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From the Mayor's Desk

By Cuyahoga Heights Mayor Jack Bacci

ODOT authorizes E. 71 St. crossover onto Rt. 21 south

After more than 25 years of respectfully disagreeing with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), our administration was able to break through the bureaucracy to finally secure their authorization of an East 71st Street/Southbound State Route 21 crossover.

Although southbound access to State Route 21 from East 71st Street seems like a common sense use of public roads, I can assure you that ODOT, at both the local level and in Columbus, did not view southbound access the same way, and generations of Village administrations have been unsuccessful in convincing ODOT to authorize southbound access.

Here's a little history... when Interstate 77 was constructed in the 1970s, the Cuyahoga Board of County Commissioners recognized the need to create a crossover from East 71st Street to southbound State Route 21. At the time, the commissioners executed an agreement with the Village for construction of the crossover. However, the implementation of the crossover project ultimately stalled and was not addressed again until the early 1990s.

In 1991, the Village began in earnest to pursue the crossover once again and spent much of the 1990s revising its plans for southbound access in an attempt to demonstrate to

ODOT that neither high volume nor safety was a concern. Unsurprisingly, ODOT remained steadfast in its refusal to allow any southbound access on State Route 21. In 1998, the Village retained a traffic engineering consultant who conducted his own traffic studies to demonstrate to ODOT that high northbound volume was not an issue, that there was a clear need for southbound access on State Route 21, and that there was no good reason to deny southbound access in the future. Despite the studies' clear findings and the support of the mayors of Brooklyn Heights, Independence and Valley View, ODOT refused to change its position and allow southbound access.

In 2008, we resurrected the idea of southbound access from East 71st and placed it on our "bucket list." Over the past 10 years, our administration, with the help of council, has utilized the ambition of our young professionals to develop a plan that would convince ODOT to change its position regarding southbound access to State Route 21. With hard work, creativity and a crazy mayor, we presented ODOT with a comprehensive plan for the southbound access that corrects all of ODOT's misconceptions about traffic volume and keeps the safety of residents and travelers as the primary goal.

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Shown above from left at the Polish American Cultural Center last Thursday are: Le'Anna Miller (Baby Munch Organics), Ethan Holmes (Holmes Mouthwatering Applesauce), Kenny Crumpton (Fox 8), Lillian Kuri (Cleveland Foundation), and Chris Alvarado (Slavic Village Development).

6 Chain Reaction businesses heading to Slavic Village!!

The "Shark Tank"-style business competition, Cleveland Chain Reaction, which landed in Slavic Village has finally narrowed down its search to not five but six local small businesses.

The Polish American Cultural Center hosted the celebration last Thursday morning on Fox 8's "Kicking it with Kenny" with the new businesses, which include Holmes Mouth Watering Applesauce, Baby Munch, Lina Wines, Metro Croissants, Midwest Basics and Sides to go! BBQ.

Slavic Village Development Executive Director Chris Alvarado was pleased with the selections.

"Adding these six new businesses will not only provide new job opportunities for our residents, but will increase traffic to our neighborhood's commercial districts, thus supporting our existing shops and restaurants. I'm also excited that these local business owners reflect the diversity of Slavic Village," Alvarado said.

With the selection process over, the next steps will consist of finding the

proper locations for the winning businesses and connecting with the remaining applicant businesses which also expressed interest in the neighborhood.

The enthusiasm was also shared by Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli. "First being chosen as the winning neighborhood for the Chain Reaction competition and now seeing nearly 100 businesses express interest to compete for opening a business here shows the confidence in our community," he said. "We are excited to see these finalists chosen and look forward to them opening their business in our neighborhood."

Being the first community selected to host Chain Reaction, Slavic Village hopes this will set the bar for both future endeavors and prospective small businesses looking to join the neighborhood's momentum.

The Chain Reaction initiative is a partnership between COSE, Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, GlazenUrban and Fox 8.

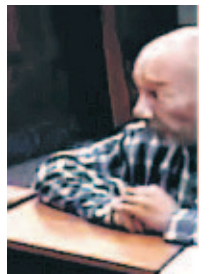
US Bank in G.H. robbed

The US Bank at 5007 Turney Rd. in Garfield Heights was robbed last Thursday, around 9:20 a.m., according to a Garfield Heights police report.

An employee said a man approached his counter and demanded \$5000. He instructed the teller not to reach for anything, push any buttons, or give him any "funny money," according to the report. The teller said the man had his hand in his waistband, insinuating he had a weapon. After getting the money, the man fled in an unknown direction.

The teller described the robber as a black male in his 50s, about 5'8" tall, average build, mostly bald with gray hair. The Cleveland office of the FBI and the Garfield Heights Detective Bureau were called to process the scene and collect any evidence. A copy of surveillance footage was to be forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

Anyone with information about the suspect is asked to call the Garfield Heights Detective Bureau at 216-475-5686.



Suspect

Cle. mayoral candidates forum tomorrow in S.V.

Candidates for mayor of Cleveland have been invited to participate in a public forum in Slavic Village to discuss their plans for governing the largest municipality in northeast Ohio for the next four years.

The forum will be held tomorrow, August 17th, at the Polish American Cultural Center, 6501 Lansing Ave. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for a meet-and-greet with light refreshments; the forum will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. The moderator will ask each candidate a few general questions about their qualifications for office and afterward, candidates will get a chance to answer written questions from the audience.

The topic of the evening will be the future of the city and will give candidates a chance to share their plans in advance of the primary election on Tuesday, Sept 12.

Eight candidates and two write-in candidates have been certified to challenge incumbent Mayor Frank Jackson, who is running for his fourth term. The top two winners will advance to the general election on November 7th.

Collova says lawsuits over City View are now settled

By Ellen Psenicka

Garfield Heights Mayor Vic Collova, during his Mayor's Report at Monday night's city council meeting, said the lawsuits holding up progress at City View have been settled and the bid process ended yesterday for a new owner to the beleaguered shopping center.

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Garfield Hts. United gets answers from city officials

By Ellen Psenicka

Garfield Heights United, a group of concerned residents and business owners in the city headed by James Feeney, held a public Town Hall meeting last Wednesday, Aug. 9, with Mayor Vic Collova, Police Chief Robert Byrne, Law Director Tim Riley and Judge Deborah Nicastro answering questions, some of which were submitted to them by the organization and others from the audience.

Mayor Collova was asked about actual plans for Bridgeview, the long-neglected site on Transportation Boulevard, and he commented that with the property there being offered for \$1 million an acre, "I guarantee you housing won't be going in there."

He said something exciting was in the works for Bridgeview and would be announced when plans were finalized.

Another question for the

mayor concerned residents who have taken action against the city.

Collova, without naming names, said one resident (Frank Wagner, we presume) had put up a political sign in his Oak Park Boulevard lawn several years ago which was larger than that allowed by ordinance in Garfield Heights. Wagner sued the city for violating his First Amendment right of free speech and won on appeal.

The mayor said the resident was awarded \$310,000 for attorney's fees, and the city is still in talks with its insurance company about how much it is liable for.

Now that the Ohio Supreme Court has struck down restrictions on requiring police officers manning traffic cameras, another question for the mayor began, will Garfield Heights install traffic cameras again now that it is legal?

"Voters in Garfield Heights have made it clear they do not want traffic cameras in our city," Collova said. They have mandated that an officer must personally issue the tickets, "so we're not going to be able to do it again," he said, commenting that new businesses will have to be brought into the city to strengthen the tax base.

Chief Byrne was asked to compare crime in Garfield Heights in 2015 and 2016. The chief noted that in 2015, GHPD officers responded to 20,948 calls; in 2016 the number was 21,615, and as of July 2017, they have made 13,113 calls, and that takes into consideration that car lock-outs have been eliminated, except for the handicapped or where it poses a danger.

Byrne said robberies are up this year, with six reported bank robberies already reported for 2017 (seven counting last week's

at US Bank on Turney Rd.) was asked what law abiding residents of Garfield Heights can do to help the prosecutor's office when dealing with crimes involving juveniles.

Riley, as well as Judge Nicastro, noted that the Garfield Heights Municipal Court has no jurisdiction over juveniles. They are all referred downtown to Juvenile Court.

Law Director Tim Riley

Village Market in S.V. concluding on a high note

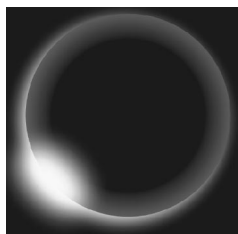
The last two weeks at the Village Market, at E. 52nd St. and Fleet Ave. in Slavic Village, will be packed with flavor to top off the summer!

This Monday, Aug. 21, an open mic night will be held inviting all solo musicians, bands and those who like to jam to bring their talents to the Village Stage; BYO-instruments.

The following Monday, Aug. 28, organizers invite you to come hungry and enjoy the free neighborhood cook-out. In addition, the Landskroner Foundation for Children, in conjunction with the E. 63rd Street Block Club, will be distributing free gun locks as part of their "Love A Kid, Lock A Gun" program.

For more information on all events, call 216-429-1182, ext. 107 or email joel@slavicvillage.org.

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Community police reports

By Amber Weisbarth

(The following information was obtained from filed police reports and police dispatch logs.)

CLEVELAND

Breaking & Entering

Scorchers on E. 65th St. in Slavic Village was broken into on August 2nd, around 5:40 a.m. The owner of the business led police through the gated parking lot and officers observed two males who fled from the back of the building and into a white Chevy which was parked at a vacant home on E. 63rd St.

The owner said the ATM was found outside the back door to the building. A fence the suspects ran through was also damaged. The owner told police the business has been broken into multiple times over the last month.

GARFIELD HTS.

Traffic Offense

A 39-year-old Garfield Heights man and a 24-year-old Warrensville Heights woman were involved in a head-on collision on Broadway Ave. near Henry St. on August 9th, around 10:50 p.m. When police arrived they saw both drivers were trapped in their cars. Witnesses at the scene said they saw the man drive left of center and strike the woman's vehicle head on, according to the report. The woman was "bleeding profusely" from a head injury and suffered a compound fracture to her right leg. She was pulled from the vehicle through the passenger side door and was taken to MetroHealth Medical Center.

The 39-year-old was also

pulled from the passenger side of his vehicle. He was complaining of chest pain and couldn't move his legs. Officers noticed his pupils were dilated and suspected he was driving impaired in some way. He was taken to MetroHealth Medical Center.

During a search of the car, police found pill bottles containing muscle relaxers and a stimulant; they were prescribed to the man's daughter, according to the report. At the hospital, the man admitted he had taken two of the stimulants found in the car around 8 p.m. He was cited for failure to control and driving left of center. Pending charges include aggravated vehicular assault, drug possession and OVI.

Police were called to the 13500 block of Maplerow Ave. on August 12th, around 3:15 p.m., and found an SUV had crashed into the side of a house. The driver, 34, of Garfield Heights, originally told police that she had been driving, lost control and crashed. Officers later learned that she had been teaching her 14-year-old

son to drive and he had been the one that crashed. The woman was cited for wrongful entrustments and was issued a summons for endangering children. The 14-year-old was cited for no driver's license and failure to control.

Theft from Auto

A resident of the 13800 block of Bangor Ave. told police she had security camera footage showing two males breaking into two vehicles parked in her driveway on August 8th, just before 5 a.m. The males ransacked the vehicles' interiors and stole change.

MAPLE HTS.

MVA

Police received several calls about a tree that had fallen onto an occupied vehicle in the area of Forest Ave. and Granger Rd. on August 11th, around 1:25 p.m. Police and fire units arrived and found multiple tree and power lines on the vehicle and four homes in the 14300 block of Granger Rd. were damaged. There were two poles down, four lines to the houses were down and those four houses lost power. Granger Rd. was

shut down between E. 141st St. and Forest Ave. for about six hours. Dispatch notes indicated there was a transport to Marymount Hospital but did not elaborate.

Iron Ward Festival

Folk guitarist Michelle Daw will perform at the free Iron Ward Festival in Dan Kane Park at E. 65 St. and Broadway Ave. in Slavic Village, on Monday, Aug. 21, beginning at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

Meeting on Heritage Program

From now until December 31st, the city of Maple Heights will be participating in the Heritage Home Program of the Cleveland Restoration Society (CRS). The program is designed for owners of older homes and provides guidance on home improvement and maintenance projects.

An informational meeting for residents of Maple Heights will be held at Maple Heights City Hall, 5353 Lee Rd., on Monday, Aug. 21, at 5 p.m.

The most important feature of the Heritage Home Program is that it offers free technical assistance and advice to the owners of houses that are over 50 years old.

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Protect your eyes during upcoming solar eclipse

This Monday, Aug. 21, all of North America will be treated to an eclipse of the sun. Anyone within the path of totality can see one of nature's most awe-inspiring sights - a total solar eclipse. This path, where the moon will completely

cover the sun and the sun's tenuous atmosphere, the corona, will stretch from Salem, Oregon to Charleston, South Carolina, according to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) website.

Observers outside this path, like those of us in Northeast Ohio, will still see a partial solar eclipse Monday afternoon, where the moon covers part of the sun's disk, culminating at about 2:30 p.m. with maximum coverage. NASA's website provides a guide to this amazing event. There you will find activities, events, broadcasts, and resources from NASA and its partners across the nation.

However, looking directly at the sun during any part of the eclipse, which will last from 1:06 p.m. to 3:51 p.m., can be very harmful

to the eyes. In fact, exposing eyes to the sun without proper eye protection during a solar eclipse can cause "eclipse blindness" or retinal burns, also known as solar retinopathy. This exposure to the light can cause damage or even destroy cells in the retina (the back of the eye) that transmit what you see to the brain. This damage can be temporary or permanent and occurs with no pain. It can take a few hours to a few days after viewing the solar eclipse to realize the damage that has occurred.

The American Astro-

nomical Society (AAS) warns that it has received reports of fake solar eclipse glasses being sold, according to an email from Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine. These glasses do not properly filter the sun's rays, and, in turn, may damage a person's eyes. Previously, glasses with the seal of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) were considered safe. While all acceptable glasses are ISO certified, there is a chance that counterfeit glasses may also claim to be ISO certified.

Visit aas.org to find a reputable dealer. The AAS has a list available of all merchants and vendors that guarantee their glasses will block enough light during the eclipse event to prevent injury. All companies on this site sell products that have been certified safe by the authorities, DeWine said.

Prevent Blindness has established a web page and fact sheet with information about an eclipse, potential related dangers to vision, and how to protect your

eyes from injury during the event. The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness also offers the following tips on how to view the eclipse safely:

- **Pinhole projection:** This is the safest and most inexpensive way of watching a solar eclipse. This helps you avoid looking directly at the eclipse by using a projected image. This do-it-yourself project includes making a pinhole in a cardboard paper with the sun on one side and a piece of paper to project the image on the other side. Keep in mind not to look through the pinhole at the sun.

- **Welder's glass:** Number 14 welder's glass provides effective protection and can be found at a local welder's supply store. This glass will reduce the harmful rays that are emitted during the eclipse. Do not use if there are any scratches or damage to the glass.

- **Mylar filters:** Aluminized Mylar plastic sheets are available as eclipse vision glasses or can be cut and made into a viewing box. Do not use if there are any scratches or damage to the sheet.

- **Other ways:** Other ways to safely watch a solar eclipse are on television or at a planetarium.

- **In addition,** Prevent Blindness warns **against** using the following methods: Smartphone, Camera viewfinder, Unsafe filters.

For more information on protecting vision during a solar eclipse, call Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate at 1-800-301-2020 or visit www.preventblindness.org/solar-eclipse-and-your-eyes.

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Death Notices

BARBARA ANN NASH (nee Kalfas), 81, of Garfield Heights, passed away August 12th.



She was the beloved wife of the late Edward J. Nash ("E.J."); loving daughter of Rudolph J. and Sallie (nee Prusaczyk) (both deceased); devoted sister of Rudolph J., Jr.; dear aunt, great-aunt and friend of many.

Prayers will be said at Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home, 4747 Turney Rd., corner of Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, today, August 16, at 9:30 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Ss. Peter and Paul Church at 10 a.m. Inurnment at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery at a later date. Online condolences may be submitted at www.GDFH.net.



LEONA BUDZILEK (nee Klonowski), 74, of Garfield Heights, passed away on August 9th.

She was the beloved wife of Richard; loving mother of Bob (Jennifer) and Lenore Medykowski; cherished grandmother of Rachel, Amanda, Richard J., Zachary and Kristin; dear sister of Daniel and David (both deceased).

Family and friends are asked to meet at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, 10175 Rawiga Rd., Seville, Ohio 44273, where a committal service will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 11:15 a.m. Please arrive at cemetery no later than 11 a.m.

Arrangements handled by Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home. Online condolences may be submitted at www.GDFH.net.

DONNA TELESZ (nee Rudlicka), age 93, of Independence, passed away August 6th.



She was the beloved wife of Chester; loving mother of Inga Engen (Randy), Lidia Krasniak (Carl) and John (Sylvia); dear grandmother of Andrew, Peter, Christopher and Madeline Krasniak and Jude Telesz; dear sister of the late Lila Salamon.

Mrs. Telesz obtained a degree in business at Szkola Glowna Handlowa in Warsaw, Poland.

Friends may call at Vodrazka Funeral Home of Independence, 6505 Brecksville Rd. (Rt. 21, south of Rockside Rd.) on Friday, Aug. 18, from 6-8 p.m. Prayer services at the funeral home will be Saturday, Aug. 19, at 9:30 a.m. followed by Mass of Christian Burial at St. Michael Church on Brecksville Rd. at 10 a.m. Interment in Calvary Cemetery.

From the Mayor's Desk

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To that, it gives me great pleasure to share with you that our administration has accomplished what the Village has not been able to do for more than 25 years - ODOT has changed its position and is approving southbound access to State Route 21 at East 71st Street! I guess it's true, persistence does pay off.

Consistent with ODOT's approval, it will be necessary for the Village to construct some improvements within the corridor to allow

for the southbound access. Accordingly, our Village engineer has prepared preliminary design drawings which reflect how you will be able to lawfully access State Route 21 from East 71st Street in the near future, in conjunction with improvements ODOT will be making to the exit ramp from Interstate 77 southbound to State Route 21.

Now that we have cleared the biggest hurdle, council and I will focus on programming the improvements into our capital plan

and work with ODOT to create a construction timeline that will get you traveling southbound on State Route 21 in the near future.

I will be certain to keep you updated as this matter moves forward. As always, if you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

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Sugar Artists meet Monday

The North Coast Sugar Artists will meet Monday, Aug. 21, at 6:45 p.m. at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd. All members are asked to bring something served at a tea. Remember to bring your tea service and dress in tea-time attire (optional).

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC AUCTION

In accordance with Chapter 129.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Garfield Heights and with Chapters 721 and 737 of the Ohio Revised Code, there will be a Public On-Line Auction for the disposal of City owned vehicles. This merchandise will be sold **AS-IS, NO GUARANTEES.**

The City of Garfield Heights has entered into an agreement with GovDeals Inc to provide for on-line auctions of unusable city equipment and confiscated items. Potential bidders must be registered in the GovDeals Inc on-line auction system in order to bid on items posted to the site. In order to register please go to the GovDeals.com website and use the registration link in the upper right corner of the home page.

The GovDeals on-line auction of vehicles is scheduled to begin during the week of August 21, 2017 and continue until all authorized items are posted to the site. Individual items will be available on the site for a period of one week depending upon the posting date. The closing date of each item to be auctioned will be available on the GovDeals site. All bidding, payment, and pick up requirements are available on the GovDeals Inc web site pertinent to the City of Garfield Heights' on-line auctions. Please review all requirements in detail.

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Collova says lawsuits

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Garfield Heights Mayor Vic Collova, during his Mayor's Report at Monday night's city council meeting, said the lawsuits holding up progress at City View have been settled and the bid process ended yesterday for a new owner to the beleaguered shopping center.

"Fingers crossed someone will buy it," the mayor said. New ownership could mean a comeback for City View, which has gone from fully occupied storefronts with big box retailers to only Giant Eagle supermarket now holding down the fort there.

During Comments by Citizens, several Sunset Drive residents went to the microphone to express their frustration at the infestation of roaches in their neighborhood.

They said that although the landlord whose home is the source of the problem has met with the Health Department and has been spraying his home and those of his neighbors who request it, the problem remains and the bugs are everywhere.

Collova, who has visited the neighborhood and seen the infestation first-hand, expressed his frustration with the situation and said he will set up a meeting between the residents and the Health Department, but warned it might turn into a civil matter and be left for the courts to resolve.

In an unrelated matter, James Feeney of Garfield Heights United told council that he felt it would be better that residents who address council during the Comments by Citizens portion of the meeting not be required to give their street addresses, as is now the case.

Feeney said that because the council meetings are televised, the addresses of residents who speak should be a matter of personal privacy and not be required.

Law Director Tim Riley told councilmen they were at liberty to change the rule at any time.

The following pieces of legislation were authorized at Monday night's meeting:

- Preparation of plans and specifications and competitive bidding for the Multi-Street Reconstruction and Waterline Replacement Project - Phase 4.

- Revising certain provisions within the city's Codified Ordinances to conform with current state law as required by the Ohio Constitution.

- Sale of two 2007 Crown Victoria sedans and one 1996 Ford F-150 truck both municipally owned and no longer needed.

- Purchase of a new bus for the Senior Center.

- Assessments on property tax bills for the fees for garbage and refuse collection (same as last year), and assessments on property tax bills for those residents who have unpaid invoices for weed-cutting by the city.

- Apply for and accept a grant to purchase fire hoods for the fire department.

- Contract with Pro-Vision, Inc. for the purchase of a new body worn camera system for the police department.

- Appointment of Kimberly R. Motley as a member of the Garfield Heights Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Janice Tubbs.

Golden Ager's Grapevine

The Grandmother's Club will meet Thursday, Aug. 17, at 11:30 a.m. at Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall, 4863 E. 71 St.

Program on balance at Senior Center

The Cleveland Clinic will present "Better Balance: Improving Your Stability and Preventing Falls," on Tuesday, Aug. 22, from 10-11 a.m. at the Garfield Heights Senior Center, 5407 Turney Rd.

This is a free event open to the public. Interaction in the program is encouraged by not required. Reservations are requested by calling 216-312-5640. More information can be found at www.clevelandclinic.org/community events.

Gospel quartet at GHUMC

"10 or 4," a quartet of Christian men who love to sing praise to the Lord and share their music with others, will lead the worship service at Garfield Heights United Methodist Church, 4977 Turney Rd., Garfield Heights, on Sunday, Aug. 20, at 10:30 a.m. Worship service is free and open to all.

The quartet started singing barbershop songs about 15 years ago and worked their way into Southern Gospel. The men of faith

now concentrate most of their efforts on singing the music popularized by the Gaither Vocal Band.

Rummage sale

Lutheran Church of the Covenant's annual Rummage Sale will be held on Saturdays, Aug. 19 and 26, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the church, 19000 Libby Rd. in Maple Heights.

Shop for household goods, tools, furniture, Christmas decorations and books! Those that come on a Saturday can also shop at the Covenant Farmer's Market for fresh produce, and buy from local vendors. Lunch is also available - a grilled sausage, chips and pop for \$1.50!

Back to School Fair August 19

All are welcome to the Back to School Summer Celebration in Slavic Village this Saturday, Aug. 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Cleveland Central Catholic High School's Stefanski Stadium, at Baxter and Broadway aves.

Enjoy hot dogs and ice cream, raffles, games and giveaways, hair cuts, the 4th District Safety Fair and more!

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Enjoy the music of the Dan Peters Band, playing from 2-4 p.m., and the music of Charlie Tansek and the Chicago Tradition from 4-8 p.m. There will be delicious food, including cabbage and noodles, pierogi, sausage sandwiches, hot dogs, hamburgers and bakery.

Games of chance, raffles and a Chinese auction are all part of the afternoon's events. All are welcome to attend.

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