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Quick Hits

One more call for volunteers

By Charles Sercombe

Yes, summer is coming to a close.

And that means the season for citywide cleanups is coming to an end.

At least, the city-sponsored cleanups are ending – feel free to organize your own cleanups!

Also graduating at the end of their program are those enrolled in the city's Summer Youth Program.

"The team worked very hard this summer to make a difference throughout Hamtramck," said Max Gilginas, the city's Community Involvement Coordinator.

Back to the cleanups. The last citywide one is this Saturday, Aug. 19, starting at 10 a.m. Volunteers are asked to meet up at city hall. But, if you are not an early-riser, do your own neighborhood cleanup, at least around your own house.

For those who can make it to the meet-up at city hall, all of your supplies will be provided.

Any questions? Be sure to email Max Gilginas at: mgilginas@hamtramckcity.com

By Charles Sercombe

As the American proverb goes: "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

And that's just what the Hamtramck Public School District is doing in order to win voter approval for a "sinking fund" millage renewal request.

At a special Board of Education meeting Monday, the board agreed to seek ballot language approval by the state Attorney General's Office to allow another millage proposal to appear on the Nov. 7 General Election.

Last week, the school district received a brutal rejection of the millage, by a 2-to-1 margin, in the primary election.

The board's action on Monday was cutting it close to the wire in meeting the deadline for state approval of the ballot



The Hamtramck School District is seeking voter approval once again for a property tax millage renewal that will fund ongoing repairs to the district's school buildings. Hamtramck voters overwhelmingly rejected the millage last week in the primary election.

language. The deadline for submitting ballot proposals was the next day, Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 4 p.m.

The board's regular monthly meeting was last Wednesday, the day after the primary election, and

it is unclear why the ballot renewal language was not taken up by the board at that time, instead of waiting for a special meeting the day before the November ballot deadline.

As it turned out, the board barely met the

minimum number of boardmembers to hold a meeting. Out of the seven board members, only four attended the meeting, the minimum number of members needed for a quorum, or in other

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The non-profit organization One New Humanity has helped organize a number of community projects, such as Sylhet Farm on Jos. Campau just north of Carpenter. File photo

Non profit spreads its message of helping the less fortunate

By Alan Madlane

One New Humanity is a local non-profit that does a lot of community good around these parts.

And karma must be with them too, as they just keep growing.

Daniel Schneider, President of ONH, recently talked with us about the organization:

The Review: How did the concept of One New

Humanity begin, and how did each piece fall into place?

Schneider: We incorporated, in 2018, to serve as an umbrella for four community projects started by local leaders who needed help in several areas.

The projects were: the Cricket Academy of Detroit, Sisterhood Fitness, Sylhet Farm, and Michigan

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Local couple lose it all in Maui fire

By Charles Sercombe

By now, most of us are aware of the deadly fire that has destroyed virtually the whole town of Lahaina on the island of Maui in Hawaii.

There's a local connection.

It's the home of Hamtramckans Al and Lori Ulman, who happened to be visiting back here when the fire broke out and burned down his entire hometown of Lahaina.

Al and Lori lost their home and all their possessions, but fortunately a friend was able to save their cats.

Al, for those who don't know him, is a renowned magician who goes by the stage name "Al the Only."

His family has been widely known in town for many decades, and the family home is still in Hamtramck

After having to wait several days for a flight back to Hawaii, they are back on Maui.

Here's an excerpt of what Al had to say, in a Facebook posting, before he returned, about the outpouring of concern from relatives and friends:

"Lori and I are alive and safe. We're still on the mainland after attending the Abbott's Magic Get Together. Thank you for thinking about us. The stream of calls, texts and emails is helping us through this."

"Lori and I need to make an unexpected, emergency trip back home. We

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need to assess the situation, sift through the rubble, salvage what we can and decide what we need to do next.

“We’ve been told that our condo is completely destroyed; a pile of ash. Fortunately, our two kitty cats, Stripes and Łobuz are safe. (Another Hamtramck connection is Łobuz the cat. He was a stray who walked into Al’s heart during his visit here. Al met all the State of Hawaii requirements in order to bring Łobuz to his new island home.)

“When we finally make it back, we have several friends on other parts of the island that we can stay with, but we can’t live with them forever.

These next few days are going to be a whirlwind of emotions and life changing decisions.

“The past two days have been hell; not knowing how bad the situation was. We were worried about our cats, our friends and our home. When we received the first notice of the fire, Lori and I were up for 48 hours; couldn’t sleep.

“We were walking zombies. At the time, our only communication with friends back home was by text. We still haven’t been able to reach any of our neighbors. Cell towers are down on the west shore. The power has been out for more than two days.



Al and Lori Ulman on their way back to Maui where a recent fire wiped out their home and their town Lahaina. Both were in Hamtramck visiting family when the fire broke out back home.

“(Current reports indicate that it may be up to 30 days before everyone on the west shore will have electricity restored.) I’m sure their nights were worse than ours.

“All of Front Street is gone. I’m a wreck! Our condo is gone. I don’t have a home to go back to. And to add insult to injury, I just booked work on Oahu the week of Thanksgiving. I’m going to be in Jacksonville the week before and I was using that as an opportunity to break up my trip on my way home. ...

“Thank you for your prayers, love and concern. We are truly blessed by your friendship. You are appreciated more than I can express.

“My thoughts and prayers go out to our friends and Ohana on the islands. Give someone you love an extra hug today.”

As Al and Lori were boarding the plane in Los

Angeles on their last leg to Maui, “FEMA officers and their cadaver searching dogs also boarded the plane on their way to help in the search effort of Lahaina residents. I was already sitting in my seat on the airplane. An officer was boarding with his dog. This wonderful, four-legged bundle of love jumped in the seat next to me.

“I felt his cold nose as he sniffed my face, and then he gave me a big doggy kiss on the cheek. I guess it was his way of reminding me that I’m still alive and for whatever I’ve lost I have so many things to be thankful for.”

So far, the Maui fire, which started as a simple brush fire but grew quickly and out of control within minutes because of 80-mile-per-hour winds from ‘Hurricane Dora,’ which was 500 miles off the shores of Hawaii, has claimed 99 lives with an estimated 1,000 people still unaccounted for.

This is the deadliest fire in Hawaii in a century.

Friends of Al and Lori have set up a GoFundMe page to help with the financial needs in order to recover. You can contribute by going online to GoFundMe and type in Al Loha (Al’s Facebook nickname).

Because of biohazards, Al and Lori still haven’t been able to go to their home site in Lahaina.

Al said: “My head is spinning. I feel like I’m walking in a daze. My stomach is in knots. I pray and cry, pray and cry more. It’s business as usual on other parts of the island; a vacation paradise. On the south shore we had sun drenched blue skies.

“The palm trees swayed from the cool ocean breeze and only a 45-minute drive away, navigating along the breath-taking Pacific coast, just on the other side of the West Maui Mountains, death, destruction and heart-break. Please pray for all those affected in Hawaii and their families.”



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Football Club in Dearborn.

The Cricket Academy of Detroit and Michigan FC became their own organizations, but Sisterhood Fitness and Sylhet Farm embraced ONH, and both have grown significantly since.

We added Joy Thrift in 2021, which was the same story, a local leader who wanted Hamtramck to have a place where they could buy nice, gently used items at an affordable price. You can read each of their stories on our website.

The Review: Do you see ONH as assisting immigrants of all nationalities to assimilate through your programs?

Schneider: Yes, we would like to hold ESL, GED, and Citizenship Prep classes in our community space on Joseph Campau, but we need more volunteers to pull it off.

The Review: What qualities was the organization

looking for in an Executive Director, and how did the Executive Director's individual background help them in being hired, and in working toward fulfilling the group's mission?

Schneider: We are in a transition, so this question is difficult to answer right now.

The Review: What are some of the next steps or directions being considered, assuming there are any, and assuming that you are able to talk freely about them at this stage?

Schneider: We recently launched an online thrift store on our website,

which we want to use to grow our organization's revenue base so we can hire more people from the community. The web address is: <https://www.onenewhumanitycdc.org/shop>

The Review: What are the best ways that people who want to help can get involved? What do you need most to continue to grow?

Schneider: You can go to our website and see the different ways to get involved. The biggest need is for people to donate in-kind items, or shop, or volunteer at Joy Thrift.

We can keep our prices so low for people in Ham-

tramck because of all the in-kind donations and volunteers. Joy Thrift makes up roughly half of our operational budget, so it is a big deal to us.

The Review: Where do you hope to see ONH in ten years' time?

Schneider: We want to continue being a volunteer-led, grassroots organization that facilitates new creative ideas and projects, initiated by community leaders wanting to improve the lives of Hamtramck residents.

We believe that, in ten years, we will have created an infrastructure that will support several new initiatives.

This week at the Library . . .

August 18, 2023

Summer Reading: This coming Wednesday, August 23rd at 2 pm. The library will host “the NERF Games”. Following weekly programs will be packed with science wacky games, awesome crafts, and tons of reading. Everyone will get a chance to earn tickets to participate in the end of program raffle with plenty of prizes. Summer adventures await.

The 19th Amendment: On August 18th, 1920 this amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, granting women the right to vote.

LOM Presentation: This is for diehard Historical newspaper aficionados. It will serve as an overview of the extensive collection of local Michigan newspapers. You can view it on Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 pm. Please visit www.michigan.gov/lmpublicprograms to register and get info about upcoming presentations.

Hawaii: On August 21, 1959, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Hawaii to the Union as the 50th state.

Adaptive Yoga: Summer exercise programs are finished for the summer. Look for announcements of fall classes. These programs are sponsored by the RIM Foundation.

Burning of Washington D.C.: During the War of 1812, Washington D.C. was invaded by the British forces that burned the Capitol, the White House and most other public buildings along with a number of private homes. The burning was in retaliation for the earlier American burning of York (currently known as Toronto).

Story Time: Get you kids together and drop in on our Wednesday afternoon Story Time at 12 noon. Presented by guest readers from Hamtramck Federation of Teachers.

Leonard Bernstein: This American conductor and composer was born on August 25, 1918 in Lawrence, Massachusetts. Considered one of the finest conductors in American music history, his works included “West Side Story”, “On the Town”, and the opera “Candide”.,

Game Night: Join us for Game Night at the library. We are serving up something fun each Friday at 4 pm. Stop by and let us know that you have come to play.

Lee De Forest: This American inventor was born on August 26, 1873 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He held hundreds of patents for inventions and was also a pioneer in the creation of wireless radio broadcasting and television.

Elizabeth Ann Seton: This first American-born Roman Catholic saint was born on August 28, 1749, as Elizabeth Ann Bayley, in New York City. She founded the first American Catholic religious order, the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph. In 1809, she opened an elementary school in Baltimore marking the beginning of the parochial school system in the United States.

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Supporting our schools will take more effort

This week, the Hamtramck Public School District's Board of Education decided to try again for the renewal of its "sinking fund" millage.

Last week, voters crushed the request by a 2-to-1 margin.

The board is now shooting for a do-over in the November General Election.

The millage renewal is relatively small – 3 mills – compared to those that other cities and public school districts depend on to provide services.

This school millage raises \$760,000 a year, and is earmarked exclusively for repairing and updating buildings, making security improvements, and updating technology, primarily.

It's been clear, for some time, that there is a sizeable number of voters in this city who will reject any millage renewal. A former school boardmember, Nasr Hussain, has been leading the crusade against taxes.

Not only that, the millage request comes at a time when a number of homeowners are complaining about how high their property tax bills have become.

These are the same folks who purchase houses here in town for \$200,000 and up, and for some reason can't draw the connection that the more you pay for a house, the more you will pay in property taxes.

Going hand-in-hand with all this is that there has been no help for parents whose children go to public schools. Folks, if you want your schools to survive and flourish, there has to be a grassroots effort for the millage's success. Getting tax millages passed requires hard work.

That's how past millages have been passed here in town in the past, and it's a formula that works.

Get organized folks and support our public school district.

It was 20 years ago when all the lights went out – for a day

By Charles Sercombe

Here's a 20th anniversary most of us would rather forget.

Remember back on Aug, 14, 2003 at around 4 p.m. when the power suddenly went out?

If you do remember, where were you?

Review reader Heather Martin prompted our memory of the anniversary in her Facebook page posting, under the pseudonym "Heather Feather," where she said:

"Happy Blackout Anniversary!!!"

Back in 2003, on this fateful day, a part of the Midwest (all of Michigan and Ontario) and the northeast states were hit with a power outage.

Some 50 million people were suddenly without electricity, which was also a day of a nasty heatwave.

At this time, the wounds of the 9/11terrorist attack just two years before (in 2001) were still fresh in the minds of many, and thoughts of another attack were assumed.

It was not an attack.

Instead, it was good-old American infrastructure failure. A huge power grid went down when a tree fell on a power line in Ohio. Think of the absurdity of that – a tree (a single tree) fell on a power line.

Contributing to the power outage were the usual culprits: human error, and software and equipment failures.

The Review last touched on this incident five years ago, obviously when it was the 15th year anniversary.

Here, in part, is what we recapped:

"While there is never a good time for a power failure, this one happened during a heat wave with temperatures in the 90s and the humidity so thick there was a haze hanging in the air.

"There were no reports of looting or other criminal activity except one incident that almost proved fatal to a police officer.

"At 10:45 p.m. that first day, Hamtramck police officer Brian Misiak was chasing a suspect who had just robbed Mirage Jewelry when the suspect suddenly turned and fired a 12-gauge shotgun he had been carrying in a bag.

"Misiak suffered serious injuries in an arm and shoulder, but eventually he recuperated and returned to the force.

"For many restaurants and markets, the power outage led to the loss of perishable foods worth thousands of dollars. For many households, it meant barbecuing up whatever meat, chicken or fish they had in the fridge.

"The barbecues turned festive in some neighborhoods, where neighbors shared food and provided their own entertainment.

"The former Citizen newspaper reported one such incident where Tim Suliman talked about swapping beer with neighbors and being entertained by a Bengali family who had their kids perform ethnic dances.

"We got to learn more about our neighbors, and it made a tough time a little easier," he told The Citizen."

As it turned out, power was restored 30 hours later at 10 p.m. on a Friday.

The Citizen newspaper reported:

"When the lights did return one could almost hear a communal cheer erupt."

Most importantly for some, the paper reported:

"The bars, which had been closed, immediately reopened and some still had cold beer on hand."

For those who imbibe, break out a cold one tonight (Friday, Aug, 18) in celebration.

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Odds & Ends

Congratulations...

Wayne County Treasurer Eric R. Sabree deserves more than a few rounds of applause for his programs to help out low-income households hang on to their houses and be able to afford water service during these past few years of financially trying times.

His colleagues also have a lot of respect for him.

Sabree was recently elected to the position of 2nd Vice President of the Michigan Association of County Treasurers (MACT).

Sabree, who has served as Wayne County's treasurer since April 2016, was elected to the position at the organization's annual conference held in Midland during Aug. 6-9.

"MACT promotes the education of its members, assists with the enactment of legislation, shares solutions to problems through networking, promotes and protects the interests of taxpayers and promotes consistency of operations of Treasurer's Offices in the state's 83 counties.

Sabree is also the chairman of the Wayne County Land Bank and a member of the Wayne County Election Commission.

According to a press release:

"As county treasurer, Sabree's priority has been to help people keep their homes. His office has successfully advocated for legislation to reduce interest rates on delinquent payments and heavily promoted the Michigan Homeowners Assistance Fund (MIHAF).

"More than 6,200 Wayne County property taxpayers have been able to avoid foreclosure through the help of MIHAF."



Fun Fair

Wednesday's Hamtramck Public School District's Family Fun Fair at Pulaski Park was once again a popular destination for kids and their parents.

The day was perfect weather-wise (sunny and not too hot), and a number of social service agencies, and others, set up information tables.

Some of those vendors included folks from MSU, EMU, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Hamtramck police and fire departments, Michigan Alliance of Families, GM and on and on.

Even the FBI was there handing out information pamphlets giving kids the lowdown on online safety tips. Also, kids were invited to try on a real FBI "bullet resistant" vest (weighing 15 pounds) that had the FBI logo on back.

There were also plenty of freebies offered to kids, such as books (all you could take) and the ever-popular backpacks.

On top of that there were treats for the kids, as well as entertainment.

The only thing not welcomed at the fair was the constant presence of bees that had many busy swatting them away. Hey, it's the end of summer and bees go a little nutty this time of the year.



Kids were able to take home a lot of freebies at Wednesday's HPS Family Fun Fair at Pulaski Park.

Other Voices: Guest Editorial

Summer Youth Team had a challenging summer

By Max Gilginas

I want to thank our incredible Summer Youth Team. They worked very hard under challenging circumstances to make Hamtramck cleaner and brighter. I was deeply impressed by each of them.

They restored Holbrook Gardens, planted trees, painted curbs, supported local business, participated in city wide clean ups, met with and learned from city employees, explored mock city councils, researched creative solutions to storm water and flooding, trash and litter, and the bike lanes.

Ajsa, A'Nijia, Arianna, Arnela, Bishal, Erica, Essence, Mahmuda, Maya, and Makayla; I know you are all going great places and Hamtramck is proud of the work you did this summer and all that you learned. I hope this helps you as you move forward into an amazing life.

Your energy can electrify others, and what you choose to care about becomes important. Thank you all for caring about Hamtramck.

They have also planned a mental health and children's area for the Active Living Festival on Sunday, 20 August in Veterans' park. We'd love for all to stop by and say hi.

Thanks also to DWM-HA for providing the grant for this program, and to those in City Hall who welcomed the young people and generously shared their knowledge. I am so proud of each of you and can't wait to see who you become.

(Max Gilginas is the city's Community Involvement Coordinator and can be reached via email at: mgilginas@hamtramckcity.com)

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By Charles Sercombe
This week’s Crime Log covers Aug. 8-14.

Tuesday, Aug. 8

- At 11:15 p.m., a complaint was made about noise in the 3800 block of Yemans.
- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the area of Nagel and Casmere.
- Family trouble was reported in the 1500 block of Commor.
- At 1:30 a.m., officers attempted to pull over the driver of a gray Ford Escape, but the driver fled and the chase was called off.
- A theft was reported in the 3100 block of Jacob.
- Family trouble was reported in the 2200 block of Goodson.
- A disorderly customer was reported at a business in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau.
- At almost 11 p.m., a noise complaint was made in the 11000 block of Moran.

Wednesday, Aug. 9

- Just before 11 p.m., officers responded to a call about a domestic assault in progress in the 12000 block of Lumpkin. A juvenile male was arrested.
- A complaint was made about a male in the 1500 block of Commor refusing to leave a residence.
- A suspect was reported attempting to break into a car in the 2300 block of Zinow.
- At almost 4 a.m., gunshots were heard in the area of Commor and Selfridge.
- At 4 a.m., a report was made about a male, in the area of Conant and Edwin, who was wearing all black clothing and carrying a gun.
- At 11:30 a.m., officers reunited a missing child with his parents.
- An assault was reported on Andrus St.
- A person in the 3200 block of Roosevelt complained about receiving harassing communications.

Thursday, Aug. 10

- A Zinow St. resident was arrested during a police investigation.
- A suspect was arrested during a traffic stop for being wanted on multiple Hamtramck warrants.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the 9600 block of Lumpkin.

Friday, Aug. 11

- At 12:33 a.m., officers responded to a call about a disturbance in the 12000 block of Selfridge. A suspect was arrested for assault. At 1:15 a.m., officers arrested a suspect in the 12000 block of Selfridge for domestic assault. At 2 a.m., in the same block, a fight was reported.
- A resident on Holmes

- reported damage to their vehicle.
- A resident on Hanley reported damage to their house.
- A theft was reported in the 3100 block of Holbrook.
- A complaint was made about a juvenile in the 11400 block of Fleming.
- A theft from an auto was reported in the 12000 block of Dyar.
- At about 9 p.m., an armed robbery was reported in the 1900 block of Yemans after a Facebook Marketplace meet-up.
- A gray Dodge Durango was reported stolen in the 2000 block of Yemans.

Saturday, Aug. 12

- At 4 a.m., a fight was reported in the 5100 block of Yemans.
- Customer trouble was reported at a business in the 3300 block of Holbrook.
- Family trouble was reported in the 12000 block of Dyar.
- A theft from an auto was reported in the 8800 block of Jos. Campau.
- A theft was reported in the 12000 block of Dequindre.

Sunday, Aug. 13

- At almost 1:30 a.m., an incident of harassment was reported in the 12000 block of Selfridge.
- At 2 a.m., a complaint was made about vehicles speeding in the area of Buffalo and Edwin.
- Neighbor trouble was reported in the 12000 block of Sobieski.
- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the 2600 block of Trowbridge.
- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the area of Commor and Selfridge.
- An assault was reported in the 3500 block of Caniff.

Monday, Aug. 14

- At 11:30 a.m., officers went to Henry Ford Hospital to talk with a person who had been shot while on Commor St.
- At about 2:30 a.m., a female was arrested for an assault that happened in the 12000 block of Lumpkin.
- A theft was reported in the 2300 block of Caniff.
- A complaint was made about an animal in the 3000 block of Jacob.
- A theft was reported in the 12000 block of Grand Haven.
- An illegal dumping was reported in the 3000 block of Commor.
- A lost child was reported on Whalen St.
- A theft was reported in the 3100 block of Carpenter.
- A complaint was made about a disorderly person in the 11600 block of Jos. Campau.

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Notice of Public Hearing – City of Hamtramck

Zoning Board of Appeals

NOTICE is hereby given that the city of Hamtramck Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing in the 2nd Floor Council Chambers of Hamtramck City Hall (3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, MI 48212) on September 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Public comments may also be heard by submitting a written comment to Assistant CED Manager at AColson@hamtramckcity.com.

The subject of the hearing is to consider a variance request to the zoning ordinance section 155.050(E)(5) from applicant Hezam Mohamed Saleh for address 3894 Dorothy in Hamtramck. Parcel 41005140191000. An addition to the house does not meet the minimum required 30 ft. rear setback.

The City of Hamtramck will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids, and services for individuals with disabilities at the public hearing upon advance notice by writing or calling the Clerk’s Office at (313) 800-5233 x343. Please contact the Clerk’s office at least 10 days in advance.

Notice of Public Hearing – City of Hamtramck

Planning Commission

NOTICE is hereby given that the city of Hamtramck Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing in the 2nd Floor Council Chambers of Hamtramck City Hall (3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, MI 48212) on September 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Public comments may also be heard by submitting a written comment to Assistant CED Manager at AColson@hamtramckcity.com.

The subject of the hearing is to consider a rezoning request of five parcels to the north of the subject property located at 8579 Lumpkin Ave. The applicant, Metropolitan Baking, is requesting five parcels located on the west side of Lumpkin St. between Danforth Ave. and Goodson Ave. be rezoned to the Industrial zoning classification based on *Code of Ord. Sec.155.200 – Code Official to Process*. Parcel numbers are as follows: 41002070267000, 41002070268000, 41002070269000, 41002070270000, and 41002070271000.

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Obituaries

HAUSNER



Eleanore Hausner, 93, died August 15, 2023.

Eleanore was the daughter of the late John and Ann, and sister of the late Leonard John and Circuit Court Judge John. She is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Eleanore was born in Hamtramck and was a pillar in many people’s lives. She was a member of the Sisters of Christian Charity and became a teacher. She taught at Hamtramck High School and Immaculate Conception. Eleanore was a longtime member of the Banjo’s of Michigan. Once Eleanore retired to take care of her

parents, she was able to travel the world and sail the lakes of Michigan without knowing how to swim. Once her parents passed, she turned to her nieces and nephews and helped raise them and their children. The legend of the Hausner family will truly be missed.

Visitation is Friday, August 18, 2023, from 4 - 8 p.m., with prayers at 6 p.m., at Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home, 2396 Caniff, Hamtramck MI 48212. The funeral service is Saturday, August 19, 2023, lying in state at 9:30 a.m. until the time of funeral Mass at 10 a.m., at St. Florian Catholic Church, 2626 Poland, Hamtramck MI 48212. Interment will be at Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Coming Events

SUNDAY, Aug. 20, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. – Meet up at Veterans Park (8648 Jos. Campau) for an update on the Joe Louis Greenway project that includes Hamtramck. You can also learn about resources for families and business and kids can participate in a bike rodeo. There will also be a bike tour at noon, 1 and 2 p.m. For more information call (313) 279-8248.

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School district to give it one more shot for a millage renewal

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words, to conduct official business.

The board took care of the ballot issue in minutes without comment. The millage renewal in question is for 3 mills, which is one mill less than the previous millage rate.

There is, obviously, no guarantee the second attempt at winning voter approval will succeed. There has been a growing

anti-tax sentiment among a number of local voters.

The leading anti-tax advocate is city council candidate – and former school boardmember – Nasr Hussain.

Hussain has argued that since the school district has recently received about \$6 million extra in state funding, there is no need for the tax. However, that additional state funding is earmarked for spe-

cific needs, not what the sinking fund is spent on.

This sinking fund millage is strictly limited to being used for repairing and updating buildings, making security improvements, and updating technology, among other items.

If approved, the life of the millage renewal would be once again for up to 10 years, and it would generate \$760,000 a year.

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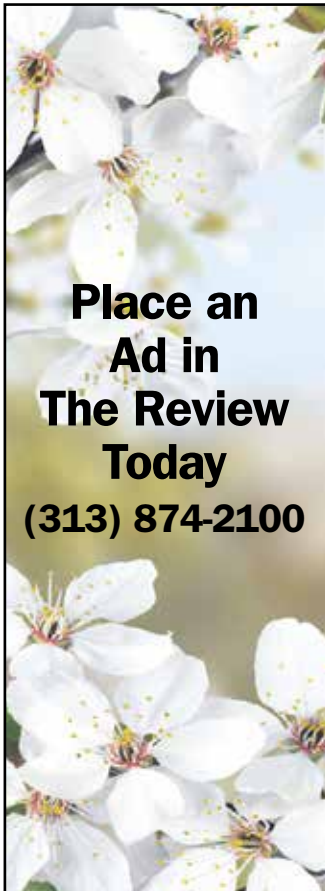
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