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Garfield Hts. Town Hall forum Thursday

A Community Town Hall forum to share important updates on safety, collaboration and community involvement in the Garfield Heights City Schools and other topics of concern in the city will be held on Thursday, Sept. 12, from 6-8 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd.

Moms Onna Mission, in partnership with the city of Garfield Heights, Garfield Heights City Schools, Top Dawg Initiative and Rep. Darnell T. Brewer are hosting the forum, which will include a Q&A session. Speakers will include Chloe Ervin-Dozier of Moms Onna Mission, GHCS Superintendent Dr. Richard Reynolds, Mayor Matt Burke and Rep. Brewer, who serves in the Ohio House of Representatives.

'Taste of Turney' celebrates local food, music and community in Garfield Hts.



The incredible smell of mouthwatering food filled the air along Turney Road in Garfield Heights last Saturday, as well as the sounds of live musical performances and other entertainment that were enjoyed by the crowds of people showing up for this first-ever event in the city. Stages for food and entertainment were set up at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, Garfield Culinary and the GHHS parking lot for the afternoon's festivities, sponsored by Auntie Lumpy's Restaurant, Sweetly Shoibhan Pastries, Garfield Culinary and the city of Garfield Heights. *Photos by Elena Psenicka*

Girl, 13, arrested for threats on Instagram of violence against Garfield Heights, Maple Heights schools

Around 8:45 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 9, Garfield Heights Police were made aware of an Instagram post containing threats of violence against several Garfield Heights and Maple Heights schools, according to information on a GHPD Facebook posting.

School Officials were immediately notified and officers were placed at each of the schools for security. GHPD detectives, along with assistance from the ATF and FBI, began an investigation into who created the post. Through that investigation, the location where the post was created was found along with a possible suspect.

At 3 p.m. Monday, detectives executed a search warrant at an address on Cumberland Drive in Garfield Heights and a 13-year old female was taken into custody. She will have pending charges through the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court.

All resources of the police department and the schools were immediately diverted to handle this situation upon learning of this post and students were never in imminent danger of harm, the Facebook post continued.

"No matter the perceived credibility level, any threat made against our schools and our students is taken with the utmost seriousness which is reflected in the short time taken to identify, locate and arrest the person responsible," police posted. "Our partnership with our schools has always been outstanding allowing us to handle situations like this in a calm and timely manner. Nothing is more important than the safety of our children."

Ohio DYS applies again to relocate state juvenile correction facility to Bedford

By Judith Goldsworth

More than two years after Bedford Council denied the Planning Commission's decision to relocate a state juvenile correction facility in the city, the Ohio Department of Youth Services has again applied to locate the facility in Bedford. It would represent a \$90 million construction project at the former US Bank building at 17500 Rockside Rd., City Manager Mike Mallis announced at council's Sept. 3 meeting. A Planning Commission meeting to consider the application is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 17.

In June 2022, council moved to deny the Commission's decision to grant the Ohio DYS a special use permit to allow it to use the vacant 38-acre property near the border of Maple Heights to house felony level male juvenile offenders. The permit would have allowed the relocation of employees and inmates of the Cuyahoga Hills Juvenile Correction Facility in Highland Hills to Bedford, about eight miles away.

At the time, DYS officials' explanation for the proposed relocation was that the Highland Hills facility, dating to the 1960s, was "landlocked," and it was not feasible to demolish and rebuild a new complex on that property. In issuing the denial in 2022, Bedford officials expressed concerns about the possible effect on real estate values, as well as the potential for crime and violence in and around the proposed location.

The owner of the property is listed as Premier Rockside LLC, at the 17500 Rockside Rd. address, according to the Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer's website.

Mallis said at last week's meeting, "I want to share with the public that the city, officially last week, received an application from the State of Ohio Department of Youth Services, which is again interested in purchasing the property at 17500 Rockside Rd."

"Their intention is to install and construct a juvenile correction facility from Highland Hills and relocate it to the city of Bedford. They are proposing a \$90 million construction project, and they're proposing to employ approximately 294 employees and house a maximum of 72 youth."

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Mallis stated that the DYS had come back in the current proposal with the same number of employees as before but that the proposed number of inmates had been reduced, which falls in line with the governor's report to have more facilities with a higher staff ratio.

He said the matter will go in front of the Planning Commission on September 17, and ultimately move from the Planning Commission to city council.

Tornado cleanup, recovery continues

City workers and residents continue cleanup efforts after a tornado tore through the city at speeds of up to 104 mph on Tuesday, Aug. 6, taking down trees and power poles and lines, resulting in damage to homes and properties. Numerous residents went several days without electricity until utility crews were able to restore service.

Mallis said that Finance Director Jennifer Howland had been consulting with the city's various departments to compile initial costs associated with the tornado dam-

ages, including damages at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the current expense to the city was about \$72,000.

Information on the damage costs is being sent to the State of Ohio Office of Emergency Management for their assistance, Mallis said.

Grant application ordinance passed

The only piece of legislation passed at last week's meeting was an ordinance for the city to apply to the Cuyahoga County Department of Development for Fiscal Year 2025 Community Development Block Grant funds, in the amount of \$150,000, and Community Development Supplemental Grant funds in the amount of \$50,000.

If the county approves the funding, the \$150,000 block grant will be used for additional improvements to the Ellenwood Community Center, including the replacement of the main roof, and the \$50,000 supplemental grant will be used for the purchase and installation of security cameras for numerous public parks in the city.

Three motions passed

• Approving the Planning Commission's decision to allow Ambia Energy, LLC to install a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system located at 38 Flora Ave., "as long as the Board of Zoning Appeals grants a variance to allow the (system) on the house, due to it needing a variance."

• Accepting the Planning Commission's decision denying Homa Tigan the right to lease space to an auto rental business located at 22550 Rockside Rd.

• Approving the Board of Zoning Appeals' decision to allow Tim Shifflet of Powerup Renewable Energy to install solar panels on the home located at 54 Grand Blvd.

In the interest of gathering more information, council tabled a motion to approve the Board of Zoning Appeals' decision to deny Dionte Dunhan of Advanced Base Concrete, LLC the right to build a shed and concrete slab

in the side yard located at 27 Avalon Ave.

Announcements

The Community Wide Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14, Mallis announced. Residents who want to participate may contact the city's Building Department, and lists of addresses having garage sales will be made available.

Mallis said resurfacing work continued on Turney Rd., with the project tentatively scheduled for completion by Sept. 15, when the roadway should be back open to two-way traffic.

Mallis also congratulated the Bedford Fire Department for receiving an \$85,000 federal grant to be used towards the replacement of the exhaust system at the fire station. The city was again awarded a Cuyahoga County Tree Canopy Grant, which will be used to plant more than 100 trees throughout the city, with the focus on Willard, Eldred, Gould, Wandle, among other streets.

Covenant Rummage Sale

The Covenant Lutheran Women's Rummage Sale will be held Friday, Sept. 13, and Saturday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Lutheran Church of the Covenant, 19000 Libby Rd., Maple Heights. All are welcome to stop by and shop for bargains of all kinds at this annual event.

NN Freebies offered

• The Neighborhood News has two tickets to a play by Czech author Karel Capek entitled "RUR-Rossum's Universal Robots," for the Sunday, Sept. 15, performance at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., to be raffled off in a free drawing.

Enter to win tickets by stopping in to The Neighborhood News office, 8613 Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, Monday through Friday, during normal business hours. Deadline to enter drawing is Wednesday, Sept. 11, at noon.

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

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

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

Copies of the Specifications, Instructions to Bidders, Forms of Proposals and other contract documents are on file at the office of the Clerk of the City of Bedford. These documents may only be obtained through the office of GPD Group by emailing Nick Fini nfini@gpdgroup.com and requesting a digital copy. Digital documents will be provided free of charge. Questions or inquiries should be directed to GPD Group at (216) 927-8658. No questions will be answered after 12:00 noon on September 17, 2024.

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


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

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Community Police reports

(All information is preliminary and subject to change pending investigation.)

Garfield Heights

Criminal Damage

• On Aug. 25, about 2:20 p.m., police responded to Tiny Town Academy Childcare, 7920 Garfield Blvd., for a report of criminal damage. The complainant said that children who live in the area had again broken into the daycare's playground and damaged the property and toys. She said there are surveillance cameras on the property which caught the juveniles on the property. Both locked gates to the playground were damaged, garbage was scattered all over the playground, a play set had damage done to the tarp roof and plastic sides. Damage was estimated at \$8,000. A parent from the neighborhood was there while police were on scene and gathered the area children together, told them to stop going on the playground property and had all of them start cleaning up the trash there. Report will be forwarded to the Garfield Heights Juvenile Detective Bureau for follow up.

• On Sept. 1, at 11:17 p.m., an officer responded to Taco Bell, 5185 Turney Rd., where the manager and another employee said a male customer was becoming hostile with workers. Allegedly the trouble was caused due to the ice machine being broken and the customer wanting to be compensated since he couldn't have any ice. The manager told him he could not be compensated, at which time he began to make verbal threats and said he would "smack" her. He then pulled up toward the side drive-thru window and struck the glass with his fist, causing significant damage as observed by police. The officer located the customer driving on Grace Ave., and conducted a traffic stop. The customer admitted to punching the window at Taco Bell and was issued a citation for criminal damaging and was later released.

Theft

On Friday, Sept. 6, at 6:50 p.m., police met with the general manager/complainant at Applebee's on Vista Way

for a theft report. She said that a customer had come in on Sept. 3, and ordered food and drinks for her and her family members which totaled \$88.53. The customer was able to pay the bill down to \$58.35 and said she would come back and pay the outstanding bill by Sept. 6, before 6:30 p.m. It was made clear to her that if she did not return with the payment by that time Applebee's management would move forward with pressing charges. The customer did not return to pay the rest of the bill. In addition, she was found to have prior arrest/convictions along with having open warrants. Report forwarded to the prosecutor's office.

Suspicious Person

On Sept. 7, at 9:18 p.m., an officer arrived at the police station lobby to take a report for a child enticement incident. The complainant said she was told by her two grandchildren of an incident on Sept. 4, shortly before 4 p.m. The children said they were in front of the grandmother's house in the 5900 block of Monica Ln. playing with another friend when a male approached them from the opposite side of Monica Ln., and told the children he was looking for a seven-year-old girl who didn't get off the school bus. He told them to come with him to look. The children went inside their grandmother's home with several other younger children and locked the door. The children said the man followed them to the door and tried to turn the door handle then left in an unknown direction. The man was described as a white male about 65 years old with grey hair wearing a black shirt and white shorts.

Obstructing Official Business

On Sept. 6, an officer was informed by a GHPD dispatcher that a female had been repeatedly calling into the station ordering GHPD to stop a vehicle pursuit that they were actively engaged in. The female did not have an emergency and was told she would be called back when officers were available. The dispatcher said that when he hangs up or places the caller on hold she immediately calls back. This had happened about eight times so far. The dispatcher asked if the officer could speak with her

briefly and get her to calm down and listen to reason. The officer spoke with the woman, who immediately began shouting and swearing, stating she was a taxpayer and demanded police stop the pursuit they were engaged in. The officer explained he was attempting to monitor the ongoing pursuit and he would call her back when he could and to stop calling and causing a distraction. This fell on deaf ears as she repeatedly began shouting and cursing at the officer. The woman was placed on hold and when the active pursuit was resolved, the officer tried to talk to her but was met with more belligerence and swearing. He finally hung up and asked a dispatcher to track down the caller's information so she could be arrested for obstructing official business. She was later located at Aries Restaurant and Lounge on Warner Rd., and taken into custody. She was obviously highly intoxicated and denied any phone conversations with the officer. She was taken to city jail, placed in the detox cell and charged with obstructing official business and disorderly conduct/intoxication.

Shots Fired

On Sept. 7, at 11:15 p.m., officers arrived at Aries Restaurant and Lounge, 4619 Warner Rd., for a report of 10-12 shots fired near that location. They observed a vehicle parked along the west side of the parking lot near the southern entrance to Aries with several bullet holes in the driver's door area. Security staff advised that a black Dodge Ram pickup truck had left the scene around the time of the shooting going north on Warner Rd., but it was unclear if the vehicle had been involved. Police found a second vehicle in the parking lot had also been struck by gunfire several times on the driver's side rear area of the vehicle. A third vehicle was struck in the windshield while parked in the middle of the parking lot. Officers collected a total of 62 shell casings in the southeast area of the Aries parking lot, including 9mm, 10mm and .223 casings. Police checked neighboring businesses and discovered several bullet holes in two buildings on Warner Rd., and in a vehicle parked in one of their lots. Several surveillance cameras will be checked for footage of the shooting spree.

LEGAL NOTICE

BEDFORD PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024, AT BEDFORD CITY HALL IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 6:00 P.M. to consider the appeal of the following:

- Bloom Behavioral Health wishes to open a Behavioral Health Counseling Office in the Historic District at 15 North St., Bedford, OH 44146.
- The Ohio Department of Youth Services requests to relocate its juvenile correctional facility to 17500 Rockside Rd., Bedford, OH 44146

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Learn to Skate classes are offered throughout the season as well as Beginner Learn to Play Hockey.

Learn to Skate classes: Held on Wednesdays beginning Sept. 25, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., and also on Saturday mornings, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m., beginning Sept. 28. Skate rental is included with all lessons at no additional charge.

6-week Session Fees:

ID Card – Residents - \$20– onetime annual fee

ID Card – Non-Residents - \$50 – onetime annual fee

Lessons – Residents - \$60 – per 6-week session

Non-Residents - \$85– per 6-week session

In-House Hockey: Ages 3–14 years old. This in-house Beginner Hockey Program is held on Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m., with Session 1 starting on Saturday, Sept. 28. If you decide to sign up your child, equipment is available with a deposit; see office for details.

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Residents - \$100 – for 6-week session

Non-Residents - \$150 for 6-week session

Not sure if ice skating is for you? Come join us on Saturday, Sept. 21, for a free try before you buy session from 10 to 11:15 a.m. This session is for those who are interested in taking lessons and learning to ice skate. Child must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian & sign waiver for this trial. Wear comfortable clothing, a bike helmet if you have one; gloves and socks must be worn. Deadline for Learn to Skate & the In-House Hockey Program is Saturday, Sept. 21. Please come prepared for registration.

All details are on the website – www.garfieldhts.org – Parks & Recreation Department, or call **216-475-7272**.

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Maple Heights Council approves legislation for moratorium on smoke shops in the city

By Judith Goldsworth

In an effort to address concerns about appearances, potential criminal activity and health hazards presented by "smoke shops" locating in the city, Maple Heights Council, at its meeting last week, approved an ordinance to impose a 180-day moratorium on permitting new businesses that sell or distribute tobacco products, vapor products, alternative nicotine products, and/or electronic devices.

During the 6-month moratorium period, which gives the city the chance to study the impact of having these establishments in the city, the Maple Heights Building Department will not accept applications from businesses seeking to sell or distribute tobacco and vapor products, and the Planning and Zoning Commission will not grant use permits or zoning variances for these businesses.

The legislation states that there has been an increase in new retail businesses in the city that sell tobacco and vapor products, and that the operation of businesses that sell or distribute tobacco and vapor products near schools, playgrounds, parks, residential neighborhoods and small businesses may be inappropriate and have an adverse impact on property values, health, safety and welfare in the city.

In his report at the meeting, Law Director Frank Consolo thanked Mayor Annette Blackwell "for putting this on the Law Department's radar a month ago," and also thanked District 6 Councilwoman Tina Stafford-Marbury for her input.

During the moratorium, Consolo said council and the administration will work out ways of dealing with the vape shops that have become prevalent. "There are two existing in the city and two more that have already made application, so we're looking at least four in the city. We want to take the time and study this," he said.

Blackwell commented that in her travels throughout Cuyahoga County, she did not see these types of establishments in other communities and didn't want them in Maple Heights.

She added, "Historically, communities of color are bombarded with liquor stores and cigarettes sales, and the marketing is targeted towards our cities which have the

most disparities in health outcomes. There are high incidences of asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, bronchitis and emphysema."

Other legislation passed

- 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.

- Two separate resolutions certifying to the County Fiscal Officer the sums due to the city which were expended for boarding up houses and for weed control and grass cutting on lots.

- Resolution of support for the renewal of the Cuyahoga County Cigarette Tax for Arts and Culture. The tax, which provides dedicated public funding to support nonprofit arts and culture organizations and initiatives in the county, is up for renewal on the November 2024 ballot.

- Ordinance authorizing the city to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the demolition of the closed Greenhurst Drive Bridge over Mill Creek, and the installation of a vehicular turnaround for safety services and school buses in the city. City Engineer Ed Hren stated that the total value of the demolition work to be funded by ODOT is estimated at \$833,403. ODOT will fund 100% of the engineering, development and design costs, up to \$185,503; and provide 100% of the demolition and construction costs, up to \$516,000, Hren stated.

- Resolution authorizing Blackwell to apply to the Ohio Public Works Commission for potential grants for the funding of Capital Infrastructure Improvement Projects in the city, including the Tabor Avenue Water Main Replacement Project and the Southwest Sewer District Sewer Improvements Project, Phase 3. The grants are being sought to supplement Cleveland Water Department and Northeast Ohio Sewer District funds that have already been awarded to the city for the projects, Hren said.

- Two resolutions authorizing the city to apply to the Cuyahoga County Department of Development - one to apply for a \$150,000 Community Development Block Grant for improvements at the Maple Heights Senior Center, and the other to apply for a \$50,000 Community Development Supplemental Grant to fund the Maple Heights Exterior Home Repair Grant Program to help maintain the city's housing stock.

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Maple Heights Council approves moratorium

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• Resolution authorizing Hren to include the construction of bus stop concrete pads and sidewalk in the Southgate Park Boulevard area, in the plans and specifications to be advertised for bids for concrete pavement repairs on streets in the city. The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency and the OPWC have both awarded the city a total of over \$1 million in funding for the Southgate Park Boulevard Improvement Project, and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority will install a bus shelter and relocate a bench in the area if the city constructs the concrete pads and 150 feet of sidewalk as part of the 2024 Maple Heights Pavement Repair Program.

An ordinance authorizing the city to enter into an agreement to purchase property located at 5391 Lee Rd., at a cost not over \$135,000, was placed on first reading. The property is next to the Maple Heights Police Station and City Hall and the purchase is recommended "to provide additional space to be used by the Police Department and other city departments for municipal purposes."

Blackwell has applied for \$100,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funding from Cuyahoga County which would be used for the purchase if the legislation is approved at a future meeting.

Council approved a motion authorizing Police Chief Todd Hansen to apply for a Cybersecurity Software and Services Grant through the Ohio Emergency Manage-

ment Agency, in the amount of \$20,000. The city's cost share is 20%, or \$4,000, if the grant is awarded.

Also at last week's meeting, District 7 Councilwoman Edwina Agee and Chaplain Kevin James presented the 2024 District 7 and James Foundation scholarships to two 2024 high school graduates in honor of their academic achievements: Kendall Leeth, who now attends Hiram College where she is majoring in Computer Science, and Myles Russe, who now attends Baldwin-Wallace University where he is majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Announcements

Fire Chief Dan Syphen announced there will be a Car Seat Saturday event at Fire Station No. 1, 5520 Warrensville Center Rd., from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21. In conjunction with University Hospitals, firefighters will be performing car seat installations and inspections.

Also on Sept. 21, from 1-3 p.m., District 4 Councilwoman Dana Anderson said that council's Community Life and Education Committee will be hosting a Voter Registration Day at 5670 Dunham Rd.

Human Services Director Linda Vopat said the Fall Fest will be held at Stafford Park on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 12:30-4 p.m.

Blackwell announced that the inaugural "Maple Heights Restaurant Week" will be held at restaurants throughout the city the week of September 23-29.



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.

Bedford Reservation

Sept. 13: Adult Camp: Bedford Rocks Rock! Test your luck on Friday the 13th and join Naturalist Alex Palmer and Historian Judy MacKeigan in Bedford Reservation as we explore the cultural and geological significance of our local bedrock through fun games and crafts, nature hikes, a history walk through a cemetery and sweet treats and snacks including build your-own s'mores. Lunch provided. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Viaduct Park. Adults. Fee: \$45. Terrain: natural and paved surfaces, some hills, up to 2 miles. Registration 14 people.

Sept 14: Preschoolers in the Park - Trees. We are getting ready for the fall season. This morning we will hike under the trees and through the forest in Bedford Reservation. We will discuss tree leaves along the way and stop to point out interesting trees. 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Egbert Picnic Area. Age: 2 - 6 years w/adult. Terrain: natural surface, hills, 1 mile.

Sept 15: Sunset Walk. Join Naturalist Carly Martin to explore the meadows and vistas of Astrohurst as the evening darkens and the moon rises. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Astrohurst Trail head.

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Mark Silverberg, the creator of this event, is a documentary photographer and community organizer. He will display his work from the past few years on various displays and panels.

The displays will invite participants to expand the way they view their community, shifting from a deficit-based to an asset-based perspective. Silverberg hopes to inspire residents’ curiosity about how they might join their neighbors to imagine and create the vibrant community they deserve.

The Darl Center for the Arts was founded in Cleveland in October of 2022 and is located in the former Carnegie Free Library. It is a museum and event space, celebrating art, adventure and life well-lived, and a perfect setting to display Silverberg’s photography.

The Slavic Village Reframed display is being held in conjunction with the annual Rooms to Let event being held this Saturday and Sunday, with public art displays throughout the E. 55th St./Broadway retail district. All are welcome to these free events.

The Southeast Kiwanis are excited to be one of the many sponsors for this event with its opening on Friday and also on display throughout the Rooms to Let weekend.

Garfield Hts. Council notes

By Ellen Psenicka

With a short legislative agenda, Garfield Heights Council met Monday night and passed the following legislation:

- An ordinance to apply for and accept the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program coordinated by CyberOhio and made available by the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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- An ordinance to enter into an agreement with Citizenserve for a new building department software package.

The building department has been utilizing its present software for about 12 years, and during that time new software has been developed that allows for increases in efficiency and practicality. The total of the proposed package will be about \$50,300, of which \$49,000 would be paid for in grant funding provided to the city through the First Suburbs Consortium.

- A resolution of support by the mayor and council of the city of Garfield Heights for the replacement of the Cuyahoga County Cigarette Tax going before voters in the November 2024 election to expand the county’s excise tax on tobacco products for the purpose of funding arts and culture.

Polish History Day at Foundry on Columbus Rd.

Polish History Day at The Foundry, 1813 Columbus Rd., Cleveland, will be held on Sunday, Sept. 29, from 2 to 6 p.m. The Foundry is the home of the Cleveland Community Rowing & Sailing Center. It is located on the site of St. Mary’s on the Flats Church, the first Catholic church in Cleveland. From 1873 to 1879, Polish masses were held there under the patronage of St. Stanislaus.

Those attending the Polish History Day event will meet Polish Olympian Wieslaw Kudja, a renowned rowing head coach and athlete from the 1980, and enjoy history presentations and displays from The Cleveland Metroparks, Slavic Village Development, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Slavic Village Historical Society and the Polish American Cultural Center, JPII.



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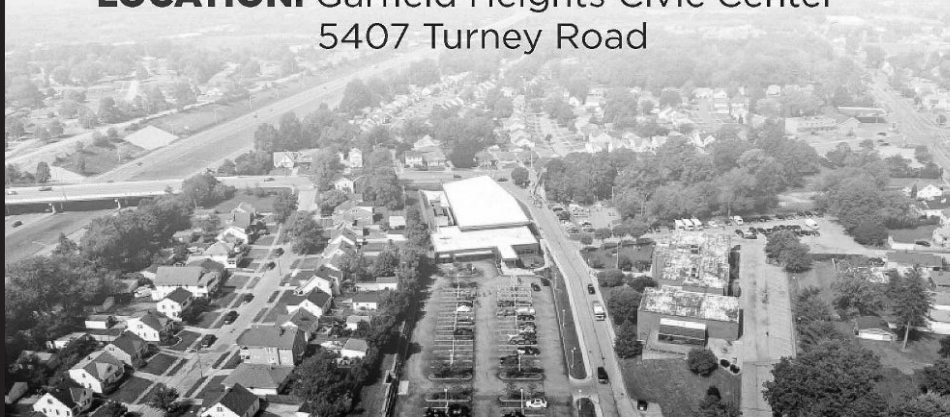
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