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Quick Hits

Now that fall has settled in, there's nothing better than a bowl of chili to ward off the colder temperatures.

You can enjoy some chili this Saturday (Nov. 3), and also help a good

The good folks at PLAV Post 10 are hosting a chili cook-off from 3 to 6 p.m. Proceeds will be used to provide a Thanksgiving dinner to homeless and disabled veterans.

Admission is only \$5, and that allows you to get a sample from each cook. And there will be entertainment and plenty of cold, cold beer to counter the hot chilies.

Post 10 is located at 11824 Jos. Campau.

The folks at Piast Institute will have a special visitor coming in a couple of weeks. Here's the lowdown:

"The Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago would like to inform you that it is organizing a consular visit the 17th and 18th of November. It will be held at the Piast Institute, located at 11633 Jos. Campau.

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— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD

State Democratic big shooters attend election rally to urge voters to vote

By Charles Sercombe

Some of the state's leading Democratic office holders and candidates came out in force Sunday evening.

The Michigan Bangladeshi American Democratic Caucus held an election rally at Gates of Columbus Hall, and US Senators Gary Peters and Debbie Stabenow were on hand to urge voters to get out and vote this Nov. 6.

Also on hand were Democratic candidates Gretchen Whitmer and Garlin Gilchrist, who are running for governor and lieutenant governor respectively; Dana Nessel, who is seeking the job of state attorney general; Jocelyn Benson, who is run-

ning for sectary of state; Brenda Lawrence, who is seeking another term in congress for the district that includes Hamtramck; and a host of others on the Democratic ticket.

A number of those speaking reminded the 300 people attending the packed hall that the Democrats can't afford a repeat of 2016.

That was when presidential candidate Hillary Clin-**Continued on page 2**

Top photo: US Senator Gary Peters urged voters to pass state Proposal 2 to end gerrymandering. Right: Democandidate governor Gretchen Whitmer addresses those attending a Democratic political rally on Sunday.





Hamtramck 31st District Court Judge Alexis Krot and her husband, Dave Salamas, have pledged to maintain the flags

District court judge pledges to maintain flags in Zussman Park

By Charles Sercombe

Thanks to Hamtramck 31st District Court Judge Alexis Krot, city hall will never run out of American flags to fly in Zussman Park - which is located across from the building.

On Monday a small gathering of folks and veterans held a flag donation ceremony in the park.

Krot and her husband, Dave Salamas, have pledged to make sure worn out flags flying in the park will be replaced. The pair will also maintain the Michigan state flag and the POW/MIA flag that flies under the American

Krot said the flags "rep-Continued on page 4

Future of dispensaries is doubtful

By Charles Sercombe

The chances of Hamtramck allowing medical marijuana dispensaries looks pretty iffy at this point.

According to sources, a majority of city councilmembers may back off from adopting a set of ordinances that would regulate dispensaries and grow facilities.



Former Democratic candidate for governor Abdul El-Sayed spoke in favor of allowing medical marijuana dispensaries at a packed meeting in the library Tuesday evening.

That's because of the massive turnout at a town hall meeting held Tuesday night at the public library. About 120 people showed and most objected to allowing such facilities to locate here.

Most of those in atten-



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State Democratic big shooters attend election rally to urge voters to vote continued from front page

Whitmer,

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said she needs Democ-

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tions in state government.

"I need them to have our

ton was leading by a widemargin over Donald Trump, according to polls at the time. She lost Michigan by 10,000 votes.

Some have argued that was because many voters sat out the election.

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Shahim said this election is an opportunity to "turn the table" on Republicans, who now control both houses in congress.

"We can't make the same mistake as 2016," he said. "Don't stay

back," she said. As of Thursday, when HAIR REPAIR

The Review went to press, Whitmer was leading against her Republican opponent, Bill Schuette, according to polls.

She also complimented those attending, who were mostly from the Bengali community.

"You are an important part of this state," Whitmer said.

Congressmember Brenda Lawrence said her

district (the 14th) is a perfect example of what "America looks like," referring to its ethnic diversity.

"The Bangladeshi community is going to be a part of the blue wave," she said.

On the importance of people voting in this election, she said it's a matter of "fighting for our lives. This is a rally, but this has to equate to votes." Senator Peters urged

voters to vote "yes" on Proposal 2, which would end elected officials from determining voting districts, or as it is commonly referred to, "gerrymandering." Senator Stabenow said

can push back special interests and big-moneyed campaigns. She said it doesn't matter if you are rich or poor when it comes to elections.

getting people out to vote

"Election Day is the great equalizer. ... We all get one vote," she said. "We have to use our power to vote."



Democratic candidate Jocelyn Benson was one of several prominent candidates who attended a political rally on Sunday at Gates of Columbus Hall.

Quick Hits

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"During the visit the Consulate will only address applications or renewals of a Polish passport. Applicants are required to bring two passport photos.

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ESL Class - Monday, Nov. 5, 9 a.m. and noon, ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required

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ESL Class - Wednesday, Nov. 7, 9 a.m. and noon, ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Thursday, Nov. 8, noon, ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

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 formats: short essays, poems, paintings, drawings,

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 present-

ing 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

Let us not forget about the door prizes that are included in the price of the ticket. Laptop computer and a 40inch 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 (Li-313-733-6822, brary 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).

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 informaplease contact justin@insideoutdetroit.org or visit www.insideoutde-

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.

Michigan Activity Pass -The pass will enable Library card holders to obtain a onetime 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) 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.

Second Front Page



Holbrook Elementary School News

Holbrook students have had a very busy couple of weeks.

On National Walk to School Day, students joined Sgt. David Cornwell, Corporal Nikole Jabour and Officer Eugene Tetreault at Grayling and Lumpkin and walked together to the school.

Thank you officers for caring about the students and for the information about walking and crossing the streets safely to school.

Last week on Tuesday, students from the Kindergarten and the 2nd grade walked all the way from Holbrook School Grayling St. to Caniff St. where they visited the Albert J. Zak Memorial Li-

brary. Once there they were read a story and learned how they can obtain a library card so they can check out books from the library. A second stop was made at the Hamtramck Fire Department, where the students were taught about "stop, drop, and roll" and safety during a fire.

The students received a

coloring book, crayons and a pencil with a fire department related eraser.

On Wednesday, the sixth graders were invited to sing at the WIDA Annual Conference. The students performed in front of

students and their music teacher Maxwell Spayde for their mesmerizing performance. They received a standing ovation from all in attendance.

Thursday, the Kindergarten, First and Second



Above: Holbrook students recently visited Wiards Orchard where they enjoyed a wagon ride. Below: Kosciuszko honor students pose for a photo.



2,000 attendees at COBO Center in downtown De-

This is quite an honor and we are so proud of our Grades visited Wiards Orchard. After the bus ride to the orchard, the students explored the many things to do there.

They took a wagon ride through a haunted forest, walk through haunted mine, slid on the high and low slides and also climbed on a straw pyramid.

The students had fun with all those activities! They were able to pick an apple straight from the trees and a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch.

The students enjoyed a cinnamon donut and a glass of cider before returning to Holbrook School to complete their day. As you can see Holbrook is a busy fun place to learn.

Kosciuszko Middle School (KMS) News

The following students are student of the month at KMS: Samia Akther, Malak Algahim, Mohamed Algehaim , Mary Al Hussein, MD Ali, Saleh Ali, Safa Anakeeb, Kaise Aziz, Nagi Aziz, Branden Bell, Traylon Brown, Aujanae Carter, Tyler Edge, Baha Deon Griffon, Ghalib, Adnan Hamulic, Benjamin Hatibovic, Nabia Khan, Sumaya Khatun, Tahsin Mahdi, Leonardo Mitaj and Myron Pickett.

Congratulations to these students.

Upcoming Calendar:

- · November 2 End of 1st Quarter.
- November 2 Half Day for Horizon High 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) 12:30-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.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 Thanksgiving Break.
- · November 26 School resumes.

Recreation Department News

For more information give us a call (313) 892-2635, or check out the 2018 Fall / Winter Brochure. Follow us on Facebook for the most up to date information:

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John Gorniak

- Long-time Macomb County resident, recently moved to Troy; Claims he changed his residence address and voter registration to Hamtramck with the Secretary of State on April 6, 2018 in order to file to run for judge
- Macomb County attorney and perennial candidate; fined \$9800 by the Macomb County Clerk for campaign finance violations related to failed campaigns as a Republican for Macomb Commissioner and Prosecutor
- Reprimanded and fined by the Attorney Discipline Board(1)
 Reprimanded and fined by the Attorney Discipline Board again two years later(2)
 Sued for malpractice(3)
 Sued by the United States for defaulting and loans(4)
- Six show causes and one bench warrant for failing to pay child support in 2017₍₅₎
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Future of dispensaries is doubtful

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dance were from the Yemeni and Bengali communities.

Many said they were against allowing the sale of medical marijuana because they feared it would get into the hands of children and that the facilities would invite crime.

The first hour of the town hall meeting was taken up by speakers arranged by the city administration.

Former Michigan Democratic gubernatorial candidate Abdul El-Sayed gave an impassioned speech on why allowing dispensaries to open will benefit the city.

He said that like it or not, medical marijuana will be sold in the state, and now is the time for cities to adopt their own regulations. Otherwise, he said, the "wave" of medical marijuana will wash over the city.

"It's about regulating," El-Sayed said.

City Attorney Harry Kalogerakas echoed that sentiment for the need to adopt regulations.

"If we don't do it ourselves, we run the threat of someone coming in and creating something unacceptable to the community," he said.

If the administration was hoping to dispel fears and clear up misinformation, it didn't seem to make an impression on those attending.

Instead, after listening to the city's speakers, the crowd grew impatient. At one point several people yelled out for an end to



Above: Mayor Karen Majewski and Councilmember Anam Miah listen to speakers at Tuesday's town hall meeting on whether the city should allow medical marijuana dispensaries to operate here. Below: A resident speaks against dispensaries.



so they the speakers could speak.

Those attending also objected to being limited to commenting no longer than three minutes.

During all of it Mayor Karen Majewski, who has advocated for allowing dispensaries, looked defeated.

One of only a couple of people who spoke in favor of dispensaries was Councilmember Ian Perrotta. He rattled a number of those attending by saying fellow Councilmember Saad Almasmari was "lying" when he said earlier that the ordinances under consideration would allow an unlimited

City of Hamtramck and Hamtramck Recreation

Department presents

number of dispensaries to open.

Almasmari said the ordinances would allow medical marijuana to swamp

"Are we planning on making Hamtramck a green city?" he said.

While there is no limit mentioned in the proposed ordinances, the zoning regulations would severely restrict where they could operate.

Nayeem Choudhury disputed one of the key arguments in favor of the dispensaries. Backers of the ordinances said the businesses would bring in needed tax revenue.

Choudhury said that the

businesses would not bring in a significant amount of money.

Instead, he said, the businesses would act as a bad influence on children walking past dispensaries.

Another speaker said allowing dispensaries would "destroy" the community.

Former school boardmember Nasr Saleh Hussain said the city's pursuit of drafting the ordinances was a "waste of money."

He said the city should wait and see what happens in other cities that allow dispensaries.

"Don't make Hamtramck a testing ground," Hussain said.

City officials have been grappling with the issue of dispensaries ever since voters approved the use of medical marijuana 10 years ago. It wasn't until recently that city officials pushed the issue to the forefront.

Until Tuesday's meeting Councilmembers Perrotta. Anam Miah and Andrea Karpinski appeared to be in favor of dispensaries. It was expected that Mayor Majewski would break the council's tie vote.

Now, according sources, the mayor wants to shelve the issue.

Majewski could not be reached for comment.

Councilmember Miah said he expected more people in favor of dispensaries to come out.

"I was surprised by that," he said.

Heavy voter turnout is expected for next Tuesday's election

By Charles Sercombe

Voters will be heading out to the polls next Tuesday (Nov. 6).

City Clerk August Gitschlag said he is expecting a high voter turnout.

"After the last couple of elections people realize elections have consequences," Gitschlag said.

If you won't be able to make it to the polls on Tuesday – or if you are 60 years or older - you can vote in city hall by absentee ballot on Saturday (Nov. 3) from 8 a.m. to 2

This election features prominent races for US senator, congress, the governor, state attorney general. secretary state and a slew of judges, including two seats on the State Supreme Court.

Democrats nationwide are hoping to take control of the US House of Representatives. According to national polls, they stand a good chance at that but then again polls were wildly off in the 2016 presidential election.

That's when Donald Trump pulled an upset victory over Hillary Clinton although Clinton won the national popular vote by 3 million.

According to polls, Democrats have less of a chance in taking over the Senate, and in fact could lose up to three seats.

Senator Debbie Stabenow is running for re-election and will be on Tuesday's ballot. Michigan's other senator, Gary Peters, is not up for reelection.

Stabenow's Republican challenger, John James, is behind in the race, but according to polls he has been catching up.

Hamtramck voters have traditionally voted in support of Democratic candidates.

Nationwide turnout is expected to be high because of the heated races between Democrats and Republi-

In Hamtramck, there are 820 absentee ballots that have been sent out, and about half have so far returned to the city clerk.

Locally, there are two races of note.

Hamtramck 31st District Court Judge Alexis Krot is facing challenger John Gorniak, an attorney who moved to Hamtramck several months ago.

The Public School Board race suddenly became interesting. There are two

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District court judge pledges to maintain flags in Zussman Park

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resent the freedoms we

hold dear and are a reminder of the sacrifices so many active duty militect those freedoms.

"Maintaining our flags is one small way to show our gratitude and respect. community to share this moment with us and thank our veterans for their service."

Zussman Park is named after Hamtramck resident Raymond Zussman, who was killed in World War II

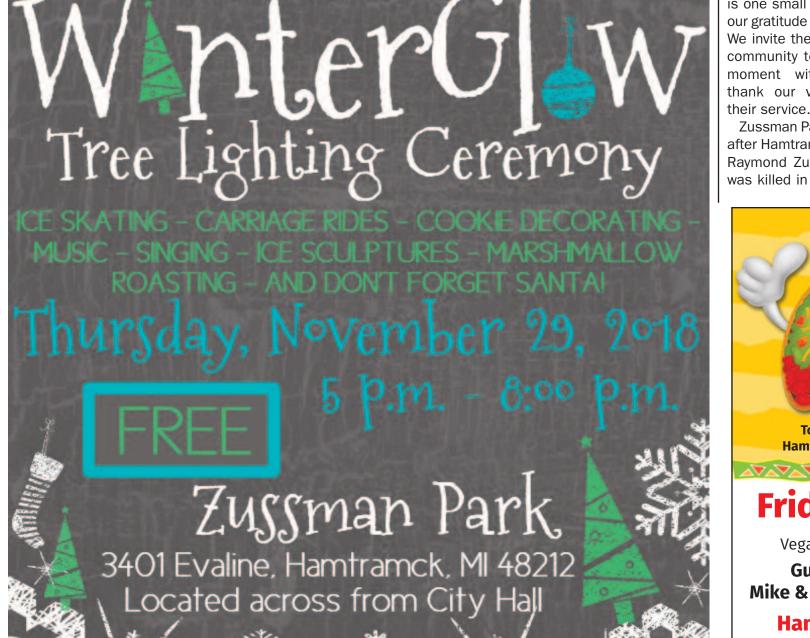
during combat.

Zussman, a second lieutenant in the army, was given, posthumously, tary and veterans have the military's highest made to secure and pro-award, the Medal of Honor, for his bravery acting as a forward scout to direct fire on the enemy.

He was one of three We invite the Hamtramck Jewish soldiers to receive the honor in WWII.

> During the course of his action, he exposed himself to enemy fire.

> He died later, in France, during combat. He is buried in Machpelah Cemetery in Ferndale.





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In Our Opinion

Election 2018: Our Endorsements for local office

elections coming up on Election Day, Nov. 6.

One race is for the Hamtramck Public School Board and the other is for Hamtramck District Court Judge.

The school board race has two positions, one of which no one signed up to be a candidate before the ballots were printed. Board President Magdalena Srodek is seeking re-election.

School Boardmember Ataur Khan initially did not want to seek another term, but he has since changed his mind and is now running as a write-in candidate.

Also running as a write-in candidate is Jihan Aiyash.

The two highest votegetters will fill the two board seats.

Magdalena Srodek has proved to be a competent and conscientious team player. She has served as board president with a fair hand and a passion in getting board members and the public involved.

There are some important issues coming up

There are two local for the school district namely working with the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation to seek grants to make huge improvements at Keyworth Stadium and Veterans Park.

We need Srodek's experience to continue the huge strides the district has been making in recent years. Now is not the time to bring in an inexperienced person to replace her.

We highly recommend the re-election of MAG-DALENA SRODEK for another term on the board.

Ataur Khan has also proved to be a team player. Although often quiet during board meetings he has been a faithful public servant, and has worked behind the scenes to make sure our students are receiving a proper education, as well as have the necessary tools to compete in the world.

We recommend voters give ATAUR KHAN another term in office.

court judge is Alexis Krot who is currently serving in that position after being appointed by Gov. Rick Snyder to fill a vacancy created when former Judge Paul Paruk stepped down to take a new job with the State Court Administration.

Challenging Krot is newcomer John Gorniak, who moved here several months ago from the suburbs to become a candidate.

While Gorniak says he has roots in the city, Krot has been living here for many years, and her family, who owns Krot Funeral Home on Caniff, has deep roots in the

More importantly, Krot has proved she can competently run the city's district court, and has been sensitive to the needs of residents. This is not an easy town to be a judge in.

Many folks here do not speak fluid English and often need extra help in navigating the legal system. And this must be done with empathy and a fair hand.

ALEXIS KROT Running for district serves to remain judge. We highly recommend voters keep her as Hamtramck's first female District Court Judge.

Other Voices: Guest Editorial

A delicate balance: Cities are straining to deliver affordable water

By Michele Oberholtzer

One thing that unites all Hamtramck residents is our distress over our water bills. Bills seem to get higher and higher every year, even as we confront challenges to the quality of our water.

This year, Hamtramck has simultaneously shifted toward automated water meter reading while reducing our ability to lower our bills by saving water. Longstanding issues are being aggravated by the threat of lead contamination and the risk of water shutoffs for those who can't afford to meet the growing costs.

Have you ever taken the time to truly understand your water bill?

You might be surprised that the biggest part of the bill is not the water usage itself, but the sewerage charge. Next there is the water charge and, lastly, a mysterious sanitation fee, which is actually a garbage pick-up fee which some claim to be a "double tax," since it is already covered by property taxes.

Hamtramck has an ordinance which prohibits residents from challenging their water bills, so the only true choice you have is to pay or not pay - to have water or not.

In my own home, I analyzed the historical usage and costs. I found that the measured water usage in my home was the same in 2006, 2010 and 2016.

The usage was the same but the cost went up from \$230 in 2006, to \$341 in 2010, to a whopping \$676 in 2016! The increase may have been somewhat obscured by the transition from quarterly to monthly billing in 2014, but the total annual cost increased even as the individual bills went down.

Remember, that the changes implemented this July are not even reflected in these numbers. Under the new system, the fixed monthly charges on each water account have doubled from about \$20 to about \$40 before a single drop of water is used. The water that you use is an additional charge from

This means that even if vour water is shut off, vou can expect to be billed \$40 each month on top of your existing balance. And, don't forget, if you can't afford to pay on time, you can expect late fees, shutoff fees, and reconnection

Fortunately, I have the ability to pay my water bills, but the strain of providing access to water is real for Hamtramck residents.

Hamtramck's water shutoff procedures are extremely aggressive hundreds of residents receive water shutoff notices each month for debts as low as \$5 (which is probably less than the cost of issuing the notice!).

There are some water resources, such as the WRAP program, which can assist low-income households to pay off delinquent water bills. But WRAP does not apply for people whose water is already shut off, has limited funds, and is not widely known in the Hamtramck community, especially across language

Every year, council has the chance to approve a new rate structure for water. 2019 will provide another opportunity to

push back against a rate structure that neither rewards nor incentivizes Hamtramckans from conserving water and, instead, provides real pathways for affordable water.

In Michigan, we are so fortunate to have access to abundant clean water resources, but we cannot take the availability of this resource for granted.

For the past few months, I have been waiting for a call back from the City of Hamtramck to alert me when it will be my turn to have a new automatic water meter installed.

As of this week, I have joined another queue - the line of residents waiting to have our water tested for lead.

Local government is a balancing act of limited resources and seemingly endless demands. and the challenge is great, but the stakes for clean and affordable water are high enough that we must work together to prioritize an infrastructure that both delivers water and serves its people.

If you have a problem with your water bill and need help paying it, contact WRAP at (313) 386-9727. If you want to report a shutoff or water bill issue.



Odds & Ends

Meet up... The city administration is inviting business owners to a 14 at the Ukrainian American Archives and Museum (9630 Jos.

Campau) from 6 to 7:30 about this association p.m.

City officials will be special meeting on Nov. talking about a citywide a chamber of commerce, business association. At but that faded away press time we didn't years ago. have more information

and its goals.

Hamtramck once had

Holbrook repaving hits a roadblock with cold weather coming

By Charles Sercombe

The city is ditching hopes that the Holbrook repaving project can be completed before cold weather sets in.

The project was recently delayed three weeks when a labor dispute halted work.

The plan was for Holbrook to be repaved from Jos. Campau to Conant.

But that appears unrealistic. Instead, City Manager Kathy Angerer said

the goal now is to make both lanes open from Jos. Campau to Gallagher.

Right now the westbound lane in that secis under construction, and both lanes are closed.

Angerer said work will resume next spring. The project is being managed and overseen by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The project, costing \$1

million, is being funded through the federal government - although the city has to kick in 20 percent of the cost out of its yearly street repair fund.

Included in the project is the replacement of water and sewer lines.

Road construction cannot continue much past November since colder weather prevents the pouring of cement.

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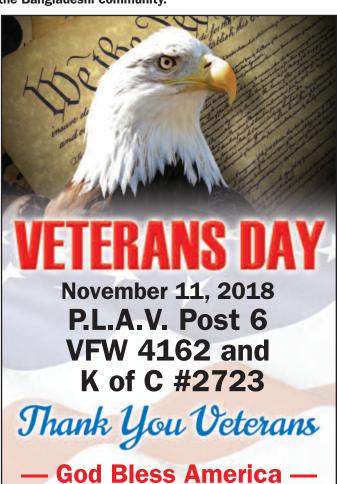
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Mural celebrating the Bengali community is 'unveiled'



Scenes from the recent unveiling of a mural celebrating the Bangladeshi community.





By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck's newest mural made its official debut on a recent Sunday.

Called "Bangladesh: Coming to America," it covers the east wall of Bridge Academy on Carpenter, which is technically on the Detroit side of the Hamtramck-Detroit border.

The project was sponsored by OneHamtramck, a local community group. Some \$56,000 was raised to cover the costs for the mural, which included hiring artist Victor "Marka27" Quinonez.

It took Quinonez about a week to complete the mural, which reaches a height of 46 feet and is

subject of this colorful mural is a Bangladeshi

The mural is significant in that it depicts letters in the Bengali alphabet. At one time Pakistanis tried to force Bengalis to drop their native language and take up Urdu.

That led to violent clashes and the deaths of thousands of Bengalis.

OneHamtramck also behind a mural depicting the Yemeni community on the side of a restaurant on Jos. Campau and Goodson.

About 100 people attended the "unveiling" on Sunday and braved cold



Heavy voter turnout is expected for next Tuesday's election

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seats on the ballot, but only one incumbent, Magdalena Srodek, who is the president of the board, is seeking re-election.

Boardmember Ataur Khan initially declined to seek another term, and no one else filed to be on the November ballot leaving one seat open.

weeks Khan changed his

mind and is now running as a write-in candidate.

Another person, Jihan Aiyash, has jumped into the race and is running as a write-in candidate. The two top vote-getters will fill the two seats - meaning Srodek could be knocked out of the race.

Local polling precincts But in the last couple of open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

Coming events

WEDNESDAYS, 7 p.m., every second Wednesday of the month - The 3C7 and Midtown Block meets at 2339 Caniff PCS Senior Day Center. This block club includes all residents and businesses west of Jos. Campau and north of Holbrook.

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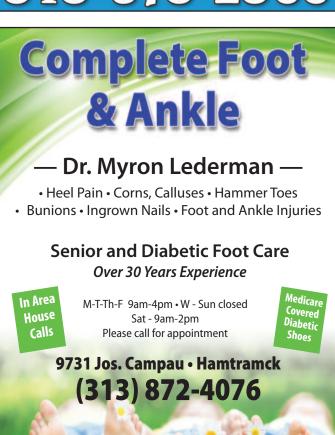
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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Oct. 23-29.

Tuesday, October 23

- · A resident was arrested for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.
- A Danforth resident reported someone fired a gunshot at their house.
- · A Doremus resident reported a break-in.
- · A resident reported someone opened several accounts in their name and ran up bills totaling over \$5,400.
- A highly intoxicated Detroit resident was found passed out in the 2900 block of Trowbridge. The resident was cited for public intoxication and was treated at Detroit Receiving Hospital.
- A Detroit resident was arrested after a traffic stop for possessing narcotics and driving with an expired license.
- · A Detroit resident was arrested after a traffic stop for possessing

narcotics and driving without a license.

Wednesday, October 24

- · A Yemans resident reported a break-in.
- · A Faber resident reported being assaulted.

A resident was arrested after a traffic stop for possessing narcotics. A passenger was also arrested for carrying a concealed gun without a permit.

 A resident in the 12000 block of Dyar reported their child had run

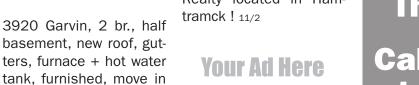
Thursday, October 25

rested in the 12000 block of Dequindre for domestic assault.

· A resident was ar-

- · At a little after 1 a.m. a resident from North Carolina was arrested for drunk driving.
- · At 3:30 a.m. a resident was arrested in the 12000 block of Nagel for domestic assault.
- · A Detroit resident was ticketed for being a

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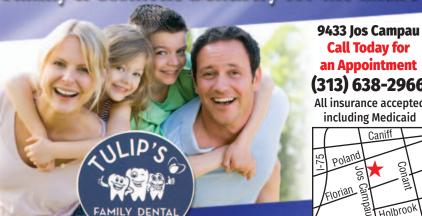








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minor in possession of tobacco.

- A St. Aubin resident reported someone kicked in their garage door in an attempt to steal their lawn mower.
- A person said they were assaulted in the 3200 block of Caniff.
- · A search warrant was conducted in the 11400 block of Moran. Five people were arrested.

Friday, October 26

 A highly intoxicated Detroit resident was found passed out in the 3100 block of Holbrook. The resident was ticketed for being intoxicated in public and was treated at Detroit Receiving Hospi-

· An Eastpointe resident was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license (with 17 prior citations for this offense) and being wanted on several warrants.

Saturday, October 27

· At 2 a.m. a person was arrested after causing an accident and an injury. The driver was arrested for drunk driv-

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

· At a little after 2 a.m. a person reported being struck over the head with a glass bottle while in the area of Caniff and Moran. The suspect fled in a white pickup truck.

 An incident of retail fraud was reported at a business in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau.

 A Wyandotte resident was assaulted by four suspects, one of whom had a knife.

Sunday, October 28

- · A resident in the 2300 block of Botsford was arrested for weapons violation.
- · At 2:45 a.m. a Detroit resident was arrested for drunk driving.
 - A local business

owner reported someone damaged his door.

- Officers responded to a man who had overdosed in the 9300 block of McDougall.
- · A resident in the 9300 block of Mitchell reported a garage break-in.

Monday, October 29

 A Detroit resident was arrested for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.

- A resident reported that their neighbor has been pouring human waste next to cars parked near the neighbor's residence.
- · A neighbor of a Lumpkin resident was arrested after surveillance recording showed the neighbor stealing from the resident.
- · A juvenile was arrested near Norwalk and Lumpkin for assault.

 A Detroit resident was arrested for driving without a license (their record shows 95 previous violations of this offense) and being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant.



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Proposal 18-1

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Proposal 18-2

A proposed constitutional amendment to establish a commission of citizens with exclusive authority to adopt district boundaries for the Michigan Senate, Michigan House of Representatives and U.S. Congress, every 10 years

Proposal 18-3

A proposal to authorize automatic and Election Day voter registration, no-reason absentee voting, and straight ticket voting, and add current legal requirements for military and overseas voting and post-election audits to the Michigan

COUNTY

Wayne County Community College Proposal

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ব্যালটের সম্পূর্ণ কপি হ্যামট্রামক ক্লার্ক অফিসে 3401 ইভ্যালাইন, হামট্রম, এমআই 48212 এ পাওয়া যেতে পারে নির্ব াচক্ষেন্য একটি অভ্যাস ভোটার ব্যালট প্রাপ্তির তথ্য

নির্ব ার্চিক্স চিক্কেন্ পস্থিক্টিলটগুলি শহরের ক্লার্কে অফিসে যোগ্য ভোটারদের জন্য উপলব্ধ, 3401 ইভ্যালাইন| শনিবার, 3 নভেম্বর, ২018-এ শনিবার দুপু ২রটা

ব্যালট প্রস্তাবগুলির সম্পূর্ণ পাঠ্য এখানে পড়তে পারে: https://webapps.sos.state.mi.us/MVIC/PublicBallot.aspx

- পর্য স্কিট্ট ক্লার্কে কর্ম্বর্য লক্ষ্মবেদনপত্রের জন্য সময়সীমা শেষ হবে। শনিবার, 3 নভেম্বর, ২0188 থেকে 8.00 টা পর্য জ্জনু পশ্বিভাটের উদ্দেশ্যে সিটি ক্লার্কে কর্ম্বর্য ালয় খোলা থাকৰে | 2:00 অপরাহু ব্যতীত অনু পল্পিরুক্তিদের ভোট দিতে যোগ্য ব্যক্তিগণ সোমবার, 5 নভেম্বর, ২018 সালের 4:00 টা পর্য স্তোমবার ক্লার্কে কর্য লিক্কেটি
- ব্যালট পেতে পারেন। সোমবার, 5 নভেম্বর, ২0188 তারিখে সোমবার ব্যক্তির কাছে প্রাপ্ত ব্যালটগুলি অবশ্যই শহরের ক্লার্কে ক্লোট দিতে হবে। দপ্তর. HAMTRAMCK ভোটদান পূর্ব অক্সা

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