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Two special events are happening this week-

One has to do with giving closure to Recycled Treasures, and the other with disposing of your unneeded or outdated prescription drugs.

First, Recycled Treasurers.

Catrina Stackpoole, who was the main orof the nowsecond-hand closed store, will be hosting a "Sweet Goodbye Celebration" tonight, Friday, Oct. 25, at the Moose Lodge (located at 9421 Conant).

The celebration starts at 7 and runs to 11 p.m. For a \$5 donation (more is also welcomed), you'll get treated to snacks, and a chance to win door prizes and a 50/50 raffle.

Plus, there is a cash bar, just to get you in the giving mood.

Proceeds will go toward the costs of shutting down the store.

Recycled Treasures helped dozens of low-income folks by providing them with household items and beds.

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# Hamtramck gets ready for 2020 Census count

**By Charles Sercombe** 

It appears few Michigan communities are "very confident" that they will get an accurate Census count.

The national Census happens once every 10 years, and will take place this March.

According to a University of Michigan survey of officials from over 1,000 municipalities, counties, townships and villages, only 15 percent of them said they were "very concurate head count of their residents.

However, 64 percent of those officials said they were "somewhat confident" about the count.

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In Hamtramck, officials have organized a Complete Count Committee deed gets just about every person counted.

"With this committee, we're going to work seriously in engaging the ethnic communities," said Virginia Skrzyniarz, who is the chairperson of the committee.

Skrzyniarz is the CEO and Co-Founder of the Piast Institute, which conducts research on Polish and Polish-American issues. The institute, located on Jos. Campau, is

fident" of getting an ac- to make sure the city in- also a Census Bureau Information Center, one of only two located in Michi-

> She said that, looking at the 2010 Census, it appears about 30 percent of the city's household did not participate.

> "We were probably undercounted by 7,000 people," she said.

> Back then, there were no committee or community organizers pushing the Census.

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## **Poletown** plant saved

By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck has apparently dodged a financial bullet.

Last week, GM reversed its recent decision to close Poletown plant in its tentative labor agreement with the UAW.

Several months ago, GM said it was closing down four of its plants, including the Poletown plant. Then, when the UAW strike began a month ago against GM, an offer was made to keep the Hamtramck plant open.

And then, during the strike, GM again said it was going to shut down the plant.

Confused?

Here is how it unfolded in a nutshell:

Poletown will be closed this January.

Strike begins, Poletown will remain open.

Strike continues, Poletown will now be closed. Strike reaches tenta-

tive settlement, Poletown will remain open. If your head is still

spinning, welcome to the world of high-stakes corporate labor negotiation.

GM also now says it will invest billions into the plant, and will be producing electric-powered pick-up trucks there.

The only thing that could gum up the deal is

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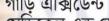
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# Hamtramck gets ready for 2020 Census count continued from front page

In the 2010 Census count, Hamtramck's population was listed as 22,423 – down by about 1,000 from the 2000 count.

It is believed by some in the community that there are upwards of 30,000 people who live here.

Getting an accurate that, for each person population count in Hamtramck has always been a challenge.

That's because a number of immigrants who live here are reluctant to participate for fear of government reprisal, or even deportation.

Skrzyniarz is determined to change that by reaching out to the city's ethnic communities and their leaders.

"They need to take some ownership," she said. Why is the Census im-

portant?

counted, it equals \$1,800 in federal funding in one form or another, which includes grants for street repairs.

This year's Census has already been dealt a blow when the Trump administration attempted to get a question included that asked whether one is a citizen or not.

Critics said the question would likely scare off some immigrants, who would fear it will lead to deportation.

That question has since been struck from Census officials say the Census form, but there could still be lingering doubts for some peo-

"We hope to convince people they will not be deported," said Skrzyniarz.

To kick off the upcoming census, the committee will host a community rally in February.

This year's census will have only 10 questions.

Skrzyniarz said there is still plenty of room on the committee for those interested in spreading the word on the census.

For more information, call Skrzyniarz at (313) 733-4535.

# Poletown plant saved

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if UAW workers vote to reject the proposed labor contract. That vote was expected this week after The Review went to press.

Keeping the plant open is good news for Hamtramck. The city has been receiving \$800,000 breathe easy now? a year from GM in lieu of property taxes. A portion of the plant is on the Hamtramck side of the

Detroit border.

With a yearly budget of \$16 million, the loss of that GM revenue would have been a catastrophic financial hit for the city. It's assumed that deal will continue.

But can city officials

City Manager Kathy Angerer declined to comment on the matter until the UAW-GM contract is

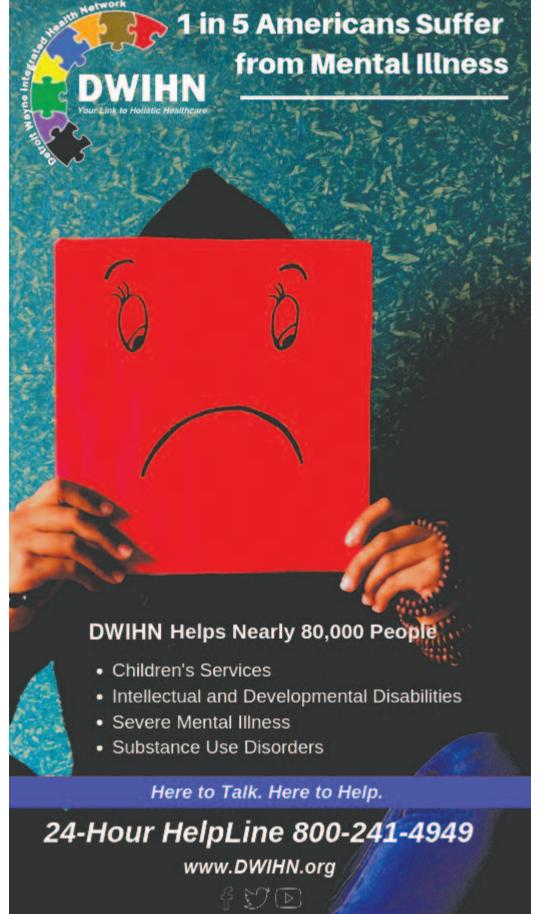
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signed.

But she did say that GM's proposed investment in the plant is good news.

"General Motors' multibillion-dollar investment into production of the electric truck and jobs for the Detroit-Hamtramck facility will certainly be a benefit to the city for many years to come," Angerer said.



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# This week at the library...

**Toddler Time** - Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., September 12-December 19. Children up to age 5 and their parents and caregivers are invited for stories & songs followed by playtime.

Talking is Teaching -Thursday, October 17@ **11:30** a.m. Do you love and care for a child who is a baby, toddler, or preschooler? Join us for this discussion with guest presenter Great Start Wayne.

Movie Night - Tuesdays @4:00 p.m., September 10 - December 17. Fam-Friendly Movies. Snacks provided!

**Library Trick or Treat!** -Thursday, October 31, 11:00 a.m. -6:45 p.m. Come to the Library dressed in your costume for a treat.

**November is Family <u>Literacy Month</u>** - Join us for a kick-off event: Friday, November 1, 3:30 -4:30 p.m. November 6 -November 27.

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Youth Town Hall Addressing **Underage Drinking** - Wednesday, November 6, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Presented by the Hamtramck Drug Free Community Coalition.

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# Second Front Page



# School Bell

#### **Career Day**

More than 100 Hamtramck High School students recently attended a DTE-sponsored "Careers in Energy Week" at the Trombly Service Center.

State Rep. Isaac Robinson (D-Detroit), whose district includes Hamtramck, was also on hand to encourage the students.

Robinson had reached out to Hamtramck Superintendent Jaleelah Ahmed to get students involved, and to consider career opportunities in the energy field.

In a press release issued by Robinson, he said:

"I was pleased that so many of our students participated in the Careers in Energy Week tour at the Trombly Service Center.

"As we move toward a more sustainable and renewable energy economy, skilled workers will be even more invaluable than they are now. That's why I was so excited to participate in, and accompany, some of our students to this event. Careers in Energy is a great way to learn about possible future professions for our young people.

"I am committed to continuing promoting and increasing access to the skilled trades to our students and other Michiganders looking to change industries."

Ahmed said she plans to continue the district's relationship with DTE.

"We are excited to have our students participate in the DTE Energy Career Awareness Week," Ahmed said.

"We will be seeking long term partnerships with DTE to grow a pool of skilled workers to join DTE in the future. Knowing the shortage of skilled workers that are in the workforce, students have the option to learn more about energy-related jobs.

"This exposure will have a positive impact on our students as they make decisions to join the workforce, to ensure that these high demand jobs have skilled workers, and the industry doesn't face a major shortage."

## Early Childhood Elementary

Hamtramck's police officers joined students on their walk to school, and firefighters hosted tours at the fire station.

Recently, students had the opportunity to walk to school with Hamtramck police officers. Students were beaming as they walked with officers.

walked with officers.

Officers left a great impression with many stu-

dents, as somewere heard









Above: Scenes from Hamtramck High School's career day sponsored by DTE Energy. State Rep. Isaac Robinson joined the students. Below: ECE students visit with Hamtramck firefighters and police officers.





saying, "When I grow up, I want to be a police officer!"

This week, as part of Fire Prevention Month, students, teachers and parents walked to the fire station to learn about fire safety and the operations of the fire department.

Firefighters asked the students questions about who to call in an emergency, and how important it is to know their home address to tell the dispatcher.

Students viewed a video with Sparky the Firefighter Dog, toured the station inside and out, and were treated to a bagful of fire safety books from the firefighters.

It was a wonderful way to get to know our local police officers and firefighters. Thank you to the Hamtramck police and firefighters!

#### **Upcoming events**

- November 1 End of 1st guarter.
- November 1 Half Day for Horizon High School, final exams.
- November 5 No school for students.
- November 7 Report Card #1 distributed.
- November 7 Half Day for Elementary/Middle School Students- Parent Teacher Conferences, 12:30-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. All grades except the high school.
- November 8 Half Day for students.

## **Recreation Department News**

For information about recreation activities, give us a call at (313) 892-2635. Follow us on Facebook for the most up-to-date information:

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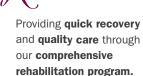
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- ✓Increase police, police presence to protect our community as well as our police.
- ✓ Restore the city Economic Development Department to retain and encourage new businesses.
- ✓Importantly, also maintain oversight of city responsibilities and fiscal prudence.
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# There is a plan for the Belmont building, but will the owner budge?

#### **By Charles Sercombe**

The city's new marketing study on housing, which we reported on in last week's issue, also includes a look at the Belmont building.

It has stood vacant for many years now, and the latest we had reported was that the owner of the building, Dennis Kefallinos, was trying to sell it.

But now, there is a huge "for lease" sign on the front window of the building.

According to Detroit Craiglist, an online classified outlet, the ground floor is now open for lease at \$3,000 a month.

The Belmont, as it is informally known, is the city's tallest commercial building, standing at four stories. It is located at Jos. Campau and Belmont, across the street from Pope Park.

There has been talk for years about turning the upper levels into lofts, but no action has been taken.

According to the housing and land use marketing study performed by LandUse USA, similar plans for the building are

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the Hamtramck City Clerk by writing or calling the Clerk's Office at 313-800-5233 x. 821.



The Belmont building, as it is known locally, is still standing vacant. At one time the owner of the building attempted to sell it. Now, it's up for lease.

**Notice of Public Hearing** 

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**City of Hamtramck** 

The Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers of Hamtramck City

Hall (3401 Evaline Street, Hamtramck, MI 48212) on November 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to consider and afford the

opportunity for input to be recorded on the appeal for a modification under Zoning Ordinance 497 on the premises

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PUBLIC HEARING: B&C Rental Property LLC is requesting dimensional variances at 9331 Brombach to have

a lesser rear setback and a greater maximum lot size than is permitted in the following sections of the

being presented.

In the plan's design, the ground floor would be reserved for office space or retail.

The upper floors would each have five apartments, ranging in size from 380-square feet to 800-square feet.

What are the chances of this development ever happening?

Given Kefallinos' reputation for sitting on vacant buildings for years, probably not much.

Kefallinos has been trying to sell the building for a few years. He bought it in 2014 from the city for a steal, at \$85,000 and has been trying to sell it for over \$800,000.

The city sold the building through an auction. At first, there was an initial burst of work done, but soon renovations stopped. At one point the sidewalk in front of the building had to be fenced off because part of the brick façade began falling off.

Since work stopped, Kefallinos pays a nominal \$300 yearly fee to the city for keeping the building vacant.

The Review has attempted several times in the past to contact Kefallinos, but no calls were returned.

# Library is starting up a book club and is seeking members

#### By Alan Madlane

Hamtramck has a new book club, organized through (but independent from) the Hamtramck Public Library by Adela Garcia, a library employee, and Marge Czarnik.

We came up with a few questions for Adela, and she was kind enough to take time out of her schedule to send us her responses.

**Review:** How did the plan for this book club come together? Have you run, or presumably at least, been in, one or more clubs before this? If so, where and when (briefly)?

Adela Garcia: I was just hired at the library recently, and was asked if I'd like to be involved. I enthusiastically said yes.

I'm currently in a book club that has been ongoing for the past three years. We are a group of women who love to read, and have read a variety of books.

**Review:** You've just set up the rules in a meeting you had recently. Can you

tell us a bit about that process? What rules did you decide on that would be important for someone to know about beforehand, if any? Most importantly, perhaps, who will get to choose what to read?

Garcia: We all had ideas about rules, based on our different experiences, and agreed readily on what seemed to include everyone, make all members comfortable, and enhance the best chance for the success of the book club.

For the first two or three meetings, the coordinators will choose the books, until the members feel comfortable enough to make suggestions.

We will be as fair and as democratic as possible, as we want all our members to feel included.

**Review:** Hamtramck is an exceptionally diverse community, especially given its relatively tiny physical size. What, if any, provisions have you made or discussed, related to inclusion and diversity of reading materials?

Garcia: We are open to any suggestions from our members that will enable us all to learn about the many cultures here in Hamtramck. I personally hope that we will soon have members who are learning English and who feel comfortable enough to join our discussions.

We don't intend to read anything difficult that would frustrate any members. I think we will tend toward books where we can all identify with the emotions of the protagonist. Happiness, love, loss, frustration, etc., are

all emotions that humans have in common.

**Review:** What types of books do you gravitate to, or do you have multiple reading interests? Favorite fiction, short fiction, poetry, non-fiction authors, or biographical or other subjects?

Garcia: I read a lot of fiction, and tend toward women writers, especially British writers: Kate Atkinson, (Jane) Austen, (George) Eliot, Hillary Mandel, Dorothy Sayers, Margery Allingham, Margaret Drabble, Penelope Lively, Muriel Spark, etc.

I love poetry, and read it whenever I feel frazzled. With Wordsworth (and many other poets), I feel very peaceful when I can "see into the life of things." I also enjoy history and biographies.

I will read anything that is well-written. If the writing is not good, I can't read it.

**Review:** Feel free to add anything else you would like to at this point about the club, or yourself. Where you were born, home life if you choose, etc.

Garcia: I think the library book club has an obligation to serve the community and to include everyone. That is, I think, the goal that should guide us.

I really love living in Hamtramck. I walk all over with my dog, Sammy, and have met with genuine friendliness. I'm a native Detroiter, and love Detroit and its spirit.

**Review:** Adela, thank you for spending some time with us, and best of luck with the club!

Anyone interested in the book club can contact Adela or Marge by email (amgarcia525@gmail.com or margeczarnik@comcast.net) or try reaching Adela at the Hamtramck Library during their business hours (313-733-6822). The library is located at 2360 Caniff.

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# **Quick Hits**

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# Review: Opinion Page

# In Our Opinion

# Despite good news from GM strike, city faces challenges

for striking UAW workers and for Hamtramck last week.

For the workers, it taxes. looks like their monthlong strike may be over (with a tentative labor agreement on table).

We won't know for sure until UAW members vote on the proposed contract, but at this point it will likely be ratified.

In Hamtramck, GM now says it will keep the Poletown plant open.

Had GM followed though with shutting down the plant, which it threatened to do sev-

There was good news eral months ago, Ham- lurking - such as rising tramck would no longer receive \$800,000 a year in lieu of property

> That financial agreement apparently will remain in place, since production will con-

> Since GM announced that the Poletown plant would close, city officials have been scrambling to figure out how to keep paying the bills once that revenue stream dried up.

> While it appears the city no longer faces an immediate financial crisis, there are plenty of other budget shortfalls

health care costs for city employees, as well as a pension obligation for 200-plus retirees.

Financially-speaking, Hamtramck still faces huge challenges.

Word is that there will be some upcoming decisions made that may upset some folks. Those who have to make hard decisions usually face backlash of some sort - but seldom does anyone offer constructive advice.

Hard times call for hard decisions to be made.

# dds & Ends

**Donation drive...** The good folks at PLAV Post 10 are hosting a donation drive for a Hamtramck family who recently lost their possessions in a house

The family includes two young children.

What's needed are gently used or new clothing, small household items, tooth brushes, soap, gift cards and "think about what you would really need to replace if you, yourself, had a fire," the Post said in a flyer.

Boys clothing in size 7 is needed, as well as girl clothing, in a size 4 or 5, women's top clothing in large or extra large, bottoms, size 14, shoes size 9, men's large shirts, pants with a waist size of 36 and shoes size 10.5 or

There is a drop box set up. The Post is located at 11824 Jos. Campau.

**Congratulations...** Community activist and allaround good guy, Arif Huskic, recently became an ordained Imam. He was part of a graduating class from All Faith Seminary International.

He celebrated with a potluck gathering at the Muslim Center on Davison in Detroit.

Pet alert... Halloween is

full of scares.

But it can also be full of scary situations for the the Halloween holiday boil family pet.

Some of the items we find oh-so-tasty are oh-sonasty for Fido and Meowsers.

Many people are aware that chocolate isn't good for dogs. It actually ranks as the number one reason pets get brought to the emergency room around Halloween, according to Clearwater, Florida-based veterinarian Kevin Kelley.

Dark or baking chocolate is the worst, as they have higher concentrations of cacao. Also note: pets will try to eat the wrappers the candy came in, and putting the wrappers in a wastebasket at floor level, even one with a lid, may often not be deterrent enough.

Likewise, chocolate left in the bag or in, for example, a purse, can often be sniffed out by your little olfactory factory, i.e. your pet.

Other harms: candy with the sweetener xylitol (often found in sugarless gums, for one), which can throw an animal into hypoglycemia and resultant convulsions within 30 minutes; raisins (yep, Raisinets are a double whammy) or grapes; and, for example in chip dips, onion or garlic - all not

good for the fur babies.

The other issues with down to those involving costumes - theirs, yours, and your door-ringers' and the mere act of opening the door.

If you must dress your unfortunate companion animal in a costume, make sure they're loose-fitting and have nothing that can be toxic or swallowed if bitten off. Note that your costume may confuse your pet; owners have even been attacked by a riled-up animal protecting their (and your) home or territory. Little kids can be attacked by so-inclined dogs, even through screens. Ugly lawsuits or worse could fol-

The solution? Put your pet in another room and shut the door. This will also help with another potential issue - an animal running out the open door and into the night, perhaps never to be found again (and here is a good place to champion pet microchipping, a safe and inexpensive procedure).

Follow these few common sense tips, and you and your pet will have a happier, safer, more fun Halloween season!

We "scare"-entee it.

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#### To the Qualified Electors of the

CITY OF HAMTRAMCK - WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

**NOTICE OF CITY OF HAMTRAMCK GENERAL ELECTION** Tuesday, November 5, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a CITY OF HAMTRAMCK PRIMARY ELECTION will be held in the City of Hamtramck, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on Tuesday, November 5, from seven (7) o'clock in the morning until eight (8) o'clock at night (local time) at which time candidates for the following offices listed below will be voted upon.

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The City Clerk's office, 3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, Michigan 48212, will be open on Saturday November 2, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. for the issuance and return of Absentee Applications and Absentee Ballots.

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PCT #1	Housing Admin. Building	12025 Dequindre
PCT #2	Community Center	11410 Charest
PCT #3	Community Center	11410 Charest
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August R. Gitschlag Hamtramck City Clerk October 2019

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## Obituaries

#### **SZAFARCZYK**



Mildred Szafarczyk (nee Blagec), 95. died October 2019.

Mrs. Szafarczyk was the wife of the late Edward. Mildred is survived by her three sons and their families as follows: James (Patricia) Szafarczyk and their children and grandchildren; Paul (Katie), Eleanor, Gabby, and Maxine; Allison (Michael) and Julia, Jacob, and Stella Patterson; Gina (Tim) and Hadley, William, and Charlie Babb. John Scott and his wife, Heidi Cousino. Tom (Joan) Scott and their children and grandchildren;

Michael (Shanna), Gage, and Chloe Scott; Kristen (John), Johnny, and Matthew Jackman; Jeffrey (Katie), and Brooklyn Scott; Jennifer Scott.

Visitation was Thursday, October 24, at Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home.

Mrs. Szafarczyk will lie in state at 11 a.m., until the time of the Funeral Mass at 11:30 a.m., Friday, October 25, 2019 at Saint Florian Catholic Church. Interment will be at Mount Olivet Cemetery following immediately Mass.



# Volunteers help plant shrubs and trees in new city park

**By Charles Sercombe** 

Scores of volunteers came out on a sunny Saturday to help begin shaping up the city's newest park.

The new park is called the Sarah Garrett Memorial Park, located on Dequindre - which is also known as the I-75 service drive - just north of Can-

The park is on the west side of the I-75 divide.

Garrett was the person whose name was used for a class action lawsuit filed against the city 50 years ago for housing discrimination.

Sadly, Garrett never got to see the outcome of that lawsuit, and neither did most of those who joined her. It wasn't settled until recently, after

most of the plaintiffs had died.

All but three out 200 housing units have finally been built. The final three will be built within a year.

Garrett's role in shaping the city's history will now be helped to live on.

Volunteers from near and far away helped plant dozens of bushes and tree seedlings. One woman came from

a community near Rogers City in upper Michigan. She came down to visit her son, and to catch a Lions game on Sunday.

On Saturday, her son told her: "Guess what you get to do today."

There will be more landscaping and improvements made to the park in the coming year.



Above and below: On Saturday, volunteers helped plant dozens of shrubs and tree seedlings at the Sarah Garrett Memorial Park.



# Odds & Ends

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Pool party... Public Pool folks know a good time.

And they know a Good Tyme, as in, their new writers' buffet.

Always about the printed, spoken or recited word as much as the visual art, Public Pool's Steve Hughes - who we've profiled in these pages in the past curates the madness.

For this gig, half a dozen local writers, Hughes included, offer up thoughts on the body, the body while consuming pizza, the pizza -eating body blessed or cursed with a Pac-man head, and other oddball notions.

There is a tie-in with the art exhibit still in place, that of paintings by Maria ("B.J.") Prainito.

And – food (and drink). The affair's billed as a potluck. Bring a potluck dish, and you too will earn sent ya. a two-minute spot on the stage, to deliver your own

Featuring, in addition to Hughes: Lauren Bickers (Planet Ant improv-er and Reynaldo playwright), George Hinojosa Jr. (co-"builder" of Bank Suey book store), Jeff Kass (Winner of Independent Publishing's Gold Medal for Best Short Fiction of 2011, and English teacher at Ann Arbor's Pioneer High), Lisa Lenzo (Multiaward nominated published writer and 2015 Michigan Notable Book Award winner) and Kathleen McGookey (poet and recipient of a French Ministry of Foreign Affairs grant).

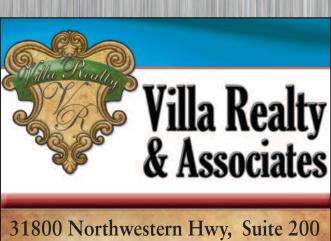
When? This Saturday, Oct. 26, 7 to 10 p.m. at Public Pool's space, 3309 Caniff, east of Gallagher on the north side o' the street.

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#### **By Charles Sercombe**

This week's Crime Log covers Oct. 15-21.

#### Tuesday, Oct. 15

- At a little after 11 p.m., a resident was arrested in the area of Co-Edwin for nant and assault.
- At 8:30 a.m., officers found a man on Caniff who was laying on the ground and unresponsive. Officers administered CPR and called for an ambulance.
- · A hit-and-run accident was reported at Conant and Holbrook.

#### Wednesday, Oct. 16

· A resident of Warren was arrested for being wanted on a Hamtramck felony warrant.

#### Thursday, Oct. 17

- · At 1:30 a.m., two suspects wearing dark clothing broke into a business in the 12000 block of Conant. They were also seen driving a white Ford.
- A Detroit resident was arrested on a warrant for domestic violence.
- · Officers noticed an open door to a residence in the 11400 block of

Mitchell St. and secured

- it. · A suspicious incident was reported in the 9000
- block of Conant. A hit-and-run accident happened at Mackay and

Commor.

tion.

- A Detroit resident was arrested at Carpenter and Gallagher, where he was seen urinating in public, for being disorderly and being a parole absconder for a kidnapping convic-
- A hit-and-run accident happened at Carpenter and Conant.
- · Detroit police recovered a vehicle stolen out of Hamtramck.
- A customer at a restaurant in the 3200 block of Caniff became irate with the staff and broke out the glass of the front door. He was seen fleeing in a white Lexus. He appeared to be in his 40s.

#### Friday, Oct. 18

· At 3:30 a.m., a resident was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license, and for

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MONDAY, Oct. 28, 9 a.m. - Wayne County Commissioner Martha G. Scott hosts a free Community Coffee Hour every fourth Monday of the month at Maine Street Restaurant, 11650 Jos. Campau.





























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VOTE! Tuesday Nov. 5



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being wanted on a Hamtramck misdemeanor warrant.

- The owner of a car that was reported stolen said he found the car.
- · At 12:30 p.m., a Detroit resident was arrested at Jos. Campau and Belmont for sexual assault
- A hit-and-run accident happened at Norwalk and Jos. Campau.
- · A resident from Romulus reported losing his wallet somewhere in the city, and that later, eight purchases were made in Hamtramck-Detroit area with their credit card.
- A hit-and-run accident happened at Comstock and Conant.
- · An agent for a business in the 10300 block of Jos. Campau reported an incident of fraud.

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#### Saturday, Oct. 19

- A Detroit resident was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license, having an improper license plate, and for being wanted on a Hamtramck misdemeanor warrant.
- A resident of Madison Heights reported being the victim of a theft while at Conant and Jacob.

#### Sunday, Oct. 20

- · A resident said her boyfriend assaulted her in the 11600 block of Sobieski St.
- At 11:45 p.m., a suspect was arrested in the 3400 block of Edwin St. for domestic assault.
- · At 12:35 a.m., a resident of Warren was arrested in the 9500 block · A restaurant in the of Jos. Campau for being

disorderly.

- At a little after 2 a.m., a Detroit resident was arrested after a traffic stop for drunk driving.
- · A resident in the 2400 block of Hewitt St. was arrested for falsely summoning the police and ambulance service.

#### Monday, Oct. 21

- · A Detroit resident reported being sexually harassed while in the 3200 block of Trowbridge St. by a person they know.
- A hit-and-run accident happened at Evaline and McDougall.
- dent of fraud.
- A resident in the 2000 block of Trowbridge St. reported a break-in.
- · A resident was arrested for theft while at a business in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau.

# · The city's Building De-

## partment reported an inci-

- · A Sobieski St. resident reported a break-in.

# 'We are Hamtramck' mural hopes to inspire

#### **By Charles Sercombe**

- Hamtramck's newest mural began to take shape on a recent Satur-
- A supply building in Veterans Memorial Park is the site of a mural that is being called "We are Hamtramck."
- · Two sides of the building were painted a bright yellow, and the public was

invited to paint an inspiring word that tells their Hamtramck story.

- · Despite a sunny afternoon, only a handful of people came out to participate.
- · No matter, Hamtramck's reputation for being host to a diverse set of murals continues to grow.



a new mural in Veterans Memorial Park.



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