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Slavic Village music festival to hold Friday finale at Dan Kane Park

Slavic Village's Iron Ward Music Festival concludes its fourteenth summer concert series this week. The Goodbye Summer Party is this Friday evening, August 31st, beginning at 7 p.m., at Dan Kane Park, East 65th Street and Kenyon Avenue, just south of Broadway. The event has been moved from its regular Monday time slot to Friday to better accommodate school-aged children and working adults. It will once again feature live music, free food and lots of valuable door prizes.

Headline entertainment will be Freddie Pollard's Old Skool Band performing a lively blend of jazz, blues, R&B and pop. Additional attractions include free, freshly grilled hot dogs, free ice cream and balloons and tons of door prizes. A brightly lit stage and fire pit will keep the party going well into the evening.

Thanks to the generosity of Shannon Landscaping and Snowplowing, the festival will be raffling off as grand door prize a two-burner Char-Broil grill with tank and cover, plus a 17-piece grilling set and 12-piece cutlery set, and many other raffle items. A flea market will occur simultaneously in the park.

Admission is free and open to all residents and friends of Slavic Village. A large crowd is expected, so organizers advise attendees to bring lawn chairs — and all the friends, family and neighbors they can find. For more information, call 216-469-4806.

MHPD investigates shooting

Maple Heights police are investigating a shooting in the 14400 block of Tokay Ave. that occurred last Wednesday, according to a press release from Police Chief Todd Hansen.

Around 7:17 p.m. on August 22nd, MHPD received a call from Cleveland EMS reporting that someone had been shot near 14423 Tokay Ave. Upon speaking with the original caller, it was reported that a male had been shot in the leg and that numerous youths were running from the area.

The victim, Benjamin McLeod, 22, was later found in the 14400 block of Reddington Avenue with a non-life-threatening wound and was taken to South Pointe Medical Center where he was treated and released, police said.

At this time there are no known suspects. The Maple Heights Police Department continues to investigate the incident. Anyone with information related to this case is urged to contact the Maple Heights Detective Bureau at 216-587-9624 or email Detectives@mhpd-ohio.com.

Information can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers. The 24/7 hotline number, 216-252-7463, allows the caller to remain anonymous. Those with information can also text TIP657 plus your message to 274637, or can submit information online at www.25crime.com.

N.N. closed for holiday

The Neighborhood News offices at 8613 Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, will be closed this Monday, Sept. 3, for the Labor Day holiday.

Deadline for advertising and news items for next Wednesday's edition will be extended until 12 noon on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

The NN staff and management wish all our readers a safe and happy Labor Day weekend as we celebrate the American work force and the end of the lazy, crazy days of summer. Enjoy!

Ikea not coming to Garfield Heights



For months rumors have been flying around Garfield Heights that Ikea, a Swedish furniture retailer with stores all over the world, was coming to Bridgeview Crossing. Mayor Vic Collova confirmed to The Neighborhood News Monday that it isn't going to happen.

In a conference call received by Mayor Collova last Thursday from Bridgeview Crossing developer Steve Craig of Craig Realty Group and an Ikea representative, it was made clear that Ikea had taken Bridgeview off its list for future expansion.

Collova said Craig had given Ikea an August deadline to decide about Bridgeview, as he was anxious to find other tenants if Ikea was going elsewhere. The mayor said Ikea stated a "wetlands issue" was one of the reasons it had rejected the Bridgeview Crossing site.

"There is no wetlands issue at Bridgeview," Mayor Collova told The Neighborhood News. "It was just a total excuse."

He said that he was "extremely disappointed" that Ikea's plans no longer include Bridgeview and was not sure of the direction Craig will now take with the property.

Craig Realty Group has financed widening of the bridge over I-480 at Bridgeview and adding turning lanes on Granger Road in anticipation of the site's development. A request for more information from Craig Realty Group Monday went unanswered as of press time Tuesday.

Woman held in CVS robbery on Harvard

A 28-year-old Cleveland woman was arrested Saturday in connection with a robbery at the CVS store at 6301 Harvard Ave. in Slavic Village, according to a Cleveland police report.

Officers were dispatched to the CVS on August 25th, around 6:30 a.m., and found someone had broken through the wall of the store, then cut a hole in a safe and had stolen money from the safe. The cash contained a tracking device, which police followed to the area of E. 95th St. and Pratt Ave.

A woman in that area was walking in the street towards a home she claimed was her own in the 9600 block of Pratt. Police asked her to sit in the back of the police cruiser for her safety, saying a suspect in a robbery may be near the home. Police said that the woman was carrying a backpack/purse, and inside officers could see it was stuffed with varying denominations of cash, according to the report. Dispatch then said the money tracker was in the 9600 block of Pratt and the woman was arrested.

In the driveway of the same home on Pratt Ave. the woman said she was headed to, police found a vehicle that had varying denominations of cash inside of it and around it on the ground outside. Various tools were also found in the car as well as a used grinding wheel in the foot well of the driver's area. More cash was found in the trunk.

The woman was to be charged with breaking and entering and safecracking. Fourth District detectives are continuing the investigation.

More NN 'Freebies'

The Neighborhood News has free tickets to give away for local events published in its weekly edition. Stop in to The Neighborhood News, 8613 Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, and enter to win free tickets to local events.

The latest addition to our Freebies list is two tickets to the Sokol Greater Cleveland Oktoberfest on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave. Music by Frank Moravcik; delicious Czech food. Deadline to enter is Monday, Sept. 10th.

Also new to the Freebies is two tickets to the St. Therese Parish picnic with an Italian theme, being held on Sunday, Sept. 9, at Klima's Gardens in Cuyahoga Heights. Deadline for entry is September 5th.

And we are still taking entries for tickets for admission to the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. Sign up for either two or four tickets; good through December 31, 2018. Deadline for entry is September 13th.

Winners will be notified by phone and are limited to one winning entry every six months. Stop in today during normal business hours and enter the drawing!

From the courtroom...

Courtney R. Alfred, an administrator at a Bedford alternative school, was sentenced to two years probation by Judge Stuart Friedman in Cuyahoga County Court last week after pleading guilty to sexual battery.

The victim alleged he had a sexual affair with Alfred, 40, of Northfield, that began when he was 17, during the 2016-17 school year, according to Bedford police.



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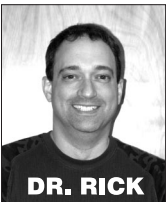
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List of Meetings for September 2018

Monday, September 3, 2018	Holiday - City Hall Closed
Tuesday, September 4, 2018	Council Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - 8:00p.m.
Wednesday, September 5, 2018	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - TBD, Regular Meeting - TBD
Monday, September 17, 2018	Council Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - 8:00p.m.
Tuesday, September 18, 2018	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - TBD
Tuesday, September 25, 2018	Board of Zoning Appeals (if needed) Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - TBD

It should also be noted that the Board of Building Standards and Appeals, Civil Service Commission, Bedford Arts and Cultural Board, Bedford Historical Preservation Board, Assessment Equalization Board, Public Hearings, Planning Commission, Animal Appeals Board, Board of Zoning Appeals and Tree Board meet **as needed**. Notification of these meetings will be posted at the five most public places in the City per **Ordinance No. 8461-09**.

All Meetings will be held at Bedford City Hall,
165 Center Road, Bedford, Ohio 44146.
For agendas please go to www.bedfordoh.gov
or call Lorree Villers, Clerk of Council, at 440-735-6510.

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Clerk of Council

Community police reports

By Amber Weisbarth

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

CLEVELAND

Felonious Assault

A resident of the 6600 block of Gertrude Ave. told police she was attacked by

two mothers on August 14th while attempting to deal with an incident in which her daughter was bullied. The woman said that as she confronted the mother, a second woman "came out of nowhere" and spit on her. She said she was then punched and kicked in the head and body several times by both

women. She was taken to MetroHealth Medical Center for treatment.

According to Cleveland Municipal Court records, the women, a 39-year-old Cleveland resident and a 28-year-old Bedford resident, are being charged with felonious assault.

GARFIELD HTS.

Criminal Damage/ Theft From Auto

Between August 20th and August 22nd, residents in the following neighborhoods reported their cars were broken into and items were stolen: 12100 block Havana Rd.; 12200 block Grannis Rd.; 5100 block E. 98th St.; 12900 block Oak St.; 5100 block E. 131st St.; 12400 block McCracken Rd.; 12300 block Garland Ave.; 12000 block Orme Rd.

Public Indecency

On August 20th, around 2 p.m., police were dispatched to the area of Blythin Rd. after an employee of a nearby day care facility in the 7900 block of Garfield Blvd. said a man was outside in a red vehicle taking photos of children near the playground area. Police said a similar report was taken on August 17th with the same male in the same vehicle. On August 17th, an employee of the day care confronted the man, who she said had been watching a video and engaging in lewd behavior

outside the facility and had fled the scene. At the time, police searched the area for the man with negative results.

After the report on August 20th, police searched the area again and found the vehicle unoccupied on Horton Rd. Officers eventually spoke to a man who had admitted he was driving the car and had been parked on Blythin. He was identified as a 69-year-old Cleveland resident. He told police he frequently stops near the day care but denied taking pictures of children. Police reported that while speaking to the man, he began deleting photos from his phone. He was then handcuffed and detained while the investigation continued.

Two employees of the day care were separated and positively identified the man as the driver of the red vehicle. He was arrested and taken to City Jail. Police said a search of the man's phone did not reveal any photos of children. He was charged with public indecency and held on a \$2500 bond.

Weapon Offense

Police were dispatched to the area of Garfield Blvd. and E. 96th St. on August 26th, around 10:30 p.m., and observed a car weaving in and out of lanes on the Boulevard. Police pulled the driver over and smelled alcohol on his person. He was also concealing a knife on his right hip with his hand. He was asked if there were any other weapons on him and he said no. He was identified as a 34-year-old Garfield Heights resident, and during a pat-down police found a loaded gun in his pocket. A check through LEADS confirmed the gun was entered stolen out of Oakwood Village.

The man was arrested and provided a breath sample which registered .246% blood alcohol content, which is over three times the legal limit of .08%. He was held at City Jail for carrying a concealed weapon, weapons while intoxicated, receiving stolen property and operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Police said he had a prior OVI conviction in 2016.

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Food Resource Center opening in Maple Hts.

As of this past Monday, the Maple Heights Food Pantry, a partner of the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, has expanded to become a Food Resource Center, not only providing food but helping to address the root causes of hunger.

In its six-county service area, the Greater Cleveland Food Bank is working to establish 10 such Food Resource Centers to provide enhanced access to food through expanded operating hours, with a strong emphasis on nutritious foods and fresh produce.

Working in partnership with other community organizations, the centers help clients access related services such as those that assist in employment, housing or healthcare.

Along with providing wrap-around service, Food Resource Centers provide increased food storage, have enhanced capacity to service diverse populations and collaborate within their communities. They also provide expanded support from the Food Bank including priority access to capacity funding, growth training

opportunities and infrastructure upgrades.

As a Food Resource Center, Maple Heights Food Pantry will have the capacity to distribute even more nutritious food to people in need, under the guidance of site director Linda Vopat, director of Human Services in Maple Heights.

The Maple Heights Food Pantry, 17100 Broadway Ave., is open Tuesdays from noon to 3 p.m.; Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon; and Thursdays from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

For those in need of food assistance, call the Greater Cleveland Food Bank's Help Center at 216-738-2067 to find a Food Resource Center or partner program near you.

G.H. history talk at museum

Garfield Heights historian Steve Sanducci will give a presentation entitled "Garfield Heights History Part 2: 1930's and 1940's in our Hometown" on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 1 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Historical Museum meeting room, 5405 Turney Rd.

There will be refreshments and a question period after the talk. For more information call 216-475-3050 or online at: ghhist.org or Facebook.



Liga Morska

Liga Morska Golden Agers will meet Wednesday,

Sept. 5, at 11:30 a.m. at Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall on E. 71st St. A short meeting will be followed by a light lunch, raffle and games.



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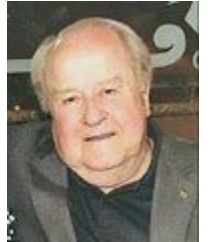
JAMES D. HENDERSON, SR., of Marina Del Rey, California, passed away on August 22nd after a long battle with melanoma. He was 72 years old.



Henderson is survived by his wife, (Kathrine) Kathy Lynn Baumann of Independence; his son, attorney James D. Henderson, Jr. (Meghan); daughter Jadey Koch (Joe); his new granddaughter, Rylee Koch; sisters Lynda Hopper and Diane Barclay.

Visitation will be held at Fortuna Funeral Home, 7076 Brecksville Rd. in Independence, on Thursday, Aug. 30, and Friday, Aug. 31, from 4-8 p.m. Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 6912 Chestnut Rd., Independence, on Saturday, Sept. 1, at 10 a.m. Interment following at Maple Shade Cemetery. Celebration of Life service pending in Los Angeles.

FRANCIS C. "DIGGER" BICAN, 81, of Garfield Heights, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 21, after a long battle with cancer.



He was born October 19, 1936 in Cleveland to the late William and Mary Bican. Beloved husband of 59 years to Carol (nee Vank); loving father of Denise Jendre (Andrew), Tim Bican (Betty) and Kelly Tarnowski (Jeff); dear grandfather and great-grandfather of many. Dearest brother of Bernice Roark (deceased), Rita Zack (deceased), William (deceased) wife Joyce and brother-in-law of Lorre and Art Zygmunt; dear uncle and friend to many.

Digger loved his dog Molly as well as all dogs throughout his life.

Arrangements were handled by Bican Bros. Funeral Home. Services were held at Fortuna Funeral Home and a Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Therese Church. Interment in All Saints Cemetery.



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Moravcik Band closes Bedford Party in the Park season

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Bringing back some polka bands and dance bands helped swell the crowd to numbers of the past, said organizer Chuck St. John. "Frankly, the entire band schedule this summer was great," he said.

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LEGAL NOTICE FOR NOTIFICATION OF A CHANGE IN PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE CITY OF MAPLE HEIGHTS

In accordance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Chapter 208 of the Administrative Code of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Maple Heights, notice is hereby given for a change in the 2018 Public Meeting Schedule for the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Maple Heights, Ohio. Effective with the September 10, 2018 regular meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission there will be a Caucus Meeting at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Public Hearing and Public Meeting at 6:30 p.m. All meetings will be held in the Maple Heights City Hall Council Chambers, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio.

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City of Maple Heights

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August 29, 2018

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held on **Monday, September 10, 2018**, at 6:30 p.m., before the **Maple Heights Planning and Zoning Commission** at the Maple Heights City Hall Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio, to consider the following applications:

2018-PZ-12 An application from Lenny V. Berry requesting Approval of a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Medical Office in a Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District located at 5831 Dunham Road, Maple Heights, Ohio.

2018-PZ-13 An application from Joe Salyers of Packing House Meats requesting Approval of a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Meat Store in a Neighborhood Commercial (NC) Zoning District located at 5830 Lee Road South, Maple Heights, Ohio.

All persons and/or their representatives desiring to be heard are invited to attend. The applications and all supporting materials may be viewed in the Maple Heights Building Department, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio. Please call the Clerk's Office at least one week before the meeting at 216-587-9000 to arrange for handicap assistance to the second floor if necessary.

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Local street resurfacing has started on several streets in Ward 12's Slavic Village, Councilman Tony Brancatelli has announced.

The following streets are scheduled for resurfacing: East 65th Street from Fleet to Broadway avenues; East 82nd Street from Harvard to Finney avenues; Finney Avenue from its west end to East 82nd Street; East 75th Street from Worley to Canton avenues; Gertrude Avenue from East 71st to East 65th streets; East 78th Street from Spafford Road to Broadway Avenue.

One lane will be maintained for local traffic for the duration of the project and no detours are expected. Access to all businesses, residences and side streets will be maintained during construction; on-street parking will not be allowed.

"Thank you for your patience during the construction projects," Brancatelli said. "You will be inconvenienced for a short time but the long term improvements will be worth the effort. Between our local paving project as well as improvements for main streets, such as the Broadway Avenue bypass road, we will see millions invested in our infrastructure."

He said this year the engineering design will also begin for rebuilding East 55th from Broadway Avenue to Harvard Avenue through the use of NOACA Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funds.

For questions, contact the city's chief construction inspector, Traci Hartness-Mercado, at 216-857-5447.

St. Therese Parish picnic

All past and present parishioners and friends of St. Therese Church in Garfield Heights are invited to "A Touch of Italy With Frank & Dean" picnic on Sunday, Sept. 9, at Klima's Gardens in Cuyahoga Heights.

This Italian-themed picnic will feature a show with music from Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, Italian food for purchase, including sausage with peppers & onions, meatball subs, pizza, salad, beer and wine. There will also be raffles, games and a Chinese auction.

The celebration begins at 12:30 p.m. with an outdoor Mass under the pavilion. The parish raffle with a grand prize of \$2000 will be drawn at 6:30 p.m.

Advance sale tickets are \$5 for adults and there is no charge for children 12 and under. Tickets are available after Masses this weekend, at the parish office and at All Saints Credit Union during regular business hours. Tickets will also be sold at the gate on the day of the event for \$6. 216-581-2852.

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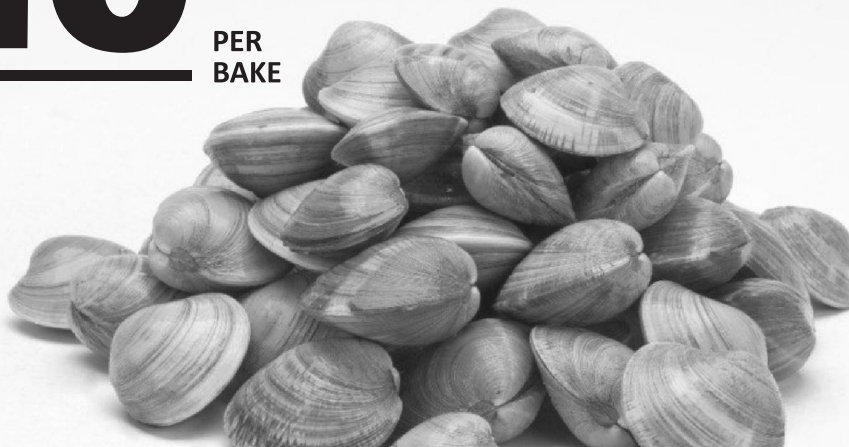
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