar reported that a person she knows reached through the window of her car and stole an iPhone and fled.
- A resident in the 12000 block of Dequindre reported damage to her residence.

Monday, May 8

- Officers were called to Bridge Academy on Buffalo where a man was scaring children.
- A Hanley resident was arrested during an investigation.

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Coming events

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

SATURDAY, May 13, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. – The Hamtramck Historical Museum presents "Meet the Author," Leonard Kniffel, who has a new memoir published, called "Busia: Seasons on the Farm with My Polish Grandmother." The museum is located at 9525 Jos. Campau.

SATURDAY, May 13, 6:30 p.m. – Hamtrivia Night at Moose Lodge #1670, 9421 Conant. Includes trivia and snacks, cash bar, admission \$10.

SATURDAY, May 13, 2-4 p.m. – Free Soup Kitchen at Holy Cross Parish, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming, all are welcome.

FRIDAY, May 19, 2 p.m. – Gleaners Food Bank free produce giveaway, from 2 p.m. until supplies are gone, located in the parking lot behind Hamtramck Academy School on Conant, enter off Harold St. Sponsored by the Our Lady Queen of Apostles Soup Kitchen.

FRIDAY, May 19, 6:30-9p.m. – The Hamtramck Community Initiative hosts its annual "Spring Fling," which honors community groups and activists. Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence is the guest speaker, PNA Hall (10211 Conant), tickets, \$25, and \$10 for those under 10 or over 65. Includes dinner.

FRIDAY, May 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m. – The City of Hamtramck hosts a family-friendly event at Zussman Park – "Art in the Park" – featuring artwork from local artists, crafts for kids, and much more, free.

SATURDAY, May 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. – Volunteer Day at Hamtown Farms, 9100 Lumpkin. Help get the farm in shape for the new growing season. Lunch will be provided.

MONDAY, May 29, 10 a.m. – The Hamtramck Allied Veterans Council will host Memorial Day services at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church (3851 Prescott). Veterans ceremony following Mass, reception following ceremony at PLAV Post 10.

THURSDAY, June 1, 1-2:30 p.m. – Hanley International Academy (2400 Denton) will host a Kindergarten Round-up for parents and students who are interested in attending Hanley. To be eligible to enroll, students must turn 5 years old on or before Sept. 1. The event is free.