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Quick Hits

Cat rescue group seeks donations

By Alan Madlane

So many worthy charities, so much need. Especially this year, what with the you-know-what virus and so many out of work, or under-worked.

One of your own has come forward, hat humbly in hand.

HCAT, a local cat-helping charity, has been around a long time. We know – they helped us out with a batch of orphaned kittens just a few years ago. Run primarily by the duo of locals Chris Wilinski and Heide Zdral, they're the best of the best.

Alas, they can't host their big annual early-December fundraiser, a spaghetti dinner. It was very full last year at the Moose Lodge on Conant.

This year, again 'cause the COVID, that isn't possible.

So, out of need, they've put together a Go Fund Me account. You can find it here: <https://gf.me/u/zag74h>

They are seeking (at least) \$3,000, and so far, at press time Thursday, they're up to \$650, raised from 18 generous souls.

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— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

The race is on for future marijuana sales outlets to open here

By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck is about to get its second marijuana retail outlet.

But its go-ahead took some legal maneuvering before city officials signed off on the deal for a building located at 2024 Caniff Ave.

It's a complicated story. Initially, the city's Zoning Board of Appeals narrowly rejected a request made by Hosh Investments, LLC, the owner of the property, and Quality Roots, Inc., the would-be outlet retailer, to rezone the building, which is next to a gasoline station and vacant lots just east of the I-75 freeway.

The request called for rezoning the building from residential to commercial.

That initial decision came down two weeks ago. Days later, the owners filed a lawsuit against the city, and sought a temporary restraining order.

During the first Zoning Board of Appeals meet-



Pending final approval by state regulators, it looks like another recreational marijuana retail store will be opening in the near future at 2024 Caniff Ave.

ing, it was not known what the building's commercial use would be.

But many commenters insisted that the building's use would be as a retail outlet for legal adult recreational marijuana sales.

At the time, the owners of the site declined to answer repeated questioning by ZBA member Nasr Hussain as to whether the building was going to become a shop for marijuana sales.

Several commentators expressed what have become common objections to allowing such a business: that it would attract crime, and the products would entice children.

Despite the warnings by two city attorneys that the building had previously been used for commercial purposes, and that the ZBA can't discriminate against a legal business, the initial request was voted down 3-2, with one ZBA member, Eric Anderson, abstaining.

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Hamtramck hosts a really class act

By Greg Kowalski

Don't let it be said that Hamtramck is lacking in class. Even opera has found a home here, although not for long. In fact, it was for one performance.

At 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1964, the curtain at the Copernicus Junior High school rose on the presentation of excerpts of Mozart's "Don Giovanni," Puccini's "La boheme," and "Faust" by Charles Gou-

nod to a packed house.

The music was performed by a variety of artists including Earnestine Nimmons, Rosemarie Murch, Imogene Well Bird, Shirley Zaft Benyas, Rodney Stenborg, Cornwall Carrington and Edward Kingins. These were leading names in the world of opera, at least in the metro Detroit area, at that time.

Producer-director of the event was David DiChiera, a name that is still well known to many Detroiters. Among his many accomplishments, he was the founding general director of the Michigan Opera Theatre and remained prominent in the world of classical music in Detroit until his death in September, 2018.

The program was sponsored by the Detroit Grand Opera Association, Oakland University, the University Center for Adult Education and the Detroit Public Library.

Tickets to the event were offered free but there seemed to be a lot of enthusiasm for the performance regardless of ticket price, or lack of it. The Copernicus auditorium was packed with music fans that evening.

Mrs. Arthur Rooks, who was in charge of the event, said the demand for tickets was high. It wasn't black tie, but the audience was certainly dressed for the occasion.

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Mayor: The COVID surge continues with no end in sight

By Charles Sercombe

"Our numbers are off the charts."

Unfortunately, we're not talking about the number of widgets being sold at local stores.

Instead, that was a quote from Mayor Karen Majewski in her weekly talk with the community on Monday via her Facebook page. And what she was referring to were the number of new COVID-19 cases in the last week.

There were 137 new cases, she said, which brings the total for the year in Hamtramck to 1,316.

That was the highest known number of cases ever recorded in one week here in Hamtramck. It also reflects the ongoing surge in cases nationwide.

The only good news for Hamtramck, if you can call it that, is that the number of deaths for the year remains at 29.

The ever-increasing numbers each week, the mayor said, are "really astounding."

Majewski noted that, with the holiday season now upon us, the COVID crisis will likely only get worse. She's not alone. Health experts are also predicting yet another major surge in cases, as more people socialize over the holidays.

"I expect these numbers to be even worse next week – not to do pandemic porn here," the mayor said.

Majewski pleaded with the community to follow

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City Attorney Jim Allen's prediction that a lawsuit would be promptly filed proved accurate. Days later, a lawsuit was filed in Wayne County Circuit Court to not only allow the zoning variance to go through, but also to put on hold a city council proposal to adopt an ordinance banning marijuana sales outlets from operating in the city.

That ordinance was proposed suddenly in recent weeks after a Holbrook Ave. marijuana sales store opened, and rumors had it that there might be others to follow.

It's an ordinance that a previous council two years ago fumbled, and failed to adopt. City Attorney Allen said that failure to have the city legally opt out of allowing marijuana facilities to locate here, "sent a signal to the market."

In other words, the message sent to would-be investors is that the city would welcome the marijuana business.

Councilmembers Mohammed Hassan, Nayeem Choudhury, Fadel Al-Marsoumi and Mohamed Alsomiri have now taken up the issue, and pushed forward an ordinance banning marijuana operations.

At next Tuesday's city council meeting, that ordinance is expected to be adopted and set in law.

However, that law will

not affect marijuana outlets already operating – or in the process of opening – in Hamtramck.

Councilmembers Ian Perrotta and Andrea Karpinski, as well as Mayor Karen Majewski, have been in opposition, saying Hamtramck needs the tax revenue, and that the concerns of some in the community are overblown.

This issue has escalated into a religious and cultural divide not only in the council but in the community. The conservative Muslim community has been active in recent years in opposing marijuana facilities to locating in Hamtramck.

Now, let's go back to the Caniff building zoning variance request.

Last week, the city council voted unanimously to ask the ZBA to reconsider its vote. The ZBA turning down the Caniff building variance no later than Nov. 30.

That was after a closed session where City Attorney Allen warned the council about the pending lawsuit, and what was at stake for the city – namely, paying out hundreds of thousands of dollars in damages, not only for the over \$300,000 spent on the facility, but also for lost potential sales.

Allen said that if a court ruled in favor of the business, there would have been a painfully high court-ordered property tax mandated, in order to pay for the damages.

Politically speaking, councilmembers would have had to take the blame for that tax hike, which prompted those opposed to the marijuana business to reconsider, sources told The Review.

The lawsuit had one other tidbit, other than the usual threat of a financial penalty: Attorney Jeffery Schroder admitted that the use of the building would be for the sale of adult recreational marijuana.

So, on Monday, the ZBA held a special meeting. And after some comments from the public were heard, which were basically the same objections raised numerous other times, the members – in a 4-1 vote – agreed to grant the variance.

This time, ZBA member Anderson voted in favor of the variance, saying that his prior decision to abstain was based on the "dodgy behavior" of city officials about the site.

That ZBA turnaround apparently was influenced by the history of the Caniff site that was outlined in the lawsuit. In that suit, it was laid out that the building in question had formerly been used as a commercial enterprise: a laundromat, a cellphone/computer store and a sign shop.

In fact, the building's use designation was tangled in contradictory terms in city hall. While it is officially zoned as residential, the assessor's office considers it commercial. Also, the current owner of the site pulled permits stating the building was for commercial purposes.

While that was stated in the legal filing, city attorney Allen and an associate attorney of his had previously told the ZBA of the building's complex history.

The lone hold out on the ZBA, Nasr Hussain, who is a former public school

boardmember, still insisted that the ZBA had a right to deny the variance.

His main argument, besides being opposed to allowing marijuana outlets here, is that the owners of the site could operate any other kind of commercial business, including a bar, a laundromat or a delicatessen.

"There is no hardship," Hussain said. "The owner has to put it to another commercial use."

It was repeatedly pointed to him, though, that the ZBA could not discriminate against a specific type of commercial use.

"You can't say yes for this, no for that," said Harry Kalogerokos, an attorney in Allen's law firm.

As of the day The Review went to press, it was expected that the lawsuits would be withdrawn.

The Caniff operators now have to get final clearance from the state before opening.

Now that another recreational marijuana sales store will apparently open in Hamtramck, will there be others?

Another outlet is expected to be opened at the former Three Star Bar B Q on Jos. Campau and Commor.

A certificate of occupancy has been pulled for the site, and significant renovations have already occurred there.

There are rumors that other marijuana sales locations are in the works.

Those hoping to open retail outlets here are now in a race against time. The city is on the verge of outlawing further marijuana operations here, come this Tuesday.

This week at the library...

Because of the resurgence of COVID-19 cases and the "Pause" order from the MDHHS, the Hamtramck Public Library is now operating as "Grab and Go" until further notice.

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You may have noticed that on our Facebook page, we often post "The Word of the Day" from Merriam-Webster (merriam-webster.com). The website has a number of fun quizzes and histories of English words. It's a great and fun way to improve your English, especially if you are learning it, and to expand your English vocabulary. When we are all stuck inside, it's really fun to try something different. Highly recommended!

Parents: don't forget to stop by the library with your children on Wednesday, December 9 between 1 pm and 4 pm to pick up a gift that Santa will have left here!

Stay safe. Wear a mask, wash your hands frequently, and practice social distancing. Our lives depend on it!

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



School Bell

District roundup

In partnership with Kiwanis Books of Detroit, Holbrook Elementary School was able to fill two local “Little Libraries” with brand new books.

These books provide different genres for various interests, as well as multiple reading levels for all reading abilities, in order to promote student reading.

Inside each book is a message from the school, accompanied by a Kiwanis sticker. These “Little Libraries” are located at Alice St. and the corner of Jos. Campau and Danforth.

This information was shared with Holbrook families, Hamtramck Public Schools Administration Team and HPS Central Office.

In delivery of the books all CDC safety guidelines were followed. Books sat untouched for two weeks and masks and gloves were worn when handling.

We hope to duplicate this for the next holiday break and aspire to create more locations if possible.



Above and below: Thanks to a partnership with Kiwanis Books of Detroit, Holbrook Elementary School was able to fill two local “Little Libraries” with brand new books.



Throughout the pandemic, Hamtramck Public Schools has remained committed to the physical and emotional wellbeing of their students.

Although the district has been learning remotely the entire school year, many student clubs have remained active and are providing opportunities for students to connect

outside the classroom through shared interests in drama, sustainability and even eSports.

With more than 10 clubs currently active during virtual learning, HHS students are able to regularly connect with their classmates in an informal setting.

Nan Walter has advised
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all of the safety protocols – which of course includes wearing a mask out in public, and maintaining a social distance when with other people.

She also urged residents to report violations they may see in local businesses that are not following safety guidelines.

On at least one local Facebook page, there has been a lively discussion about certain markets, where employees are not following those guide-

lines.

All local complaints are made through the police department on their non-emergency telephone line: (313) 800-5281. Our police department then transfers the complaints to the state Department of Health and Human Services, where a decision is made to issue a ticket.

On the bright side, Majewski said, a number of community organizations have stepped up to serve our low-income residents.

There are also a number of holiday donation drives going on, which include:

Queen of Apostles Parish, seeking donations of toiletries in order to create 100 giveaway bags. What they need are toothbrushes, toothpaste, toilet paper, paper towels, and other personal care items.

You can drop off your donation at the parish rectory.

Over at Friendship House, a toy drive is un-

derway. They are seeking donations of new, unwrapped toys.

You can bring your contribution to the Moose Lodge (9421 Conant, call ahead at 313-753-2026). Also, the folks at Holy Cross Polish National Catholic Church are pitching in and collecting donations. For more information, call (313) 365-0218.

Have some clean, hard-

ly used clothing? With colder weather upon us, there is always a need to help clothe the homeless.

Hug Detroit Day is having a coat/blanket/sock drive. Call Nicole Freeman at (248) 383-3385 for more information, or to arrange a drop-off.

In the meantime, Majewski reminded folks that Gov. Whitmer's latest directives are still in place until Dec. 8, but she expects the crackdown on public gatherings, and on being able to eat inside at restaurants and bars, to be extended.



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Among those getting tickets was Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Townsend. Mr. Townsend was president of the Chrysler Corporation at that time. Also in the audience were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mack. He was president of the Detroit Grand Opera Association.

In its March 5, 1964, edition The Citizen newspaper carried a story on the performance, including a selection of remarks from audience members:

"We enjoyed the operatic showing very much," said Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sawa of Hewitt Street. "It was most colorful. Our 13-year-old son Christopher attended the opera in celebration of his birthday. He enjoyed the entire program."

"The strong, vibrant voices and colorful costumes impressed me," said Mrs. Justine Grey of McDougall St.

"It was out of this world," said Kathleen Kosniewski of Gallagher Street and a junior at St. Ladislaus High School. "I would like to see more."

School board member John Krzyczkowski said:

"Hamtramck has proved itself ready for opera by the tremendous turnout for its first performance. What better place to spend an evening for children and adults than the opera. I found it very enjoyable."

Henry Sobocinski, vice-president of Liberty State Bank, attended with his wife and said the performance was "one of our most pleasant experiences in Hamtramck."

Hamtramck would develop a far more pervasive image for a much different kind of music in the coming years as it became known as one of the hottest areas for rock music. But for one night, booming sopranos, melodious tenors and profound basses dominated the local music scene.

You can learn more about Hamtramck's fascinating history at the Hamtramck Historical Museum, 9525 Jos. Campau. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays and by appointment. Call (313) 262-6571, email at hamtramckhistory@gmail.com.

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If you're unable to help with money at this time, we're sure they would take good cat food, clean

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In Our Opinion

Open porches lead to good neighbors and safety

Should the city allow new housing units to have enclosed porches? In case you are wondering, this is actually a hot-button issue in the city council.

A proposal, which seemingly came out of nowhere, would no longer require new housing units keep their front porches open. Apparently, there are some in the community who have the necessity to close off their porches – perhaps as a way to create an additional room.

It may seem silly to argue over whether to allow homeowners to take this extra step, but there is something important at stake.

Hamtramck’s housing design is not by accident. The houses are built up close to the sidewalk with open porches.

The openness allows for more neighborly interaction, and it’s a way for a block of people to bond.

People are out on the porches looking after one another’s children, and also keeping an eye out for trouble.

Open porches also aid police and firefighters in doing their jobs.

Closing off porches creates a fortress-like mentality. People will hunker in and have little interaction with their neighbors.

Enclosed porches would also block the sight lines for the entire block.

Those seeking to enclose their porches claim that it’s for privacy and security. There is also the argument that a homeowner should have a right to decide what to do with their own house.

That’s not true, though. There are plenty of zoning rules and regulations regarding the design and materials used in constructing a new house.

Keeping open porches is one of them. For years, no one has had an issue with this concept, but now, suddenly, is has taken on an importance – at least for some in the community.

The city councilmembers are currently considering the issue, and after a lengthy discussion at last week’s meeting, they wisely decided to hold off on making a decision.

There are just too many unknowns with this issue.

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Odds & Ends

Published... Hamtramck native Ksenia Horobchenko recently shared some pretty impressive news. Oh, heck, call it exciting, because it truly is.

Ksenia’s poetry book “A Sky Full Of Wings” was selected as a finalist, out of 349 entries, in the 2020 New Women’s Voices Chapbook Contest.

It will be published by Finishing Line Press. Ksenia sent us an email and said no other details are known at this time, but she wanted to share the names of the other finalists, including the winner:

- Winner: Lynne Schmidt of Norway, Maine for “Dead Dog Poems”
- 1st Miriam Flock of Palo Alto, CA
- 2nd Katherine Indermaur of Salt Lake City, UT
- 3rd Jennifer Gauthier of Lynchburg, VA
- 4th Rebecca Lawton of Bend, OR
- 5th Ksenia Rychtycka of Warren, MI
- 6th Lynne Schmidt of Norway, ME
- 7th Katherine Gaffney of Champaign, IL
- 8th Zoe Canner of Los Angeles, CA
- 9th Dinah Berland of Los Angeles, CA
- 10th Hanna Watson of Wichita, KS

Helping hand... The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is offering certain groups some assistance with picking out their Medicare coverage.

Persons over 65 and those certified with disabilities can get free help choosing their Medicare coverage while the open enrollment period is in effect, through Dec. 7.

The help is offered through the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program, a group that provides “unbiased counseling” on health benefits, in order to make the choosing of one’s plan or provider more simple.

Most of the counselors are volunteers, but they are trained in Medicare and Medicaid law and regulations, as well as in health insurance counseling and relevant insurance products. They number some 600 or so, statewide.

It’s important to add that these counselors, working under the State of Michigan, aren’t linked with any specific insurance company, nor are they even licensed to sell insurance at all. Last year alone, it is stated that this program helped save qualifying Michigan residents \$51 million dollars on their overall health care costs.

Most of what they do falls under helping residents to:

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- Identify resources for prescription drug assistance;
- Understand their doctor or hospital bills or statements, and their Medicare summary notices;
- Identify and report Medicare or Medicaid fraud or abuse.

Note that the Dec. 7 deadline for applying for help with open enrollment should not be confused with the Dec. 15 deadline for enrolling.

Go to Michigan.gov/HealthInsurance, visit <https://mmapinc.org>, or call (800) 803-7174 to speak with a counselor.

Heads-up... As we mentioned last week, there is a new stop sign in town.

This time it’s at the high-profile intersection of Caniff and Ellery. Instead of a blinking yellow light, there is now a blinking red light –

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State of Michigan, Circuit Court for the County of Ogemaw, Case No. 20-65165-CH: Wendy C. Brown and Michelle L. Tennant, Plaintiffs v. Lela Czach.

An action has been filed against Defendant seeking an order quieting title and/or reformation of a deed given by Defendant to Plaintiffs in fulfillment of a Land Contract; said deed alleged to have inadvertently omitted a portion of the property sold and therefore requiring a correction of the legal description to the real property which was the subject of the land contract. The action seeks to correct the legal description of the deed in fulfillment of Land Contract. The real property that is subject to the litigation is commonly known as 3951 Ogemaw Road, West Branch, MI 48661 and legally described as:

Property situated in the Township of Foster, County of Ogemaw, State of Michigan to wit: The Westerly 330 feet of the Easterly 990 feet of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ excepting and reserving a right of way for roadway across the Northerly 33 feet thereof, and the Westerly 330 feet of the Easterly 990 feet excepting the Southerly 1020 feet of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼, all in Section 35, Town 23 North, Range 1 East; and the Westerly 330 feet of the Easterly 660 feet of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ saving and reserving easement for roadway across the Northerly 33 feet thereof, and Westerly 330 feet of Easterly 660 feet, except the Southerly 1020 feet thereof of the Southwest ¼ of Northwest ¼, all in section 35, Town 23 North, Range 1 East, located in Foster Township, Ogemaw County, State of Michigan.

Defendant must answer the complaint or take other action permitted by law within 28 days after the last date of publication. If Defendant does not answer or take other action within the time allowed, a judgment for quiet title and/or reformation may be entered against Defendant in favor of Plaintiffs terminating all of Defendant’s interest in the subject property referenced above, together with other relief or order of the court as the court may find just and equitable.

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Cannabis stores in the city mean more tax dollars

To the city council:
Can you please tell me how you guys intend to bring any new jobs into our great city? Or any new revenue in the city?

This new wave of business of cannabis sales will bring much-needed money into the city, as well as jobs for a lot of people. The people who oppose this business should be voted out of office and kicked to the curb.

You guys should open your eyes, and welcome them with open arms – maybe even allow two or three more stores to open. People who smoke would rather buy their pot from a marijuana store.

These customers in Hamtramck are working-class people, and they trust their product instead of off the street.

If they are worried that their children will buy from them, or that there will be trouble at these locations,

listen up: You are wrong, because these businesses run tight ships.

One has to be at least 21 years old to enter these shops and be able to use their products.

I am sure that the taxes this enterprise would generate in a year or two will help the city tenfold.

As of this week, the Hamtramck police have had no problems with the business on Holbrooke Ave. This store is not like the hookah lounges, where you stay and smoke their product. In the past, a hookah lounge on Jos. Campau was the site of the murder of a young man.

You councilmembers who are opposed do not have the city’s best interest at heart.

Instead, all you think about is having the power to ruin the city and have another state-appointed manager.

In my opinion, the city should allow the Holbrook store to run its course and produce tax dollars for the city.

So, members of council, please open your eyes, and allow them to operate here in our great city – and please put the city first, and not your own agenda.

The city needs the new jobs and tax revenue.

Welcome Pleasant Tree, and may you have booming sales.

**Joe Marecki
Hamtramck**

School Bell

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the Drama Club for four years, and her work with the students is focused on honoring their diverse heritages, experiences and voices.

Previous club performances have included dialogue in Bengali, Arabic and Polish. Currently, the 30 students in the club are working on a series of

short films that they are writing, shooting and editing virtually.

And ESL teacher, Nan believes in the power of drama as a tool for language learners and has incorporated acting into her curriculum as well.

William Kim started the eSports Club in October,

and the club already has more than 40 students of various skill levels participating.

Students are engaged and excited, are holding informal matches among the membership as they work towards competing against other schools.

The atmosphere has been electric as students learn new skills and technologies, make new friendships and work collaboratively on future plans for the clubs.

Odds & Ends

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meaning you now have to stop.

For sure it’s going to be confusing for a while. But, there will be tickets issued for those who don’t pay attention.

Police Chief Anne Moise says there will be more stop signs installed throughout the city in the coming weeks and months.



A blinking red light and stop signs have been installed at Caniff and Ellery, making the intersection a four-way stop.



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By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers Nov. 24-30.

Tuesday, Nov. 24

• Detroit police recovered a vehicle that was stolen out of Hamtramck.

Wednesday, Nov. 25

• A Dyar St. resident reported that she and her children were held at gunpoint at her residence. The woman was able to run for help. The suspect, in the meantime, fled. Officers retrieved the children and returned them to their mother.

• Officers took a possession of a machete for safekeeping.

Thursday, Nov. 26

• A hit-and-run accident occurred at Yemans and Brombach.

• Officers recovered a car stolen out of Highland Park.

Friday, Nov. 27

• A resident reported that someone damaged their vehicle while it was parked in the 12000 block of Grand Haven St.

Saturday, Nov. 28

• At a little after 1 a.m., a resident in the 3100 block

of Casmere St. reported that someone damaged their property.

• A resident in the 11400 block of Charest St. reported that their house had been damaged.

• At about 7 a.m., a man reported that, while in the 11300 block of St. Aubin St., he was held up at gunpoint by three males, all dressed in black, and robbed of his cellphone.

Sunday, Nov. 29

• A Wyandotte St. resident reported an incident of fraud.

• A domestic assault occurred in the 5100 block of Yemans St.

• At about 9 p.m., several people were arrested in the 2200 block of Danforth St. for being part of a large fight.

Monday, Nov. 30

• At 9:30 a.m., a St. Aubin St. resident reported that a package was stolen from her front porch.

• A Danforth St. resident reported a suspicious situation.

• A Grand Haven St. resident reported being the victim of a domestic assault.

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