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### **Quick Hits**

### It's that time again

With spring almost here - at least according to the calendar - that means it's time once again to "spring ahead."

And, by spring ahead, we mean setting our clocks one hour ahead at the stroke of 2 a.m. Sunday morning, or as most folks would say, Saturday night.

And with that not-somagic stroke of the clock hands, we will all enjoy longer daylight hours in the evenings.

At this point of the year, it gets dark about 7 p.m., but once we move up an hour, it'll be 8 p.m. when it gets dark.

And no matter how you look at it, we're all going to be dragging for a few days trying to get used to the time adjustment. That's the downside.

The first day of spring is March 20 - and, before that, it's St. Patrick's Day on March 17.

So, let's all raise a glass to spring, and good old St. Patrick.



**Photo by Jonathon Sniezek** 

# www.hamtramckreview.com • e-mail news@thehamtramckreview.com **HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD** t. Patrick's Day

## HPS superintendent and department head collect salaries while on leave

#### By Charles Sercombe

Local media outlets are starting to pay attention to what's going on with Hamtramck Public Schools Superintendent Jaleelah Ahmed.

Ahmed took a sudden medical leave last October, and said in a letter to the district that she planned to come back in January.

When January rolled around, the school board placed her on extended leave instead of welcoming her back.

A burning question, and one that the district refused to answer, was whether she was still being paid.

According to the Michigan Capitol Confidential, a news outlet that is published by the conservative think tank The Mackinac Center for Public Policy, Ahmed is indeed



HPS Superintendent Jaleelah Ahmed has been on leave for over four months and is still collecting a salary. The head of the human resources department, Michelle Imbrunone, has been on leave as well and is also collecting a salary.

information following a by The Review. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request it sub-

mitted to the district. However, the publication got her annual salary incorrect. Instead of Ahmed collecting \$130,000 a year, her salary is actually

collecting her salary. The \$149,850, according to a

Since Ahmed's leave, she has been collecting \$6,708 per month in salary, and additional monthly payments for insurance and retirement.

The board only recently let it leak out that Ahmed

remains on leave while publication received that FOIA request submitted there is an ongoing investigation. But no one in the district is saying why Ahmed is under investiga-

> Ahmed had been on the job for about two years, and just received a three-year contract ex-

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### High school drama club presents an original comedy

### By Alan Madlane

Beware – there be thespians about.

And they're lurking at Hamtramck High School, waiting to entertain you.

The show is called "Love You Wildly." It was written by the school's drama program director, Nan Walter. The original work is about a "quirky foster family."

The production was actually already in rehearsals two years ago, in the spring of 2020, but then

Covid reared its ugly head for the first time, and it had to be shut down.

Until now.

It is billed as a family-friendly comedy, which incorporates original art and puppetry, as well as "an amazing invention."

The show will be performed at the spacious HHS auditorium Wednesday, March and Thursday, March 17 at 4 p.m., and then Friday,

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### **Former** cop caught in a sting

#### **Bv Charles Sercombe**

A former Hamtramck police officer faces bribery charges in federal court over his dealings with a tow company.

Last Thursday, Mike Stout, 60, was charged in federal district court with receiving over \$9,000 in bribes, which included cash and a car.

Stout, of St Clair Shores, faces up to 10 years in prison and up to \$250,000 in fines if convicted. He was released on a \$10,000 unsecured bond.

This isn't the first time Stout has come under scrutiny. He and other law enforcement officers were named in prior lawsuits for their handling of past investigations that ended up costing Hamtramck over \$1 million in damages, some of which was covered by insurance.

Stout was part of a controversial joint task force with Highland Park to investigate auto thefts.

That unit has been dissolved.

Stout left the department in 2019, and was stripped of his police powers and also decertified as a police officer.

When he left the department, he said he was taking a job with Highland Park's department, which never happened. After he left Hamtramck, Stout was still dealing with a tow company, apparently under the guise that he was an officer.

Stout was able to get information through the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) from an unnamed employee in the Hamtramck Police Department.

Sharing LEIN information with an unauthorized person is illegal.

Unbeknownst to Stout, he was dealing with an

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Hamtramck High School drama students will be performing an original play next week.

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### High school drama club presents an original comedy

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school). Please stop by the Academy at 2650 Caniff Street, Hamtramck, MI

origin, and shall comply with all state and federal civil rights laws.

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FBI undercover agent who was part of a sting operation. He is the sixth person to be charged in this investigation. Others charged include former Detroit police officers and

former Detroit City Coun-

cilmember Andre Spivey.

Former cop caught in a sting

Stout's case is the latest of several instances of former Hamtramck officers getting in trouble with the law while performing their duties.

In a press release issued by the Hamtramck Police Department, it was said:

"The actions described in the indictment involve actions occurring after his active service\with the Hamtramck Police Department ended. ... The allegations set forth in the federal indictment do not reflect the values of the Hamtramck Police Department and are not consistent with the daily actions of its dedicated members. The City of Hamtramck will fully cooperate with federal investigators."

Phill Kwik, a former city council president and an outspoken critic of police departments, said this latest criminal charge of an officer supports his call for defunding the department.

"Unfortunately,

like Mr. Stout seem to be the rule, rather than the exception," Kwik said.

He added: "Is behavior like this business as usual in the department? Beyond that, this is why we need to take a serious look at how much money we're spending on policing in this city, where that money is going, and whether we are being served well.

"Nearly half the city budget goes toward socalled public safety, leaving so little for any other services needed by our residents. Is spending

that much money on police in the best interests of our residents? Or is it creating a safe haven for cops to break the public trust and the law?

"In last year's election, our new mayor talked about creating a civilian oversight board of the police department. Now is the time to do that."



### New Dawn Academy of Warren

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Re-enrollment for current students and their siblings is from March 1, 2021 through March 18,

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### This week at the Library ...

Read Up & Meet Up: The next Big Library Read title is "Music is History" by producer, director & musician Questlove. Visit www.biglibraryread.com to get the synopsis and more Book discussions planned for this April.

Friday Morning Fitness: We would like to welcome our patrons to chair based Yoga sessions (offered in partnership with Oak Street Health). Sessions begin at 10:45 am. Tai chi sessions (offered in partnership with the RIM Foundation) begin at 9:30 am, starting March 18th. Please note that the group size is limited to 10 for both events. Comfy, stretchy clothes are recommended.

Reading Month: March has been designated as national Reading Month. Our selection of the month is a new book "All Cats Speak Polish" by Matilda Szydagis.

MILibraryQuest: The virtual scavenger hunt for teens is coming to a close! Visit www.milibraryquest.wixsite/quest1 submit your answer before March 15th for https://forms.gle/Xm83tjhhPVV6LvcBx8to sign up

a change to win. If you need some help join the collaborative case-cracking effort on ZOOM Saturday March 12th at 2 pm

Foreign Culture: With travel getting

more expensive, here is a way to experi-

ence a bit of foreign culture without

breaking the bank. The MSU Community Language School and MSU Extension present a virtual exploration of Indian, Turkish and Chinese traditions. Registration required. Open to ages 8 and up. Please visit celta.msu.edu/children-and youth/culture-events/ to see full details.

Women's History Month: Consider learning more about the luminary figure of Begum Rokeya. She is regarded as the pioneer feminist of Bengal. Her writing and teachings helped pave the way for women's liberation in greater South Asia. Believing education was the key to attaining equality, Rokeya founded the Muslim Women's Association and took leading roles in a number of conferences aimed at addressing this issue. If you happen to read Bangla, there is a number of books that you can check out which highlight her

ESL Classes: The classes are held four days a week, from Monday to Thursday, from 9 am to 2:30 pm, The program is free to all Hamtramck residents.

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# Second Front Page

# **Mayor: Most Covid deaths** are those who aren't vaxxed

#### **By Charles Sercombe**

The number of Hamtramck Covid cases has dramatically gone down in the past two weeks, but the total number of deaths shot up by four.

It's been two weeks The Review checked in on with Mayor Amer Ghalib's weekly Covid update, and during this period the number of new cases in Hamtramck went up by 16.

There were just three cases this past new week.

Despite that good news, so to speak, there were four new deaths re-

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about his passion for ed-

Chris Wilinski, our spe-

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Tau Beta Elementary and

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Chris has been teach-

ing at Hamtramck Pub-

lic Schools for his entire

teaching career, which is

now over 38 years. He

began his career at Kos-

ciuszko Middle School as

a dedicated special edu-

cation teacher where he

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work closely with special

education students who

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port. He then transferred

to Dickinson East Elemen-

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corded by Wayne County health officials.

Hamtramck now has a total number of 4,625 cases for the past two years, and the number of deaths stands at 73.

Ghalib, who is a nurse and who works at a local clinic, once again pointed out that many of those who have died from Covid had one thing in common: "They did not get vaccinated."

As usual, Ghalib kept his update short, and as usual also included general city information.

have been complaining

School Bell

about the new property of the property is transassessments that many have received over the past few weeks. To the shock of some, the value of their house increased tremendously.

Ghalib said some have interpreted this as a major property tax increase, and then complained about it on Facebook.

"That was false information," he said.

(In Michigan, a property's taxable value can only increase from one year to the next by no more than the rate of inflation A number of residents or 5 percent, whichever is less, until ownership ferred.)

Have a beef about the new city parking meter system?

Well, join the crowd.

You can do something about your grievances, the mayor said. Get ahold of a city council sub-committee that is reviewing the meter system. The members have been contacting business owners on Jos. Campau where the meters are mostly located.

But Ghalib said the committee can't possibly reach out to everyone. If you would like to pass along your opinion about the meters, contact them through their emails, or voice your thoughts at a city council meeting during public comment.

You can reach committee members at these emails:

Khalil Refai - krefai@ hamtramckcity.com

Nayeem Choudhury nchoudhury@hamtramckcity.com

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Chris leaves an enduring impression on his students as well. Chris was recently reassigned from his longstanding career as a first-grade teacher to his current position as resource teacher.

Coincidentally, one of his former first-grade students, Selma, who is now a special education teacher at Hamtramck High School, reached out to Chris to help him assimilate to his new role.

It is not often that teachers work in education long enough that their students also become teachers. We take pride in our educators building long-lasting relationships with our students. It is one of the things that makes Hamtramck proud.

"The most fulfilling moments are when students return to visit me and share their accomplishments. I have taught several generations of families in my career, and that's why it's special," said Chris.

"What I can do here at Hamtramck has a greater impact for my students than anywhere else. Our district had a motto that said, 'start here, stay here and succeed here.' I was able to apply that to my life as a member of the

HPS staff." Like other schools across Michigan and beyond, Hamtramck's community is changing frequently, but what parents

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### Offer Putin amnesty to end Ukraine invasion

"We don't negotiate with terrorists," has always been everybody's stated policy for dealing with threats.

But it's time to talk to them.

We need to negotiate with terrorists, we need to talk to them but we need to talk to them like the bullies that they are, and we need to be good parents.

The world watches anxiously this week to see what President Vladimir Putin will do. It would be easy to hate him, to demand vengeance, but here's where we need to be good parents.

The world sees a bully and so do I, but how do you deal with a bully?

Well, first thing is you don't give into demands under threat. That empowers the bully.

Secondly, recognize that inside a bully is a scared, frightened child looking for love.

I'm tremendously impressed in how we have responded to Mr. Putin's aggressions. With restraint and care and consideration, those who enable him are being shown up, but the world is doing everything it can to help his victims.

Now, we need a parent.

Justice doesn't come through vengeance or victory, it comes through discussion, mediation and dialogue.

Mr. Putin is a child, afraid of the world around him. Recognize that and you can bring the world back better than it was

and fix our whole family. I propose that we offer Mr. Putin amnesty and asylum in the west. Take your stolen billions and retire.

You will not be harmed. I will protect you like a good father does. The United States will use its might and right to protect you, you frightened child.

No harm will come of you. You don't get to stay in charge, children don't get to drive the car, but you will get to retire safely to New York or Paris or Marseilles or London.

You did something bad, and your neighbors may not like you but they won't hurt you. I'll keep you

It's time for the grownups to be grown-ups, pull the child away from the fight, put him somewhere safe to calm down.

Soothe him, but don't empower him.

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### City's financial picture continues to be grim

The city's financial pic-bills or employee salature continues to be presented as dire to elected officials.

There have been budget sessions for the city council and mayor and they were presented the grim news by the city's own financial consultant, Plante Moran.

Here's the message: Hamtramck's expenditures will continue to be greater than the revenue the city collects from taxes, state and federal aid, fines and fees.

Eventually, the city won't be able to pay its ries and pensions.

We have rung this alarm numerous times over the past year. Hamtramck has undergone two state interventions in the recent past with the appointments of two emergency financial managers.

Long story made short: they didn't fix the ongoing financial problems.

Some hard decisions will have to made by our elected officials, some of whom campaigned on having new ways to

approach our ongoing problems and challeng-

We're still waiting to hear these ideas.

In the meantime, some unpopular decisions are going to have to be made.

No one said that being involved in city government is easy. In fact, most people running for office really have no idea what challenges await them.

In Hamtramck, we're all going to have to brace for a shock.

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and families want from in Detroit Metro Region their schools has not.

Parents want their kids to receive a strong education, and at Hamtramck, this is exactly what we strive to do.

Our staff here at Hamtramck Public Schools is nothing less than great. Together, we aim to make a difference in our students lives and leave an everlasting impact on them.

Chris is just one of our many staff members who demonstrates this commitment day in and day

(HPS is open for enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year. To enroll your child, visit hamtramckschools.com.)

#### Recreation

**HPS Recreation Director** 

"We have been living hosted a cricket workshop.

for 20+ years and were completely surprised by so many talented youth cricket players right in my neighborhood.

"I first want to thank Hamtramck Director Craig Daniels for initiating this one-day clinic and finding ways to help their residents and making it a priority.

"The talents and skills the boys possessed were commendable. We felt so much interest, love and craze in their attitude and behavior in this one-day cricket clinic. It felt like discovering a gold mine right by your backyard. They repeatedly asked if we will another one next

week.

"Coach Viren, Coach Vinesh, Parent Vishwa, our Players - Nikhil, Anshul, Hemanshu and Shaurya drove the show today. Thanks to their dedication and devotion towards driving, show casing and promoting this impeccable the sport."

#### Tau Beta

Hamtramck **Public** Schools' Tau Beta Elementary recently celebrated 100 days of school with some activities for its younger students.

Students shared what they have learned and developed artwork reflecting their school experience.

### Other Voices: Guest Editorial

### This is the season to watch out for depression

#### By Takira Coleman **DWIHN Communications** Intern

Have you ever noticed that after the holidays, especially during the first few months, your mood may

It may become harder to smile, and most of the time, you feel unmotivated and tired? These sudden mood changes are affiliated with Seasonal Affective Disorder or SAD, which happens during the winter months and can be caused by less sunlight. SAD is characterized as a type of recurrent depression and lasts up to 4 to 5 months a year.

The symptoms vary and range from feeling sad, anxious, or empty to thoughts of death or suicide. SAD as expected, is more common in northern climates.

Studies suggest that 20% to 40% of people living within the same climate as Michigan experience some degree of SAD during the winter months. Some of the signs to look for; significant depression, overeating, oversleeping and social withdrawal.

In addition, SAD is less likely to occur in individuals under the age of 20. People with family members

with mental health issues are more prone to SAD disorder. Statistics provided by Health Research Funding determined that 55% of people with SAD have family members with depression-related issues.

As a mental health disorder, SAD occurs more in people already diagnosed with a major depressive disorder and is more prevalent in women but also affects men. Research from the National Institute of Mental Health suggests that people with SAD may have reduced activity of the brain chemical serotonin, which helps regulate moods. Sunlight controls the levels of molecules that help maintain normal

serotonin levels. Still, in people with SAD, this regulation does not function properly, hence the decreased serotonin levels in the winter. Another suggestion is that people with SAD produce too much melatonin, which in-

creases sleepiness. Although SAD is a bit complex, there are ways to cope such as purchasing a lightbox and sitting at least 16 to 24 inches away from it every morning for 45 minutes helps make up for the reduced sunlight.

Brightening the

ronment by incorporating more daylight into your home and adding plants also helps.

Exercising and walking outdoors to get fresh air. Cognitive-behavioral therapy is another coping method, talking with a professional or finding a group where you can share your struggles about SAD may also help.

Medications are also available if prescribed by a doctor after seeking professional help.

Some experts say SAD is preventable, and if you know it happens to you, to take preventative measures early such as buying the lightbox before the holidays, adding plants or other ways of introducing natural light into your home, maybe even consider a pet to help keep your mind off of the dull and dark months.

And as always, you can call the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network's 24/7 Helpline at 800-241-4949 to help with mental health, substance use disorder, suicidal thoughts and disability-related is-

At DWIHN, we are here to talk. Here to help.

Craig Daniels passed on this note from the Michigan Youth Cricket Association about a recent cricket workshop hosted by the district at the Hamtramck Community School.

"We had about 23 participants from the age group 14-18.



The Hamtramck Recreation Department recently

# Odds & Ends

are several fundraisers for Ukraine in the metro area.

caught our eye.

The Moose Lodge (lowill host a fundraiser on March 17 – which also happens to be St. Patrick's Day - and is seeking donations from folks for things to raffle off.

Call (313) 871-9115 if you can help out.

Over at Holy Cross Parish, they're collecting medical supplies, such as aspirin, bandages, cold and flu medicine, and anything else you can get over the counter.

All of this will be shipped over to Ukraine. Drop off your donations at the parish, located at Pulaski and Fleming, or at Immaculate Conception Church, located at Commor and McDougall.

And here's one that caught our attention, hehheh.

For those who like pot and pierogis, or even just one or the other, this is just for you.

Luxory Loud, located at 2520 22nd St. in Detroit, will host a fundraiser this Sunday, March 13, from 10 a.m.-9 p.m., where you can purchase marijuana from the dispensary and also pierogi from Hamtramck's Srodek's

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> Reminder... Hamtramck 31st District Court is once again offering an amnesty program.

This program through May 31.

According to the court's press release, the program "provides individuals an opportunity to settle outstanding court financial obligations while saving money."

The amnesty program also, it is noted "helps the court clear a backlog of files."

And, to add to the festivities, the court is also "offering an online amnesty application that allows persons to search for delinguent tickets and make payment at a discounted rate online without having to appear in person at the court."

While it isn't specified which types of delinquent payments are being made part of the program, the above wording seems to suggest that it's primarily traffic and misdemeanor

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## HPS superintendent and department head collect salaries while on leave continued from front page

a medical leave. In a letter to the district, Ahmed cited ongoing stress from handling the Covid crisis in the district.

tension, before she took ing within the district was a mass resignation of teachers and staff members. Within one year, over 30 district employees left the district for other jobs, But what was also roil- creating a critical teacher

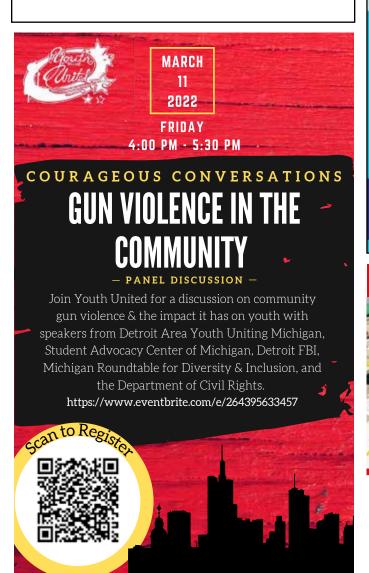
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Teachers rebelled over Ahmed, and her head of human resources, Michelle Imbrunone, and their job reassignments for them. They complained that the job reassignments made no sense, and appeared to be in retaliation against those who challenged Ahmed and Imbrunone over their management style.

There is at least one lawsuit, by a former vice principal at Kosciusko Middle School, against Ahmed, Imbrunone and the district.

One thing the Michigan Capitol Confidential report did not report on was whether Imbrunone is still receiving her salary. Imbrunone also took a medical leave at the same time Ahmed did.

Imbrunone is, in fact, still on the district's payroll, and has been collecting \$4,457 a month in salary while on leave. She also receives additional payments for insurance and retirement.

Imbrunone's annual salary is \$115,900.

The district has not said why Imbrunone is still on leave, or whether she is

also under investigation.

The school board appointed the head of the district's English as a Second Language Department, Nabil Nagi, to be the interim superintendent.

When The Review contacted Nagi several weeks ago about Ahmed's status, he replied that he does not address personnel issues.

He has since not returned emails or phone messages from The Review, nor did he to the Michigan Capitol Confidential.

In breaking news, at

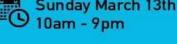
Wednesday's monthly school board meeting, former superintendent Tom Niczay has been hired as Special Projects Consultant, at a rate of \$75 per hour, which is not to exceed \$47,000 for the year.

His position begins on March 14.

Deadline Detroit, an online news publication, has also picked up on the Ahmed story. It ran with this headline:

"Hamtramck puzzle: What sent this school district leader on a 'temporary leave' now in 5th month?"





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### By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers March 1-7.

#### Tuesday, March 1

- · Officers responded to a report about family trouble in the 2000 block of Caniff Ave. Officers determined that it was just a verbal argument.
- A suspicious situation was reported in the 3400 block of Evaline St.
- · A complaint was made about an animal on Gallagher St.
- · An assault was reported in the 3800 block of Comstock St.
- A hit-and-run accident was reported in the area of Gallagher and Hanley.
- An agent for a business on Conant Ave. reported a disorderly customer.
- A hit-and-run accident occurred on Caniff Ave.

#### Wednesday, March 2

- A suspicious person was reported in the area of Conant and Evaline.
- A person in the 3300 block of Doremus St. reported being harassed.
- · A theft was reported in the 2600 block of Carpenter Ave.
- A man was arrested for obstructing officers during a traffic stop.

#### Thursday, March 3

- · Gunshots were reported in the area of Jos. Campau and Faber. Officers checked out the area but did not find evidence of a shooting.
- Officers responded to a call about a man slumped over his bicycle at Carpenter and McDougall. The man was sent on his
- · A suspicious person carrying a package was reported in the area of Fleming and Neibel.

- · After a traffic stop, a person was arrested for being wanted on a Ham-
- tramck warrant. · A McDougall St. resident reported being the victim of fraud.
- · A Dan St. resident reported being harassed.
- · A fight was reported at a Jos. Campau Ave. business.
- · Two suspects were arrested in the area of Circle Dr. and Dyar after gunshots were reported there.
- · A suspicious man was reported in the 1900 block of Belmont St. where he was seen checking out

#### Friday, March 4

- · A theft from a car was reported in the 9400 block of Conant Ave.
- A person in the 12000 block of Oklahoma St. reported being harassed.
- · A car theft was reported in the 2000 block of Belmont St.
- Customer trouble was reported at a business in the 8900 block of Jos. Campau Ave.
- A theft was reported in the 11700 block of Mc-Dougall St.
- A disorderly customer was reported at a business in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau Ave.
- · An assault was reported in the 10000 block of Jos. Campau Ave.
- · Family trouble was reported in the 2300 block of Grayling St.
- · Officers recovered a stolen vehicle in the area of Gallagher and Caniff.
- · A disorderly person was reported in the 3500 block of Caniff Ave.
- · A domestic assault was reported in the 9100

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## **Coming Events**

SATURDAY, March 12, 2-4 p.m. - Take-out Only Soup Kitchen at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming. Everyone is welcome!

SATURDAY, March 26, 3-7 p.m. - A spaghetti dinner fundraiser will be held to purchase 18 new American flags for the Jos. Campau flagpoles, at PLAV Post 10, 11824 Jos. Campau. Tickets are \$15, \$12 for seniors, and add \$1 for carry-outs. There will be meat and meatless dinners, as well as optional halal and vegetarian dishes. Tickets are at Post 10 and other locations.

**SATURDAY, March 26, 4-6 p.m.** – Drive-thru/Takeout Polish Dinner at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming. \$12 Adult/\$6 Child 12 & under. Menu: Pork chop, Kielbasa, Pierogi/sour cream, Stewed Cabbage (Bigos), Mashed Potatoes/gravy, Dessert. Cars will be staged in parking lot for delivery in front of church.

TUESDAY, April 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. - Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, Wayne Health and ICNA Relief Michigan (Muslim Family Services) have joined forces for a monthly initiative offering residents in need a combination of services from their organizations including COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters, free health screenings, access to a food pantry, and resources for rental and utility assistance, weatherization and home repair. First Tuesday of every month, can accommodate up to 100 people. Health screenings are available free of charge to persons of all ages with or without insurance. Approximately 50 pounds of food, including fresh produce, will be available for persons with ID, ICNA Relief Michigan, 12500 Mitchell St., Detroit.

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block of Jos. Campau Ave. Saturday, March 5

- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the 5100 block of Yemans St.
- A break-in was reported to be in progress in the 2600 block of Carpenter Ave. When officers arrived the complainants were not sure if they wanted assis-
- A vehicle was reported stolen in the area of Dequindre and Poland.
- A domestic assault was reported in the 3800 block of Yemans St.
- · Family trouble was reported in the 3900 block of Dorothy St.

- · An assault was reported in the 2700 block of
- Evaline St. · A man refused to leave

a business in the 9100

#### block of Jos. Campau Ave. Sunday, March 6

- · A report was made about an attempted auto theft in the 2000 block of Belmont St. The suspects fled when the car, parked in a garage, was started by remote.
- A theft was reported in the 3800 block of Evaline
- A garage break-in was reported in the 3800 block of Yemans St.
  - · A report was made

about a group of people arguing in the 9100 block of Jos. Campau Ave.

Friday, March 11, 2022

- · Two passengers in a car that fled from a police chase were arrested. The driver fled on foot.
- · A theft was reported in the 3000 block of Evaline
- · Gunshots were reported in the area of Dequindre and Circle Dr.

#### Monday, March 7

- · The driver of a red Dodge Charger fled from officers attempting to pull them over.
- · A theft was reported in the 5200 block of Belmont
- A strong-armed robbery was reported on Jos. Campau Ave.



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