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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019

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SE Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast this Sunday at Holy Name Church

Chefs from Edwins to cook!

The Kiwanis Club of South East Cleveland will hold its annual allyou-can-eat Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, April 7, in Haren Hall at Holy Name Church, 8328 Broadway Ave., near Harvard, serving from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Chinese raffles, great prizes!



Chefs from Brandon Chrostowski's Edwins Leadership & Restaurant Institute will be doing all the cooking for the breakfast as "Knife Skills," the Oscar-nominated documentary on Edwin's, runs continually throughout the breakfast for everyone to enjoy. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for children under 12, and free for those under 5 years.

Proceeds benefit the many children's programs in Slavic Village supported by the South East Kiwanis.

Holy Week Services wanted

Local churches are asked to send in their Holy Week Services for inclusion in the April 17th issue of The Neighborhood News. Deadline for submission is Friday, April 12, at 5 p.m.

Information should include the name and address of the church, services for Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday, and a contact phone number.

Church listings can be emailed nnews1923@aol.com or sent by mail to The Neighborhood News, 8613 Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, OH 44125.

Health fair at St. Monica's

ing Into Health, Wellness free admittance, free health & Fitness" will be presented screenings from Cleveland at St. Monica Church, Clinic and the Cuyahoga Garfield Heights, on Sat- School of Nursing and free a.m. to 2 p.m. Over 80 ven- as well as free giveaways. dors, exhibitors and pre-

An event called "Blossom- senters will be on hand, with 13623 Rockside Rd., Valley Career Center urday, April 13, from 10 chances to win raffle prizes,

There will be a full schedule for the main stage along with the S.W.A.T. truck and equipment. Also back is the Cuyahoga County Animal Shelter and the Miniature Therapy Horses, as well as a new therapy in-training pig, Rodney James!

Other highlights include chair massages, blood drive, snack bar and vendor products for sale as well.

3 charged in fatal shooting

Last week three men were charged in a fatal 2017 shooting that took place in the North Broadway neighborhood of Cleveland.

Daniel White, 39; Danzel Washington, 27; and Norman Ross, 23, were charged with murder in a shooting near Mead Avenue that happened on September 4, 2017, according to court records.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for White on April 8. Washington and Ross have warrants issued but are not in custody.

I-77 south exit ramp to Rt. 21 to be closed April 15 for 100 days

FREE

On Monday, April 15, the I-77 southbound exit ramp to Rt. 21 (Brecksville Rd.) in Cuyahoga Heights will close for 100 days in order to replace the exit ramp bridge. Motorists will be detoured via I-77 south to 1-480 eastbound to Rt. 17 (Granger Rd.) to Rt. 21 (Brecksville Rd.)

Temporary complete closures of I-77 north and south may take place to accommodate bridge demolition and construction operations. Detours will be posted.

The project was awarded to J.D. Williamson Construction Company, Inc. for \$7,848,580 and is expected to be completed in June 2019.

New felony sex charges for ex-Cleveland officer

A former Cleveland police officer who was charged with two felony sex offenses in February stemming from an incident in Garfield Heights is now facing a 21-count indictment with new charges.

On March 8, 2019, Mario Lozada, 55, now retired from the force, was indicted on sex offense charges for paying a 15-year-old girl to engage in sexual activity, according to Ryan Miday in the Cuyahoga County prosecutor's office.

The indictment also charged Lozada with underage alcohol use for purchasing alcohol for the girl. The twelve charges in the indictment include four counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, two counts of pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor, four counts of compelling prostitution, one count of improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle and one count of underage alcohol use.

Since the indictment, CPD Internal Affairs' continuing investigation revealed that Lozada unlawfully accessed the law enforcement automated database system (LEADS), Miday said.

The investigation also identified a 17-year-old girl from whom Lozada solicited nude photos, according to Miday. Lozado was reindicted by a grand jury on additional charges including eight counts of illegal use of minor in nudity-oriented material or performance and one count of unauthorized use of property.

Lozada is scheduled to appear at an April 9 arraignment hearing, according to court records.

His previous charges include pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor and unlawful sexual conduct with a minor. They stem from a July 13th incident near Jack C. Donovan Park in Garfield Heights in which police discovered Lozada in an SUV with a then 14-year-old girl.

Azlan Smith awarded Mayor's Trophy at Garfield Hts. Ice Show

The 2019 Cinema Skates 51st annual Ice Show in Garfield Heights, held on Saturday, March 23, brought in a crowd of well over 300 people. Music for the skaters was from movies directed by MGM, Walt Disney Productions, Dreamworks, Lionsgate, Universal Pictures, Paramount Pictures, Warner Bros. Studios, and Fox Productions. Some of the group number titles included songs from "Ghostbusters," "Beetlejuice," "The Greatest Show-man," "Bring it On," "Shrek" and "American Graffiti."

Congratulations to the 2019 Mayor's Trophy Winner - Azlan Smith, who skated a solo from the movie "Annie."

Azlan is a 14-year-old eighth grader who lives in Garfield Heights and attends Garfield Heights Middle School. She is the daughter of Dan and Shannon Smith of Garfield Heights.

Azlan was seven-years-old when she registered for the Learn to Skate program and has been skating ever since. She loves being on the ice and has two brothers, Zion, 15, and Journey, 11, who love to cheer her on every time she skates. In the future, Azlan would love to coach younger children, perform in Disney on Ice, and become a teacher or nurse.

When she's not skating Azlan can be found volunteering at Momentum Church, playing with her big dog, Sully, studying for tests or hanging out with her family and friends.

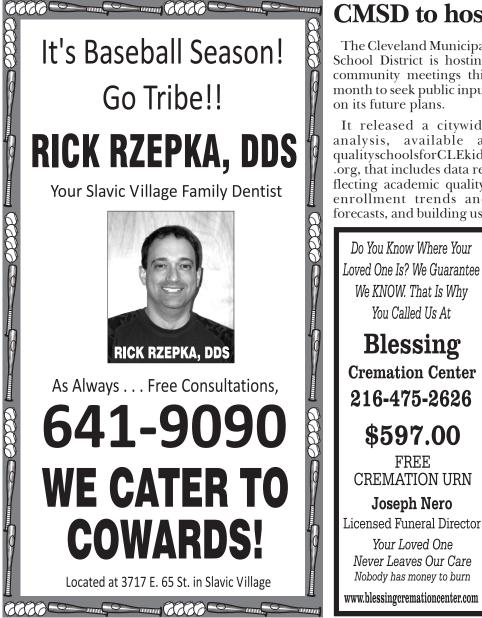
Mark your calendars for next year's 52nd annual Ice Show, scheduled for March 29th, that will be "magical!"

Mayor's Trophy winner

Azlan Smith

All Egg Hunts in the NN area will be held April 13th. See next week's paper for details.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bid proposals will be received by the City Manager of the City of Bedford, Ohio at his office, 165 Center Road, Bedford, Ohio until 12:00 Noon on the 18th day of April, 2019 for:

2019 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

and will be publicly opened and read immediately thereafter. Each bid must contain the full name or names of the party or parties making the same, with an affidavit as to interested parties, and in the case of a corporation not chartered in Ohio, with a proper certificate that such corporation is authorized to do business in Ohio, and be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check on a solvent bank made payable to the order of the City of Bedford, the amount shall be equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, drawn in favor of the Clerk of the City of Bedford, Ohio. Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty or Bid Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Each bidder must insure that all employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, creed, color, sex or national origin.

The price of material and labor bid for shall be separately stated.

Copies of the Specifications, Instructions to Bidders, Forms of Proposals and other contract documents are on file at the office of the Clerk of the City of Bedford. These documents may only be obtained through the office of GPD Group by emailing Jacque Gorman jgorman@gpdgroup.com and requesting a digital copy. Digital documents will be provided free of charge. Questions or inquiries should be directed to GPD Group at (216) 927-8655. No questions will be answered after 1 p.m. on April 15, 2019.

The bid check or bid bond, as the case may be, will be held as a guarantee that, if the bid proposal is accepted, a contract will be entered into between the bidder and the City of Bedford, and the performance of such contract secured by said check or bond, and in default thereof said check or bond, and the amount represented thereby, shall be forfeited to the City of Bedford as liquidated damages.

The City of Bedford reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any bid which it deems most favorable to the City.

> Michael S. Mallis, City Manager City of Bedford, Ohio

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facilities plan. CMSD to host community input meetings

community meetings this

flecting academic quality, enrollment trends and forecasts, and building use

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The Cleveland Municipal and conditions across the members and families work School District is hosting city. The analysis will allow from the same set of facts the community to use the and engage together in month to seek public input same information district thoughtful planning, the and charter school leaders consider when assessing It released a citywide how best to plan for quality analysis, available at schools in every neighborqualityschoolsforCLEkids hood, according to the dis-.org, that includes data re- trict. It provides data at three different levels citywide, by region and at public meetings, frequently the school level — for both district and charter K-8 and for questions and comhigh schools.

The report does not, how-



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district said.

website, they can also access an interactive tool to explore their own region, a user guide, a schedule of asked questions and a form ments.

The analysis and meetever, make recommenda- ings come because the tions. It is meant to help board of education is reviseducators, community iting the district's master

Cleveland's population patterns have changed since the plan was last updated five years ago, and the board wants to ensure that the taxpayers' investment matches community When users visit the needs, according to the district.

> Therefore, the district said it is taking this opportunity to better align its académic and facilities decision-making.

> CMSD CEO Eric Gordon will lead a series of public meetings in April. The schedule is on the website and also on a postcard being mailed citywide and cited below. The remaining meetings include:

•Southeast: 4 p.m., Thursday, April 4, Third Federal Savings, 7007 Broadway Avenue

•West: 1:30 p.m., Saturday, April 6, Max S. Hayes High School, 2211 W. 65th Street

•Northeast: 1:30 p.m., Saturday, April 13, Collinwood Recreation Center, 16300 Lake Shore Boulevard

•Southwest: 6 p.m., Wednesday, April 17, New Tech West High School, 11801 Worthington Avenue

•Near West: 6 p.m., Thursday, April 11, and 6 p.m., Thursday, April 18, Garrett Morgan High School, 4016 Woodbine Avenue



MARCH 29 — APRIL 22 • I-X CENTER

Grand opening set for Sylk's Chicken & Fish

A ribboncutting for Sam Sylk's Chicken & Fish restaurant in Garfield Commons Plaza in Garfield Heights, 12672 Rockside Rd., will be held this Friday, April 5, at 12 noon, with Mayor Vic Collova and council members welcoming Sam and his wife, Zenobia, to the community.

The celebration will continue throughout the weekend with restaurant specials, prizes and giveaways and surprise guest appearances by local media celebrities.

On Friday, WZAK 93.1FM radio will hold a remote broadcast from Sylk's from 4 to 6 p.m. From noon to 2 p.m. this Saturday will be family fun with children's activities and a live R&B performance by Unit Band from 7 to 8 p.m., and a special live performance at 3 p.m. Sunday by the "Nu Covenant" gospel group.

Everyone is invited to stop by for fun and delicious food. Menu items include homestyle chicken and waffles, shrimp, catfish, whiting, perch, salmon, okra, wings, fries, coleslaw and much more!





Garfields Hts. Community Awareness meeting scheduled

Join Garfield Heights Mayor Vic Collova, Council President Matt Burke, Council President Pro Tem Mike Nenadovich, Councilman Joe LaMalfa and candidate



Jason Blake on Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd., as issues in the city are discussed. Guest speaker will be Ohio Supreme Court Judge Michael Donnelly.





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Community police reports BEDFORD

Counterfeit money

On March 19 at about 8:50 a.m., a man came into the police station with seven counterfeit \$100 bills that he found in the area of Broadway Avenue and Southwick **GARFIELD HEIGHTS** Drive. The man said he noticed the bills while driving past the area. The money looked real so he decided to Theft bring it to the police department.

Shoplifting

On March 19 at about 5:45 p.m., officers responded to Phil's Convenience Mart in the 300 block of Columbus Road for a shoplifting report. The complainant said three juvenile males took baked goods and headed toward Northfield Road.

Theft

Police reported several break-ins and thefts from accept \$800, prompting her to believe she had been vehicles

• On March 24 at about 1:20 p.m. on the 600 block of

On Tuesday, March 26th, a theft report was filed

stating that the pastor of a Cleveland church had gotten

a call from someone saying they were representing Ohio

Edison and that the church's power would be turned off

if he did not pay \$1,000. The pastor's mother, who paid

the bills for the church, was given a phone number to

contact Ohio Edison and was given instructions to go to

the Sunoco gas station at Turney and Rockside rds. and

deposit the \$1,000 in a Bitcoin ATM located there. The

woman followed instructions but the ATM would only

•On March 24 at about 6:45 a.m. on the 700 block of Theft from Auto

On Wednesday, March 27th, a resident of the 4600 • On March 24 at about 1:30 p.m. on the 800 block of block of E. 104 St. reported that sometime during the night someone had cut the padlock off the back doors of his work van and stolen \$1,500 worth of tools inside.

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Dr. Tracy Ringo is pleased to announce that Exclusively Skin, specializing in the treatment of skin diseases, has opened up in Garfield

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216-508-6500 or visit website: She is in the Ohio Army www.exclusively-skin.com.

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United Methodist Church 4977 Turney Rd. 216-641-4149 **Garfield Heights** Sunday Worship & Sunday School 10:30an Rev. Daniel Drew, Pastor

Missionary Baptist Church $12210\ \text{Miles}$ Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio44105Services 11:30 am Sundays Rev. Robinson Crenshaw, Pastor

Orthodox Church 16029 Maple Park Drive, Maple Heights, 216-475-9365 Great Vespers - Saturdays at 4:00pm Sunday Divine Liturgy - 10:00am

scammed and contacting police.

13623 Rockside Road Garfield Heights 216-662-8685 Pastor: Rev. Thomas Haren Daily Mass time: 8:00am. Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm, Sunday Mass times: 9:00am & 10:45am

All are welcome!

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thodox Church, 16029

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Heights, will be serving fish fry dinners from 4-6:30

For more information or

carryouts, call 216-475-

9365.

p.m. on Friday, April 5.

GRAND

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH



PAUL R. VARRATI, February 22, 1951 - March 14, 2019. Dearly beloved husband of Dawn (nee Glasko); dear brother of Marie Puma (Ross) and Linda; dear son of Frank and Laverne (both deceased). Paul was a member of Teamsters #507, Maple Hts. Knights of Columbus #5106, and Moses Cleaveland Knights of Colum-

bus. He was also a dear friend of The Neighborhood News.

