

Support for the Hamtramck Parks & Recreation Department Millage • Tuesday May 3rd, 2016

WHEREAS, the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan believes that the Hamtramck Recreation Department is a necessary aspect of providing a quality of life standard that a community needs; and

WHEREAS, the Hamtramck Recreation Department is one the City's assets for the physical well-being of residents for recreational activities



and emotional and social health; and
WHEREAS, the City of Hamtramck supports continuous community growth and the positive interactions among residents that the Hamtramck Recreation Department provides; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation millage ballot proposal on May 3, 2016 is a renewal of a tax that has been in

place for the last twenty years while offering the community much needed recreational activities;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hamtramck, Wayne County, Michigan supports the Parks and Recreation Department and believes the millage renewal is essential to its continued operation on May 3, 2016.

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— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Memorial held for former school board president Titus Walters



By Charles Sercombe

Former School Boardmember Titus Walters had a huge heart for students.

His dedication to the public school district was paid back in a special ceremony last Saturday morning outside of the Piast Institute.

It was an outpouring he would have basked in.

Walters died last year.

The event was a dedication of a bench installed in front of Piast in Walters' honor, and the kickoff of the annual Health Hike.

Over 100 adults and Hamtramck public school students were in attendance.

Mayor Karen Majewski spoke of Walters' fiery passion.

"Titus was not afraid – not afraid to speak his mind, and to do the hard

work that needed to be done."

And the mayor added: "In his absence it's up to all of us to fulfill his legacy."

Walters also served on the city council until his death.



Recreation millage up for a vote

By Charles Sercombe

The future of the Hamtramck Recreation Department will be in the hands of voters next Tuesday (May 3).

Next Tuesday is a special election for a recreation millage renewal. The millage has been in place for 20 years, and its renewal will last for 10 years before expiring.

Recreation programs are run by the Hamtramck Public School District.

Evan Major, the Vice President of the Hamtramck School Board, has been heading up a campaign committee to urge voters to support the renewal.

He said he has been getting good feedback from voters.

"The stories we have heard during the campaign detail 20 years of a vital community asset. I am confident that voters will vote yes to renew the recreation millage and continue to provide our families with quality, safe, and affordable activities," Major said.

Because this is a spe-

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SOUP

Quick Hits

Soup is about to be served up again here in Hamtramck.

What's that about?

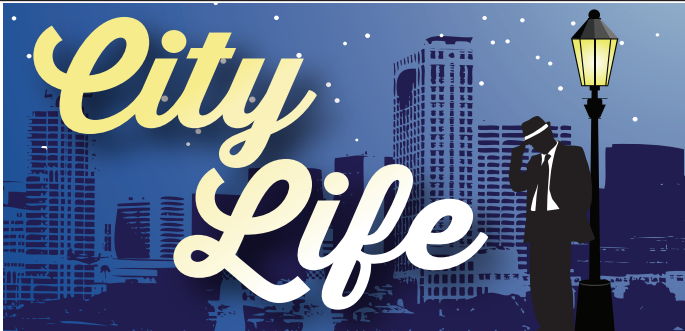
If you have a community project in mind that needs a little money to get it kick-started, the folks at Hamtramck Soup want to hear about it.

Once all the projects are submitted, the group is inviting the public to meet up at Bank Suey on Sunday, May 22 to listen to the presentation, enjoy some soup and then vote on who should take home the proceeds from the evening.

Past winners have included folks who installed mini libraries in custom outdoor boxes throughout town and a soccer team that needed to purchase a bus to get to games.

Bank Suey is located on Jos. Campau at Caniff and is a new art space that is still being developed.

To find out more about how to apply go online to: <http://detroit-soup.com/hamtramck/>



Wanderlust 1966-2016

By Walter Wasacz

During the summer of 1966, when I was 11, I was struck with a sudden wanderlust.

I was already walking about 10 blocks to play Little League Baseball at Veterans Memorial Park; and, closer to

home, walking across Edwin to play strikeouts at Dickinson playground, and hockey in the L-shaped alley that connected Gallagher to Evaline.

I was too young to participate in the legendary hoops scene at Copernicus playground – where the Hamtramck High School Community Center is now – but I would walk over there too to

watch pickup games, later learning that great prep ballers of the day like Rudy Tomjanovich of HHS and Spencer Haywood of Pershing were regulars there.

I also rode my bike, a black Schwinn cruiser, to these destinations and to some a few miles beyond the city limits.

But then some older

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Recreation millage up for a vote

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cial election, voter turnout is likely to be low, if previous special elections are any guide. One thing that has caused some confusion in the election is the recently enacted Public Act 269, which prohibits government officials and elected officials from speaking on ballot issues for 60 days prior to the election day. School Superintendent Tom Niczay had asked

for a city council resolution in support of the millage, but City Manager Katrina Powell said the law prohibited that action. However, the law is being challenged in federal court, and in the meantime Federal District Court Judge John O'Meara placed an injunction on the law, meaning government and elected officials can talk about ballot ques-

tions. Matt Bach, the Director of Media Relations for the Michigan Municipal League told The Review that government officials “can do what they did before” the law was enacted. “The law is on hold,” he said. At Tuesday’s city council meeting Powell, after talking with School Superintendent Tom Niczay before the meeting, put

the resolution request forward to the council. The resolution was supported by all councilmembers: Anam Miah, Mohammed Hassan, Andrea Karpinski, Abu Musa, Ian Perrotta and Saad Almasmari. Miah spoke passionately about the recreation program. “It’s for the children so they can have a healthier future,” Miah said.

Metro news ...

It's said that whatever happens to Detroit, so goes Hamtramck. Our friends over at modeld-media.com have been reporting on fascinating development projects for the past several years. With their permission, here is an edited version of this week's story: City Lab recently summarized the data on population estimates for 2015 released by the U.S. Census Bureau. Buried among the larger population patterns was an interesting note about metro Detroit. First the good news: our metro area is growing. The bad: it's at the 14th slowest rate in the country – an anemic 0.01 percent. That's not too surprising, given gen-

eral national trends of population movement to the south and west, and our still recovering housing market and economy. But at least it's positive. As recently as 2008 and 2009, metro Detroit experienced the largest population losses in the country. The "winner" of this dubious distinction for the past six years running is the Youngstown, Ohio metro region. Other statistics of note from the report:

- "Population is growing faster in the South and West than in the Northeast and Midwest, and faster in suburban areas than in urban counties"
- "Six of the ten fastest growing metros in 2015 were in Florida and Texas, while none were in the Midwest or Northeast"
- Oil towns and metros, especially those in "micropolitan" regions like Williston and Dickinson, North Dakota, experienced some of the biggest increases

The metro area with the largest projected growth for 2015 was Cape Coral-Fort Myers, FL at 3.3 percent.

Coming events

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

SATURDAY, May 14, 9-3 p.m. – Hamtramck's Recycle Center is open at Caniff and McDougall. Drop of your recyclables for free.

WEDNESDAY, May 18, 7 p.m. – The Hamtramck Midtown Block Club will meet in St. Florian's Convent, 2626 Florian. Join us as we discuss our city-wide flyer project, community concerns such as public safety, upcoming special events, and anything else that concerns us as residents. Speakers are featured and light refreshments will be served. Please enter the convent by the side entrance and thank you for your support of our club.

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This week at the library...

ESL Class – Monday, May 2, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

Citizenship Classes – Tuesday, May 3, 5 p.m. Hamtramck residents can get help in preparing for their citizenship exam. Classes are free. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Wednesday, May 4, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

ESL Class – Friday, May 6, 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. ESL classes are free to all Hamtramck residents. Registration is required.

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“Echoes of Tattered Tongues: War Refugees in America” – A reading and discussion with author John Guzowski, **Thursday, May 12, 6 p.m.** Over a writing career that spans more than 40 years, John Z. Guzowski has amassed a significant body of published

work in a wide range of genres: poetry, prose, literary criticism, reviews, fiction and nonfiction. His work has appeared in numerous national journals and anthologies, and in four prior books. Guzowski's work has garnered high praise, including from Nobel Laureate Czeslaw M. H. Sz, who called Guzowski's poetry "exceptional."

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School Bell

Recreation Department News

The Hamtramck community came together on Saturday, April 23 to join in the Annual Health Hike hosted by the Hamtramck Recreation Department.

The hike kicked off at the Piast Institute where Titus Rudolph Walters, city council member and former President of the Hamtramck School Board, was honored with a bench dedicated to his memory.

Everyone who participated in the health hike received a free t-shirt and snacks were given at the finish line at Keyworth Stadium.

Hamtramck High School News

Hamtramck High School's newspaper Cosmos Times staff members won two awards this year in the Michigan Inter-scholastic Press Association competition run by the school of journalism at Michigan State University.

It was a very competitive field with over 2,718 entries in the high school newspaper category.

Lilu Rahman and Showrabh Dhar won an award for an editorial cartoon they did that showed the American media focusing on a dress that changes colors (that went viral) and not giving enough coverage to the killing of three Muslims.

Ghadir Mozeb won an award for an ad she made. Congratulations to these students.

The Hamtramck High Cosmos experienced unprecedented success at the DECA competition for business in Downtown Detroit. Five HHS students earned a spot at the DECA International Championships in Nashville, Tennessee: Tahmim Siddiquee, Yunus Al-Garadi, Alexandra Paradowski, Shafiul Alam and Agron Berishaj.



Linda Ivanovic

Linda Ivanovic is the Hamtramck High School "Peacemaker of the Month." Linda is respected by students and staff alike, and treats everyone she meets with respect. She performs with the school's symphonic band and is a member of DECA, Student



Students at the Early Childhood Elementary School celebrate Earth Day with a performance by "Dumpster Doug" who talked about recycling.

Council and the National Honor Society. She is a great example of what it means to be a standout student at Hamtramck High School.

Hamtramck High School graphic arts student Fataha Gency won third place and a \$300 scholarship from the Society of

"First International Women's Day All Girl Dance."

Hamtramck High School's "Princess Prom" was its inspiration. Student Council surveyed the middle school girls and 110 girls said they were interested in going. The first dance was a success and all that attended had



Above: Hamtramck High School students with the school's newspaper recently won awards from the Michigan Inter-Scholastic Press Association. Below: HHS students involved in a recent DECA competition won awards. Bottom: HHS student Fataha Gency won third place in a recent contest sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers. She is posing with Superintendent Tom Niczay (far left) and School Boardmember Ataur Khan.



Automotive Engineers-Detroit Section 2016 High School Poster Contest.

The top ten posters were displayed at the SAE World Congress from April 12-14 at Cobo Center in Detroit.

Kosciuszk Middle School News

KMS Student Council hosted Kosciuszko's

a blast.

The girls truly enjoyed spending time with their friends in a safe environment. KMS Student Council was proud to offer an event that the community encouraged and supported.

Upcoming Events at KMS

• 8th Grade Celebration

Dance: Friday May 20, 4-6 p.m. This is a time for 8th grade students to celebrate their time together at Kosciuszko Middle School.

• End of the Year Festival: Wednesday May 25, 4-6 p.m. We will be providing carnival games for kids of all ages to play. Most games are free however if you'd like to pie your teacher, you'll have to pay to play. There will also be food, T-shirts, and other games to play.

Kosciuszko Middle School Athletic News

• Thursday, May 5 – KMS boys' baseball vs. Ecorse at 4:30 p.m. Away.

Early Childhood Elementary School News

It has been a busy week at the Early Childhood Elementary School. Students celebrated Earth Day by having a presentation from "Dumpster Doug" and his recycling magic show.

Students watched butterflies emerge from chrysalises and let the butterflies go back into nature. Students also celebrated goofy clothes day by wearing goofy clothes to school. It was

a fun week of learning at Early Childhood Elementary School.

All Schools
• May 13 – End of

Progress Report Period 4.
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Janice Gandelman



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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Next Tuesday, come out and support our recreation program

Next Tuesday, May 3, voters in Hamtramck will decide whether to extend the current recreation millage. The Recreation Department, which is part of the public school district, is seeking a 10-year renewal. We have gone on record before in support of this millage. For a mere 4 mills, actually a little over 4 mills, the department provides programs and services to hundreds of kids and adults each year. It's a small price to pay to ensure Hamtramck has a quality of life that we can be proud of. For homeowners, having a functioning Recreation Department helps maintain property values. It's the same effect of having a sound public school district. Hamtramck has enjoyed an organized recreation program for the past 20 years, and it's something that should remain permanently. It's likely that voter turnout will be low, and there is no way to know if this is good or bad. Every vote counts in elections, and the recreation millage is no exception. Remember, vote YES for the recreation millage renewal.

Odds & Ends

Kickin'... Wednesday's grand opening of the Detroit City Football Club's headquarters and retail store was indeed a real kick. The merchandise is top quality and the various designs are really fashionable. And all very reasonably priced, too. The headquarters is located at 2750 Yemans and will be open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. from Wednesday to Saturday, and 12 to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The team is riding high these days. Their online fundraiser raised over \$700,000, which will be spent on renovating Keyworth Stadium right here in Hamtramck. Work has already begun at the stadium. The first game at Keyworth is coming up real fast on Friday, May 20. There are still season tickets available but they are getting snatched up. It looks like the team will get a boost by a proposal to bring in major league soccer to Detroit. There will be more details about that coming soon.

Art in the park... Be sure to set aside May 12 and 13 evenings because there is going to be some major art activity, thanks to the Detroit Institute of

Arts, in the newly renovated Zussman Park. The event was put into motion by Kathy Angerer, the Director of Community & Economic Development for Hamtramck. Here's what Angerer said is coming up:

- "The DIA Away travelling art museum will be on site on Thursday May 12-Friday May 13th. School groups will sign up to tour throughout the day. Open to public all day/early evening.
- Thursday, May 12 evening; Fun and Informative Art Walking Tour, 6:00 p.m. with DIA expert to
- Artist - Alex Buzalini – Sculpture
- Artists - Sanda Cook and Luke MacGilvray will live paint in the park
- The Hamtramck Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will provide a children's art station staffed by DDA board members (art project TBA)
- Mean Weanie Food Truck will be on the curb for concessions
- The DIA will provide an information table about various upcoming DIA programs
- Hamtramck Public Schools Student Art Dis-

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- Friday, May 12, evening; 6-10 p.m. Various events simultaneously at Zussman Park
- Friday night confirmations May 13, 6-10 p.m.

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- Bangla School of Music performance"

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Upcoming election features two Hamtramck city councilmembers

By Charles Sercombe

Two Hamtramck city councilmembers are seeking higher office this election year. Councilmember Anam Miah is one of three challengers vying to unseat the Wayne County Commissioner of District 3, Martha Scott. Scott has spent over 30 years as an elected official in various capacities, including Highland Park mayor, state representative and state senator. A number of high-profile challengers have tried to topple Scott in the past and all have failed. Scott, who is in her 70s, has deep roots in the districts she has served, which have included part of Detroit, Highland Park and Hamtramck. There is no reason to believe she has lost her appeal with voters. But Miah would likely have support among the Bangladeshi community here in Hamtramck and neighboring Detroit. Bengali voters have become a powerful voting bloc in recent years. Also joining in that race are R.L. Lemmons and LaMar Lemmons of Detroit. A primary election in August will whittle that race down to two for the November election. All of the candidates are Democrats. No one from the Republican side entered the race. Councilmember Mohammed Hassan is also challenging an incumbent, State Rep. Rose Mary Robinson. If re-elected, this will be Robinson's third and final term. After three terms she will be termed out. This election gives Hassan a chance to get voters familiar with his name. But he's not alone. There are seven challengers in all, including another Hamtramckan, Matt Schonert who is running as the lone Republican candidate.

St. Lad's will not be closed down – for now at least

By Charles Sercombe

The future of St. Ladislaus Church is still up in the air. In recent months the Pope Paul II Parish Council voted to close down the church. St. Lad's is part of the Parish, which also includes Transfiguration Church in Detroit. That vote, however, was close, by one vote. Nevertheless, Fr. Andrew Wesley, who heads up the parish, passed on the council recommendation to the Detroit Archdiocese. It seemed like a done deal, but some members of the parish council protested that recommendation and urged the Archdiocese to take a close look at the church's financial picture. So, as of now, the fate of the church is on hold, said Joseph Sobota, a member of the parish council. He said that a final decision could be reached within the next few months. Last February, a group of parishioners held a demonstration of support at St. Lad's. Protest organizer Walter Bankowski said at the time that St. Lad's parishioners would not likely transfer to Transfiguration if their church is closed. "This is a financially viable church," he stressed at the demonstration. There are about 200 parishioners there. The closing of St. Lad's would likely lead to the Archdiocese selling the building. The parish previously sold its school building to a charter school. Bankowski said the building sold for \$500,000, but none of that money went to St. Lad's directly. St. Lad's was built in 1952 at a time when Hamtramck's population was about 50,000. Since then the city's population has declined to about half that, although in recent years there has been a slight uptick. Hamtramck's newest surge of residents are mostly of the Muslim faith. It is commonly thought that the church would be sold and repurposed into a mosque.



In February parishioners at St. Ladislaus demonstrated against a possible closing of their church. A decision about the church's future has been put on hold.

Letters • Letters

Recreation programs offer big bang for the buck

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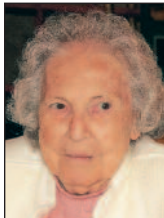
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Obituaries

LANDMAN

 Barbara Landman (nee Goodwin) died on April 2, 2016. She was 81.

She was the beloved wife of the late Clarence, mother of Mark (Colleen), Kathy (Leon) Rumohr, and Janet (late Gene) Greiner.

Grandmother of Wayne, Krystal, Adam, and Matthew. She is also survived by six great grandsons, one great granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews. She was a dear friend of many in Michigan, Colorado and Pennsylvania.

Private services were held with her remains to be buried next to her husband at the Sylvan Heights Cemetery in Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

Arrangements were by Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home.

SOSZYNSKI

Stanislaw Soszynski, age 74, April 28, 2016.

He was the beloved husband of Barbara, father of Sylvia (Robert) Wozniak and Anna (Rafal) Dziedzinski. Grandfather of Klaudia, Margaret, Camilla, Caroline, and Jennifer.

Brother of Janusz, Maciej, Wojciech, and the late Tadeusz, Stefan, and Teresa.

Visitation Friday, April 29, 4 to 8 p.m. with Rosary at 7 p.m. at Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home. Lying in state Saturday, April 30 at 9:30 a.m. with funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St Ladislaus Catholic Church. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Citywide water meter replacement to begin soon

By Charles Sercombe

For several years there has been a water meter at the Wayne County Jail in Hamtramck unused and rotting away.

The city has either not collected a dime in water usage from the jail in all that time, or it has relied on estimates from when there was a working meter.

City Manager Katrina Powell said she is not sure what the case is.

The jail situation is not an isolated incident, Powell said.

It has been discovered that anywhere from 10 to 20 industrial customers do not have working water meters. Some of them may have been paying estimated bills for several years.

The situation is even more widespread when it

comes to households. Powell said there are hundreds of non-working meters.

In a handful of cases, she said, there have even been some households with absolutely no meters.

How could this have happened?

That's a question Powell could not answer. Was it part of the overall past dysfunction of the city?

Maybe, and probably most certainly.

Hamtramck has twice been put under state supervision through an emergency manager after its finances hit a rock bottom. The diagnosis of the city's financial trouble has always included mismanagement of some kind.

But the causes to the city's fiscal problems lead to many reasons. Some,

like the water meters, have had no immediate explanations.

It doesn't matter to some degree because Powell is not concerned about pointing fingers, but instead just wants to move forward. She is taking the first step in budgeting money to begin a meter replacement program. Companies will soon be hired to begin replacing residential and business meters.

Powell might even go after a low-interest loan just to take care of all the meters at one time. That would be anywhere from 7,000 to 9,000 meters to cover residential dwellings and businesses.

Powell said she estimates it will cost \$1.5 million to replace all of the meters. That's a hefty price and one would think

property owners will end up eating that cost.

Not so, Powell said, promising there will not be a hike in water bills to cover this cost.

However, if you have been receiving estimated bills, you can expect an increase in future bills because estimated bills usually underestimate actual usage.

The first to receive new meters will be the big ticket customers, including the county jail, public housing and some schools.

"We're going after them right out of the gate," Powell told the city council recently.

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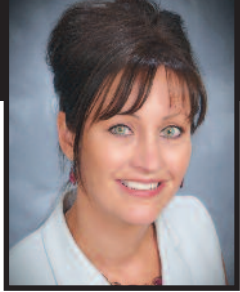


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volved in a fight at Caniff Liberty Academy.

Wednesday, April 20

• A person was arrested after a traffic stop for driving without a license.

• An agent for a local bank reported a break-in at an unoccupied house the bank owns.

• A Charest resident was arrested after assaulting his roommate.

• A resident reported the theft of his backpack while at Veterans Memorial Park. The backpack was returned to his home later but it was missing his cell phone and money.

Thursday, April 21

• At about 12:30 a.m. a resident in the 3400 block of Caniff noticed a man in his 50s on his front porch going through some items. When the resident confronted the man, the man struck him with an ashtray.

• A Bernard resident reported someone threw two rock through her windows.

• At 8 a.m. two juveniles were arrested at Mackay and Burger following an investigation.

• A business in the 9400 block of Jos. Campau reported a break-in.

• A motorist was ticketed during a traffic stop for having a fraudulent license plate tab. The plate was confiscated.

• A resident reported someone used his name to obtain a credit card.

• A Detroit resident was arrested for carrying a replica firearm in his waistband.

Friday, April 22

• A motorist was ticketed for having an improper license plate and not having insurance. The car was impounded.

• A Lehman resident was arrested for arson.

• An agent for a Jos. Campau business reported the theft of a laptop.

• A Brighton resident reported someone broke his car window and stole his briefcase, which contained a laptop.

Saturday, April 23

• The owners of two cars parked in a lot at Holmes and Mackay reported someone stole items from their cars.

• A garage break-in was reported in the 9400 block of Mitchell. A lawnmower and power tools were stolen.

• Two car owners in the 11400 block of Gallagher reported someone stole items from the cars.

• A man in the 12000 block of Sobieski reported his son threatened him with a gun.

Sunday, April 24

• At 2 a.m. a person was arrested in the 2000 block of Caniff for being disorderly.

• At about 3 a.m. a person was arrested in the 12000 block of Oklahoma

for domestic assault and being disorderly.

• At 2 a.m. a man reported he was assaulted after being involved in a car accident.

• A group of juveniles damaged a fence at Veterans Park.

Monday, April 25

• Officers assisted Hamtramck firefighters in a car fire in the 11600 block of Nagel. It was discovered that the car was stolen out of Warren.

• A resident was arrested for retail fraud at a business in the 3300 block of Caniff.

• An Evaline parent was ticketed after their 3-year-old was found “wandering the streets alone.”

• A Trowbridge man was arrested after hitting his girlfriend during an argument.

• An Oklahoma resident reported being assaulted and choked by his mother's boyfriend.

• A Detroit resident was arrested for fleeing and eluding, possession of narcotics and obstruction after a car chase and foot chase.

• A Highland Park woman was taken to Henry Ford Hospital after being found incoherent at Conant and Carpenter.

• A Warren resident reported he lost his gun, but later said he found it in his car.

• A Klinger resident was arrested for domestic violence and violating a personal protection order.

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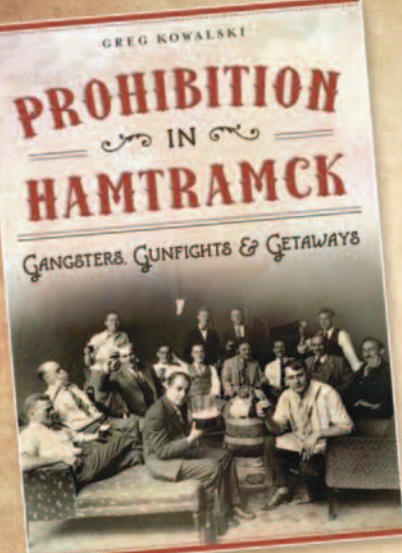
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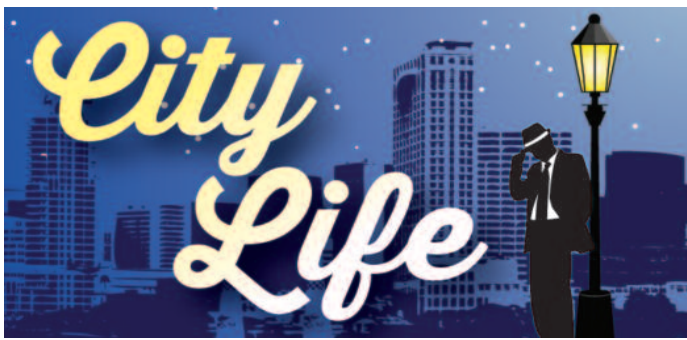
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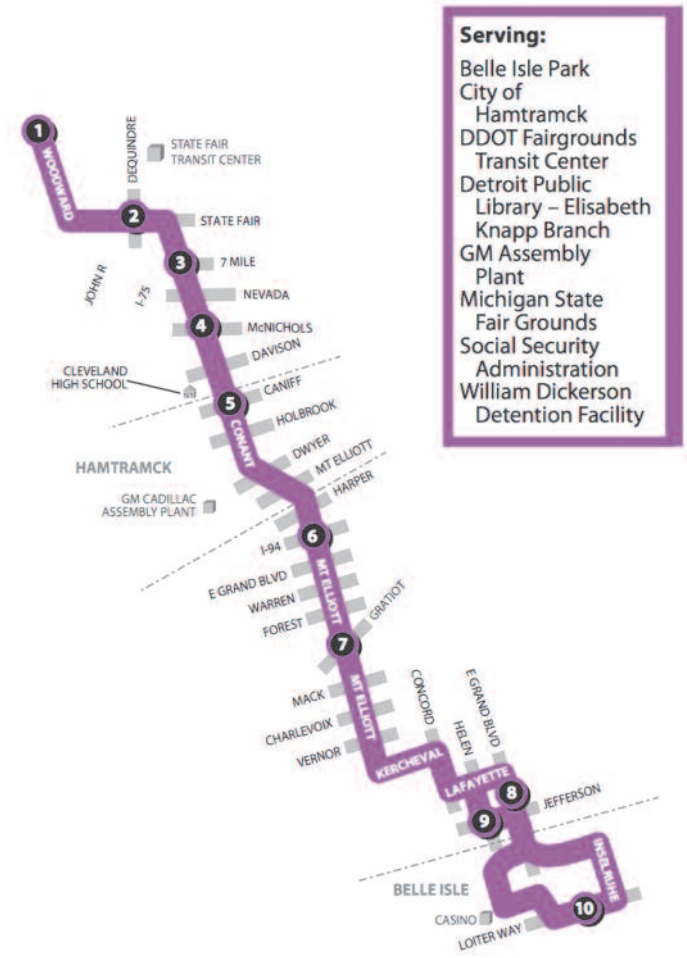
boys in my neighborhood introduced me to a way into new adventures farther than a bike could carry me. The old Detroit Department of Streets and Railways (DSR) bus lines connected where we were in central Hamtramck to downtown, the far east and southwest sides, the Ford Rouge plant, and the far northwest side. The buses gave me my first extended taste of suburban life, malls in particular. I discovered both Eastland and Northland by bus.

One afternoon I transferred my way onto the Crosstown bus and took it all the way to the end of the line, to the then-new Westland Mall.

I remember my first glimpse of the Quo Vadis theater, which I later learned was opened that same year and designed by Minoru Yamasaki, the architect of the World Trade Center. Yamasaki practiced in Detroit beginning in the mid-1940s, first at what is now the Smith-Group (still in downtown, at the Guardian Building), later at his own firm in Troy. There are numerous Yamasaki-designed buildings in the Detroit area. He died in Detroit in 1986.

The bus became a mobile enabler of experience for me as boy. It expanded my world in a physical way, by transporting me to new places and repeated visits to locations like Tiger Stadium, Cobo Hall (where the Pistons played, and where I'd wait in a corridor between the court and the

cocktail lounge for players' autographs) and



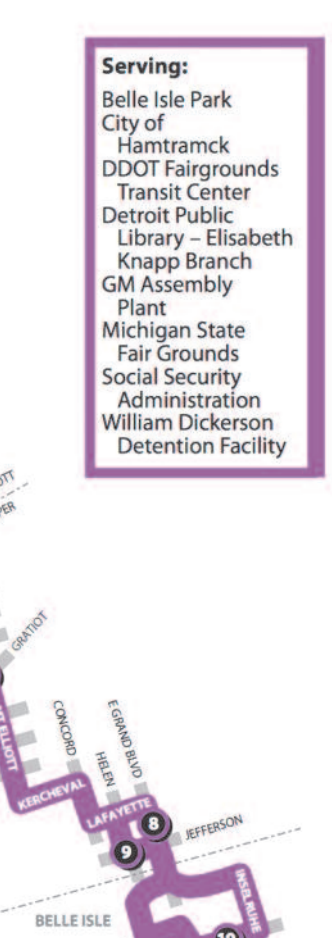
Edgewater Park, the best amusement park in the city on W. 7 Mile road near Lahser.

But it went beyond the actual ride itself. Afterward, I would pour over maps of the city and DSR bus schedules, imagining how unknown streets and neighborhoods looked, planning where I would go next. I began to collect maps of other cities as well, imagining walking on streets in New York or

London – which I actually did soon enough, in the 1970s.

Belle Isle service

The news that the No. 12 Conant bus is now finishing its route on Belle Isle is very good news indeed for Hamtramckans, who can jump on a coach at Eva-



line (the closest stop to my house) or at numerous other stops in the city and take it down to the island in the Detroit River.

The Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT, the agency that replaced the old DSR) began providing the service earlier this month. DDOT worked out the plan with the state Department of Natural Resources, which has official stew-

ardship of Belle Isle.

In a recent press statement, a DDOT spokesperson said, “as attendance at the park increased to more than 3.5 million visitors last year, it became increasingly important to provide additional transportation options to the island.”

The new bus service provides access on and off the island for the standard \$1.50 bus fare. Riders will not be charged additional park entry fees and will not need a Recreation Passport for visitors taking the bus service onto the island, officials said.

The single stop on the island is located close to the island's conservancy, aquarium and giant slide.

Service to Belle Isle on the No. 12 Conant bus route will run every 50 minutes. Route hours are 5:50 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday; and 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday.

This is, of course, all music to my ears. I will be taking the No. 12 to Belle Isle in the weeks ahead, then walking along the waterfront and visiting the aquarium and the Scripps Conservatory.

The island itself holds many sweet boyhood memories of visits there with my parents, who perhaps, I like to think, fell in love there when they met in the 1940s. It is a place that contains deep and beautiful connections and inspirations. Looking forward to that ride, I can feel them as I write these words.

Walter Wasacz spends most of his time walking, reminiscing and writing in Hamtramck, where he was born and still lives.

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