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Maple Heights Council approves new Planning and Development Director

By Judith Goldsworth

Despite widespread power outages in the city with severe storms sweeping through the area, Maple Heights Council was able to hold a special legislation-only meeting on Aug. 7, and approved Mayor Annette Blackwell's appointment of Geoffrey Englebrecht as the city's new Planning and Development Director.

Englebrecht, who formerly served as director of Housing and Community Development for the city of University Heights, will replace outgoing Maple Heights Planning and Development Director Joe Duffy.

Also approved at the meeting was a resolution authorizing Blackwell to enter into a contract with Specialized Construction, Inc., for the 2024 Asphalt Roadway Program in the city, at a cost not to exceed \$1,148,950.

The resolution follows legislation previously passed by council authorizing City Engineer Ed Hren to go out for bids for this year's Pavement Repair Program.

The county Department of Public Works "will reimburse the city for up to \$141,600 in material costs expended on county routes included under a road repair program in the city," the resolution states.

Council also passed an ordinance amending and restating the salary and wage schedule for non-bargaining unit employees for 2024.

As recommended by Blackwell, effective March 1, 2024, the top end of Finance Director Tinita Tillman's salary and wage schedule will be increased by \$60.10; her current vacation allowance will be increased to four weeks until she reaches at least 12 full years of service, at which time it shall be increased to five weeks; and the finance director shall be paid a \$2,500 bonus for each Ohio Auditor of State Audit Award presented to the city, the legislation states.

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PACC celebrates 25th anniversary; names museum after center founder



The Polish American Cultural Center on Lansing Ave. in Slavic Village, celebrated its 25th anniversary Saturday with a sold out formal ceremony highlighted by musical performances, poetry, song and awards, as well as world class Polish cuisine.

There was a formal dedication and museum-naming ceremony honoring Eugene Bak, founder of the Polish American Cultural Center, and his wife, Barbara. Pictured presenting the plaque honoring the dedication are, from left: Republic of Poland Consul Stanislaw Starnawski, Gene Bak, Andrew Bajda, PACC president, and Derek Wojno, PACC executive director.

Starnawski also presented a number of proclamations to the PACC recognizing its 25th anniversary and read remarks on behalf of Poland's President Andrzej Duda.

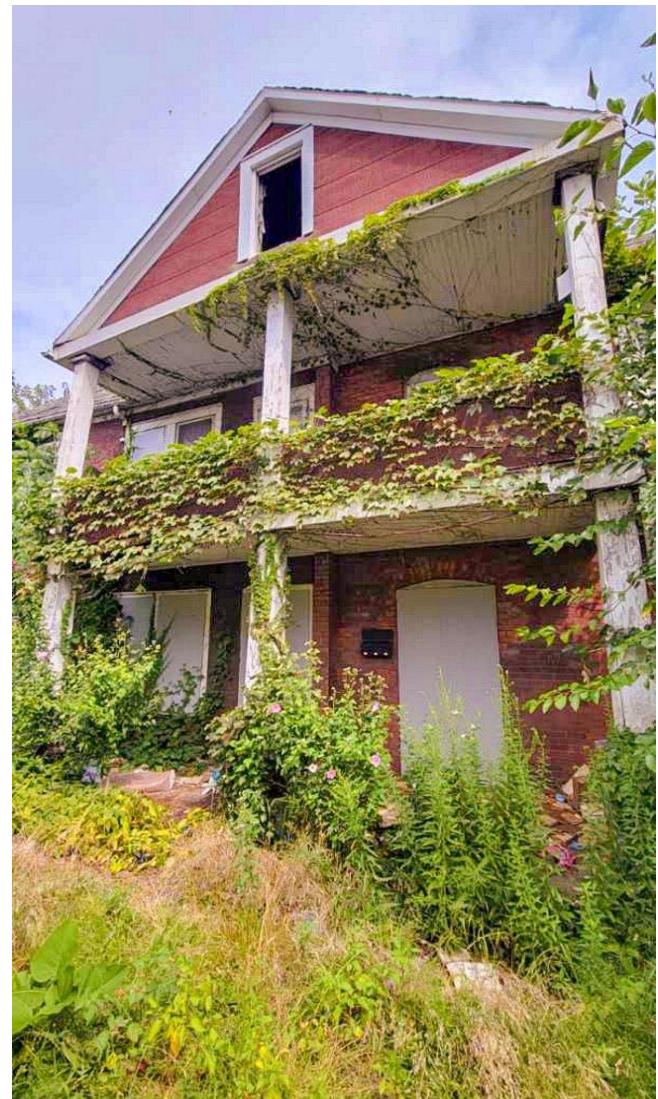
Over 100 blighted properties in Slavic Village to be demolished thanks to state funding; more throughout Cuy. County

The Ohio Department of Development announced last week it is awarding \$67.3 million in funding from the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program to tear down 1,277 blighted structures in Butler, Clinton, Cuyahoga, Hamilton, Logan, Lucas, Muskingum, Preble and Richland counties.

Over a third of that money, \$23 million, will be spent in Cuyahoga County alone. The list of properties scheduled for demolition includes over 100 homes in Slavic Village, as noted by former Ward 12 councilman and civic leader Tony Brancatelli.

He noted that Gus Frangos, who was president and general counsel of the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation at the time of his death earlier this month, was instrumental in securing this funding for blight elimination and development in Cuyahoga County.

Governor Mike DeWine launched the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program in 2021 to help communities demolish dilapidated commercial and residential buildings and revitalize surrounding properties to attract investments, businesses and jobs.



One of the properties that will be demolished with newly awarded state funding is this eyesore at 3742 E. 63 St., near Fleet Ave. Photo by Tony Brancatelli

"The timing of these State funds from Gov. DeWine is critical to our recovery in Slavic Village as plans for building new homes continue," Brancatelli said. "Demolishing blighted properties helps stabilize and improve property values and creates opportunities for new homes, yard expansions and economic development."

The Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program is funded by the Ohio General Assembly as part of the current operating budget. All of Ohio's 88 counties were eligible for at least \$500,000, with the remaining funds awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional grant recipients will be announced in the coming months.

Garfield Hts. Ward 7 Block Watch meets

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch, sponsored by Councilwoman Jenn Newrones, will meet Thursday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m., at St. Monica's outdoor pavilion off Rockside Rd. Guest speaker will be Jason Seither, regional team captain of the One In Five Foundation For Kids. Nonperishable items for the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry would be appreciated. All are welcome. For more information call Gail, 216-662-9213.

Maple Heights Council approves new director

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This ordinance amends legislation passed by council earlier this year which approved 3.5% raises for all full-time and part-time non-bargaining unit employees, effective Jan. 1, 2024.

Also passed was a resolution authorizing Blackwell to enter into a contract with Dial Electric Ltd., to provide for the Maple Heights Senior Center Emergency Generator Installation Project, at a cost not to exceed \$163,648.40.

The city has received \$140,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from Cuyahoga County to be used towards the project. The city has also received \$150,000 in Cuyahoga County Community Development Block Grant funding for the project.

Council passed legislation in March authorizing Blackwell to purchase the generator from Cummins Sales and Service, in an amount not to exceed \$35,680, and last week's resolution authorizes the contract for the installation of the generator by Dial Electric.

Council also passed a resolution requesting that the county fiscal officer advance taxes and assessments from the proceeds of tax levies for fiscal year 2025..

Opioid Settlement participation approved

A motion authorizing Law Director Frank Consolo to sign and submit all required documentation for the city to participate in the National Opioid Settlement Agreement with regional supermarket pharmacy Kroger Co., dated March 22, 2024, was unanimously approved ahead of the Aug. 12 deadline.

"A proposed nationwide settlement agreement has been reached that would resolve the legal claims of states and local police subdivisions against regional supermarket pharmacy Kroger, Co., related to alleged misconduct related to opioids," according to a notice on the settle-

ment from implementation administrator Rubris, Inc. that was sent to numerous municipalities, including Maple Heights.

"The settlement requires Kroger Co. to pay over a billion dollars to abate the opioid epidemic," Rubris' notice states. "Of this amount, approximately \$1.2 billion will be used by participating states and subdivisions to remediate and abate the impacts of the opioid crisis. Depending on participation by states and subdivisions, the settlement requires payments over 11 years after its effective date."

Placed on second reading

- Resolution declaring the necessity of assessing the expense of garbage and rubbish collection and disposal in the city, at a monthly rate of \$19.35 per residential unit (\$9.98 per month for qualified residents with a Homestead Exemption as of June 1, 2024) for the year 2025 and certifying the costs due to the city to the county fiscal officer.
- Two separate resolutions certifying to the county fiscal officer the sums due to the city for boarding up houses and for weed control and grass cutting on lots.

Named to Dean's List at Lawrence Tech University

Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan, has announced that Ian Suber of Garfield Heights, has made the Dean's List of top scholars for the Summer 2024 semester, which ended July 19. Ian is majoring in electrical engineering.

Spaghetti Dinner Sat. at American Legion Post 309

American Legion Post 309, 15521 Broadway Ave., Maple Heights, will hold a fundraising Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, Aug. 24, serving from 3 to 7 p.m. Tickets available at the door; donation \$13. Dine-in or carryout; for advance orders call 216-662-7768. The dinner is open to the public and will feature a Chinese Auction and 50/50 raffle (winners need not be present). Put name and phone number on back of tickets.

St. Therese Parish Picnic

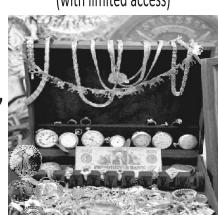
The St. Therese Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, Sept. 8, at Klima Gardens, 4646 E. 71 St., Cuyahoga Heights, with an outdoor Mass starting at 12 noon, followed by lunch served from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 each and free for children aged 10 and under. Tickets include a slice of pizza, hot dog or chili dog, chips and beverage. An ice cream truck will be on site from 2:30 to 4 p.m., with dessert scoops available for purchase.

There will also be a Parish Raffle for a top prize of \$1500, as well as basket and 50/50 raffles, Plinko and board games. Tickets are advance sale only available at the St. Therese Parish offices and at Mass on the following weekends: Aug. 24-25, Aug. 31-Sept. 1.

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Community Police reports

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Garfield Heights

Robbery

On Aug. 8, at 2:14 p.m., officers were dispatched to Chipotle on Vista Way on a report of a male who had just threatened an employee and stole the money out of their tip jar. The suspect was last seen fleeing in a white Nissan Altima heading towards Transportation Blvd. The employee interviewed by police said she was working the front line when a tall, thin black male began arguing with her about his order. She said the suspect then stated to her, "I will get my friend to come up here and shoot you." The store manager and assistant manager were informed of the situation and asked the suspect to leave the restaurant. He initially refused to leave but moments later reached his hand into the tip jar on the counter and put the money in his pocket and left in the white Altima. Detective Bureau to follow up.

Weapon Offense

• On Aug. 9, at 3:20 a.m., officers observed a tan 2008 Mercedes C-300 on E. 131 St. approaching Rexwood Ave., and initiated a traffic stop for a display of registration violation. The driver was identified and found to have a suspended driver's license. The front female passenger was not wearing a seatbelt. An open container of tequila was lying on the floorboard behind the driver's seat. Police found a loaded Hi-Point .45 pistol under the driver's seat, although the driver had told officers he had no weapons. Another open container of liquor was also found under the passenger's seat. Driver charged with failure to inform and having weapons under disability.

• On Aug. 15, at 6:34 p.m., police were called to a home in the 5100 block of E. 126 St. The caller said she had just arrived home and discovered her dog dead in the middle of the street with a gunshot wound to his head. The dog's owner said his Bullmastiff somehow broke away from his gated backyard and approached a male and female walking on the sidewalk. He said the male then pulled out a handgun and shot the dog. A security camera showed the male and female walking north past the complainant's driveway and the dog began charging at the couple. A single .22 caliber spent shell casing was located near the dog. Police located the couple at a bus stop in front of Garfield Club Apartments. A gun was recovered from a shopping bag the male was carrying. He told police he shot the dog because it charged at the couple and he feared for their safety. The shooting was determined to be self defense but since the male was under age 21, he was placed under arrest for CCW and taken to city jail and charged without bond.

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Felonious Assault

On Aug. 9, at 7:57 a.m., an officer was dispatched to a business on Richmond Rd. in Bedford Heights, for a report of a company employee involved in a traffic altercation on I-480 east near Broadway, in Garfield Heights. The employee said he and the driver of a Honda had been on the freeway rapidly switching lanes with each other and in a road rage incident, the driver of the Honda had swerved toward the lane the employee was in and fired three shots into his driver's side window. The employee chased the Honda to a gas station on Warrensville Center Rd., and was able to report the Honda's license plate number and was advised to stop chasing the Honda. Damage to the employee's vehicle included a shattered driver's window and two bullet holes, one under the driver's side window and another at the very top of the driver's door.

Aggravated Robbery

On Aug. 9, at 10:35 p.m., GHPD units received a radio broadcast of a male who was robbed at gunpoint of his brother's blue 2008 Chevy Impala. Officers observed the stolen car going east on Maplerow Ave. near E. 139 St., at a high rate of speed, and pursued it until the chase was ultimately terminated. Other officers arrived at a home in the 13100 block of Forestdale Ave., and made contact with the victim of the car robbery who was hiding in the bushes behind the house. He told police that evening, around 10:30 p.m., he was working for DoorDash dropping off food in the area of Bartlam Ave., and Dressler Rd. He pulled over to the side of the road on Bartlam to confirm the address of his delivery and out of the darkness was approached by two black males wearing all black clothing and black ski-masks covering their faces while he sat in his car. Both suspects pointed 9mm semi-automatic handguns at him and demanded that he get out of the vehicle, leave his keys and personal belongings inside and if he did not, they would shoot him. The suspects then grabbed the victim and forced him out of the car. He was then struck in the head with a gun, causing a large knot to appear. He was able to break free and ran

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west on Dressler to Forestdale Ave., then hid behind some houses and called police for help. He saw the suspects get into the Impala and drive away. Police took the victim to Marymount Hospital for treatment. Report forwarded to the Detective Bureau for follow-up.

Theft of a Motor Vehicle

On Aug. 13, at 5:28 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the 9600 block of Garfield Blvd. for a vehicle being stolen. The victim said she had parked her 2015 Hyundai Elantra in the parking lot and when she returned to it at 4:40 p.m., it was gone and she called police. Surveillance cameras revealed that at 3:30 p.m., a gray Hyundai SUV entered the lot and parked next to her vehicle and dropped off five individuals then left the area. The five suspects then lingered in the area of the football field for about an hour then got inside the Hyundai and drove away. The last hit on Flock was at the intersection of E. 131 St., and Broadway Ave., at 4:48 p.m. The suspects appeared to be juveniles and all were wearing dark clothing. Vehicle entered into LEADS.

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Crime Stoppers provides an anonymous telephone number, Text Tips and Web Tips to encourage citizens to volunteer vital information helpful to law enforcement.

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Supporting Garfield Heights students with Unity and Prayer meeting



The Garfield Heights Community Alliance held a Unity and Prayer meeting Monday at Garfield Heights Middle School to show support for students as they begin their school year. Shown above are some of the city leaders and residents who attended the event. Photo by Wendy Walters

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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 **29th day of August, 2024** for the "2024 CONCRETE PROGRAM" in the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, NO FAXED COPIES ACCEPTED.

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Tinita Tillman
Finance Director
Maple Heights, Ohio

Cuyahoga Hts. Fire Department news

Congratulations and best wishes to Fire Captain Patrick Koran, who retired from the Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department after 37 years of service on July 22.

During the August 14 council meeting, Mayor Jack Bacci presented Koran with a proclamation. Also that evening, Mayor Bacci administered the oath of office to Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department's newest firefighter, Nick Dalton, as well as promoting Firefighter Thomas Kekelis III to Fire Lieutenant. Congratulations to all.



From left to right are shown retiring Fire Captain Patrick Koran, promoted Fire Lt. Thomas Kekelis III, and new firefighter Nick Dalton, all with Cuyahoga Heights Mayor Jack Bacci.

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and will be publicly opened and read immediately thereafter. Each bid must contain the full 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 shall be accompanied by a Bid Guaranty Bond for the full amount (100%) of the Bid, in favor of the "Owner" or a certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit pursuant to Chapter 1305 of the Ohio Revised Code, in the amount of 10% of the Bid, payable to the "Owner".

It is agreed that the bid guaranty shall be for the benefit of the "Owner" pursuant to Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code if the undersigned fails to execute the Contract in conformity with the Form of Contract incorporated in the contract documents and furnish Bond and insurance certificates within ten (10) days after the notification of the award of the Contract to the undersigned.

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Please note that in order to be considered as a "responsive bidder" for this project, you must purchase a set of plans and bid documents, and follow all instructions provided. Bids from contractors who are not on the **Plan Holders List** will be disqualified.

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County alots additional funds for emergency food assistance

Cuyahoga County has increased funding for emergency food assistance by \$250,000 due to a significant increase in calls for service stemming from recent power outages.

Storm systems swept through Northeast Ohio on Aug. 6, leaving thousands of county residents without power for multiple days, resulting in the loss of refrigerators and freezers full of food. Cuyahoga County will work with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank to replenish food lost in the outages.

"We understand that many of our residents with low or no income were severely affected by the storms, losing a significant amount of food, and that efforts to mitigate the loss were further compounded by limited power and cell service," said David Merriman, the county's Director of Health and Human Services. "This funding will allow us to speed up relief efforts and get families back on their feet."

Additional County levy dollars were approved by the Board of Control for the United Way of Greater Cleveland Emergency Food Purchase contract. The emergency request is supported by data provided by the United Way Services of Greater Cleveland showing an upwards of 300% increase in food service requests because of the storms.

"We appreciate our partnership with Cuyahoga County," said Kristin Warzocha, president and CEO, Greater Cleveland Food Bank. "These funds will help struggling families and seniors after the recent storms and power outages and be used to purchase and distribute additional healthy protein and dairy items, along with other nutritious food, to help our neighbors restock their refrigerators and freezers."

The Food Bank locations can be found at <https://www.greaterclevelandfoodbank.org/get-help/map>.

To volunteer, advocate, or provide financial support to the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, visit www.GreaterClevelandFoodBank.org.

Cuyahoga County is also working with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service on additional food replacement measures.



Cleveland Metroparks News

All programs are free unless marked otherwise. For questions or to register for programs, please see clevelandmetroparks.com or call CanalWay Center at 216-206-1000.

CanalWay Center/Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

August 31: Story Time Under the Trees: All About the Lorax! Come and join a naturalist to learn how to speak for the trees! We will be reading "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss and how you can help protect our local environment. After, we'll take a short walk around the Lower 40 Loop to point out natural resources you can find in your backyard. We'll be making our own 'truffula' trees to take home! 10 – 11:15 a.m. CanalWay Center. Ages 3-5 with adult. Terrain: paved, hill, 1.2 miles.

Garfield Park Reservation

August 26: Nature Kids at Garfield Join Naturalist Carly Martin for an easy paced morning with nature exploration and a story. This program is for young children accompanied by an adult. 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Playground near Red Oak Picnic Area. Ages 3 – 5 years w/adult. Terrain: natural surface, 0.5 mile. 216-206-1000.

Garfield Heights City Schools announces facts they want community to know

(Editor's Note: In light of several Channel 19 Investigates reports of violence in the Garfield Heights Schools during the last term, the district has issued the following clarifications in response.)


Garfield Heights City Schools

FACTS about CURRENT HIRING UPDATES and STUDENT BEHAVIOR in the Garfield Heights City Schools

As of August 1st, 2024

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1. As of August 1, 2024, the GHCS is almost to FULL CAPACITY with its hiring, requiring **only 4 more positions** to fill, several at the MS and several at the HS.
2. ALL ELEMENTARY POSITIONS have been filled over the summer.
3. The GHCS experienced only 29 teacher resignations after last school year, far less than has been reported.
4. A NEW STAFF EVENT held during the week 7.15.2024 welcomed approximately 50 new hires.
5. Incidences involving student behavior have DECREASED 25% in the last school year alone, despite what has been reported.
6. There are currently 5 security officers at the Middle School, and the GHCS is hiring 1 more for a total of 6.
7. There are currently 6 security officers at the High School, and also 1 School Resource Officer.
8. Each of the three elementary buildings have 1 security officer employed.
9. There is one Dean of Culture at each building who is responsible for student discipline, creating ways to de-escalate situations, and conflict resolution.
10. The GHCS has intensified its Progressive Discipline Policy, strengthening standards for conduct and behavior to deter problems before they happen.
11. Yondr Bags at the Middle School will be required this year for ALL students, to house their cell phones during the school day, lessening distractions and increasing concentration on schoolwork.
12. On Thursday, August 22nd, the GHCS will host its community Back to School rally at 4 p.m. at the High School.
13. Each building will be hosting a Parent Orientation in order to establish expectations and standards of conduct.
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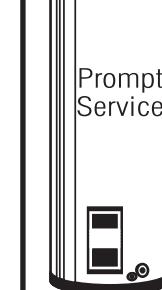
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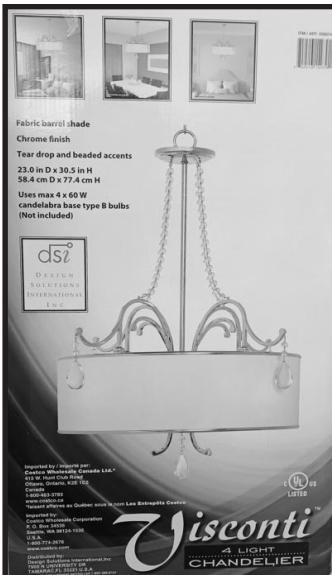


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GHPD welcomes new officer Sewer District to assist communities with \$24.9 million to improve local sewer systems



Patrolman Andrew Hlywa joined the Garfield Heights Police Department on Monday, Aug 19, having previously been a police officer with the Broadview Heights PD from April 2022 to August 2024.

Patrolman Hlywa graduated third in his class from Lorain County Community College Police Academy and served in the United States Marine Corps from October 2011 through July 2016. GHPD welcomes Patrolman Andrew Hlywa!

Shown in the photo, from left, are: Mayor Matt Burke, Patrolman Hlywa, and Police Chief Mark Kaye.

Taste of Turney Sept. 7th

Garfield Heights resident business owners Vonda Leath (Sweetly Shobhan Pastries), Charlene Wesley (Auntie Lumpy's Restaurant) and James Klimo (Garfield Culinary) are bringing far more than a food and music event to Turney Road on Saturday, September 7.

"Taste of Turney" will be a celebration of local talent, creativity, culinary artistry and the vibrant spirit of the community - bringing together a curated mix of local artisans, food truck and beverage vendors. From handcrafted jewelry to mouthwatering delicacies, you'll discover unique treasures at every step along the event corridor.

WHERE: Main Hub Garfield Heights Civic Center – 5407 Turney Road

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 7 - 11:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.

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The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District's Board of Trustees recently awarded 27 Member Community Infrastructure Program (MCIP) grants totaling \$24,945,396.94. Local municipalities receiving funding include the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, Garfield Heights, Maple Heights and the Village of Newburgh Heights.

MCIP provides funding to member communities and eligible political subdivisions for sewer infrastructure rehabilitation, replacement and improvement projects that address water quality and quantity issues. These issues adversely impact human health and the environment and are mitigated through cost-effective sewer infrastructure projects.

Since the program's inception in 2016, the Sewer District has awarded \$102.3 million towards 134 publicly-owned infrastructure improvement projects, leveraging an additional \$104.1 million in member community sewer infrastructure investments.

"Failing septic systems, sewer flooding, sanitary sewer overflows and common trench sewers contribute to poor water quality throughout our region," said Matt Scharver, director of Watershed Programs. "This program provides a vital funding mechanism to assist with needed repairs and new sewer infrastructure while protecting and improving the region's water resources."

Local MCIP grants in this funding round include:

Cuyahoga Heights (\$230,240.00)

The Courts Sewer Separation Project (design)

Garfield Heights (\$2,608,128.00)

Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Sewer Separation Project (construction)

Garfield Heights (\$1,577,364.00)

Thornhurst Avenue Sewer Separation Project (design and construction)

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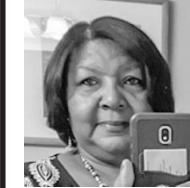
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