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Quick Hits

Memories of actress Loretta Swit

(Editor's Note: Paul Odrobina and family members met Loretta Swit in Hamtramck. The acclaimed actress died May 30 at age 87. This is Paul Odrobina's memory of the actress renowned for her role as Maj. Margaret "Hot Lips" Houlihan in the long-running "M*A*S*H" television series, which earned her two Emmys for best supporting actress.)

By Paul, Janice and Michelle Odrobina
Special to The Review

The Polish American Congress, Michigan Division with its President Paul Odrobina, who was also a member of the Hamtramck City Council, had arranged for a reception for the "Hart to Hart" movie/television star Stefanie Powers, who is of Polish-American ancestry. At this reception, Paul Odrobina invited Ms. Powers to be the Grand Marshal for the Polish Day Parade. She could not attend because she was already booked as the lead in a production of "The King and I." Mr. Odrobina and his family met her at the Fisher Theatre during this production.

After the play, we were her guests backstage. She then mentioned that she was going to New York to stay with her close friend, Loretta Swit, who was also a Polish American. During her stay, she would ask her friend if she was available when the parade would be held. Ms. Swit said yes. Mr. Odrobina formally invited her to be the Grand Marshal for the Polish Day Parade.

On Labor Day 1987, she arrived from the West Coast. All expenses associated with her visit were undertaken by friends – not the city. After the parade, a reception/

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— HAMTRAMCK'S NEWSPAPER OF RECORD —

Tennis anyone? Hamtramck is ready to serve up all ages for the summer

By Alan Madlane

It's time to get into the swing of things this summer.

We're talking tennis, and Hamtramck has a long storied history with the sport.

This summer, starting almost now, the city is offering an inexpensive tennis program for youths and adults.

The summer program is overseen by Susan Courtright, who took time out from her busy schedule to serve up details.

The Review: Let's start with a little bit about you: What is your involvement in the Hamtramck Summer Tennis Program, and how did you come to be in that position? How long have you been involved?

Susan Courtright: Thanks so much for reaching out about the Hamtramck Summer Tennis Program for The Hamtramck Review! I'm happy to provide some answers for your story.

I've been assisting with the Hamtramck Tennis program since we brought it back in 2020. Jeff Stassen, who is currently the USTA/Midwest Section President and also the President of the Hamtramck Community Tennis Association, was the one who got me involved in restarting it.

I believe this will be our sixth year offering programs at Veterans Park. My role includes setting the program schedule, coordinating our fantastic tennis coaches and equipment, and helping to get the word out about the program.

I've also enjoyed doing community outreach, like training Hamtramck K-12 Phys. Ed. teachers to teach tennis, and providing them with free equipment. Additionally, I've connected with local charter schools to encourage them to participate in our program.

The Review: As to the program, you have sessions for virtually all ages, from 6 on up. How do you find the coaching styles and techniques differ for each group?

Courtright: For different

age groups, we offer Tennis 101 for youth, teens, and adults.

As you can imagine, our approach varies, depending on the age. With younger players, we keep things fun and engaging, with lots of different games and drills to accommodate their shorter attention spans.

For teens and adults who are starting to rally and play over the net, we can introduce more challenging drills and games. Our instructors also make use of the "hitting Wall," just like Jean and Jerry Hoxie did when they were leading the program.

(The "Wall" reference is to a handball court near the tennis court that is also used to train tennis players.)

The Review: What should a participant expect on Day One of the program? How might they prepare on their own ahead of time, if they care to or can?

Courtright: For participants joining us on the first day, they can expect our coaches to focus on understanding everyone's current skill level, and creating a welcoming and comfortable environment for all.

There's absolutely no need to prepare anything in advance! We provide all the necessary tennis equipment if players don't have their own racquets, and we are happy to welcome players of all ages and abilities.

The Review: You do provide racquets – not ones they get to keep, presumably – and, for the juniors, free memberships to the U.S. Tennis Association, or USTA. Seems like a pretty good deal for \$40 total – is the program subsidized?

Courtright: You're right, we do provide racquets for use during the program (they don't get to keep



Photos: Hamtramck Parks Conservancy

them), and for our junior participants, we also offer free memberships to the U.S. Tennis Association (USTA).

We work hard to keep the total cost at \$40 to make the program as accessible as possible, and yes, it is subsidized. The Hamtramck Community Tennis Association generously provides the equipment, and we are committed to keeping our program fees low so that finances aren't a barrier for anyone wanting to play.

If a player is facing difficulty with the fee, we also offer scholarships to cover the cost. We're very grateful for our strong group of financial supporters, who donate so generously to help us keep the program affordable.

The free USTA junior memberships are a wonderful bonus, and we hope our Hamtramck players

will start their tennis journey with us, and continue to enjoy USTA events in our Southeastern Michigan District and beyond!

The Review: Sessions begin either June 17 or July 22, and run twice per week for four weeks, it appears? And, folks can still jump on board late, if there's space available, by paying a pro-rated amount?

Courtright: We have two four-week sessions this season, starting on June 17 and July 22, with classes meeting twice a week. If someone needs to join a session late, we absolutely pro-rate the cost. Each class is valued at \$5, so we would deduct that amount for each missed class from the total session fee.

The Review: Where do
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City manager lawsuit is explosive

By Charles Sercombe

A week ago, City Manager Max Garbarino warned the mayor and city council that he was going to drop a bombshell lawsuit on them if they suspend him from his job.

The city council did end up suspending him at the last council meeting.

As for the lawsuit: It is indeed explosive.



City Manager
Max Garbarino

As expected, Garbarino wasted no time in filing a lawsuit against the mayor, city council and the police chief after he was suspended (with pay) at the last city council meeting.

Garbarino, who is joined in his lawsuit by the police department's special investigator, Dave Adamczyk, filed the lawsuit claiming they were suspended with pay in violation of the Michigan Whistleblowers Act.

In the lawsuit, Garbarino portrays Police Chief Jamiel Altaheri as the polar opposite of his public persona: In the public, he's praised. But behind the scenes, out of the public's view, it is alleged that Altaheri engaged in a number of potentially criminal acts that include:

Being involved in domestic assaults with a woman who had their child; arranging a payment ranging from \$1 million to \$5 million, through a metro area associate of President Trump, to get a presidential pardon for a convicted New York financier friend; being unlawfully involved in transporting a stolen car out of New York; attempting to get the city council to fire Garbarino for reporting election fraud; directing Adamczyk to seek \$40,000 to \$50,000 from an unnamed towing company to sponsor the chief's podcast; and, in two separate incidents, driving a vehicle while drunk.

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the instructors come from, and what backgrounds do they have?

Courtright: Regarding our instructors, our aim is for them to have a strong connection to either our program or the Hamtramck community.

This year, Al Truhan will be leading our coaching team. Al actually participated in the Hoxie Program when he was younger, so it's wonderful to see his tennis journey come full circle at the Hoxie Courts. In addition to Al, we'll have Joe Patterson and Liam Patterson assisting. They are both teachers, and the current Hamtramck High School Boys and Girls tennis coaches. We're really excited

about our dedicated coaching staff.

The Review: Do you think the fact that Jean Hoxie was such a Hamtramck legend here helps with the overall level of enthusiasm for the sport locally?

Courtright: Jean and Jerry Hoxie's legacy is definitely an inspiring part of our tennis program. Because we still have connections to people who learned from this legendary coaching duo, we feel a strong sense of responsibility to continue their tradition of providing high-quality programming at an affordable price, just as they did with their first tennis camp.

The Review: Anything else you'd like to add, in closing?

Courtright: One thing I would love to add is how much we appreciate the incredible support we receive from the Hamtramck Historical Museum, Hamtramck Parks Conservancy, the city, and the school district.

In addition to these Hamtramck entities, we are very thankful to our financial supporters, who are offering help not only with scholarships, but with renovating our courts as well.

(All of this support is) truly what makes this program possible, and allows us to keep growing, and introducing more people in Hamtramck to the joy of tennis.

(Want to join the fun? Register by calling (317) 333-3558, or email at: susan@midwest.usta.com)

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Email jmcbryar@hamtramckschools.org to request the bid documents and confirm your attendance at the mandatory pre-bid meeting.

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June 6, 2025

This week at the Library . . .

Summer Reading: Registration for the summer reading program are starting. The program will begin on June 25 and continue through August. Participants will have a chance to win great prizes just for reading books. Programs will include entertaining topics, arts and crafts, music, NERF battles, festival and parties. The schedule will include:
June 25th - Solar Neighbors at 2 pm
July 2nd - Poster Craft at 2 pm
July 9th - D.J. in the mix at 1:30 pm
July 16 - D.J. in the mix 2 at 1:30 pm
July 23rd - NERF battles at 2 pm
July 30th - Star Lab at 2 pm
Aug.6th - Japanese Bon Festival 2 pm
Aug. 13th - Dog Man Movie at 2 pm
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Story Time: Get your kids together and drop in on our Wednesday noon programs with library staff, and on first Mondays of the month at 3:45 pm (usually) with members of the Hamtramck Federation of Teachers.
Exercise in the Library: The Yoga classes returned on Tuesdays at 2:30 p. The Tai Chi classes will return in February. The program is sponsored by the RIM Foundation.
ESL Classes: The Horizon school is sponsoring ESL classes at the library, held Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday at 9:00 am and 12:00 noon. They are free of charge to Hamtramck residents. Registration required. There is an additional class on Thursdays ant 9 am and 12 noon that is conducted by ESL assistant.
Stream on Hoopla: There are tons of shows and movies available for you to stream on Hoopla. Cooking competitions, rom-coms, thrillers, cand comfy holiday classics. Selection is massive. If that is not enough, give Kanopy a try. They provide a specially curated collection of foreign films, domestic cinema classics, award winning documentaries, and educational media that is topnotch. Look to the eResources tab on our website for a quick link to all this awesome content.
Game Night: We are moving to Wednesdays. Join us for Game Night at the library. We are serving up something fun each Wednesday at 4 pm. Stop by and let us know that you have come to play. Everyone invited.

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Review: Opinion Page

In Our Opinion

Should the city council also be suspended?

What a mess in city hall.

On that, it's a good guess that most folks in town can agree.

And, opinion-wise, we're not even going to address the joint lawsuit filed by the city manager and a police department investigator against the mayor, city council and police chief.

Regardless of the lawsuit, which we will set aside for the moment, what happens in city hall down the road is all a huge mystery and, from what we can tell, one that likely won't bode well for the city's bank account.

We can't help but think that the mayor and city council maneuvered themselves into a legal black hole – one that could boomerang to end up hitting the wallets of

homeowners.

What gets us – and we are not the only ones to mention this – is that the city council is hardly in a position to lecture about wrongdoing.

Almost all city councilmembers are currently under a serious legal cloud, with four of them facing possible criminal charges for election law violations, and two of them being investigated over whether they are even residents of the city (and, if not, legally disqualified from serving on council – and also possibly facing felony perjury charges).

Their argument is that, since the city manager is facing accusations and possibly being investigated himself, he should be placed on paid suspension.

Well, if that's the case,

City manager lawsuit is explosive

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In Garbarino's lawsuit, he describes Altaheri's behavior as being "erratic."

The chief denies the allegations, and has issued a statement, saying:

"My message from day one has been very clear; I call on the Wayne County Sheriff's Office, state police and FBI to follow-up on these false accusations, and all those behind these fabricated stories."

The FBI is reportedly investigating the allegations.

Chief Altaheri quickly became popular in the community after taking on his new role in Hamtramck just a year ago. He had just retired from the New York Police Department, and wasted no time in meeting with residents, community leaders and business owners.

His infectious smile easily won the hearts and minds of residents, and he was commended for his numerous outreach programs, such as the youth police academy.

The lawsuit and what it alleges quickly spread like wildfire via local news stations and newspapers – making Hamtramck the top story in some broadcasts.

The allegations about the police chief came to light after the department's investigator, Dave Adamczyk, filed his report on the chief with Garbarino.

Special investigator Adamczyk said, in his joint lawsuit with Garbarino, that Police Chief Altaheri retaliated against him after he reported to Garbarino his concerns over the chief and his actions.

It was also noted in the lawsuit that Garbarino placed Adamczyk on paid administrative leave to protect him from being retaliated against and to insure the "integrity" of

the investigation into the police chief's alleged wrongdoings.

The council decided to also put Garbarino on paid leave because he is under investigation for actions that were not made entirely clear, and it's not said who is investigating Garbarino.

So what else does the lawsuit allege?

Here's just a glimpse:

- Councilmember Hassan "stormed" into Garbarino's office and demanded he fire City Clerk Rana Faraj after she reported that a surveillance camera at city hall captured him dropping off a bundle of absentee ballots.
- The mayor and city council held a closed meeting in violation of the state's Open Meetings Act to discuss suspending Garbarino.
- Garbarino, who is white and non-Muslim, "raised concerns" that the mayor and council were acting with an ethnic bias to suspend him. The mayor, council and police chief are all Muslim.

The mayor, police chief and two councilmembers are also immigrants from Yemen, and four councilmembers are immigrants from Bangladesh.

Garbarino has also issued a statement saying he told the mayor and council:

"Some of you have intimated that the chief's ethnic background should play some kind of role in my personnel decisions. I will not, however, look the other way merely because someone is from a certain group or ethnic background. I feel that my refusal to do so here has led to discrimination directed at me because of my ethnic background."

Garbarino further added:

"I am entitled to legal protection from such discrimination and I expect that you all, as my employers, will act in accordance with anti-discrimination laws prohibiting you from taking my race and ethnicity as a consideration in your treatment of my employment."

Both Garbarino and Adamczyk are seeking reinstatement, as well as attorney fees and any other financial compensation the court finds appropriate.

After the lawsuit was filed, Mayor Ghalib, who is President Trump's nominee to be the next ambassador to Kuwait, issued this statement:

"There is a comprehensive investigation that is being conducted and it will include allegations against the police chief, city manager and Officer Adamczyk.

"The three of them are on paid administrative leave at this time, but whoever is found clear and innocent, he would be reinstated to his job. No one is immune to questioning and accountability.

"I learned from our city manager that we always get sued, mostly for nonsense, so that doesn't mean anything at this point because we have to wait for the investigation outcomes, and based on that, we would know how valid is everyone's case and what are their chances of winning such lawsuits."

Garbarino's attorney Jonathan Marko released this statement:

"This lawsuit will hold Hamtramck accountable and send a clear message: public servants who protect their community from wrongdoing deserve support, not retaliation.

"I hope there is a Max and David in every city.

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Odds & Ends

Standouts... The city has been watching you.

No, not in the Big Brother way, but instead: who's been keeping their property in top shape.

We'll let the city's Community Involvement Coordinator, Max Gilginas, explain:

"We have been noticing the work many of you residents and business owners have been doing and we think it is fantastic. This summer we will be giving social media shout outs to folks who thoughtfully clean and beautify their homes and businesses.

"This week we'd like to recognize Jurkiewicz and Wilk Funeral Home. Every day they sweep their sidewalk, clean their parking lot, and maintain a trash can and ashtray. The corner of Brombach and Caniff always looks great.

"Jamila Martin is our Beautification resident of the week. For the second year, she has donated professional lawn service to a senior resident. We are so grateful. Not only does it help the resident, but it helps the program grow. The Every Neighbor volunteers are very grateful!

"Keep your eye out for the beauty that surrounds you, help your community shine, and Clean Hamtramck. If you notice others making a difference, send nominations to mgilginas@hamtramckcity.gov."

Reminder ... This summer volunteers are needed to help seniors and vulnerable residents to do their yardwork duties.

The city is recruiting volunteers for its "Every Neighbor" program, and boasts that in four years over 60 households were helped out.

Here's the lowdown for those who need a helping hand:

- If you are a senior and/or disabled and need help with your lawn, weeds, or taking out your trash, contact Max Gilginas at (313) 800-5233, extension 326, and leave a message. For quicker service, email everyneighbor@gmail.com.

If you are interested in volunteering – including helping with tree plantings through the Grow Hamtramck initiative – ask for a survey by sending an email to: mgilginas@hamtramckcity.gov.

- To donate to the Every Neighbor Program, you can find the city's wish list here: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/3QSYX6C40QHW8>.
- If you have a local business, the city is always looking for sponsors and ways to reward volunteers.

Remembering... Joseph Johnson recently posted on social media his meeting with TV star Loretta Swit when she came to Hamtramck in 1987 to be the Grand Marshal of the Polish Day Parade.

Swit, the beloved co-star of the hit TV series "MASH," recently died at age 87.

Back then Johnson worked for a local cable television station. Here's his brief memory:

"She was my first celebrity interview when she was the Grand Marshal of the 1987 Labor Day Parade in Hamtramck. I met her again in 2019 and I brought it up. She absolutely remembered it and asked me to send her the photo of her and Mayor Kozaren. Sad news today."

Calling all lovers of auteur cinema... Two of the world's great auteur directors – the late Stanley Kubrick, and Paul Thomas Anderson – will have summer film retrospectives at the Birmingham 8, beginning this month and carrying through early September.

Seven Kubrick films will screen on consecutive Thursday nights beginning on June 19 and going through July 31, and then five P.T. Anderson films will follow, from Aug. 7 – Sept. 4.

They will go in chronological order.

Kubrick:

- The Killing (1956) / June 19
- Paths of Glory (1957) / June 26

Dr. Strangelove etc. (1964) / July 3

A Clockwork Orange (1971) / July 10

Barry Lyndon (1975) / July 17

Full Metal Jacket (1987) / July 24

Eyes Wide Shut (1999) / July 31

Anderson:

- There Will Be Blood (2007) / August 7
- The Master (2012) / August 14
- Inherent Vice (2014) / August 21
- Phantom Thread (2017) / August 28
- Licorice Pizza (2021) / September 4

Although Thursdays have been designated as the screening days, no times have yet been posted. Check out the Emagine Theatre website for more info.

The Birmingham 8 Theatre is located in downtown Birmingham on Old Woodward Ave., about a block south of Maple Ave.

Eid season... Many of our Muslim neighbors will be celebrating Eid this week, and that means some of your neighbors will be slaughtering lambs or goats for family feasts.

Backyard animal slaughtering is, indeed, legal in Hamtramck.

And if you need tips on what to do and what not to do when it comes to sacrificing your animal of choice, local social media commenter, who goes by the name Hjmahh Khalam, has these tips:

- Get a permit from the city (it's free).
- Make sure the area is clean and enclosed.
- Once done, make sure to clean and tightly collect trash.
- Throw (the remains) in your own trash – remember more people are adding cameras, and you don't want to be that person (caught) using someone else's trash.
- Spread the love – and share portions with your neighbors.

Take a slow ride... The great thing about summer

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City manager lawsuit is explosive

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We need people who are brave enough to stand up, expose corruption, and protect their community, even when powerful forces try to silence them.”

In a press conference on Tuesday, Marko further said:

“This is politics at its worst. This is allegations of corruption at its worst.”

He added the lawsuit “reads out of a season of ‘The Sopranos’.”

Adamczyk also spoke at the press conference, saying, “I witnessed him (Altaheri) attempt to arrange a multi-million-dollar pardon deal through Trump associates, hide domestic violence incidents and forge and deliver IDs for an associate and stashing a stolen vehicle.”

This rift in city hall comes at a time when there is a primary election coming up in August for three city council seats, as well as for the mayor’s job.

Mayor Ghalib is not seeking re-election, in hopes of being confirmed as the ambassador to Kuwait by the U.S. Senate. No date has been set for that confirmation.

In the meantime, the police department is being overseen by Deputy Police Chief Andy Mileski, and the Interim City Manager is Syed Aamir Ahsan, the

city’s finance director.

On top of everything else, there is now an investigation by the state police over whether Councilmembers Abu Musa and Muhith Mahmood are actually residents in the city.

And there are also possible criminal charges pending on four councilmembers, Mohammed Hassan, Muhtasin Sadman, Mohammed Alsomiri and Abu Musa, as well as former Councilmember Nayeem Choudhury (who is seeking to be re-elected to council) and resident Tyrone Slapey.

They are alleged to have violated election law in the 2021 election, specifically ballot harvesting.

The ongoing political intrigue has blown up at recent city council meetings where residents and non-residents alike have crammed into council chambers, even resulting in people overflowing into the hallway.

Public interest in the matter has led to the public comment portion of the past couple of council meetings lasting over an hour each time.

The next city council meeting is scheduled for this coming Tuesday, June 10.

(You can read Garbarino’s and Adamczyk’s entire lawsuit online at hamtramckreview.com.)

CRIME LOG

By Charles Sercombe

This week’s Crime Log covers May 27-June 2.

Tuesday, May 27

• At about 2 a.m., trouble between neighbors was reported in the 12000 block of Selfridge.

• At about 4:30 a.m., gunshots were reported at Jos. Campau and Dan.

• A suspect was arrested in the 1900 block of Trowbridge for domestic assault.

Wednesday, May 28

• A fight was reported at Jos. Campau and Norwalk.

• A domestic assault was reported in the 2400 block of Andrus.

• A business in the 9000 block of Jos. Campau reported an incident of retail fraud.

• Officers, responding to a call about trespassing in the 2100 block of Belmont, arrested a male suspect for domestic assault.

• A hit-and-run accident happened at Holbrook and Lumpkin.

Thursday, May 29

• An assault was reported on Belmont.

• A theft was reported on Andrus.

• Property damage was reported in the 8600 block of Jos. Campau.

• An assault was reported in the area of Denton and Jos. Campau.

• A theft of an item from a porch was reported in the 12000 block of Grand Haven.

• A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 3800 block of Trowbridge.

• A dispute was reported at Jos. Campau and Roosevelt.

Friday, May 30

• An attempted theft of a vehicle was reported in the 12000 block of Sobieski.

• A disturbance was reported in the 3800 block of Belmont.

• A theft from a vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Conant.

• A hit-and-run accident was reported at Gallagher and Norwalk.

• Illegal dumping was reported in the 1900 block of Belmont.

• A male suspect was arrested in the 11600 block of Nagel for domestic assault.

Saturday, May 31

• At about midnight, a fight was reported in the 9400 block of Jos. Campau.

• An assault was reported on Trowbridge.

• A hit-and-run accident was reported on Doremus.

• A theft was reported in the area of Holbrook and Conant.

• Officers, responding to a call about a personal injury accident in the 11600 block of Lumpkin, arrested two suspects.

• An assault was reported in the 12000 block of Selfridge.

Sunday, June 1

• At 12:45 a.m., a fight was reported in the area of Jos. Campau and Evaline.

• A hit-and-run accident was reported in the 9300 block of Jos. Campau.

• An assault was reported in the 3600 block of Caniff.

Monday, June 2

• A about midnight, a complaint was made about a disorderly crowd in the 9400 block of Jos. Campau.

• Officers, responding to a call about trespassing in the 3000 block of Yemans, arrested a suspect.

Odds & Ends

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is, there are so many activities suddenly available (okay, all you snowboarders and cross-country skiers, we know, we know, but... nobody likes your sports).

If you like the idea of a slow summer roll on a cruiser bicycle, the Hamtramck Parks Conservancy has something for you.

Once a month, at 8 p.m. on the second Fridays beginning this month, you can meet up with some like-minded folks for an evening slow roll through town.

The upcoming ride is this Friday, June 13.

It starts gathering its head of steam at Veterans Park, located on the southeast corner of Jos. Campau and Goodson. It lasts about an hour and a half, until 9:30 p.m., all ages and skill levels are welcome. They want you to bring your own helmet.

Riders from the Hamtramck Police Department and the Hamtramck Community and Economic Development office will join in. The route travels throughout Hamtramck and beyond.

And for gosh sakes, Have Fun!

Old Glory... Have a worn out, torn up old American flag and looking for a way to dispose of it properly?

Well, look no further than the good folks at PLAV Post 6 on Evaline and McDougall where they are collecting old tattered American flags to send away for a proper disposal.

They will be collecting flags through Flag Day, which is Saturday, June 14. Feel free to stop by and drop off your flag.

Coming Events

SATURDAY, June 14, 2-4 p.m. – Take-out only Soup Kitchen at Holy Cross P.N.C. Church, 2311 Pulaski at Fleming. Everyone is welcome!

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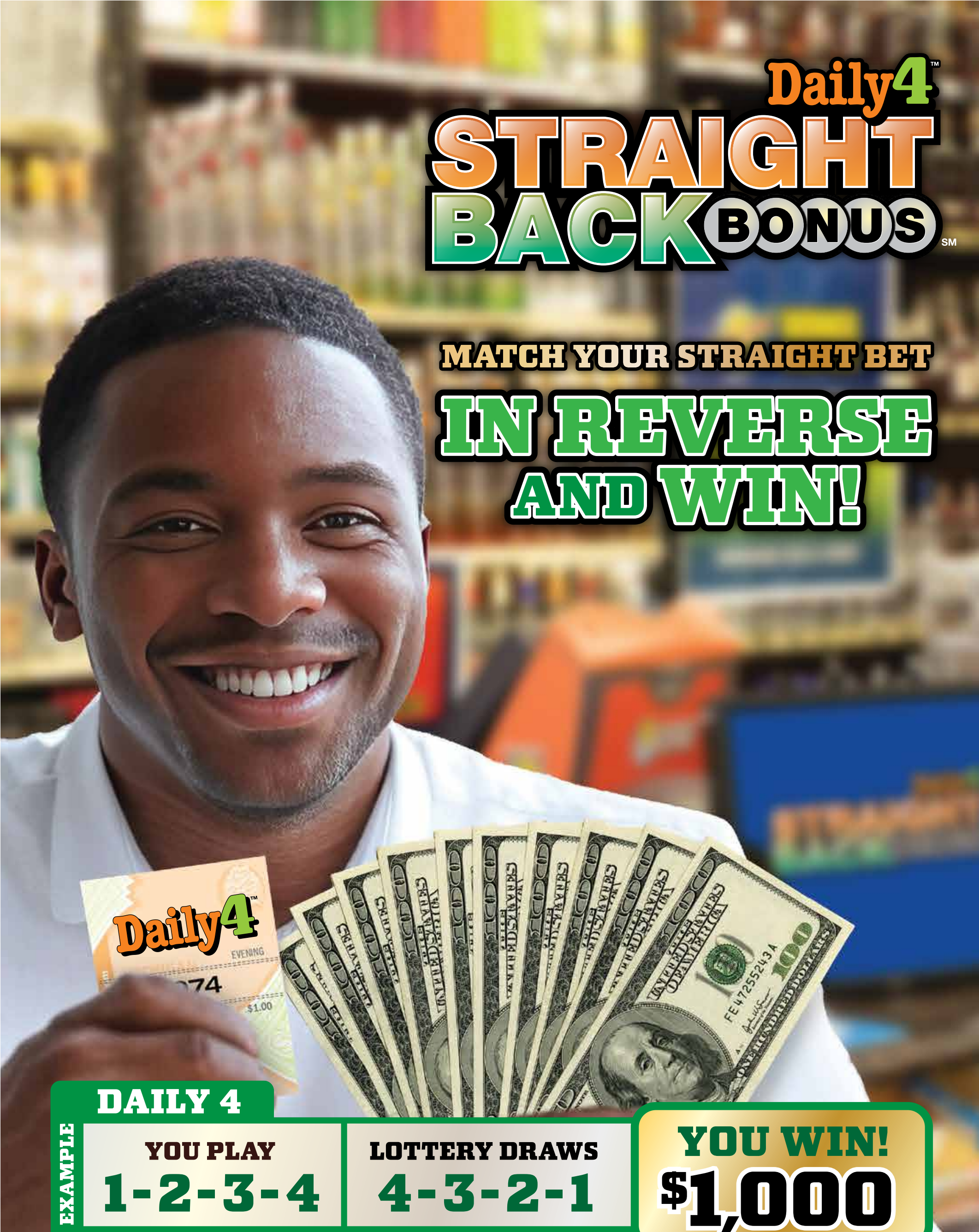
What’s on this coming week?

HHS Graduation Ceremony Class of 2025
Piast Institute Awards 2025 Program
Suspension of City Manager by City Council
Memorial Day at Hamtramck VFW Post 6
Piast Institute Hamtramck Health Hike 2025
Dedication of Hoxie Tennis Cours in Veterans Park and more

BECOME A LOCAL REPORTER: If you know how to take photos or make film clips on your phone, you can download them to Hamtramck TV along with a news story, to be aired the same day. Send in event announcements, comments to city officials, facts you want to share with the community, etc.

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Crime Watch... Warm weather can mean trouble

By Charles Sercombe

For the past two weeks, police officers have responded to numerous calls related to assaults and fights.

And we're not talking about what's going on in city hall.

In just about every corner of the city, there were multiple reports of assaults, fights, domestic violence, stolen vehicles, trespassing; complaints about noise, animals, and juveniles; and also reports of family issues and incidents of fraud.

What's going on Hamtramck?

So far, the police department hasn't commented on the uptick in these inci-

dents, but that department has its own issues, with the police chief on paid administrative leave while his alleged wrongdoings are being investigated by the FBI.

If you are unfamiliar with the recent political and city employee upheavals, you read that previous paragraph right.

Crimewise, it's not unusual when the warm weather sets in for there to be a corresponding increase in crime.

In other words, it's inevitable.

As we reported in the past, there are studies that back up this correlation, and police officers everywhere have long no-

ted that warm weather means more crime.

Various researchers have tackled that crime trend, and it won't surprise you to know the answers as to the "why" of this phenomenon (or at least the two main answers) are pretty obvious.

Here are some of the reasons, which one can find through a simple Google inquiry:

- There are simply more people outside and on the streets, and that includes those of the criminal persuasion.
- If it's hot out, some folks like to drink more alcohol, and alcohol and violence too often go hand-in-hand.

- When it gets super-hot, say in the 90s and above, we all get irritable. That means folks have shorter tempers, which in turn can trigger less self-control.
- If you live in a low-income area, chances are there are fewer air conditioning units, which means folks are getting less sleep and that, in turn, increases the irritability factor.
- Poverty, as well, adds to a general disposition of feeling down and low, or angry and frustrated.

No matter what, the police department encourages residents to always report anything that looks suspicious or out of place.

Michigan Lottery: Supporting Public Education and Local Businesses Since 1972

Every time you play the lottery, it's a win for Michigan. Every Lottery purchase benefits K-12 education, gives a lift to local businesses, and supports companies that employ Michigan residents.

About 97 cents of every dollar spent on Lottery tickets is returned to the state in the form of contributions to the state School Aid Fund, prizes to players, and commissions to vendors and retailers. For every \$1 spent on Lottery tickets, 26 cents goes to the state's School Aid Fund, 62 cents goes to prizes for players, and 9 cents goes to retailer and vendor commissions. Over the last six years, retailers

throughout the state, many of which are small independently owned businesses, have collected more than \$2 billion in commissions.

Since it began in 1972, the Lottery has contributed nearly \$30 billion to support public education in Michigan. For the most recent year, the Lottery's contribution to the School Aid Fund topped \$1 billion for the sixth consecutive year. Michigan's K-12 public school system serves about 1.4 million students. Funding provided by the Lottery is equal to more than \$890 for each student who attends a K-12 public school, or more than \$3.4

million each day for schools throughout the state.

In addition to helping provide funding for public education in Michigan, the Lottery also has established the Excellence in Education program to recognize outstanding educators.

Every week during the school year, the Michigan Lottery selects one outstanding educator to receive the Excellence in Education award. Each weekly award winner receives a cash prize, receives a plaque, and is featured in their own news segment featured on news stations throughout

the state.

At the end of the school year, the Michigan Lottery selects one weekly winner to receive the Lottery's Educator of the Year award and a \$10,000 cash prize.

All public-school employees may be nominated for the Excellence in Education awards. To learn more about the Excellence in Education program, please visit <https://www.michigan-lottery.com/excellence-in-education>.



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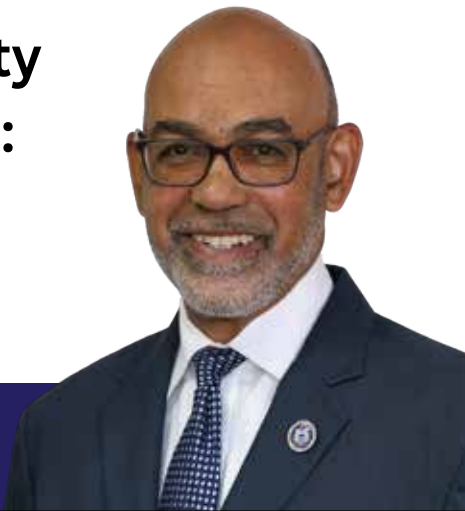
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Quick Hits

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fundraiser was held for her by the Polish American Congress at the Polish National Alliance Council 122 hall. More than 300 people were in attendance.

Ms. Swit was gracious and took photos and signed autographs.

During this event, Loretta Swit met our mother, Casmira Odrobina. The actress also learned that our mother spoke Polish very well.

Ms. Swit commented that she reminded her of

her own mother who lived in New Jersey. She tried to call her mom so the two could speak together in Polish.

Unfortunately, her mom was not available because she was at her parish picnic, however, she arranged for them to connect later.

Ms. Swit's parents were Polish immigrants and therefore spoke excellent Polish. Both moms kept up a friendship with phone calls and Christmas cards over the years.

Ms. Swit also mentioned that her mother would call her "Moja Zlota," which means "my precious one."



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