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**With fingers crossed, Pope Park fundraiser reaches its goal and more**

**By Charles Sercombe**  
 It didn't quite take a Hail Mary for the Pope Park fundraiser to meet its goal. But it came close. The Karol Wojtyla Hamtramck Committee was crossing its collective fingers over the weekend as the final hours ticked down on Monday's deadline to collect at least \$25,000 by midnight. Over the weekend the fundraiser was still a few thousand dollars short of its goal. As it turned out, the committee, through an on-line fundraiser, received more than it asked for, a whopping \$31,307 from 307 donors. That means the Michigan Economic Development Corporation will kick in an additional \$25,000 as part of a matching



An online fundraiser to help renovate Pope Park raised over \$30,000. A matching grant from the state will kick in another \$25,000. Expect to see work begin in the next several weeks.

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Celebrated folk artist Dmytro Szylak, the creator of "Hamtramck Disneyland," died on May 1. The artwork attracts visitors from all over the world.

**Folk artist who created 'Hamtramck Disneyland' has died**

**By Charles Sercombe**  
 His whimsical inspiration has attracted thousands of visitors to Hamtramck for over 20 years. Dmytro Szylak, the creator of "Hamtramck Disneyland," died on May 1 at the age of 92. For decades his self-created collection of whirligigs and found objects, which tower over his house and the one next-door on Klinger, has attracted visitors from near and far. On any given afternoon it is not unusual to see a gathering in the alley be-

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**City fights back on legal fees**

**By Charles Sercombe**  
 For \$500,000 more, the city could finally put an end to a 40-year-old housing discrimination lawsuit. Michael Barnhart, the attorney representing plaintiffs in the longstanding housing discrimination lawsuit, is seeking a court order to force the city to make that payment. He told The Review several weeks ago that the city still has three houses to go before satisfying an agreement reached years ago to build 200 housing units. The city, however, has said it has reached that agreement and is now challenging Barnhart's motion in federal court. City Manager Katrina Powell wouldn't release the city's motion in the matter because the city attorney said it was protected under attorney-client privilege. The Review obtained a copy through the federal court in Detroit, and in fact anyone can see it through the court's website. City Attorney John Clark did not return a call for comment. Retired Federal Judge Damon Keith is still overseeing the case, which

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# City fights back on legal fees

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was originally filed back in the 1970s.

So, what is in the motion submitted by Hamtramck City Attorney John Clark that the public supposedly can't see?

Clark points out in his motion that since 2011 Barnhart has been "paid close to a million dollars in legal fees, money which could have been used to finish the remaining three houses and finally bring

an end to this litigation."

Clark also stressed that the city is still under state receivership and ultimately "the city does not have the dollars" to fund the latest request.

Included in Clark's motion were city financial records breaking down payments made to Barnhart since 2011.

Asked to comment on Clark's motion, Barnhart declined, saying: "I think

it's really, really inappropriate to comment on a matter pending in court."

It is not immediately known when Judge Keith will decide on the motions.

City Councilmember Robert Zwolak, who has played a role as a city official in one position or another during much of the time the lawsuit has played out, said if the past is any guide, it's likely Barnhart will get his request.

"Everything has been a done deal," he said when it comes to granting Barnhart's requests.

Zwolak also questioned why the city has been paying Barnhart's legal fees since 2011, two years after the city's funding source for the housing development was closed down by court agreement.

"Where were they before?" he said. "I don't see where we have secure footing on this because we didn't intervene before."

Prior to a new city manager coming on board six months ago, the city was under the control of Emergency Manager Cathy Square for 18 months. Zwolak said he brought up the issue of Barnhart still being paid "but she (Square) wouldn't acknowledge it."

# With fingers crossed, Pope Park fundraiser reaches its goal and more

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grant.

"Lesson learned: All you have to do is ask and people tend to be very charitable," said Tom Jankowski, the Chairman of the Committee.

"I'm very proud of the people who stepped up, even though it looked a little daunting," he added.

Fellow committee member Andrea Karpinski said many of the donations came in tens and twenties, which represented a true cross section of the community and former residents.

"I believed the community would come together to reach the goal," said Committee member Andrea Karpinski. "That's the whole concept of the project."

Kathy Angerer, the Director of Community & Economic Development, added:

"Hamtramck did it. So proud of our city, its residents and businesses and all of our friends who love Hamtramck. The Pope Park Patronicity Fundraiser was a huge success."

"The City of Hamtramck is grateful for all the support and thanks the many residents, friends and businesses who gave so generously to support the renovation of Pope Park. This project is a perfect example of how a community and government can work together in partnership."

With over \$50,000 from this fundraiser, \$20,000 from an earlier fundraising drive and \$30,000 from a state development grant, the park will receive a major makeover in the coming months.

Plans call for removing the iron gating to open it up, replacing the paving

and adding more greenery and improved lighting.

Money left over will go toward future maintenance of the park.

The park boasts one of the few monuments worldwide made to honor Pope John Paul II – the first Polish pope in history.

The Pope actually saw the monument during his historic visit to Hamtramck in 1987 when his motorcade sped down Jos. Campau (and we do mean sped!). A huge stage was built at the corner of Jos. Campau and Hewitt, which

was an empty lot then, where he spoke to a rain-soaked gathering.

It was one of three public appearances the Pope participated in during his visit to the metro area. He spoke here in Hamtramck on the importance of keeping your ethnic heritage, a fitting theme for a city that has always attracted newly-arrived immigrants from around the world, especially Poles during the early 1900s.

Pope Park has become a destination spot for visitors.

## Coming events

**WEDNESDAY, June 10, 11 a.m.** – The Daughters of Isabella Mystical Rose Circle 736 will meet at Queen of Apostles Activity Center, entrance on Harold, fenced-in parking.

**SATURDAY, June 13, 9-3 p.m.** – Hamtramck's Recycle Center is open at Caniff and McDougall. Drop off your recyclables for free.

**SATURDAY, June 13, 2-4 p.m.** – Holy Cross Parish will host a Soup Kitchen 2-4 p.m., 2311 Pulaski. All are welcome.

**WEDNESDAY, June 17, 7 p.m.** – Join the Midtown Block Club! Attend our next scheduled meeting in St. Florian's convent, 2626 Florian, across from the church. A guest speaker will participate in our discussion. We meet the third Wednesday of each month. The Midtown Block Club works for promoting community safety, stewardship, service and social events. Add your voice on any neighborhood concern.

**SATURDAY, July 11, 2-4 p.m.** – Holy Cross Parish will host a Soup Kitchen 2-4 p.m., 2311 Pulaski. All are welcome.

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## This week at the library...

**Tutoring for High School Students** - Tuesdays and Thursday from 4-7 p.m. The APIA is offering tutoring for high school students and below. For more information and registration inquire at the circulation desk.

**Children's Movie Night** - Tuesday, June 9 at 4 p.m. All children are invited to see a movie shown on high-definition screen and enjoy a serving of popcorn. This week's feature is "Room on the Broom."

**Registrations for the Summer ESL Classes** - Tuesday, June 9. The Summer ESL classes will be held on Mondays from 11 a.m. to noon.

**Make & Take Workshop** - Wednesday, June 10 at 4 p.m. All children are invited to an arts and crafts workshop. This week's theme is "Youth Art."

**Family Story Time for Children** - Thursday, June 11, at 6 p.m. Join your friends at the library for a reading of a story book for children "The Day I Lost My Superpowers." This is part of the Michigan Reads Program.

**Meeting of the Library Board** - Thursday, June 11 at 6 p.m. Regular meeting of the Library Board will be held in the auditorium. Open to the public.

**Friends of the Library Meeting** - Thursday, June 18 at 6 p.m. FHPL President Kathy Kristy and Treasurer George Gorday invite all members and volunteers to participate in the regular monthly meeting.

**Registrations for the Children's Summer Reading Program** - Monday, June 22. Children who want to participate in the 2015 Summer

Reading Program can register for the program starting June 22. The SRP will be held every Wednesday at 1 p.m. from July 8 to September 2. This year's theme is "Every Hero has a Story." Free to Hamtramck residents.

**Registration for the Teen Summer Reading** - Monday, June 22. The SRP program for Teens will be held on Thursdays at 4 p.m. It will start on August 6 and continue to September 3. Students who are 12-17 years old are eligible to participate in the program.

**Common Word Alliance of Hamtramck** - Monday, June 29 at 7 p.m. The Hamtramck Common Word Alliance will hold its monthly meeting at the Library. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

For more information about events at the library call (313) 365-7050, or visit our website at <http://hamtramck.lib.mi.us> where you can also access our online catalog.

# Second Front Page

## A celebration in honor of the birth of Buddha

By Charles Sercombe

Last Monday was a very special occasion for Hamtramck and Detroit's Bangladesh Buddhist community.

That was the day for the celebration of the birth of Buddha.

About 100 members of the community gathered at PNA Hall on Conant to commemorate the holiday. There were cultural dances, prayers and discussions on Buddha.

Also on hand were Mayor Karen Majewski, Public Schools Superintendent Tom Niczay and Review Publisher John Ulaj.

Mayor Majewski welcomed the gathering, saying: "Hamtramck is a city that welcomes people from all over the world. ... This is a city you can feel at home."

Both Niczay and Ulaj reminded those present of

an upcoming school millage renewal election on Aug. 4 and the need to support it.

Ulaj said he is a product of the public schools, which has also produced doctors and lawyers.

"It's a school district that welcomes diversity," he said.

Niczay warned that there was an anonymous flyer that was distributed before the special February Election in the community that falsely promised an extra \$500 in savings if the millage renewal was rejected.

Niczay reminded those at the hall that only a select few pay the millage: Those who own rental dwellings and those who own commercial properties. He said people who own their own their home or rent do not pay the millage.



Hamtramck Public Schools Superintendent Tom Niczay speaks at a gathering celebrating the birth of Buddha.



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## Folk artist who created 'Hamtramck Disneyland' has died

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hind Szylak's house of students or visitors from overseas viewing his creation, which he continued to add to over the years.

It was – and still is – customary to pose in front of this giant artwork and have your photo taken, or as they say today: a selfie.

Szylak began assembling the piece in the early 1990s. It eventually grew to a proportion that caught the attention of city code enforcers who periodically threatened to tear it down.

It probably isn't easy either living nearby Szylak's house. The many whirlygigs loudly clang as the wind blows, and at night, it turns into a festival of lights.

He called the artwork "Hamtramck Disneyland."

As the years went by, there were fewer and fewer threats from the city as the number of visitors increased and national and international newspapers and magazines pumped out stories about Szylak and his artwork.

Scores of documentaries were also produced. Szylak became an interna-

tionally-known folk artist, and Hamtramck became a destination point thanks to his exposure.

If you lingered long enough, chances were Szylak would come out of his house and chat, sometimes asking for a donation of \$1. Often you could catch him high up on a ladder tinkering with the elaborate structure, adding new items and shoring up support beams.

When visitors stopped by, he always had a kind greeting and a smile. He seemed never to tire talking about his work.

Szylak was an immigrant from Ukraine and worked at GM for 30 years until his retirement.

In a short documentary by filmmaker Terry Murphy, which is posted on The Review website ([www.hamtramckreview.com](http://www.hamtramckreview.com)), Szylak has this to say about his creation:

"After retirement, I think about what I'll do. I make a hobby on two garages, on the roof. A lot of people come over. All countries, all world, (come) to see my Disneyland. And a lot

of people say, 'Incredible.' Everybody is happy."

Asked what should happen to his creation after his death, Szylak said:

"I don't know what happens when I no longer live ... Maybe (it) will stay forever. Maybe it depends how people like it."

Mayor Karen Majewski hailed the artwork as a "landmark and tourist attraction, as well as an expression of Mr. Szylak's life and artistic vision."

Szylak is survived by three daughters and a grandchild. It is not known what his family plans to do with his creation.

If his survivors aren't sure what to do, Mayor Majewski says the city is ready to help.

"(We're) committed to preserving this jewel, and the artist's legacy in Hamtramck," Majewski said.

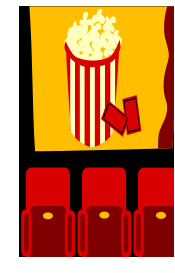
Chris Schneider of Hatch, a Hamtramck art collective, said there are plans being drawn up to keep the artwork in Hamtramck.

Szylak's wife, Katherine, died in 2008. They are buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

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# Review: Opinion Page

## In Our Opinion

### Housing lawsuit is far from over for a handful of residents

We reported last week that while the longstanding Hamtramck housing lawsuit is about to wrap up, there are still some folks who have grievances.

The fact that this lawsuit isn't totally and completely over with is scandalous to say the least. The fact that there are still some plaintiffs who feel left out is outrageous.

In fact you know it's pretty bad if they had to come to The Review to get their story told.

While plaintiffs had to wait about 40 years before housing was built for them, others got a smaller deal that they feel was inadequate.

Yes, this lawsuit took 40 years before promised housing was deliv-

ered by the city. That's because the city simply had no funding to tap into until a few years ago, when the federal government stepped in and pumped millions of dollars to build new housing. However, some plaintiffs who weren't forced out by the city but who saw their neighborhood destroyed and blighted didn't get a new house to purchase with the help of generous subsidies.

Instead, they received renovations to their houses. The work, though, was shoddy and fell apart. These folks live in the Grand Haven-Dyardequindre neighborhood – the area just west of the I-75 divide.

They complain their attorney won't take their calls and wasn't any help

to begin with.

While plaintiffs waited for years to witness new housing, this attorney collected a lot of money representing them. In the last four years alone, according to city records, this attorney was paid over \$900,000.

That is an obscene amount of money made on the backs of folks who were discriminated against.

For that amount money, he should at least pick up his phone.

This housing lawsuit has cast a shadow over Hamtramck for years, and it now appears to be near its final end. However, there are still people who feel left behind who deserve to be heard.

### At Dickinson East, it's truly a small world after all

By Charles Sercombe

Dickinson East Elementary School has long boasted its students have talent.

And Tuesday's annual "Multicultural Celebration" once again proved how deep that talent runs.

These kids can sing and dance.

With Hamtramck Public Schools being a melting pot of several ethnicities, the program offered a wide-range of performances.

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The annual Dickinson East Elementary School Multicultural Celebration featured a number of talented students.



## Odds & Ends

**Market time ...** With warm weather here for awhile, it's time once again to support our local farmers markets.

Angel Salatruck of Tiny Acres Farmers Market recently emailed us about this year's activities. Here's what she had to say:

"Tiny Acres Hamtramck Farmers Market is every Saturday starting June 6 through Sept. 19, from noon to 4 p.m. at 2360 Yemens at the corner of Brombach, in the backyard of the big maroon house.

"We will have Hamtramck grown organic produce grown by Tiny Acres, a non-profit community farm that teaches elementary students about environmental education and nutrition.

"Our other vendors include Jamaica's homemade ice cream, whipped iced Greek coffee, Cotter's cupcakes, Pam-a-lot Soap, local artists and more!

"We will also have various children's activities throughout the season as well as musical performances and workshops. We accept cash, credit and bridge card. Tiny Acres also offers CSA (community supported agriculture) boxes of produce that you can pre-order and pick up at the market, for only \$20 a week.

"All of our vendors are from the Hamtramck/Detroit area, which means you will be supporting

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"You can contact Tiny Acres at (313) 575-8814, or <http://recyclehamtramck@gmail.com>.

**Thanks ...** You know what makes Hamtramck such a great town to live in? The people, of course. And if you ever need a



That's "Uncle Jack" installing our American flag here at The Review. Thanks Jack!

helping hand, you don't have to wait long for someone to volunteer to help out.

So, we'd like to give our pal "Uncle Jack" a big thanks for installing our American flag on the weekend of Memorial Day.

**Voter up ...** Not a registered voter? If so, you can begin to exercise your Constitutional right by heading over to Public Pool on June 20, from 1 to 5 p.m., where a voter

registration drive will be held.

There is an Aug. 4 Primary Election coming up that will have nine candidates seeking election to the city council. There is also an important school millage renewal proposal that we all need to sup-

port. Public Pool is located at 3309 Caniff, just east of Gallagher.

**Volunteers needed ...** If

you are reading this today (Friday, June 5) during the morning, it's not too late to lend a helping hand in planting trees here in town.

The Hamtramck's Beautification Committee and the Greening of Detroit will be planting trees on Yemens and Belmont streets.

The planting starts at 9:30 a.m. and volunteers will meet up at Pope Park.

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Get Out on the Hamtown!

# Beware of auto insurance policy offers that sound too good

By Charles Sercombe

There's a new insurance scam aimed at low-income drivers in the Detroit area.

And if you're not careful, you could find your car towed or impounded during a traffic stop.

According to media reports, scammers are pretending to be insurance agents and are targeting those in the inner-city

with offers of a super-low auto insurance policy.

But unbeknownst to the would-be victims, the fake agent is using a legitimate policy that was purchased by a stolen credit card, or by other means, to acquire a proof of insurance card.

The card is then sold to the victim.

When insurance companies become aware of

the scam, they phone police with the license plate numbers that are associated with the insurance policy.

In Hamtramck, Acting Police Chief Anne Moise said cars associated with a fake insurance policy are generally impounded.

But there can be exceptions.

"Depending on the circumstances of each individual, the way they obtained the fraudulent insurance and the documentation they are able to provide, the investigators have asked the tow

company to give them some leeway and reduce the tow costs and the administration fees as well," Moise said.

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## By Charles Sercombe

This week's Crime Log covers May 26-May 31.

### Tuesday, May 26

- A Social Security card was found in the area of Dequindre and Edwin.

- A resident reported damage to the circuit box at his residence in the 12000 block of McDougall.

- At a little after 1 a.m. a resident was arrested following a traffic stop for driving without a license and providing false information to a police officer.

- Officers took a report of a possible criminal sexual assault that occurred in the 3800 block of Prescott.

- A person reported the theft of their wallet while it was in their parked car in the 11400 block of Sobieski.

- A representative from Subway reported the theft of deposits from the store's safe.

- A man reported being robbed by a man and a woman of \$20 while in front of a store in the 9200 block of Jos. Campau.

- The owner of a 1999 Plymouth reported he knew where his stolen car was located. Police later recovered it in the Mt. Elliot-Stockton area.

### Wednesday, May 27

- A Comstock resident was arrested after striking his tenant with a blunt object following an argument.

- Detroit police recovered a car that was stolen out of Hamtramck. The car

had been completely stripped.

- Hamtramck officers recovered a car stolen out of Detroit parked against a dumpster with a flat tire, punched door lock and punched ignition.

- At about 3 a.m. officers checked on a business in the 11400 block of Jos. Campau where there was an open window. Officers secured the building.

- At almost 12:30 p.m. a woman wearing a wig and sunglasses robbed PNC Bank. The suspect did not have a weapon. The bank said she handed a teller a note, and the teller handed over an unknown amount of money. The suspect was last seen fleeing on foot westbound on Holmes.

### Thursday, May 28

- At 10 p.m. three Detroit juveniles were arrested for violating the curfew ordinance. They were released to their parents.

- At almost midnight a Pulaski resident reported her 15-year-old son had run away from home.

- At 11:30 p.m. while checking on illegal dumping in the 12000 block of McDougall officers discovered a severe case of child abuse. Agents from Children's Protective Services were called in. The mother of three children was arrested and her three children were removed from a condemned home. The children were later released to a relative.

- A woman reported that while in the 3100 block of Roosevelt, a woman and a man got out of a car and grabbed her iPhone and then fled the area.

### Friday, May 29

- At almost 11 p.m. officers checked on a business in the 9400 block of Jos. Campau regarding an open door. The business

owner was also at the scene.

- At 12:20 a.m. a resident in the 12000 block of McDougall reported a suspect broke into her residence, grabbed her purse and shoved her to the floor. The suspect stole \$48 and a pack of cigarettes. The suspect and another man returned a few minutes later and were arrested after attempting to gain entry. The suspects fled on their bicycles but officers apprehended them.

### Saturday, May 30

- A man and a woman were arrested following a traffic stop for being wanted on a Hamtramck warrant and possessing an open bottle of liquor.

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

- At almost 2 a.m. a resident was arrested in the area of Jos. Campau and Casmere for being disorderly.

- At a little after 3 a.m. an armed robbery took place in the 11600 block of Moran.

### Sunday, May 31

- At about 3 a.m. a Warren resident was arrested for possessing narcotic paraphernalia and an open bottle of liquor while in the 3800 block of Belmont.

- A Warren resident reported being assaulted, but did not know the location where it happened. The woman reported she was drinking at a bar she did not know the location of with a man who works for her boyfriend.

### Monday, June 1

- At about 2:30 a.m. a resident was arrested for a domestic assault that occurred in the 11300 block of Fleming.

- A man was arrested for drunk driving following an accident at Dequindre and Carpenter.

- A juvenile was arrested for assaulting another juvenile in the 3900 block of Yemans.

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Mr. Filarski was a former Hamtramck resident. Mr. Filarski was preceded in death by his parents, Vincent Sr. and Mary Agnes (Stoinski); sisters, Marie Lesacy, Gloria Wirgau.

Mr. Filarski is survived by daughters, Mary Filarski, Ann (John) Bunker; stepson, David Daly; grandchildren, Amber Mae and Logan Michael Bunker; siblings, Alvin Filarski, Vincent Filarski Jr., Lorraine Kortman, Donald Filarski, James Filarski, Pauline Filarski.

Memorial contributions can be made to Nelsons Funeral Home and Cremation Service, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734 or online at NelsonsFuneralHome.com.

### LAMBERT



Karensa Lambert, died May 29, 2015.

Ms. Lambert is survived by her brother, Titus Walters; stepmother, Susie Walters.

Viewing will be Friday, June 5, from 2 - 8 p.m., at Butlers Funeral Home at 12140 Morang, Detroit, MI. Services will be held on Saturday, June 6, at Corinthian Baptist Church, with the family hour at 10:30 a.m. followed by the funeral at 11 a.m. Interment will be at Meadowcrest Cemetery.



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# School Bell

## Kosciuszk Middle School News

On Tuesday, May 26, Mrs. Dobos' Reading and Writing elective class took a trip to the DIA.

The students had a fun-filled experience and had a wonderful day exploring the art and exhibits. The purpose of the trip was not only to enjoy the DIA but to journal their explorations.

For a final project, the students will be creating an anthology of their writings. They may choose anything out of their journal, from their DIA experience or submit an entry from writings throughout the school year.



**Kosciuszk students in the Reading and Writing class recently visited the Detroit Institute of Arts.**



**Hamtramck High School students recently participated in a city clean-up.**

## Hamtramck High School News

Hamtramck High students Maegan Mason, Sheik Younus, Nowshin Saki, Amina Hatibovic and Linda Ivanovic helped

Exams for Kosciuszk Middle School, Hamtramck High School and Horizon High School. Thursday, June 18 - Half day all students. Exams for Kosciuszk Middle School, Hamtramck High School and Horizon High School. Thursday, June 25 - Last day of school for all students. Thursday, June 25 - Final Report cards mailed to all students.

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## Holbrook Elementary School

Holbrook is proud to announce their students for the month of May: Kindergarten, Yunes Algaheim; First Grade, Khaled Wahib; Second Grade, Diea Elgarade and Talal Fadhel; Third Grade, Alanood Anakeeb; Fourth Grade, Reem Alwasi; Fifth Grade, Abrabhim Alquaderi and Sarah Saleh; Sixth Grade, Miriam Obeid; Seventh Grade, Tazkira Ahad; Eighth Grade, Reem Alsalme.

**Events taking place for the week of June 8-12**

## Kosciuszk Middle School

• Friday, June 12 at 1:30 p.m. - We will host our annual awards ceremony, recognizing the achievements of our students. Parents are welcome to attend.

• Friday, June 12 from 4to 6 p.m. Student Council and the RED Team are hosting an 8th Grade Celebration Dance. This is an opportunity for 8th grade students to create one last memory before moving on to high school.

## Upcoming Events

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