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Quick Hits

A couple of items for this week.

On Monday (Oct. 29) at 12:30 p.m. Hamtramck 31st District Court Judge Alexis Krot and her husband David Salamas invite the community to a flag dedication ceremony during which the worn flags in front of Hamtramck's City Hall will be replaced.

Krot and Salamas are sponsoring a yearly subscription to a flag maintenance program that will replace and maintain the U.S. flag, the Michigan state flag and the POW/MIA flag.

Krot said this about her dedication to maintaining flags at city hall:

“Our flags represent the freedoms we hold dear and are a reminder of the sacrifices so many active duty military and veterans have made to secure and protect those freedoms.

“Maintaining our flags is one small way to show our gratitude and respect. We invite the Hamtramck community to share this moment

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— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Bengali community protest against shooting and ongoing crime

By Charles Sercombe

Members of the Bangladeshi community say a recent shooting may be a hate crime.

Members of the community gathered last Sunday afternoon next to the Banglatown welcome sign on Conant to raise attention to the incident.

According to community leaders, Saleh Ahmed was shot in his house on Klinger in Detroit last Wednesday morning at 6 a.m.

According to a press release issued by the community, someone knocked on his door. When he opened the door Ahmed was shot point-blank.

“Mr. Saleh Ahmed was getting ready for work and

heard a knock on the door. As soon he opened the door he was shot in the mouth,” said the press release.

Ahmed is in serious condition and is hospitalized.

The suspect has not been identified or arrested.

The motive for the shooting is unclear. Some have speculated that the shooting was random, but others say the victim may have known the suspect.

At Sunday's rally, community members held up signs demanding justice. Speakers also lashed out at the Detroit Police Department for not responding to their calls for help in general.

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Members of the Bengali community gathered at Jayne Park on Sunday to protest the shooting of a fellow community member and the general rise in crime. Right: Nazel Huda said the community is frustrated. “This is insane, enough is enough,” he said.



Town hall meeting set for med pot

By Charles Sercombe

The public will have a second opportunity to let city officials know if Hamtramck should allow medical marijuana dispensaries and grow facilities to operate here.

“Upon receiving numerous additional questions about the city's proposed medical marijuana ordinance, we wanted to provide residents and business owners an opportunity to have any concerns addressed,” said City Manager Kathy Angerer in a press release.

“It is important to the administration that their voices are heard and the proposed ordinance be properly understood.”

A couple dozen residents, mostly from the Bengali and Yemeni communities, attended a city council meeting a couple of weeks ago and said they were against allowing these operate in Hamtramck.

At that meeting the city council was preparing to set a public hearing to adopt ordinances that would license and regulate dispensaries and grow operations.

Because of the outcry, the council decided to hold a town hall meeting this coming Tuesday (Oct.

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Bengali community protest against shooting and ongoing crime

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Some said it took Detroit police 50 minutes to arrive at the crime scene. In other incidents, community members said police often do not respond to calls. “People are fed up,” said Nayeem Choudhury. “A lot of people want to move out of the city. It’s about safety first.”

A speaker at the rally said community members are also frustrated because they pay high property taxes but do not get services from the city. “Detroit is getting free money from our community. We get nothing back,”

said one speaker at the rally. Nazel Huda, a spokesman for the community, said street crimes have been increasing and that Bengalis are being targeted. “We have seen previously that people are robbed at gunpoint right in front of their houses ... and there are breaking and enterings in businesses,” he said. “This is insane, enough is enough. Let’s be united and fight against this open secret hate crime.”

Quick Hits

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with us and thank our veterans for their service.” Also, the Fire Department is offering free batteries to households. Why batteries? They are to be used for your smoke alarms, which should have batteries swapped out once every year. Here’s what the fire department has to say about this giveaway program: “Since it’s time to ‘fall back’,” your Hamtramck Fire Department, in conjunction with Energizer Battery’s ‘Change your Clock, Change your Batteries’ campaign, is giving away FREE 9-volt batteries for your residential smoke detectors. “Those interested in obtaining these FREE batteries, must contact the Fire Marshal at (313) 305-4503, extension 225, or stop by the firehouse at 2625 Caniff, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. “You can set up an appointment for installation or bring in your smoke detector and we will swap out the old battery with a new one. This program will start November 1 with a limit of two (2) batteries per household until the batteries are gone.”

Dig history? If so check out this archaeological discovery

By Alan Madlane

Hamtramck is a city with a past. Several of them, you could argue. Now that past, or part of it at least, is being revealed. Or, re-revealed, if you like.

Archaeology students from Wayne State University, under the watchful eye of Associate Anthropology Professor Dr. Krysta Ryzewski, are excavating the old Village Hall down on Jos. Campau between Alice St. and Grayling St. According to Hamtramck historian Greg Kowalski, this is the first comprehensive dig ever in the city.

The key word in that statement is “comprehensive.” There was some digging done in 1981 at the old Dodge Main plant during its demolition. But none before to this extent.

In its heyday, the building actually contained not only some city offices and the fire and police departments, but additionally some houses, an unidentified store, and the wonderfully named Nut House Bar. There



Wayne State students will be excavating the site of Hamtramck’s former municipal building on Jos. Campau and Alice. The public is invited to stop by and watch the process.

were also some small out-buildings on the property, one of which likely served as a stable for the police horses.

If all this sounds interesting to you, well then the best news is yet to come: not only can you observe the Monday afternoon digs through next month from the Jos. Campau sidewalk, this coming Saturday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. you can also participate in an “open day” at the site.

The Wayne State students will welcome you to view some of what they’ve discovered so far, and learn more about the

dig right there where it’s unfolding. This event is free of charge.

Finally, on Dec. 10, the students will conduct a formal presentation of objects found during the dig, at the Hamtramck Historical Museum at 9525 Jos. Campau.

Call (313) 893-5027 for more information about this event. So far, pieces of assorted old metal items and glass bottles, and even a bullet, have been found, among other items.

So, here’s to looking forward to learning more about our past.



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This week at the library...

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100th Anniversary Dinner Program – This year the Hamtramck Public Library will be celebrating 100 years of service to the Hamtramck community and the area. To mark the occasion, a Centennial Dinner Program is planned for **Thursday, November 15, 2018** at PNA Hall. There is a limited number of guests that can be accommodated. Tickets for the event will be available starting October 15, at the Library (donation \$25 per person). During the program new nominees will be inducted to the Hamtramck Library Hall of Honor. The dinner tickets also entitle the holder to door prize drawings, which among other items feature a laptop computer and a 49 inch Ultra High Definition flat screen TV. More details about the program in upcoming news stories.

Anniversary celebration – Hamtramck Public Library Centennial Celebrations, OUR LIBRARY: November 1918- November 2018

As part of the Hamtramck Public Library 100th Anniversary Celebrations we invite you to contribute your thoughts on our Library’s past, and predictions (or suggestions) for her future. We would like to video record your brief (up to three minutes long) presentations, but we will also accept other formats: short essays, poems, paintings, drawings, etc.

The most interesting contributions will be included in the Library’s Centennial Time Capsule for future generations to discover.

If you are interested in sharing your thoughts and ideas, please stop by the Library for a recording session on Tuesdays and or Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. For additional information please call us at (313) 733-6802.

Happy 100th Birthday Hamtramck Public Library

Fall Toddler Time – Thursdays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Children up to age 5 and their parents and caregivers are invited for songs, storytelling and playtime.

Happy 100th Birthday! – Come celebrate the Hamtramck Public Library’s 100th anniversary! **Thursday, November 8, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** Birthday treats provided! Children 5 years and younger and their parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

New Inductees to the Library Hall of Honor: The Library will be inducting new members to the Hall of Honor during the 100th Anniversary Dinner Program, that will take place on November 15, 2018, at the PNA Hall in Hamtramck.

This year, Mayor Karen Majewski, Mr. Tom Niczay, Ms. Vera Burk and Ms. Cindy Cervenak have been nominated. Judge Paul Paruk, Administrator for the Region One of the Michigan Supreme Court, will be the Master of Ceremonies.

Greg Kowalski, Chairman of the Hamtramck Historical Commission will be presenting the 100 years of history of the Library Services in Hamtramck.

Polonia Restaurant will be serving dinner (traditional, vegetarian or halal) family style, all you can eat, and local beverage companies are contributing pop and beer to be served with the dinner.

Let us not forget about the door prizes that are included in the price of the ticket. Laptop computer and a 40-inch HDTV are on the top of the list, among many others.

There is a limited number of tickets available for this event, with a \$25 donation for each ticket. Tickets are available at the Hamtramck Public Library, or can be ordered by phone or mail (Library 313-733-6822, George Gorday 313-365-5310, Greg Kirchner 313-891-6510). Friends of the library invite all to participate in the celebration (please get your tickets early).

Halloween – On Wednesday October 31 the Hamtramck Public Library will be handing out treats to those in costume until 5 p.m.

Treats – Thursday, November 8, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Birthday treats provided. Children 5 years and younger and their parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

City Wide Poets – Are you a writer? Join Citywide Poets every **Tuesday from 4:30 to 6:30p.m.** at the Hamtramck Public Library. Free and open to all teens. Sessions begin October 9. For more information, please contact justin@insideoutdetroit.org or visit www.insideoutdetroit.org

ABCmouse.com – Now available at the Hamtramck Public Library, ABCmouse.com is a free digital learning resource for children ages 2-8+ with more than 8,500 Learning Activities and 850 lessons, ABCmouse.com is the most comprehensive early learning curriculum available online. Ask your library staff for more details.

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

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Early Childhood Elementary News

Students from Early Childhood Elementary School recently bundled up with coats, hats and scarves and made the short walk to the Hamtramck Fire Department. Students learned about the equipment the fire-fighters use, watched a video on fire safety, toured the station, learned what to do and who to call in case of a fire and one class even sang the fire-fighters a song.

Parents, teachers and students enjoyed the day as they were able to climb into the front seat of a fire engine and see the bright lights.

The students learned about the jaws of life and the tools the firefighters use to save lives. Everyone even got a chance to see how a firefighter slid down a pole.

The firefighters gave each student a bag with a pencil and fire safety coloring book. The preschoolers are looking forward to their visit from the fire-fighters this week at the school.

Upcoming Calendar:

- November 2 – End of 1st Quarter.
- November 2 – Half Day for Horizon High

Above and below: Early Childhood Elementary School students recently had fun visiting the Fire Department.

School, final exams.

- November 5 – Grading window closed.
- November 6 – Professional Development Day for staff. No school for students.
- November 8 – Report Card #1 distributed.
- November 8 – Half day for elementary and middle school students. Parent teacher conferences (all grades except High School) 12:30-3p.m. and 5-7p.m.
- November 9 – Half day for all students. Professional Development in the afternoon.
- November 21 – Half day for students and staff.
- November 22 and November 23 – No school for students and staff. Thanksgiving Break.
- November 26 – School resumes.

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Grant would give a major improvement to Keyworth

By Charles Sercombe

Public School and city officials are crossing their fingers in hope of winning a grant to replace the turf at Keyworth Stadium.

In a recent joint meeting of the school board and city council, the two groups supported a resolution seeking a grant from the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation.

At that meeting, it was also agreed to have the Michigan Municipal League act as the fiduciary in case this grant comes through.

The artificial turf at Keyworth is over 20 years old and way past its life expectancy.

A replacement turf will cost about \$450,000. It, too, will be artificial. Nat-

ural grass is far more expensive and does not last as long.

The new turf will be good for 10 years.

The school district and city are also seeking a \$174,000 grant to conduct a master plan study on how to improve Veterans Memorial Park, Key-

worth and Playfair Park.

The Wilson Foundation has been awarding grants to communities to encourage youth to participate in physical exercise.

City and school officials say they expect to hear back from the Wilson Foundation about the grant in November.

City and school officials are hoping to win a grant to replace the turf at Keyworth Stadium.

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Town hall meeting set for med pot

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30) at the public library (2360 Caniff) at 6 p.m. While these operations are allowed by state law, each city can decide to opt out of allowing them to set up shop. Hamtramck officials have been working on ordinances that regulate these businesses for several years, but only recently began to earnestly look into the matter. Those who object fear marijuana will get into the hands of minors and the operations will attract crime.

Some city officials say those concerns are exaggerated and that the businesses will bring in needed additional tax revenue. At least two councilmembers, Saad Almas-mari and Fadel Al-Marsoumi, have said they are opposed to these businesses. Both said anyone who is allowed to purchase medical marijuana can go to any number of dispensaries in nearby Detroit or the suburbs. Others have said Ham-

tramck residents should be able to shop locally and not have to catch a ride or drive out of the city to obtain their legal medical marijuana. The city council is expected to vote on whether to move forward with adopting the ordinances at its next council meeting in November. At this point it appears there are enough votes to pass the ordinances, but things could change in the coming weeks due to public pressure.

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

source: the350project.net

Walking or biking to school has plenty of benefits

By Charles Sercombe

Recently, school kids were treated to a surprise when they arrived at their schools. Waiting for them were Hamtramck police officers who were taking part in the nationwide campaign: Walk & Bike to School Day.

The students were able to talk to officers about their job and equipment and learn some basic safety tips about walking to school. Walking and biking Hamtramck's streets is no easy task. The sidewalks are narrow, some are broken up, and our intersections are busy and dangerous with speeding drivers and drivers not paying attention.

The worst stretch for kids – and adults – is along Gallagher from Caniff to Goodson. This is where drivers young and old speed down the street and often blow through stop signs.

It's a tragedy waiting to happen. Why walk or bike to school even in hazardous Hamtramck?

The folks at Walk & Bike to School Day have this to say about the benefits that far offset the negatives:

"When walking or biking, parents and children get to appreciate things they don't notice while driving — listening to the sounds of the neighbor-

hood, seeing friends and neighbors and feeling connected with their community. Parents, children and friends can enjoy one another's company without the usual distractions."

And, of course, there is the added benefit of getting some exercise. So parents and kids, hit the streets – but keep your heads up.



Above and below: Hamtramck Public School students recently enjoyed a visit by police officers during the national Walk & Bike to School Day.



Archaeology in Hamtramck!

Open Day: Saturday October 27, 2018

Visit the ongoing archaeological excavations of the former Village Hall (Fire and Police Stations) and other buildings in Old Hamtramck Center. Excavations are currently being conducted by students and faculty from Wayne State's Anthropology Department in partnership with the Hamtramck Historical Museum.



WHERE: Corner of Joseph Campau St. and Alice St., Hamtramck
WHEN: Saturday - October 27, 2018 10:00-1:00 p.m
Free and Open to the Public

Do you think Archaeology is cool? Are you interested in unearthing the secrets of the past? Well now is your chance! Gather your friends and family and come visit with archaeologists as they share their discoveries about historical sites, including the old Village Hall Fire Station & Police Department, the Nut House Bar, and other buildings. The history of Hamtramck is waiting for you!



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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Medical marijuana dispensaries pose a minimal risk to the city

This coming Tuesday (Oct. 30) there will be a town hall meeting on whether the city should allow medical marijuana dispensaries and growing operations to be allowed in Hamtramck.

Medical marijuana is legal in the state, but the federal government still considers it illegal. A half dozen states have also legalized the recreational use of marijuana.

So far, the federal government has not put a stop to this, but of course this could change.

We have previously advocated for allowing medical marijuana businesses to open up here.

The reason: It's legal (in the state anyway), it's been proven to truly help people with certain medical conditions, residents should be able to shop locally, and it's a great tax revenue stream for the city.

Until just a few weeks there had barely been a word opposing this.

But at a recent city council meeting dozens of folks, mostly from the Bengali and Yemeni communities, came out strongly against allowing these businesses.

Because of that opposition, the city scheduled a town hall meeting, despite the fact that there had been one on this subject just several months ago and there have been numerous discussions on the matter in city council meetings.

A lot of misinformation has been spread since then.

While we respect those who oppose this type of business, we still think it should be allowed.

Why?

Because it will be strictly controlled, contrary to what some folks have said. To even get a state license, one has to have over \$300,000 in assets and basically no criminal record.

This will not be a mom and pop operation.

And no one is going to risk losing their license by selling marijuana illegally to kids or out the back door to others.

If voters agree this coming election on Nov. 6 to make recreational use of marijuana legal in Michigan, that doesn't mean – as some claim – it will be sold like packs of cigarettes.

No matter how legal marijuana gets, it will be strictly regulated, licensed and zoned appropriately.

Will crime go up if we allow marijuana sales?

There is a lot of debate on this, and there are a lot of conflicting reports and studies on the subject.

Everything a city does is a calculated risk.

One thing we know for sure, Hamtramck has a limited stream of revenue.

There won't be a marijuana shop on every corner. The proposed zoning law that the city council is considering will limit where these retail and growing operations can set up.

Fact is, only a handful will be allowed here.

And for those who have been insinuating that some elected officials and their buddies are in cahoots to monopolize this enterprise: that's plain slander.

You can bet there will be many eyes looking at who gets licenses and who are the business partners.

Again, we are empathetic to those who are concerned about the impact on the community and particularly kids.

We are confident that this business will be tightly controlled and that there will be minimal consequences. And, this will also greatly help the city financially.

But that's our opinion. What do you think?

Odds & Ends

Exhibit... The Ukrainian American Archives and Museum is hosting an interesting exhibit starting on Nov. 4 in conjunction with a must-see documentary being shown at the Detroit Film Theater.

Here's a press release about what's coming up:

"On November 4 the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum is hosting an exhibit and ceremony, "Light a Candle" from 1 to 4 p.m. at their new location in Hamtramck.

"On November 15 a special Holodomor Commemoration film event will be held at the Detroit Film Theater at the Detroit Institute of Arts. A reception at 5:30 p.m. in the Crystal Gallery will precede the films, Dr. Borys Buniak's "When We Starve" and George Mendeluk's "Bitter Harvest" to begin at 6:30 p.m.

"Admission is free.

"In 1933, the Ukrainian National Women's League of America (UNWLA) organized a relief committee in the United States for starving Ukrainians in Soviet Ukraine. They worked tirelessly to bring awareness of the Holodomor.

"The Detroit Regional Council, under its current president, Vera Andrushkiw, continued this effort to incorporate information regarding the Ukrainian Genocide, with all genocides of the 20th century. Our committee is compelled to inform the younger generation about the past and the warning signs of genocide for the future."

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Puppet performance blends traditional Bengali music and culture

By Alan Madlane

If you seek a little something different this weekend, wander on over to Banglatown.

Bangla School of Music founder Akram Hossein is showcasing a puppet show that explores Bengali culture. It's called "O Motherland!" and also has a subtitle of "Shadow Narratives of Bangladesh."

The performance will blend traditional Bangladeshi music with modern shadow puppetry to create something "for viewers ages 5 to 105."

While the school itself is located at 12657 Moran St. in the city's northeast corner, the performances, scheduled for this coming weekend on both Friday and Saturday Oct. 26-27 at 8 p.m., will be held at the Carrie Morris Arts Production building at 2221 Carpenter St., near Lumpkin.

The show is based on songs actually composed by founder Hussein as well as the school, credited as a whole.

Impressively funded in part by a 2018 Family Grant from the Jim Henson (of Muppets fame) Foundation, the show aims to support diversity in the midst of a current era of sometimes open hostility to anything deemed different or outside of some folks' own cultural experiences.

Fans of such fare may also want to explore PuppetArt, recently relocated to a space on Telegraph Rd. in Southfield after roughly 20 years in Detroit near Grand Circus Park, whose works often bring to life Russian and Eastern European folk tales (puppetart.org).

For more information, call the Bangla School of Music at (248) 719-0422, or Carrie Morris Arts Production at (734) 545-0589.



City Hall Insider ...

What is our City Council up to these days?
We have the highlights of the latest council meeting.

By Charles Sercombe

The city council met on Aug. 14, and all councilmembers and the mayor were present.

Before the meeting a work session was held. At that meeting there was a discussion on a \$13,100 grant from an organization called Can'd Aid Foundation Crush It Crusade, which is a recycling grant program.

The city applied for the grant, and it will be used to purchase six large recycling bins.

"With the interest in the city in recycling, this is one step that the city can take to continue the recycling program," said a background note with the council's proposed resolution to accept the grant.

Then-Acting City Manager Kathy Angerer said she is still looking into a company to haul away recycled items.

"We'll make it work," she said.

The council later approved the grant.

Another grant the city applied for was discussed. This was worth over \$212,000 and was awarded by an organization called Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships.

This grant will be used to repair the roof of city hall.

"Our roof has been patched over the years, but still leaks and causes problems to the building throughout the winter from melting snow and in other months when we experience heavy rainfall. This award will be for a complete renovation," said a note with the council resolution to accept the grant.

The council later agreed to accept the grant.

Said Mayor Karen Majewski: "Yahoo!"

"It's a good one," replied Angerer.


Another grant, this time from the Michigan Department of Transportation, was discussed. This one is to install bike lanes and pedestrian improvements along Jos. Campau, which will be done in 2019.

The grant is worth over \$500,000, and the city must kick in over \$100,000.

The bike route will hook up with another bike lane that will go all the way to Dearborn.

In a note to council, the grant's purpose was ex-

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Tammy Ann Lancaster, 54, died October 23, 2018. Ms. Lancaster was the beloved sister of James (Jo Ann), Kenneth (Lynn), Lonny (Angie), and Jeffrey (Kimberley); daughter of the late James and Darlene. Tammy will be missed by her longtime significant other Michael Sizesure. She is also survived by her nieces and nephews, Cody, Tayler, Jeffrey, Lonny Jr., Jenna, and the

late Jessica. A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 10 a.m. at St Ladislaus Catholic Church, 2730 Caniff, Hamtramck, MI 48212. The family will be receiving guests starting at 9 a.m. Arrangements were entrusted to Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home.





Attention: Hamtramck High School graduates, Class of 1968

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SUNDAY, October 28, 8-11 a.m. – All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast at Our Lady Queen of Apostles, 11420 Conant, Activities Center (in back of church); pancakes and sausage links/patties (all you can eat), fruit cup, coffee or juice, \$8 per person, ages 4 and under free. Proceeds go toward the renovation of the bell tower and school roof.

SATURDAY, November 10, 2-4 p.m. – Soup Kitchen at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming. Everyone is welcome!



City Hall Insider...

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plained: “When fully complete, the Joe Louis Greenway Pathway will provide a looped bicycle facility through the Cities of Hamtramck, Detroit, Highland Park and Dearborn. In addition, this route is also included in the Master Plan of the Iron Belle Trail Way which extends across the entire State of Michigan.

“MDOT has approved the grant application submitted earlier this year to provide for bicycle and pedestrian improvements within the 2019 construction season. Our city Master Plan calls for this improvement to Jos. Campau. Additionally this bike lane construction will add to the friendliness of our community for non-motorized residents and visitors.”

More improvements are coming.

The council agreed to spend over \$17,000 to create three outdoor volleyball courts next to the former ice rink in Veterans Park. The money is coming from Wayne County.

County Commissioner Martha Scott donated county funds to help make park improvements. The total county contribution – via Commissioner Scott – is \$50,000, which will be divided up for various park improvements.

The council agreed to set aside four city lots on Dequindre as a memorial park dedicated to those who were victimized by the city in a housing discrimination action that happened in the 1960s.

A largely African-American neighborhood on the southend was targeted years ago to be razed under the guise of “urban renewal” by city officials.

The residents there said the true purpose was to remove blacks from the city. The residents filed a federal lawsuit.

After a lengthy court battle, the city agreed to build 200 houses for the plaintiffs.

While there is no cost to dedicate the lots, located at 11361 Dequindre, 11355 Dequindre, 11369 Dequindre and 11383 Dequindre, the city will seek funding to develop the site.

In a note to the council on the matter, it said: “Included in the park plans will be signage that will commemorate and designate the space as a park and features that will provide space to sit and reflect and enjoy the space.

The council also agreed to extend its alley repaving program, but this time to focus only on residential areas.

Eight alley sections were scheduled to be repaired this fall for a cost of \$750,000.

“I’m really excited,” said Mayor Majewski. “It’s about time we worked on residential alleys.”

Coming up later this year and next year will be a study to see how to go about repaving Caniff from I-75 to Jos. Campau.

The city is once again seeking federal money to help with the project. The project will cost about \$1.5 million, out of which the city has to contribute \$300,000 from its annual state road repair fund.

The council agreed to also spend \$90,000 for an engineering study.

Work will begin in 2020.

The council agreed with an employment contract change with the city’s firefighters’ union.

The new agreement will reduce the number of regular firefighters – which does not include ranking officers and special assignments – from 18 to 14.

In exchange the firefighters will receive a 3-percent salary increase. The deal will save the city a little over \$100,000 in salaries a year. There is also a savings in the cost of benefits for four firefighters.

Councilmember Ian Perrotta said the agreement will also help retain experienced firefighters.

During public comment in the regular meeting, Carrie Beth Lasley was not pleased about the upcoming improvement projects, calling it a “spending spree.”



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By Charles Sercombe
This week's Crime Log covers Oct. 16-22.

Tuesday, October 16

- At 2 a.m. two people were arrested after a traffic stop for multiple misdemeanors.
- A Southfield resident reported being bitten by a German shepherd while in the 8800 block of Vincent.
- A resident in the 11600 block of Mitchell was arrested for assault and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- A Warren resident was pulled over after committing several traffic violations. Property found in the vehicle not belonging to the driver was confiscated and tagged as evidence.

Wednesday, October 17

- At a little after midnight a Detroit resident was arrested in the 2200 block of Danforth for assault.
- A Holbrook resident reported someone at-

- tempted to steal her vehicle.
- A Detroit resident was arrested in the 12000 block of Jos. Campau for being disorderly and obstruction.
 - Officers assisted a person from Iowa who lost their cellphone in downtown Detroit. The phone was pinged at a location in the 2300 block of Botsford and was returned.
 - A resident in the 11300 block of McDougall reported their red mountain bike was stolen by a teenager with blond hair, a red and black shirt and black pants with a white stripe.
 - A highly intoxicated Detroit resident was found sleeping on the ground in the 9000 block of Jos. Campau. The person was ticketed and taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital.
- Thursday, October 18**
- At 3 a.m. a business owner in the 9600 block of Conant reported a burglary.
 - A Pulaski resident re-
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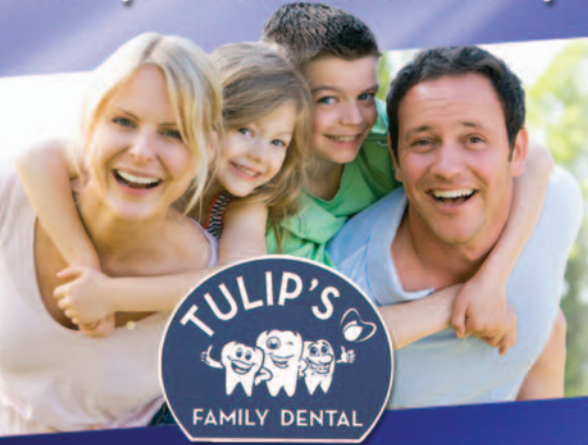
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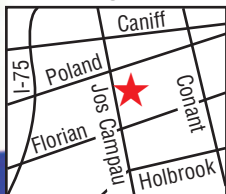
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ported items stolen from his vehicle.

- A Dearborn Heights resident reported suspicious circumstances that took place in the 9000 block of Jos. Campau.

- A Trowbridge resident was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital for public intoxication.

- A Detroit resident was arrested for breaking into a car in the area of Jos. Campau and Zinow.

Friday, October 19

- No incident report was available for this day.

Saturday, October 20

- At 12:30 a.m. a person was arrested in the 11600 block of Mitchell for domestic violence.

- Multiple vehicles were struck in the Grand Haven-Circle Drive area.

- At almost 2 a.m. a

suspect fled after being pulled over for traffic violation. The person and the driver were later arrested.

- At about 2:30 a.m. a person was arrested after a traffic stop for possessing narcotics.

- A resident in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau reported her car had been broken into.

Sunday, October 21

- At almost 2 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

- A Hanley resident was reported missing.

Monday, October 22

- A resident was arrested in the 3000 block of Hanley for assault and damaging property.

- A Caniff resident reported someone broke her car window.

- A Doremus resident reported an incident of fraud.

- A resident in the 2200 block of Evaline reported seeing a person they know break into their upper flat. The apartment was ransacked and coins were stolen. The suspect also broke into the victim's lower flat and stole a purse.

- A homeowner in the 12100 block of McDougall reported the theft of two furnaces and two water heaters.

- A resident in the 3000 block of Caniff was arrested for assault and obstruction.

- A man reported a person they know purposely pushed over his motorcycle, causing it to fall over and damage his pick-up truck.

- A resident was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

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