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## Tim McLaughlin to retire as G.H. service director



After nearly 42 years in the Garfield Heights Service Department, Service Director Timothy McLaughlin will be retiring this Friday, Oct. 30.

"I want to publicly thank Tim for his over 40 years of service to the city of Garfield Heights," Mayor Vic Collova said. "He is not only an excellent service director but also a dear friend. He will surely be missed.

**Tim McLaughlin** 

McLaughlin said he had

the honor to have served the city working under four different administrations, working with different mayors, council members, city employees and residents.

His replacement as service director will be Mark Sikon, who has been employed with the city for 25 years and currently serves as a foreman.

## FALL BACK!

### Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday

Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, Nov. 1. Set your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday.

## M.H. Council OKs security cameras for Stafford Park

#### **By Judith Goldsworth**

In the interest of improving safety for residents and helping police respond to potential criminal activity, Maple Heights Council passed legislation at its teleconference meeting last week to approve a contract with Step CG to install security cameras at Stafford Park.

Step CG, based in Covington, Kentucky, submitted the lowest and best proposal for the project, which will include cameras and accompanying equipment, at a cost of \$44,000, according to the legislation.

The cost will be paid entirely out of \$100,000 in funding which has been allocated to Maple Heights from the State of Ohio, earmarked for improvements and senior and youth recreational programs.

It was noted in the resolution that Police Chief Todd Hansen had informed Mayor Annette Blackwell "that the Potential senior housing lack of security cameras has little impact on discouraging and preventing loitering, vandalism and other criminal behavior which are a direct threat to public safety.

Much of the cost of the project would be spent on infrastructure for the camera system, Hansen said. He noted that Step CG would install 10 cameras throughout the park.

Blackwell said she was "dismayed" when a gazebo at the park burned down three years ago, and the city has been working on plans to address criminal activity at the park.

According to Maple Heights police reports, Stafford Park has been the scene of several violent incidents, including homicides, in recent years.

Blackwell said that installing the improved lighting and camera system would help cut down on the potential for further crimes in the park, which has been shut down due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, but is expected to reopen once the pandemic threat passes.

An ordinance authorizing Blackwell, on behalf of the (Continued on Page 3)

## Ward 12 Pancake **Breakfast served Sunday** at Red Chimney this year

FREE

Due to the ongoing pandemic, Cleveland Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli had to get creative with the Annual Pancake Breakfast which he has held the Sunday before the November election for the past 16 years to benefit local charities.

So he enlisted the help of Pete and Louie from Red Chimney restaurant at 6501 Fleet Ave., and is using their popular eatery for the breakfast, which will be held this Sunday, Nov. 1, from 8 a.m. until noon, to benefit Art House, Broadway School of Music & the Arts, Neighborhood Pets and the Kiwanis Club of South East Cleveland.

Enjoy two huge pancakes, a breakfast meat of your choice and a beverage for just \$5, eat-in or carry-out. Call Red Chimney at 216-441-0053 for your carry-out order.

The regular menu at Red Chimney will also be available as well as the Ward 12 Pancake Breakfast Special.

## **TRICK-OR-TREATING ON FLEET AVENUE**



Thanks to all the many volunteers, businesses and donors, this year's Trick-or-Treat on Fleet was a huge success last Saturday. Over 500 children were able to go trick-or-treating in Slavic Village, coordinated by the Community Yahoos and the Fleet Stakeholders. "Special thanks to Commander Brandon Kutz and his 4th District officers who also passed out candy and greeted the many families enjoying a wonderful afternoon on Fleet Ave.," Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli commented.



**TRICK-OR-TREATING** 

## **SCHEDULE**

Bedford, Cleveland, Garfield Heights, Independence Saturday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.

**Maple Heights** Saturday, Oct. 31, 4-6 p.m.

**Newburgh Heights** No Trick-Or-Treating This Year

## **Garfield Heights Council news**

In a short agenda, Garfield Heights Council Monday night passed three emergency ordinances, one regarding city-issued electronic equipment.

The city intends to provide city council members with laptops to assist in their duties as digital communication has become essential during the pandemic. This necessitated amending a section of the codified ordinances to ensure any city official who is given city-issued property, such as a laptop computer, has the obligation to return it upon leaving city employment.

In a related matter, Council President Matt Burke announced Monday night that the next council meeting, scheduled for Nov. 9, will be held via Zoom instead of the **Drug dealer sentenced to 11 years in** teleconference call that has been the norm since the required virtual meetings.



#### ANNUAL DEATH STATS IN AMERICA: the cold reality!

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630,000 CANCER	39,773 GU	N-SUICIDE/MURDER
37,461 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS 49,		49,157 PNEUMONIA
39-56,000 FLU	67,300 D	RUG OVERDOSES

220,000 2020 CHINA VIRUS WORLDWIDE PANDEMIC

In this 2020 pandemic, we have shut down our lives, followed the doctors and science, covered our faces with ineffective masks, sheltered at home isolating from loved ones, delayed medical treatments, flattened the curve and, of course, sincerely mourned the death of every person affected.

Yet, as a society, we don't bat an eye over the volume, in thousands, of these other deaths shown above, (including the genocide against our unborn.) Sadly, it's life.

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Another ordinance passed authorizes city participation in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program for the Multi-Street Reconstruction and Waterline Replacement Project - Phase 6, in order to secure grant funds.

Council also authorized the purchase of a 2021 Ford F750 truck for the service department.

Mayor Vic Collova announced the retirement of longtime Service Director Tim McLaughlin, effective Friday, Oct. 30, and named service department foreman Dave Sikon as his replacement. Collova also said Paul Birk with the service department has been named recreation director, a vacancy created when Recreation Director Bob Dobies passed away suddenly last year.

# overdose death of fellow Bedford man

announced last week that prison for selling heroin that caused the death of a 59year-old Bedford man in March 2015.

Cuyahoga County Prosecu-victim's mother called 911 tor Michael C. O'Malley after finding her son unresponsive in the basement of Mark Wisniewski, 43, was their Bedford residence near sentenced to 11 years in Edgewood and Mapledale aves. Bedford Police and Emergency Medical Services responded and found the victim deceased of an ap-

On March 11, 2015, the parent overdose.



In January 2018, the DNA profile hit in CODIS to Wisniewski, also of Bedford, after he was arrested and charged in Summit County for selling heroin that caused the death of a 22-year-old woman in Twinsburg. In that case, hewas sentenced to eight years in prison after a jury found him guilty of involuntary manslaughter, corrupting another with drugs and trafficking in drugs

In September 2020, Wisniewski waived his right to a jury trial in Cuyahoga County. Judge Dick Ambrose found him guilty of one count of involuntary manslaughter, one count of corrupting another with drugs, one count of trafficking in drugs and one count of drug possession





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## M.H. Council approves

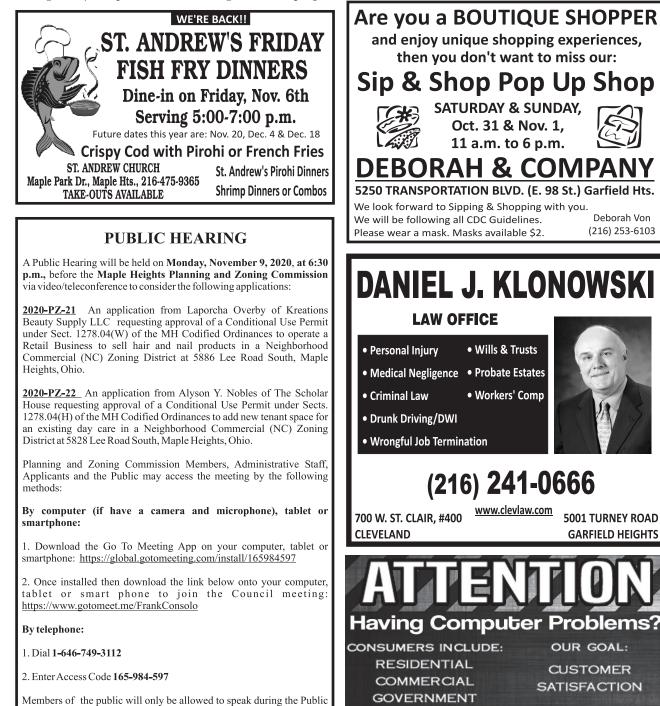
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Maple Heights Land Reutilization Program (land bank), to sell almost seven acres of city-owned land in the Warrensville Center-Libby Road area to PIRHL Acquisitions, LLC, for a senior living facility to be known as "Hazelwood Court," was placed on first reading, with a presentation and discussion expected at an upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

As stated in the ordinance, PIRHL, based in Cleveland, has proposed to develop and construct in the city a 50unit senior living facility, including a 44-unit three-story building and six one-unit cottages, that will provide a quality housing option for seniors ages 55 or older.

PIRHL wants to purchase up to 39 separate but adjoining parcels of land, consisting of approximately 6.89 acres, located on the "paper streets" (only existing on maps) of Edinboro, Jackson and Hazelwood streets, "at a fair market value of \$470,900... less the amount of public improvement costs, currently estimated to be \$201,605,' the legislation states.

Grogan-Myers spoke at the meeting about the project



Hearing portion of this meeting.

The applications and all supporting materials are available for review during normal business hours in the Maple Heights Building Department, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio.

> Leonette Cicirella Johnson Clerk of Council/PZC Secretary City of Maple Heights

The Neighborhood News Wednesday, October 28, 2020 and explained, "This partnership will bring affordable housing to the city and ensure we can keep our senior residents in the community they know and love."

#### **Other legislation**

Council passed a resolution at the meeting authorizing Blackwell to apply to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for a potential grant to fund two capital infrastructure improvement projects for next year: replacement of water mains on Mendota and Rowena aves., and a manhole sewer separation project, Phase 2, for the northeast quadrant of the city.

Hren stated that the city received a \$1.6 million grant from the Cleveland Water Department for the water line project, and as an additional part of the project, the city was applying for \$670,000 in funding in the form of a grant from the OPWC. "The goal is to cost the city of Maple Heights zero," he said.

As for the sewer repairs, in the Hansen, Watson, Raymond, Warrensville Center and Northfield road areas, Hren said the city had received \$1.1 million in funding from the NEORSD, but was seeking additional funds from the OPWC to include resurfacing as part of the work.

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Also passed was a resolution authorizing Blackwell to enter into a contract with Specialized Construction, Inc., to provide services for the Schreiber Road Compost Facility Rehabilitation Project, at a cost of \$23,900

The city successfully applied to the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORSD) for Community Cost Share Funds in the amount of \$87,500, to be used for obtaining leaf collection equipment and rehabilitation of the existing municipal composting facility at 14580 Schreiber Rd., the resolution states.

In correspondence to council, Hren stated that the city had obtained leaf vac equipment at a cost of 57,000, which was paid out of the Community Cost Share Program funds.

Council also approved a resolution to enter into a contract with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to provide health services for the city for 2021, at a cost of \$126,102.



## Halloween & Harvest Parade a hit in Garfield Heights



The Halloween & Harvest Costume Parade was a big success this past Sunday at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, as little ghosts and goblins turned out to parade through the parking lot in a COVID-safe event.

Tents with treat bags, pumpkins, apples and candy were scattered throughout the Civic Center and library lots with the costumed youngsters traveling to each to pick up their goodies.

Organizers of this event, Mary Nichols, Pat Salemi and Paul Birk, would like to thank all the kids and parents who kicked off their Halloween festivities Sunday and all the city leaders who generously contributed to make the parade possible.

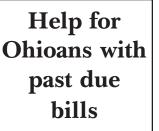
Thanks also to the Cuyahoga County Public Library, Megan and her staff, as well as the Garfield Heights Historical Society for making this a combined community event, the recreation and service department employees, and the many volunteers who came

If you missed this event, please stop by the recreation department at 5411 Turney Rd., anytime this week to pick up some treats, as there's plenty more to give away!

The recreation office will be open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and

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**Funeral Home** 



Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine announced this week the creation of a new program that will open on Nov. 2, and provides assistance to eligible Ohioans who are behind on rent, mortgage andwater and/or sewer utility bills allowing them to catch up on past payments back to Apr. 1, 2020 and through Dec. 30, 2020.

Details can be found at https://business help.ohio.gov/home-relief-grant.html.

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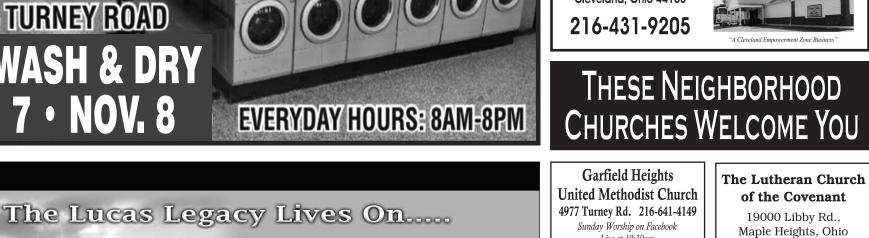
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## **CLEVELAND**

#### Damage to zone car

On Oct. 20, at 9 p.m., damage to zone car was reported. While officer was responding to a domestic violence incident in the 3200 block of Regent Rd., a suspect in the domestic violence took off running from officer. Suspect threw a garbage can at the zone car and cracked the windshield. No injuries.

#### Stabbing

On Oct. 21, shortly before 1 a.m., a stabbing was reported in the 3900 block of E. 66 St. Police found a 24year-old male had been stabbed in the chest, and a 24year-old female had been stabbed in the leg. EMS took both to MetroHealth Medical Center for treatment.

#### **Motor Vehicle Accident**

On Oct. 23, at 8:07 p.m., a fatal crash was reported at E. 55 St. and Maurice Ave., vehicle hitting pole. 30-year-old female in full arrest transported to St. Vincent Charity Hospital.

#### **Hostage Situation**

Bonded

Insured

OH LIC, #26535

On Oct. 25, at 1:43 p.m., the SWAT team was called to the 4100 block of E. 64 St., in connection with a hostage situation involving a male with a felony warrant and believed to be armed. The suspect was taken into custody without incident.

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF MAPLE HEIGHTS**

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., before the Maple Heights Planning and Zoning Commission via video/teleconference to consider an application from the City for a Zoning Map Amendment for the City-owned parcels PPN 781-19-054, 781-19-055, 781-19-056, 781-19-057, 781-19-058, 781-19-059, 781-19-060, 781-19-061, 781-19-062, 781-19-063, 781-19-064, 781-19-065, 781-19-066, and 781-19-067 from Residential Single Family - Medium Density (RSF-M) to Residential Multi-Family (RMF).

Planning and Zoning Commission Members, Administrative Staff, nembers of Council and the Public may access the meeting by the following methods:

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Members of the public will only be allowed to speak during the Public Hearing portion of this meeting

The applications and all supporting materials are available for review during normal business hours in the Maple Heights Building Department, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio.

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF MAPLE HEIGHTS**

Cuyahoga County Community Development 2020 Municipal & 2021 Supplemental Grant Programs

The City of Maple Heights is eligible to apply for funding from Federal Community Development Block Grant funds and Community Development Supplemental Grant funds administered by Cuyahoga County through the Department of Development. Funds can be used for a variety of housing, economic development and community improvement projects. Residents are invited to attend a Public Hearing to voice their opinions on local housing and community development needs, or to submit opinions in writing to the address below. A list of eligible activities and application requirements will be provided at the hearing

The Public Hearing will be held On Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via video/teleconference accessible by the following methods:

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## (Continued from Page 7) GARFIELD **HEIGHTS Robbery**

On Oct. 23, at about 10:10 p.m., police took a report in the police station lobby from a woman and her son about a robbery that allegedly took place in Garfield Heights a contact information to the couple days before. The son Detective Bureau. said on Oct. 21, at about 1:30 p.m., he and some friends met a juvenile male known as "Mookie" in front of a home in the 7600 block

He said he was going to buy a Glock 10 from Mookie but black male, heavy set with when they arrived, Mookie tattoos on his hands and came up to the car with two arms, pulled into the driveguns out and pointed them thru. Employees advised athim and his friends. There him they were closed, at was also another male with which point he pulled up to Mookie who ran up to the the last drive-thru window car pointing a gun at them. and started banging on it Mookie took \$800 from him with his fist until the glass and then fled the area along with his associate. The victim's mother was given

#### **Criminal Damaging**

On Oct. 23, police re-sponded to Wendy's at 5251 Turney Rd., for a report of

**Police reports** of Vineyard Ave., where he criminal damaging. Com-was supposed to buy a gun. plainant stated that at about 12:30 a.m., a light-skinned shattered. The suspect then got into his white Cadillac and drove off northbound on Turney. Officer is waiting for video footage of the incident.

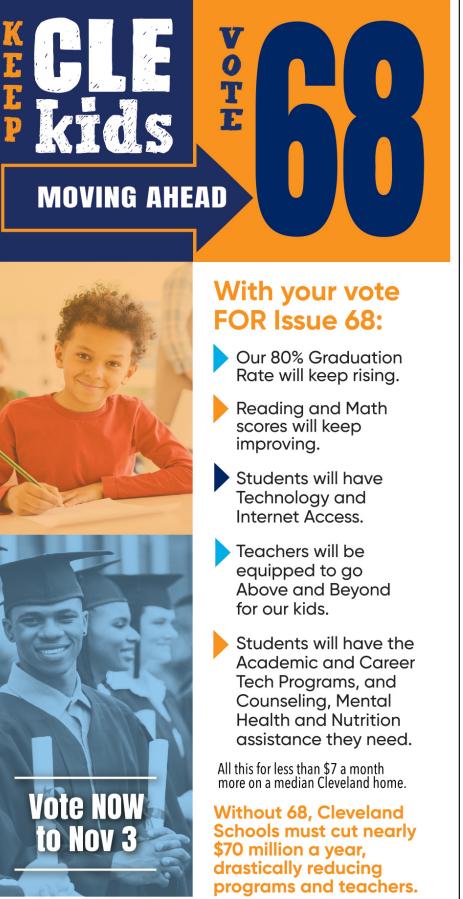
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### Longtime owner of R&K Sausage passes away

Mary V. Archacki (nee Radecki), age 88; longtime owner of R&K Sausage; beloved wife of Allen Meyer and the late Norman M. Archacki; loving mother of Christopher Archacki (Angela), Catherine Murray (Mark) and Martin Archacki; devoted grandmother of Casey (Raquel), Angela (Chris), Sean, Katy (Jason), Marcus (Natalie), Adam, Bailey (Kasey) and Aleah and great-grandmother of Carter, Logan, Emma, Riley and Zoey; dear sister of Joan Gunn (deceased), Shirley Hopper (deceased), Bill Radecki (deceased) and Tom Radecki; dear aunt and friend of many.

Calling hourswere held last Thursday, Oct. 22, at Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home (at Vodrazka Funeral Home), 6505 Brecksville Rd., Independence. A Mass of Christian Burial was held last Friday at St. Monica Church; interment St. Mary's Cemetery on E. 71 St.



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