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Cuyahoga County public hearing on new jail site

A public hearing in conjunction with the Cuyahoga County Council meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 1, will be held for residents to offer their views on legislation to purchase 72 acres at the former Bridgeview site on Transportation Blvd., in Garfield Heights, as the location for a new county jail.

Legislation is expected to be on the agenda that evening for county council action on the proposal. The agenda for that meeting will be posted on the county website. The county council meeting on Aug. 1, is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m., in the C. Ellen Connally Council Chambers, 4th Floor, 2079 E. 9 St., Cleveland.

ODOT traffic updates

The I-77 south/I-480 east exit ramps to Rockside Rd. will be closed on Wednesday, July 26, at 9 p.m., through Thursday, July 27, at 5 a.m. for resurfacing. Detour will be I-77 south to Pleasant Valley Rd. to I-77 north.

The following closures will be in place Thursday, July 27, at 9 p.m. through Friday, July 28, at 5 a.m. for resurfacing.

- I-77 north ramp to I-480 east. Detour will be I-480 westbound to Granger Rd. to I-480 eastbound.

- I-480 west ramp to I-77 south. Detour will be I-77 to Grant Ave. to I-77 south.

The following closures will be in place on Friday, July 28, at 9 p.m. through Saturday, July 29, at 5 a.m.

- Rockside Rd. entrance ramp to I-77 north. Detour will be I-77 south to Pleasant Valley Rd. to I-77 north.

- I-77 north ramp to I-480 east. Detour will be I-480 westbound to Granger Rd. to I-480 eastbound.

Rain barrels available

The city of Garfield Heights and the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District have scheduled a Rain Barrel Pick-Up from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Aug. 16, at the Veterans Plaza in the Garfield Heights Civic Center Complex, 5407 Turney Rd.

Order in advance and pick up the barrel and diverter kit. Cost is \$60. Register online at www.cuyahogawcd.org or email Amy Roskilly at aroskilly@cuyahogawcd.org. For details, contact Pat Salemi at 216-475-1100, ext. 2425 or psalemi@garfieldhts.org.

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Boyfriend arrested for murder of Bedford woman

The boyfriend of Breneisha Lightfoot, 26, of Bedford, whose body was "dumped" last week in a wooded area at E. 64 St. and Francis Ave., Cleveland, was arrested last Friday morning, according to Bedford Deputy Police Chief Rick Suts.

On Tuesday, July 18, a concerned family member

State to spend \$26 million in tutoring in effort to boost student achievement

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine Monday announced a historic investment in high-quality tutoring opportunities intended to accelerate learning for Ohio students.

More than \$26 million in Governor's Emergency Education Relief funding is being channeled to six high-quality tutoring vendors who will provide services across the state at no cost to schools and districts. Schools and districts can apply to the Ohio Department of Education to access these state-funded high-quality tutoring programs.

The investment is a part of Future Forward Ohio, the state's plan to help students recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. High-dosage tutoring is a key component of Future Forward Ohio. Research shows high-dosage tutoring can produce "large learning gains for a wide range of students, including those who have fallen behind academically."

The state previously awarded \$14 million in State-wide Mathematics and Literacy Tutoring Grants to Ohio colleges and universities planning to create or expand mathematics and literacy tutoring programs for Ohio's K-12 students in one-on-one or small-group settings. In addition, Ohio was one of only five states awarded a grant by Accelerate, a national nonprofit, to drive continued student recovery from the pandemic through evidence-based tutoring models.

"Ohio is investing in programs that make a difference for students, including high-quality tutoring programs," said Gov. DeWine. "This is a new, important resource for our schools and districts."

"Future Forward Ohio is focused on accelerating learning, and we know high-quality tutoring helps students learn," said Dr. Chris Woolard, interim superintendent of public instruction. "These high-quality tutoring opportunities are a critical tool for raising student achievement in Ohio."

Districts and schools may apply for services from six tutoring providers, including Amplify, Book Nook, Catapult Learning West, Cognition, Huntington Learning Centers, and Varsity Tutors for Schools. These tutoring services will be available in the 2023-2024 school year.

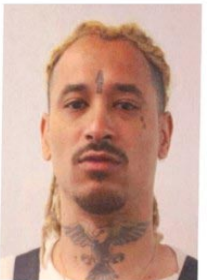
contacted Bedford Police requesting a welfare check on Lightfoot. They were concerned after not being able to reach her on her birthday the day before.

Lightfoot's phone was found lying in a person's yard in Cleveland, and it was turned over to police. The residence she shared with boyfriend Michael Roarty-Nugent, 31, at Colony Club Apartments in Bedford, was later checked by officers who found evidence indicating someone may have been seriously injured there.

Bedford police arrested Roarty-Nugent in connection with Lightfoot's death. Suts said murder charges have been filed against him. He was arraigned in Bedford Municipal Court via video on Monday morning and entered a not guilty plea. He is being held on a \$2 million bond, according to media reports.



Lightfoot



Roarty-Nugent

City of Garfield Heights resolves federal lawsuit with \$750,000 settlement

Garfield Heights Law Director Tim Riley has issued a statement concerning the city's \$750,000 settlement of litigation last week before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit filed by Kenta Settles following a January 23, 2020 incident.

The federal civil rights and excessive force lawsuit was aimed at five Garfield Heights police officers.

Riley's issued the following statement to the media:

"Following three years of contested litigation, the parties have resolved this matter to their mutual satisfaction through mediation. At the time the settlement in this matter was reached, the parties were involved with several appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

"During the legal process, the district court held that the Garfield Heights police officers had reasonable suspicion to stop Mr. Settles and probable cause to arrest him on the night in question. The district court also dismissed Plaintiff's claims alleging racially discriminatory use of force.

"While several claims against both Mr. Settles and the city of Garfield Heights were unresolved by the district court's decision and would need to be further litigated, the city of Garfield Heights chose to resolve the case with no finding or admission of liability. The Garfield Heights Police Department remains committed to protecting and serving the citizens of Garfield Heights."

Medical Examiner: nine suspected overdose deaths in 24-hour period

Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner Dr. Thomas Gilson last week issued a public health alert, stating that Cuyahoga County suffered at least nine suspected overdose deaths within a 24-hour period, on July 16 and July 17, 2023.

Of the nine deaths, seven were male, two female, six were white, three were black, with six victims from Cleveland, one from Bay Village and one from Mayfield Heights. One victim's residence was unknown.

"In light of the recent alert, this is discouraging. This is the highest number of suspected overdose deaths we've had within a 24-hour period. As best we

know, this spike is largely driven by fentanyl," Dr. Gilson warned. "Naloxone and fentanyl test strips are still meaningful harm reduction strategies."

Consider developing a personal harm reduction plan if you or anyone that you know is actively using or recovering from opioid addiction, he said. Harm reduction plans can include the following:

Have Naloxone and fentanyl test strips ready. Naloxone and fentanyl test strips will work with most fentanyl analogues.

Don't use drugs alone. There is a much higher risk of fatally overdosing if another person is not monitoring.

Sit upright. Sitting upright can reduce the risk of slumping forward in an overdose – potentially causing airway obstruction.

Call 911 (Good Samaritan). The Good Samaritan Law provides immunity for a minor drug possession or drug paraphernalia offense for the person who overdosed and the person who called 911 to seek help.

Seek Treatment. As with most chronic diseases, addiction is treatable. While treatment may vary upon an individual's needs, recovery is possible.

For a list of community resources, please visit: <https://www.testyourdrugscc.com> or <https://www.metrohealth.org/office-of-opioid-safety/project-dawn>

Additionally, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board of Cuyahoga County provides a 24-hour crisis hotline at 216-623-6888.

Garfield Ward 4 meeting

There will be a Garfield Heights Ward 4 Community Meeting, hosted by Councilman Avery Johnson, at Boys Hope, Girls Hope, 9619 Garfield Blvd., on Thursday, July 27, in the Floyd Room from 6 to 7:45 p.m. Guests will be Mayor Matt Burke and other city council members. Refreshments will be served. All are invited.

Music in Stafford Park

The city of Maple Heights will present its Music in the Park event on Tuesday, Aug. 8, featuring the music of Forecast from 6:30-8:30 p.m., in Stafford Park, 5400 Mayville Ave., Maple Heights.

Food available for purchase from Dave's Place. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy!

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

List of Meetings for August 2023

Tuesday, August 1, 2023	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
Monday, August 7, 2023	Council Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 9, 2023	Southeast Area Law Enforcement (SEALE) Board of Trustees Meeting (if needed) Work Session - 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 15, 2023	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
Monday, August 21, 2023	Council Summer Session - No meeting
Tuesday, August 22, 2023	Board of Zoning Appeals (if needed) Work Session - 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

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 and minutes please go to www.bedfordoh.gov, <https://bedfordoh.primegov.com/public/portal>. To leave a comment about an agenda item, please visit <https://bedfordspeaks.org/> or call Tracy M. Simons, Clerk of Council, at 440-735-6510.

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BEDFORD PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023 AT BEDFORD CITY HALL IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 6:00 P.M. to consider the appeal of the following:

- a. Dillon Blake from Nerd Power, representing Jason Reed at 38 John St, is requesting a Zoning Permit to install a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system on the rear half of the house and on both sides of the garage.
- b. Darmetta Manning, Dream Designs With Dee LLC, proposes to open a business that hosts events at 22793 Rockside Rd, Bedford, OH 44146, a M-U Mixed Use District.
- c. Chris Goodrich of Palmetto Solar, LLC, representing Ebony Taylor, is requestion a Zoning Permit to install a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system on 3 sides of the house located at 149 Palmetto Ave., Bedford, OH 44146.

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LIBRARIES PLAN SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Garfield Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library

Here are a few of the **FREE** programs available in August at the Garfield Heights Branch Library, 5409 Turney Rd. Call 216-475-8178 to register or for more information.

Adult Programs

Innovation Center Orientation Learn about the equipment and policies of the Innovation Centers throughout the Cuyahoga County Public Library. Attending this orientation allows users to utilize the Innovation Centers throughout the library system. Tuesday, Aug. 8, 10-11 a.m., and Saturday, Aug. 26, 3-4 p.m. Registration required.

Tuesday Evening Book Discussion Join us for our monthly book discussion. This month's title is "Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan. Tuesday, Aug. 15, 7-8 p.m.

Publisher Basics Learn the basics of Microsoft Publisher and how to make attractive flyers. Wednesday, Aug. 16, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Registration required.

Internet Basics Join us to learn about using web browsers and search engines to navigate the internet. Prerequisite: Computer Basics or experience using a mouse. Saturday, Aug. 26, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Registration required.

Paper Quilling Learn the art of Paper Quilling using simple techniques of rolling, pinching and gluing to transform strips of paper into works of art. Wednesday, Aug. 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Registration required.

Children & Families

Acting Club Participate in fun theater games, improvisation activities, character creation, storytelling and more! Saturday, Aug. 5, 10:30 a.m. Registration required.

Preschool Club Children ages 3-4 who are not in a formal preschool can come for fun development and enrichment activities! Thursdays, Aug. 17-Sept. 14, 10:30 a.m. Registration required.

Submit Community events to NN via Email: nnews1923@aol.com

Independence Branch Library

Here are some of the **FREE** programs being offered in August at the Independence Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, located at 6361 Selig Dr., Independence. For more information or to register for any program, please call 216-447-0160.

Adult

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion / No registration required. Please join us for a casual and lively book discussion of "Finding Dorothy" by Elizabeth Letts. The books will be available approximately one month before the discussion date. Thursday, August 17 / 2:15 p.m.

Jewelry Making Workshop-Necklace - Adult Craft / Registration required. Come and make your own necklace! All materials provided. Saturday, August 19 / 10:30 a.m. (Continued on Page 5)

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Moralists in Disguise: Rod Serling and Mark Twain / Registration required. A talk exploring the many fascinating personal and professional parallels between Mark Twain and Rod Serling of "The Twilight Zone." Presented by Mark Dawidziak, author and editor of over 25 books. Wednesday, August 23 / 7 p.m.

Lost Restaurants of Cleveland / Registration required. A storytelling program about some of the lost restaurants of Cleveland by author Bette Lou Higgins from Eden Valley Enterprises. This program will be held at the Independence Civic Center. Friday, August 25 / 12:30 p.m.

Teens

Art with iPads Ages 11-18 / Registration required. Create art with iPads. Use the iPad to create art using camera features and graphic arts software. Tuesday, August 1 / 2 p.m.

VolunTeens: grades 5-12 / Registration required. Volunteer at the library, earn service hours. Tuesday, August 15 / 7 p.m.

Children

Play, Learn and Grow / Registration required. Children will play with developmentally appropriate toys in a play group atmosphere while parents meet and learn from community health experts. Saturday, August 12 / 11 a.m.

Maple Heights Branch Library

Here are a few of the **FREE** programs being offered in August at the Maple Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, located at 5225 Library Lane, Maple Hts. For more information or to register, please call 216-475-5000.

Adults

Ice Cream & A Movie: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (2022), Thursday, Aug. 3 // 6:30 p.m.

Mobile Pantry: Free Fresh Produce, Tuesday, Aug. 8 // 10 a.m.

Library Resources Explained: LinkedIn Learning, Consumer Reports & Creativebug, Thursday, Aug. 10 // 6:30 p.m. - Registration required.

Adult Activities for All Abilities: Music Therapy with The Groovy Garfoose, Monday, Aug. 14 // 6:30 p.m. - Registration required.

Sound Therapy: Restore Your Peace & Inner Balance, Saturday, Aug. 19 // 2 p.m. Registration required.

Children and Families

Kid Blockbusters, Friday, Aug. 11 // 1 p.m. Watch Pixar's *Lightyear* (PG) at the library.

Teen Tuesday, August 15 // 4 p.m., Grades 6 - 12. On the third Tuesday of the month, hang out with your friends and enjoy trying a new art project or craft designed just for teens.

Let's Play! Saturday, Aug. 19 // 10:30 a.m. Ages 2 - 5 years, with a caregiver. We've turned the library into an indoor playground featuring some of our Toy Collection's greatest hits. Meet some new friends and play together.

Flea Market in Bedford

The Bedford Historical Society will hold its annual Flea Market on Saturday, Aug. 12, on the Bedford Commons. The event runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; admission is free. There will be a wide variety of items for sale including collectibles, antiques, books, records, clothing, tools and plenty of household misc. The Historical Society will also have a "flea-tique" in the church basement full of items for sale.

Anyone wishing to sell items can purchase a spot in advance for \$20 per 10-ft. space, or \$25 paid the day of the flea market. Bring your own tables and chairs. Interested sellers should contact Chris Sweet at 440-439-7470.

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Community police reports

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Homicide

On July 18, at 9:45 a.m., a 35-year-old male was killed by a gunshot in the 8800 block of Union Ave.

Garfield Heights

Traffic Offense

On July 4, at about 9:02 p.m., police responded to a home in the 4800 block of E. 90 St., for a report of a vehicle striking the house. They found a blue Kia SUV with no plate in the front yard of the home sitting up against the front steps. The driver of the car said she was driving east on Reed Ave., near E. 90 St., when she ran out of gas. She said she put the car in neutral and it began to roll backwards toward the home in question. She tried to stop the vehicle but was overpowered by its weight. The car rolled onto the front lawn of the home before the tires were stopped by the stone front porch of the residence. No damage was observed to either the car or the house. Police found the woman had a suspended driver's license and smelled of alcohol. She agreed to a field sobriety test and was determined to be impaired. She was placed under arrest and her vehicle towed. She was arrested for OVI and issued a citation for traffic offenses.

Found Property

On July 13, about 10:18 a.m., an officer was dispatched to the area of the 4500 block of Osborn Rd., for a found firearm. The caller said he was with a church group from Virginia who is cleaning up area church properties. One of the group found a firearm in the woods near the Osborn Rd. site. It was not listed in LEADS as stolen.

In a similar incident, an officer responded to the 4600 block of Rockwood Rd. on July 13, when a woman who said she was doing bush trimming in the front yard of her home had found a handgun in one of her bushes and put it on her porch and called police. Police observed it was

a semiautomatic pistol with eight bullets in the magazine and one bullet in the chamber. It had started to rust so it must have been in the elements for several days. It was not listed in LEADS as stolen.

Recovered Stolen Auto

On July 15, at 7:47 a.m., police were dispatched on a call from a concerned citizen who was following a Hyundai Tucson occupied by two black males wearing masks who appeared suspicious. The car was first seen turning onto Turney Rd. from Martin Dr., and was found by dispatch entered as stolen out of Cleveland. Police tried to initiate a traffic stop but the vehicle sped away. As it entered the ramp to I-480 west from Transportation Blvd. and rounded a curve, the driver lost control and hit a small tree. It then continued through the grass median and entered I-480 west.

The pursuit continued through Cuyahoga Heights, into Cleveland, back into Cuyahoga Heights, and eventually ending back in Garfield Heights. Many times during the pursuit the driver tried to strike the officer's cruiser and "brake checked" him while driving.

As the vehicle turned north on Warner Rd., the driver lost control and went over the curb and struck the light pole at Warner and Canal rds., causing the power to be cut off from the traffic signals. The car continued north on Warner and the driver began to steer the suspect vehicle towards the officer. The officer then moved slightly ahead of the vehicle and forced it into the curb, pinning it down. A passenger exited the vehicle and was ordered by police at gunpoint to stop. He complied and was placed in handcuffs. The driver of the vehicle climbed out a side window but was immediately detained by police. The passenger was advised of his active warrant with Northfield Village and was transported home. The driver was placed under arrest and has charges pending for receiving stolen property, felonious assault and fleeing and eluding. He was cited for reckless operation, failure to comply, no driver's license and no seatbelt.

Menacing

On July 17, at 3:44 p.m., police were dispatched to Calvary Cemetery and met with an employee of the cemetery who said someone told him there was a live marijuana plant there giving him the section, lot and grave site where it was located. He found the plant and told police this was the second time a marijuana plant was found at this particular grave site and the cemetery wanted it removed. Police removed the plant and took it back to the station for disposal.

Criminal Damage-Auto

On July 19, at 7:20 a.m., police responded to the 11200 of Danbury Ave., and met with the complainant, who said someone unknown had damaged the passenger window and windshield of her vehicle, a red 2008 Toyota Rav4, which was parked on the street when the damage occurred. The passenger window was shattered and it appeared the windshield may have been damaged by a bullet or pellet.

Menacing

On July 20, at 1:30 p.m., an officer arrived at a home in the 13600 block of Silver Rd., for a menacing report. The complainant, who is currently training as a postal carrier, said after delivering mail to the Silver Rd. address, he was cutting across the lawn when the resident came out of the house and threatened the carrier saying he would "kick his ass." The carrier said he apologized but the resident became more agitated and asked the carrier if he wanted him to get his gun. The postal carrier's trainer was familiar with the resident and managed to calm him down. The resident then got in his car and left the area. A postal supervisor was summoned and a decision made to cease delivery of mail to that address. The trainee declined to press charges.

Disturbance

On July 23, at about 2:10 a.m., units responded to the Aura Bar/Social Lounge, 4912 Turney Rd., for a disturbance involving a gun. It was reported that a man not allowed into the bar came to the back door of the bar and confronted security with a gun. When police arrived they were advised by dispatch that the suspect was getting into a car parked in front of Affordable Uniforms and as one of the officers approached the vehicles parked along the building he was overwhelmed with a crowd rushing him from behind. There were about 10 people screaming, yelling and approaching the officer in an aggressive manner, flailing their arms. The unruly group was told to leave the scene but refused and continued to scream and threaten officers. Valley View PD, Cuyahoga Heights PD, Independence PD and Cleveland Metroparks PD all responded to the scene, but the suspects continued to act aggressively toward officers, with several stating police would have to arrest them to make them move, and said they were going to "put officers in the dirt." Police started escorting the group away from the bar and told them to leave, but they proceeded to rush officers. Several had to be pushed back. One woman was cited for disorderly conduct and released on scene. The remaining crowd finally dispersed.

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Letters to the Editor Wants theater at old South

Almost four years ago I signed a petition being circulated by Dennis Althar. The plan was to modernize a theater located inside the former South High School. Today we read about the newly renovated South High gym. It would seem only logical to go the next step with the theater. Think of the attendance it would draw. Perhaps as a result new restaurants would emerge to accommodate those travelers from outside Slavic Village. There is a common expression among the current residents and business owners: "No wonder we can't have nice things." Maybe this time we can. Renovate the theater and they will come.

Joe Bialek
Cleveland

Post 309 Ham Dinner

American Legion Post 309, 15521 Broadway Ave., Maple Heights, will hold a Christmas in July Ham Dinner on Wednesday, July 26, from 4-7 p.m. Menu includes ham, scalloped potatoes, applesauce, roll and butter. Donation is \$12 per person; open to the public. Call the Post to reserve your dinners, 216-662-7768.

Receives Master's from WSU

Samantha M. Skerlec of Valley View, Ohio, was awarded a Master of Science degree in Biological Sciences at Wichita State University in Wichita, Kansas, in Spring 2023.

Vote-by-Mail, Early In-Person voting on State Issue 1 continues in Ohio

The August 8, 2023 Special Election will decide State Issue 1, a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution that would require a 60% majority from voters to approve a constitutional amendment.

Vote-by-Mail and Early In-Person voting began on July 11, 2023 for the August 8, 2023 Special Election. The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections is encouraging voters to take advantage of the convenience of Voting by Mail.

Vote-by-Mail Ballot Applications are available online at www.443vote.us, by calling 216-443-VOTE (8683) and at all public libraries, and must be received by the Board of Elections on or before 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 1.

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South High 50th Class Reunion set for Sept. 16th

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Applications are available on the City of Bedford website www.Bedfordoh.gov. Applications may be returned in person at 165 Center Road, Bedford, Ohio or emailed to azgrabik@bedfordoh.gov and jhowland@bedfordoh.gov.

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