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## Garfield Hts. officials urge all to be counted in 2020 Census

By Ellen Psenicka

At the regular meeting of Garfield Heights Council Monday night, Mayor Vic Collova and Economic Development Director Noreen Kuban and council itself in a resolution it passed, urged all residents to participate in

Collova noted that in the 2010 Census, Garfield Heights was labeled "Hard to Count." It is vital, he said, that everyone fill out a census form by the end of April so that grant money based on population will be available to the fullest extent possible.

Councilman Michael Dudley also pointed out that the number of legislators in state and federal offices are determined by population, making it very important to stand up and be counted.

Kuban said residents will be given the first opportunity to fill out a census form March 12-20, either online or on paper, and several other times until the final reminder postcards are issued April 20-27.

The mayor also pointed out that the elevator in the Civic Center is still not working, which has forced the monthly produce giveaway on March 17 to be cancelled. Call the Senior Center for other options.

Collova said the elevator will be down another four to six weeks while the part is being made to replace the broken

The following ordinances were passed by council at its Monday night meeting:

- •To enter into an agreement with Teletronics, Inc. to upgrade the city's phone system software and to provide technical support for a period of 24 months at a cost not to exceed \$21,000;
- •To enter into an agreement with the city engineers, OHM Advisors, for the Midwest Neighborhood Storm/

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## **Slavic Village Summit** set for Saturday

The annual Slavic Village Neighborhood Summit will be held this Saturday, March 14, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway

The Summit returns to explore the path for Slavic Village as it heads into the new decade. A panel discussion moderated by The Sound of Ideas host Mike McIntyre will feature ideas from local leaders. The event is free to attend, and a light lunch will be

For more information, contact Susan at 216-429-1182, ext. 132, or susang@slavicvillage.org.

## **Bedford Council OKs sale of former YMCA property**

#### By Judith Goldsworth

Continuing its goal to revitalize the Northfield-Rockside Road area, Bedford Council passed legislation at its meeting last week allowing APEC Holdings, LLC to buy the former Southeast YMĆA property at 460 Northfield Rd.

In June of last year, Bedford's Land Revitalization Program acquired the approximately 24,000 square foot facility through Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court for eclosure case for \$4,244.72, according to the ordinance. The YMCA, built in 1955, was closed in 2018, due to financial issues.

of the former YMCA property, David M. Berry, Project Engineer with APEC, stated, We have no plan on demolition of the building. We are planning on keeping this part of Bedford's history. Our goal is to make the building into a showcase for our business, and a historical memory for the multitude of people that visited the YMĈA.

APEC, a company specializing in engineering services, is currently located at 70 South Park St., just west of the Bedford Historical Society and Museum in Bedford's Historic District.

During council's vote on the ordinance, City Manager Mike Mallis explained that APEC wants to relocate yet stay in the community, resulting in the city and the company arriving at the purchase agreement.

The legislation states that the city and APEC negoti-

When contacted for com- for \$135,000, "in consider- also passed an ordinance to ment on APEC's purchase ation of APEC remodeling enter into a contract with and refurbishing the propprofessional engineering ing of additional employ- total amount of \$24,543.60.

> said, "and there's going to buya 2020 GMC Sierra 2500 be a substantial investment HD for the animal warden, going on in that building also through the State Coand that should, hopefully, be taking place pretty shortly.'

#### New vehicles, equipment approved

Council approved a number of ordinances for new vehicles and equipment for the city, including a threevear Uniform Service Contract with Cintas Corporation and a contract with Ganley Chevrolet of Aurora to purchase two 2020 Chevrolet Tahoes for the police department through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program (\$72,560).

Related to the purchase of ated the sale of the property the police vehicles, council

Hall Public Safety to outfit erty to expand its current the two Tahoes with all necessary equipment, includbusiness, including the hir- ing two-way radios, for a

Also approved was a con-"This is a good deal," Mallis tract with Jay Auto Group to operative (\$32,655.20), with half the cost to be paid by the city of Bedford Heights, which shares the animal warden's services with Bedford.

> Per two other pieces of legslation passed at the meeting, Bedford and Bedford Heights will split the cost of a\$25,000 contract with Deerskin Manufacturing to install a 6-compartment Chassis Animal Control Unit in the new Animal Warden truck and also split the cost of a \$6,136.08 contract with Northcoast Two Way Radio to install a two-way radio in the truck.

#### Other legislation

Council approved an ordinance condemning the property and structure at 591 Broadway as "unfit for human habitation or occu-

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Garfield Heights Fire Department Lt. Joseph Warner, second from right, was promoted to captain in the GHFD and sworn in by Mayor Vic Collova, at far right, at Monday's council meeting. Fire Chief Ken Strope is shown at far left next to members of Captain Warner's family. Photo by Wendy Walters

## **Canal Road closure**

Next Monday, March 16, and Tuesday, March 17, between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m., Canal Road, under I-480, will be closed for overhead bridge deck replacement. A detour route will be posted.

## Garfield Hts. officials

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Sanitary Sewer System Reconstruction Project - Phase 2, and authorizing payment of costs through funding by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District;

- To prepare the necessary plans and go out for competitive bids for the Midwest Neighborhood Storms/Sanitary Sewer System Reconstruction Project - Phase 4, and authorizing payment through funds by the NEORSD MCIP and the NEORSD/Community Cost Share Pro-
- To prepare the necessary plans and go out for competitive bids for the 2020 Paving Program, which will involve various streets in all seven wards at a cost of up to \$750,000 funded by issuance and sale of notes, and authorizing costs for this project;
- Preliminary legislation concerning the replacement of guardrails throughout the city.

Two resolutions were also passed by council, the first requesting council's support in urging the residents of the city of Garfield Heights to participate in the 2020 Census, and the other to apply for a Training and Equipment Grant provided by the Ohio Department of Public Safety -Division of Emergency Medical Services for the Garfield Heights Fire Department.

#### **LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

By order of the Council of the City of Maple Heights, sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Agent, at Maple Heights City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio 44137, until 12:00 Noon, local time, on the 26th day of March, 2020 for the "LEE-LIBBY POCKET PARK BIO-SWALE INSTALLATION PROJECT" in the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, NO FAXED COPIES ACCEPTED.

Plans and complete specifications may be procured at the office of Chagrin Valley Engineering, Ltd., 22999 Forbes Road, Suite B, Cleveland, Ohio 44146. Bidders shall deposit the sum of \$100.00 for the plans and specifications. This sum is not refundable. Checks shall be made payable to: Chagrin Valley Engineering, Ltd.

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Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and

Bids will be opened and read at the time and place stated above. Those who submitted Proposals or their representatives are invited to attend.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Cuyahoga County and the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, (614) 644-2239

A Pre-bid Conference for the Lee-Libby Pocket Park Bio-Swale Installation Project will be held at 10:00 A.M. local time on the 19th day of March, 2020 in the second floor Council Chambers of the Maple Heights City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, for all interested parties. Information will be disseminated concerning proper completion of bid package documents and work to be performed.

The right is reserved by the City to accept any bidder, to reject any or all bids, and to waive informalities should it be deemed to be in the best interests of the City of Maple Heights to do so.

Bids are to be submitted in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the Purchasing Agent. Sealed bids must be marked, "LEE-LIBBY POCKET PARK BIO-SWALE INSTALLATION PROJECT"

Tinita Tillman Finance Director Maple Heights, Ohio

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## Attorney general rolls out Robocall Enforcement Unit as well as reporting tool for consumers

An anti-robocall initiative launched last week by Attorney General Dave Yost gives Ohio more muscle to fight this: Just don't answer. back against the growing nuisance.

Yost announced the formation of a Robocall Enforcement Unit and the development of a tool that lets consumers report malicious robocalls to his office.

Ohioans are tired of playing defense against annoying robocalls," Yost said. "Now it's Ohio's turn to play offense and we need your help."

The new unit, part of Yost's Consumer Protection Section, is dedicated to rooting out bad actors at every level of the robocall industry. The unit is made up of attorneys and investigators, including some who are already involved in legal action against companies responsible for the onslaught of calls

Ohioans were hit with an estimated 2.2 billion robocalls in 2019, according to YouMail, a service that tracks robocall traffic.

The Robocall Enforcement Unit will take a multipronged approach to the problem by partnering with anti-robocall groups at the national level, investigating suspected violators, taking aggressive enforcement action and seeking legislation to expand the state's authority over robocalls.

Yost is urging Ohioans to report calls to the unit by texting "ROBO" to 888111 and answering a set of questions that takes less than a minute to complete. Consumers also can file complaints by visiting  $Ohio Protects. org or calling 1-800-\dot{2}82-0515.$ 

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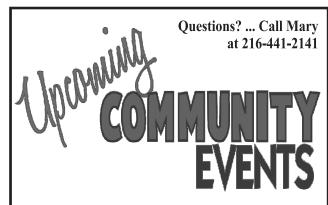
Other tips to help combat robocalls include:

- Never interact with a suspected robocaller in any way.
- Avoid providing personal or financial information by
- Register your phone number with the Do Not Call Registry online at DoNotCall.gov or by phone at 1-888-
- Research services offered by your phone provider to block unwanted calls.
- Install a trusted and reliable app on your cellphone to block or warn of suspicious calls.

As part of the initiative, Yost also released a series of five informational videos focused on robocalls. The videos are available on YouTube.

## Fish fry at St. Andrew's

St. Andrew Eastern Orthodox Church, 16029 Maple Park Dr., Maple Heights, will be serving fish fry dinners from 4-6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 13. For more information or carryouts, call 216-475-9365.



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#### **HOLDASH DUDL**

age 95, beloved wife of Albert P. Holdash (deceased) and Joseph Dudl (deceased). Loving mother of William (deceased), Albert (Josie), Kevin (Laurie) and Debby Campbell (Lee). Cherished grandmother of Wendy (deceased), Allan, Lana Ostry (Justin), Kalli, Kerri, Evan and Carly; great-grandmother of Peyton.

Dear sister of Sabina Turay and Dolores Dobransky and the following deceased: Victor Myczkowski, John, Edward and Robert Macek; aunt and great-aunt. Millie was a retired cook from the Jewish Welfare Federation of Cleveland, a life member of the Karlin Club, the Bunco Club and a member of the Associates of the Sisters of the Club and a member of the Associates of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Services Wednesday, March 11, approves equipment for 2020 at 6 p.m. at FORTUNA FUNERAL HOME, 7076 Brecksville Rd., Independence, 44131 where FRIENDS **new 'sprayground'** WILL BE RECEIVED FROM 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery, 14609 Brookpark Rd., 44142, Thursday, March 12, at 11:30 A.M. (Please meet at cemetery). In lieu of flowers memorials suggested to the Hospice of the Western Reserve. Arrangements by GOLUBSKI Funeral Home 216-341-0940.

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#### **RODES**



James Forest Rodes, Sr. was born in Oak Hill, West Virginia on Jan. 6, 1929. Beloved husband of Betty L. (nee Vest). Loving father of Judy Pemberton (James), James F. Rodes, Jr. (Diane), Debra Jones (James), Kathy Bartoszek (Timothy, deceased), Lisa Jones (Ron) and Mitchell Rodes (Michelle). Cher-

Mildred Holdash Dudl, (nee Macek), ished grandfather of 14, great-grandfather of 22 and great-great grandfather of 1. Dear son of Venna Lee Rodes of the following deceased: Ethel, Garnette, Juanita, Alma Faye and Jack. Dear uncle and friend to many. U.S. Navy veteran and retired steel worker. Member of the American 8:30 p.m. at GOLUBSKI FUNERAL HOME, CORNER cations. OF É. 65 AND FULLERTON AVE. Friends received Wednesday 2-8:30 p.m. Interment at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery.

# **Maple Heights Council**

By Judith Goldsworth

If construction proceeds as expected, a fierce-looking velociraptor dinosaur, a giant leaf on a stalk and a pirate cannon will be making their home at the new Stafford Park Pool Sprayground this summer, after Maple Heights Council approved purchase of the water park-style equipment at a special meeting the last week of February.

The new attractions are part of the ongoing improvements taking place at the "sprayground" at Stafford Park Pool, as council has already passed several pieces of legislation at recent meetings towards new construction and equipment.



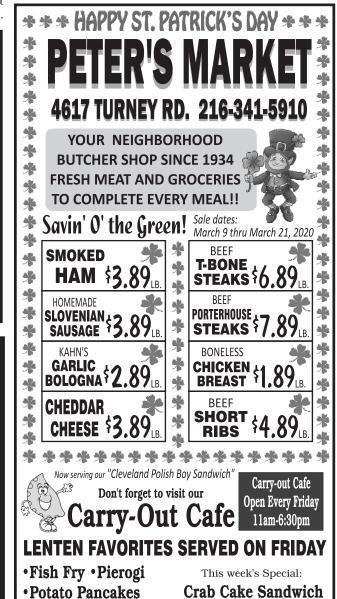


Stafford Park Pool was shut down several years ago due to financial constraints. However, Mayor Annette Blackwell has stated her intentions to have parts of the pool facility open this summer for Maple Heights residents to enjoy.

Council approved buying the equipment from Rain Drop Manufacturing, LLC, based in Ashland, Ohio, and according to Council Clerk Leonette Cicirella, the total purchase price for the three items is \$19,275, per City Engineer Ed Hren.

The velociraptor water cannon, resembling a 2-footlong prehistoric dinosaur head, is about 4 feet high, with and Etta (nee Plumley) (both deceased). Dearest brother a 6-foot diameter spray; the leaf sprayer is expected to be over 10 feet high, with a 12-foot diameter spray; and the 2 1/2-foot-long water fun pirate cannon will be about 3 1/ 2 feet high, with an 8-foot diameter spray, as stated in the Legion Post 627. Services Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at renderings provided by Rain Drop detailing the specifi-





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### **Bedford Council OKs sale**

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Passed was an ordinance to levy assessments for delinquent water/sewer bills on property owners in the city. The **Updates** Ĉuyahoga County Auditor may place a lien for the unpaid bills on the property taxes, according to the legislation.

#### **Individuals honored**

Mayor Stan Koci presented Certificates of Recognition to Bedford High School senior Brayon Miller and to Carmen Carter, owner of Tributes Spiritual Gift Shop at 686 Broadway Ave., in honor of their participation in the 2020 Multi-City Black History Month Event.

Koci also presented a proclamation from the city to Bishop Dante Thomas, pastor of Elevation Community Church in Bedford for the last 10 years, for being awarded the Outstanding Citizenship Award at the 2020 Multi-City Black History Month Event.

#### Employee reviews debated

Council members Heather Rhoades and Donald Saunders engaged in a brief debate on the council floor regarding recent reviews by council members of the performance of members of the city administration.

Rhoades said, "Everyone on council completed these Heights and have a question by their children outside of forms except for Donald Saunders, and I was wondering about its ordinances - what school? if Don was willing to make a statement as to why he did not feel that he needed to complete the reviews of these employees.'

"I think the way it was done was unprofessional," Saunders replied, stating that Mallis, Law Director John Montello and Finance Director Frank Gambosi required state licenses to perform their jobs.

"Unless they've done something really egregious, I don't see why there is a need to nitpick little things, like a normal common employee in a review... it's very unprofessional.

The city received a \$30,000 grant from Cuyahoga County towards crack sealing on West Grace, Turney Road and Columbus Road, Mallis said.

Mallis praised the economic development department for obtaining a \$6,000 grant to cover the cost of Shred Days. He also said the city is going to start replacing a lot of the public fountains in city buildings with water bottle filling stations, in the interest of reducing the sale of plastic water bottles.

The city will be able to continue receiving its Reverse 911 service, Code Red, at no cost, thanks to the Chagrin Valley Dispatch Center and Cuyahoga County, Mallis said. But he advised that residents who wish to continue receiving the calls in the event of emergencies will have to re-register, due to the new system.

#### Laws of the Land in G.H.

Do you live in Garfield able for crimes committed may or may not be legal in any given circumstance? This column will answer your questions with the help of members of Garfield Heights City Council.

Question - Is a parent li-

Answer - Yes. A parent commits the offense of failing to supervise a minor if the person is the parent, legal guardian or person with legal responsibility for the safety and welfare of a child under 18 who commits a status offense, unruly act or a delinquent act that would be a misdemeanor or felony of any degree if committed by an adult. The first offense is a minor misdemeanor, the second offense is a fourth degree misdemeanor, and the third and subsequent offenses are a first degree misdemeanor. Codified Ordinance Section 531.06



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## **GARFIELD HEIGHTS**

#### **Traffic Offense – Fleeing**

On February 6, at about 11:13 p.m., police observed a car run a stop sign northbound on E. 98 St. at McCracken Rd. As police initiated a traffic stop, the car slowed down and pulled into a nearby driveway. Then the driver put the vehicle in reverse and deliberately struck the frontend of the police cruiser and fled the scene with police in pursuit, which continued through Cleveland and finally to Van Aken Boulevard in the Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood. The fleeing car sideswiped another vehicle on Van Aken, causing it to veer to the right and lose control. It then struck a parked car with enough force to push it into another parked car. The fleeing car then stopped and two men got out and fled behind an apartment complex out of sight. At this time a perimeter was secured with Cleveland and Shaker Heights police, a K-9 unit and three GHPD officers responding. Officers found the passenger suspect in the backyard of a residence at Van Aken Blvd. and Drexmore Rd. Driver suspect was not located. Auto was impounded and towed. Police recovered a loaded firearm on the back seat of the car. Pending charges through the Youth Bureau for passenger suspect included improper handling a firearm and obstructing official business. Charges against driver suspect include assault, improper handling of a firearm, obstructing official business, fleeing and eluding, reckless operation and going through stop signs. Case forwarded to Detective Bureau.

#### **Assist Other Departments**

On Feb. 11, at 10:51 a.m., Garfield Heights units responded to the area of Thraves and Turney for a report of Maple Heights police being in a pursuit with a black Audi with a subject involved in a shots fired incident that had just occurred. GHPD observed Maple Heights officers pursue the Audi from Grannis to Thraves at E. 141 St. and then east on Brunswick. GHPD officer arrived on Brunswick and found the car had crashed and MHPD officers were struggling with the suspect. GHPD officer deployed his taser one cycle and suspect taken into custody without further incident.

#### **Aggravated Robbery**

On Feb. 14, at 4:04 a.m., police were called to the Sunoco gas station at 5326 Turney Rd. for a report of an aggravated robbery that had just occurred. The cashier told police a man walked inside the store wearing a black hoodie and a Halloween-type mask, brandished a gun and demanded money. The cashier filled a plastic bag the suspect produced with money. The man then fled the

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The following are paid job-training tracks for 18-24 yr olds: Ohio Guidestone- (Job Readiness, Culinary, Healthcare, and GED assistance); The Centers- El Barrio-(customer service, banking, pharmacy technician, hotel & guest services, child development associate, general job readiness-English/Spanish (all come with cash incentives, light meals, transportation assistance, certifications): The Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland- (Customer Service, Microsoft Training/IC3 Digital Literacy, Job Readiness, One Day Job Placement, paid MOVERS Program (explore various job opportunities-Two Summer Sessions), Head Start program sign-ups).

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## Maple Hts. Council passes bill to accept opioid settlement funds

#### By Judith Goldsworth

Stating that people in Ohio and its communities "have been harmed by misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance committed by certain entities within the opioid pharmaceutical supply chain," legislation passed by Maple Heights Council last week authorizes Mayor Annette Blackwell and Law Director Frank Consolo to accept the One  $Ohio\,Memorandum\,of\,Understanding\,for\,potential\,opioid\,litigation\,settlement\,funds.$ 

"All local governments have the opportunity to access funds from the prospective settlement for the purpose of covering expenses incurred by opioid abatements," according to an Ohio Municipal League Legislative Bulletin released on Friday, Feb.

The OML bulletin stated that local governments, such as Maple Heights, were asked to vote by Friday, March 6, on whether to accept the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to determine how monies would be divided from a prospective settlement against opioid manufacturers and distributors.

The purpose of the MOU is to permit collaboration "to explore and potentially effectuate earlier resolution of the opioid litigation against opioid pharmaceutical supply chain participants," according to the resolution.

All opioid funds will be divided, with 30% going to local governments for costs related to opioid abatement efforts, according to the MOU, authored by Governor Mike DeWine and Attorney General Dave Yost. The remainder will go to a foundation that will vote to distribute the monies throughout Ohio, and also to Yost's office, "for the purposes of covering costs related to opioid abatement efforts.'

The counsel representing Ohio's local governments in the litigation have pointed out that if the state cannot unite and seek a settlement before the October trial date, the deadline will have passed for local governments to work together on this issue, the OML bulletin stated.

Maple Heights will send the notification that it has accepted the MOU to the Ohio Municipal League, which will in turn send the record of the vote to the attorneys handling the litigation on behalf of Ohio local governments, according to the bulletin.

#### Applies for \$195K grant

Council also passed an ordinance authorizing Blackwell and Fire Chief Vito Kavaliunas to apply for a 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$195,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which if awarded will pay for five LIFEPAK 15 monitors/defibrillators.

If the grant is awarded, the city would be responsible for 10% of the cost, in the amount of \$17,727.28, with FEMA paying the remaining \$177,272.72, according to the bill.

#### Other legislation

Council also passed an ordinance authorizing the Maple Heights Land Reutilization Program to accept the title to 12 vacant parcels in the city, owned by the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation (CCLRC).

The 12 vacant parcels being transferred from the county to Maple Heights include: 18721 Raymond, 19010 Fairway, 19813 Fairway, 21511 Hillgrove, 21206 Hansen,  $18914\,Harlan, 20813\,Libby, 5267\,Milo, 5235\,Forest, 15012\,Krems, 15015\,Tokay, and$ 15625 Maplewood.

 $Also\ passed\ was\ an\ ordinance\ to\ enter\ into\ an\ agreement\ with\ the\ Ohio\ Department$ of Transportation (ODOT), allowing ODOT to complete a project in Maple Heights to upgrade guardrail end treatments on Broadway Ave. and Rockside Rd.

"This work is part of a larger ODOT project to upgrade guardrail end treatments on National Highway System routes within Cuyahoga and Lake counties... the entire cost



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and expense will be provided by [ODOT]," the ordinance states.

The month of March, 2020, has been designated as "Multiple Sclerosis Education and Awareness Month" in Maple Heights, to raise awareness of the disease, and in recognition of the impact of the disease on individuals and their families, according to a resolution passed by council.

Council also passed a motion authorizing the city engineer and service director to assess the condition of roadway pavements in the city, and to prepare plans and cost estimates for review by council prior to proceeding with a Road Repair Program within the city, Council Clerk Leonette Cicirella stated.

## Library program offered in Bedford

The following program is being offered by the Cuyahoga County Public Library's Southeast branch. For more programs and information, visit www.cuyahogalibrary.org.

#### SOUTHEAST/Bedford

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## Shalira Taylor, and Voter Suppression in Cleveland, Ohio Lie, Cheat and Steal!

That would be the answer you would get if you asked your average person on the street "what do politicians do?" Especially when it comes to local politicians. It all starts and ends with Cleveland City Council. They seemed to have done everything under the sun to stop the March 17th vote for the Reduction of pay and Reduction of council size from taking place.

So far, City Council members have had: illegal private meetings, news conferences, meeting with clergy, they even legally filed the name of the company that collected the signatures (Clevelanders First) with the Ohio Secretary of State, than attempting to change the law to withdraw the petition by: changing the City Charter with the Help of Congresswoman Marica Fudge.

This has gone too far!

I don't agree with taking these issues off the ballot. I also believe the 22,000 people that signed the petition to have City Council reduced and their pay reduced would like their day to vote.

Trying to change the rules, making them up as they go and follow through are all the weaknesses displayed by the Democrat Party this year, from the Federal level to the local level.

When will it end?

Cleveland City Council should have the confidence in its constituents, that they have done a "good enough" job to keep their seats. What are they afraid of? Why are they taking the vote away from the people? Why would a congress person aid in voter suppression?

Also, why did they wait until the last minute to take action? These signatures were collected over a two-year period. Why wait until 30 days before the election to try to

One thing I learned being in politics myself is, as elected officials we are responsible for the people we represent. This whole debacle is irresponsible on Cleveland's current elected officials, who are by the way all Democrats.

Now is the time to vote out the Democrat elites who only have their own best interest in mind, not that of the people! Cleveland's elected officials have lied, cheated and stolen this primary form the people! I am calling out to the politicians and other political candidates that are representing the people to join in and bring justice. Let our voices be heard in unity.

So, on March 17, 2020: Drink green beer (\*responsibly), request a Republican ballot and VOTE SHALIRA TAYLOR for US Congress. I will work to ensure fair and transparent elections for ALL. www.Taylorforall.com

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## HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY RECIPES

If you're staying home this St. Patrick's Day and want to make some mouth-watering corned beef recipes of your own, try these sure-to-please favorites taken from "The Neighborhood News 80th Anniversary Cookbook."

#### **CORNED BEEF DIP**

1 package of cream cheese, softened 1/4 lb. of corned beef, shaved

#### **Annual Candlelight Vigil**

Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home will host its Annual Vigil Light Ceremony in the Garfield Heights Civic Center on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Residents within the community who have experienced a loss in their lives are encouraged to attend this free Vigil Light Ceremony. We open this invitation to not only those families we have served, but to every family who has experienced a difficult time.

The afternoon service will include guest speaker. Since seating is limited, we ask that you call Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home at (216) 883-3900 for reservations or questions. You may also call to reserve a Vigil Light even though you are unable to attend.



Grind up the corned beef in a food processor. Mix with softened cream cheese. Form into a ball. Refrigerate for 2 hours. Serve with crackers and enjoy with green beer! Cheryl Russell, Aurora

#### **REUBEN DIP**

18-oz. Pkg. Cream cheese, softened

½ carton sour cream

½ lb. Swiss cheese, cut into cubes

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> lb. cooked corned beef, chopped into small pieces

½ bag sauerkraut, drained

2 T. milk (if needed, to thin)

Mix cream cheese, sour cream, Swiss cheese, corned beef and sauerkraut together. (Add milk if needed.) Put into glass pie plate. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes. Service with rye bread or crackers.

Donna Opalenik

Cleveland

## REUBEN CANAPES

1 loaf pumpernickel cocktail bread

1 lb. cooked corned beef, sliced thin

1 lb. Swiss cheese, sliced thin

12-oz. Can sauerkraut, drained

Dijon mustard

Arrange pumpernickel slices on buttered baking sheet. Slice corned beef and cheese into 2-inch squares. Place 2 slices corned beef, 1 tsp. Sauerkraut and  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. Mustard on each bread slice and top with 1 slice Swiss cheese. Bake in 375-degree oven for 15 minutes. Serve immediately. Makes 25-30 canapes.

Carol L. Schemmer, Mystic, CT

# CORNED BEEF KRAUT CASSEROLE

1/4 lb. sliced cooked corned beef (from the deli)

Jar hot mustard

1 lb. pkg. Sauerkraut, drained

1 T. olive oil

1 med. Chopped shallot

1 med. Minced garlic clove

1 tsp. Pickling spice

2 T. red wine vinegar

1 T. baby applesauce

Dash cinnamon

1 med. Mashed potato

Saute slightly shallot and garlic in olive oil in a medium skillet. Add sauerkraut, pickling spice, applesauce and cinnamon. Set aside. Spread mustard and 2T. of sauerkraut mixture on each slice of corned beef. Roll up meat and place in casserole dish. Spoon any remaining sauerkraut onto meat rolls, then spread mashed potato over all and bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes or until lightly browned. Serves 1-2.

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#### **REUBEN STRATA**

3 eggs

2 cups half and half cream

1 T. prepared mustard

10 slices rye bread (caraway seeds optional)

1 lb. sliced corned beef, coarsely chopped or 2 12-oz.

½ lb. Swiss cheese, sliced into 1-inch strips

1 lb. sauerkraut, drained (do not rinse)

Trim crusts from bread; reserve. Cut slices of trimmed bread lengthwise into thirds. Hand chop or coarse pulse the crusts; set aside. Beat eggs; add half and half and mustard to beaten eggs; set aside. Coat inside of 9x13inch baking dish with oil or cooking spray. Cover bottom of dish with trimmed bread, top with two layers of cheese, then cover with corned beef, then the sauerkraut. Top sauerkraut with any remaining Swiss cheese strips. Mix chopped crusts into the egg mixture; pour evenly over top of casserole. Bake in 350-degree oven about 25-30 sauce pan with a little butter or margarine until hot. Pour

minutes or until mixture is set and golden brown and corn evenly over ground meat. Spoon hot mashed potacheese is bubbly. Allow to cool for 15-20 minutes before

Marylyn Sibits Seven Hills

#### SHEPHERD'S PIE

2 lbs. Ground beef

2 or 3 cans (15-oz.) each cream-style corn

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Salt, pepper to taste

Dash of garlic or onion powder

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Brown and drain ground beef and spoon evenly into bottom of 9x13-inch baking pan. Season with salt and pepper, garlic or onion powder to taste. Heat corn in

toes over the top of the creamed corn and spread them evenly until entire top is covered with 1-2 inches of potatoes. Use spoon to peak the potatoes and drizzle melted butter over all. Bake in 375-degree oven for 20 to 30 minutes, until peaked potatoes are golden brown. Let cool 5 minutes before serving.

Grady E. Duffey, Jr. Cleveland

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store on foot going west on Granger Rd. Fresh tracks in the snow led police to a home on Brunswick Ave., where a woman answered the door and told officers her 18-yearold son was asleep in his room. They spoke with the son, who denied any involvement in the robbery. A search of the home uncovered wet tennis shoes with tread matching that of the snowy footprints, a Halloween mask and a large amount of money in the son's bedroom under a shoe box. The son was placed under arrest and taken to city jail for investigation of aggravated robbery. The Sunoco clerk positively identified the mask as the one used in the

#### **Improperly Discharging Firearm**

On Feb. 20, about 2 a.m., GHPD responded to a home in the 12000 block of Edgepark for a report that a home had been shot at. Officers located six shell casings in the middle of the street in front of the home. The homeowner told police one of the bullets entered her home through a front living room window and went into the living room wall and into a bedroom where her son was sleeping. The victim said she has no idea who might have shot at her house. Case referred to Detective Bureau.

#### **Resisting Arrest**

On Wednesday, March 4, at 10:25 a.m., an officer heard a disturbance in the booking area of the police station. Upon entering the hallway he saw a jail inmate running down the hall with two jailers in pursuit. The officer tried to stop him and hold him but the inmate continued to struggle, knocking both officer and inmate to the ground. The inmate was able to free himself and made for the rear jail door. The officer and jailer attempted to contain him, while the other jailer called for assistance, then he also helped hold back the inmate until help arrived and the men were able to handcuff him and gain control.

While attempting to subdue the inmate a police captain sustained injuries to his right shoulder, hand and finger. He transported himself to Marymount Hospital for treat-

#### **Traffic Offense – Fleeing**

On Friday, March 6, at about 2:15 a.m., an GHPD officer attempted to stop a speeding vehicle on Broadway Ave. approaching the split heading for Cleveland. Another officer assisted in the pursuit. The chase traveled north on E. 93 St. in Cleveland, and was terminated at E. 93 St. and Aetna Rd. Simultaneously, the suspect vehicle made a right turn eastbound onto Anderson Ave., travelthe officers slowed to make the turn, he was struck in the

rear by the other GHPD officer. The suspect vehicle was last seen eastbound on Anderson Ave.

Both officers involved in the pursuit sustained injuries as a result of the crash and were transported by GHFD to Marymount ER. One officer was treated for injuries to his head, neck and upper back. He was diagnosed with concussion and cervical strain. The other officer suffered contusions to both knees and right hand.

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