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Marshals arrest suspect in murder of teen in SV

On Monday, Feb. 9, members of the U.S. Marshals-led Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force (NOVTF) arrested Joseph Harris Jr., 20. He was wanted by the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) for an aggravated murder which took place in Slavic Village earlier this month.

On Feb. 1, 2026, officers with the CDP Fourth District responded to a shooting incident near the 7000 block of Gertrude Ave., in Cleveland's Slavic Village neighborhood. Upon arrival officers located an unresponsive female in the living room who had suffered a gunshot wound to the head. That female, identified as Crystal Pittman, 19, was pronounced deceased on scene by EMS.

A second female juvenile victim suffered a non-life-threatening gunshot wound to the back and was transported to MetroHealth Medical Center. Harris was later identified as a suspect in this deadly incident, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Monday members of the NOVTF arrested Harris at an apartment in the 4300 block of Northfield Rd., Cleveland. As task force members were attempting to arrest Harris inside the apartment he was attempting to flush a handgun down the toilet. A search warrant was executed for the residence after the arrest and the firearm was seized, according to a press release from the U.S. Marshals.

U.S. Marshal Pete Elliott stated Monday, "Today was another safe arrest of a violent fugitive with a firearm for our task force. Every day the men and women of our fugitive task force knowingly put themselves at risk to take dangerous fugitives off the street."

Anyone with information concerning a wanted fugitive can contact the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force at 1-866-4WANTED (1-866-492-6833), or submit a web tip. Reward money is available, and tipsters may remain anonymous. Follow the U.S. Marshals on Twitter @USMSCleveland.

The Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force – Cleveland Division is composed of the following federal, state and local agencies: U.S. Marshals Service, Cleveland Police Department, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority Police Department, Euclid Police Department, Ohio Adult Parole Authority, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Independence Police Department, Parma Police Department, Aurora Police Department, Solon Police Department, Cleveland RTA Police Department, Westlake Police Department, Bedford Police Department, Middleburg Heights Police Department, Newburgh Heights Police Department and the MetroHealth Police Department.

Garfield Heights Council honors Trinity High School; names winners of Residential Holiday Lighting Contest

By Ellen Psenicka

Garfield Heights Council, at its Monday evening meeting, passed a resolution commending Trinity High School for its outstanding commitment to service, education and community impact.

The resolution reads in part: "Trinity High School has faithfully served the city of Garfield Heights and surrounding communities for more than five decades by providing a value-based education rooted in faith, leadership and service.

"Under the leadership of Mr. Bill Svoboda, President and Principal, Trinity High School achieved historic enrollment growth during the 2025-2026 year, while expanding academic offerings, career-readiness initiatives, and certification programs designed to prepare students for meaningful futures.

"Trinity High School has demonstrated a deep and ongoing commitment to service through intentional Service Experiences that encourage students to actively serve their neighbors, seniors, churches, non-profits and community events throughout the city of Garfield Heights.



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Above are some of the winners of the 2025 Residential Holiday Lighting Contest with the awards they received at Monday's Garfield Heights Council meeting. They are flanked by Ward 1 Councilwoman Stacey Collier at left, and Mayor Matt Burke at right. Photos courtesy of the city of Garfield Heights

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Fat Thursday in SV tomorrow

The custom of eating rich food just before Lent will be observed in Slavic Village this Thursday, Feb. 12, at the Polish American Cultural Center, 6501 Lansing Ave., Cleveland, from 4 to 10 p.m. Happy hour in the basement bar will begin at 4 p.m., with food available starting at 5 p.m.

The star of the Fat Thursday (or Tłusty Czwartek in Polish) menu will be the paczki, a richly filled donut arriving from the kitchens of multiple Cleveland bakeries in a wide array of flavors. They'll be accompanied by other traditional favorites for purchase: kielbasa, pierogis, lasanki, golabki, capusta and plenty of Polish beers.

Live, danceable music will be provided by the Tom Ketrenich Band.

Tours of the Polish Museum in the same building will be ongoing. A historic church tour will occur down the street at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 6700 Lansing Ave., beginning at 5:30 p.m. It will be conducted by the Slavic Village Historical Society.

Admission to this public event is free; food and drink is for purchase.

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"Trinity High School students, through the guidance of the Campus Ministry Team, actively support local food banks, senior centers, community celebrations, faith-based ministries, neighborhood assistance efforts and citywide events, thereby strengthening the fabric of our community through compassion and action.

"This council desires to formally recognize and commend Trinity High School for its exemplary service initiatives and its positive impact on students, families and the broader community."

Holiday Lighting winners

The 2025 Residential Holiday Lighting Contest winners were named and presented with certificates honoring their efforts by Mayor Matt Burke. Winners are:

- Ward 1: Clayvonne Garr, Cranwood Park Blvd.
- Ward 2: Robert and Lisa Stemnock, Edgepark Dr.

- Ward 3: Kawana Dickerson, Blythin Rd.
- Ward 4: Debbie Harper, E. 88 St.
- Ward 5: Dave and Monica Kosakowski, E. 115 St.
- Ward 6: Tiffany Bivins, Oakview Blvd.
- Ward 7: Bill and Dana Dems, Foxcroft Rd.
- Citywide: Mark and Kim Butcher, Grace Ave.

The next meeting of Garfield Heights City Council is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m.

Mayor's report

Highlights from Mayor Burke's report to council included praise for the service department for their response to the major snowfall events. "They did an incredible job for the city, with eight trucks out at all times."

Urged residents to go on the city's website to sign up to get emergency alerts. There is also a video on the website with instructions on how to sign up.

Cuyahoga County has awarded Garfield Heights \$200,000 towards its \$325,000 infrastructure projects in the city.

Restaurant Appreciation Month going on for the next two months. More details to come.



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

BEDFORD RESERVATION

Feb. 16: Winter Waterfall - sNOw School. No school? Bring the kids out to join naturalist Pam Taylor as we explore the area around the Great Falls of Tinker's Creek. Those that are brave enough can travel through the old millrace tunnel to the best view of the falls. Sturdy footwear recommended; trails may be icy.

Make a day of it and bring supplies to cook lunch over the fire afterwards. Grills are available at the picnic shelter. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Willis Picnic Area.

Feb. 21: Winter Waterfall - Bedford Glens. Join naturalist Pam Taylor on a deep dive into the Bedford Glens. We'll hike along a lost section of trail that will take us under towering sandstone cliffs in search of one of the tallest waterfalls in the park. Sturdy footwear required; hiking poles encouraged. The trail may be icy. 2-4 p.m. Willis Picnic Area.

OHIO & ERIE CANAL RESERVATION

Feb. 15: Signs of Spring Hike. Join Naturalist Carly Martin for a hike in search of early signs of spring. We'll listen for the rusty swing song of the chickadee and look for the swelling buds of new leaves. Surely we'll find signs that winter will not linger and warmer weather is on the horizon. 9:30-11:30 a.m. CWC. Terrain: paved and natural surface trails, possibly muddy or icy. 2.5 miles.

Feb. 16: Career Exploration - Naturalist 101. Are you passionate about nature and connecting others with the outdoors? Join a naturalist from CanalWay Center to learn more about how to pursue a career as a naturalist and what it takes to do what they do. Activities may include hiking, animal care and naturalist trivia. Lunch will be provided. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. CWC. Ages 14-17 years. Fee: \$20. Terrain: paved and natural surfaces, some hills. 3 miles. Registration: 16 people. Registration ends at 5 p.m. Feb. 14.

Feb. 21: Great Lakes Exposition, 1936-1937. The biggest party Cleveland's ever seen was held on a lakefront garbage dump! During the Great Depression the city threw itself a massive 100th birthday party and everyone was invited to celebrate its industrial might. Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak takes an irreverent look at how trashy things got, and how great it was for the city of Cleveland. History and gossip abound. 2-4 p.m. CWC.

Feb. 22: Weekend Hike to the Eagle's Nest. Join a naturalist for a guided hike to an active bald eagle nest while we look for birds, beavers and other wildlife that call this Reservation home. On the way we will compare observations of animal activity throughout the winter. 1-3 p.m. CWC. Terrain: paved, hills, icy conditions possible. 3 miles.

GARFIELD PARK RESERVATION

Feb. 18: Garfield Park Walking Club. Join our new Wednesday walking club as a naturalist leads you on an exploration of the many scenic and tranquil pathways and trails of Garfield Park. Joining the club is easy and free - just show up in your favorite walking shoes or snow boots; bring a water bottle and be ready to meet new people! 10-11 a.m. Garfield Park Pond (outside the Program Center). Terrain: paved, gravel, hills, icy conditions possible, 1-2 miles.

Feb. 20: Preschoolers - Hike with Me. Bring your preschooler out to Garfield Park Reservation for an outdoor adventure. We will explore around the pond area looking for evidence of animals active during the winter. Together we'll watch the birds, examine animal tracks and enjoy the winter weather. Meet just over the bridge at the Garfield Park Program Center. 10-11 a.m. Ages 2 to 6 years with adult. Terrain: paved and natural trails, hills, about 1 mile.

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NOTICE FOR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The Planning Commission of the Village of Newburgh Heights will meet on Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Village Hall Council Chambers located at 3801 Harvard Ave. in Newburgh Heights.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes (09/11/25)

III. Approval of Minutes (11/13/25)

IV. Review of building plans for installation of new fire lane at the rear (east) side of the existing structure at 3201-27 Harvard Ave (PPN 511-07-049).

V. Public Comment

VI. Action

VII. Adjournment

Notice posted at Village Hall, Village Website and printed in The Neighborhood News on February 11, 2026.

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Maple Heights Council hears 2025 wrap-up reports

By Ellen Psenicka

Maple Heights City Council met on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at which time Mayor Annette Blackwell swore in members of the Charter Review Commission. Directors in the city administration also gave 2025 summaries of activity in their respective departments.

Highlights of reports

Police Chief Todd Hansen reported his department received 6549 calls for 2025, and are now averaging over 100 calls a day. "Hopefully that will be coming down," he said. He also noted that Maple Heights will be getting a first responder drone, compliments of Chagrin Valley Dispatch Center. Hansen said the drone will be equipped with Flock cameras (license plate readers) and will be first on scene ahead of the police officers.

Fire Chief Dan Syten reported 6549 calls to his department for 2025, which continues the trend of a steady increase over the years.

Law Director Frank Consolo noted the city received \$124,000 in the previous year from fines, court costs and miscellaneous fees.

Service Director Tony Ciresi said his workers have dealt with 45 inches of snowfall this season and have been out round-the-clock on especially bad days. He praised his department's employees and asked for the public's patience and gratitude with the work they are doing under difficult conditions.

Human Services Director Jaimie Hasenohrl pointed out that the Senior Center also functions as a warming center during the day for those seeking relief from the frigid temperatures.

In her Mayor's Report, Blackwell also praised workers in the service department and congratulated new part-time Finance Director Dennis Kennedy, formerly the part-time interim finance director, and Anita Butler, who was recently named community development manager in the Planning and Development Department.

In a special council meeting on Jan. 26, District 6 Councilwoman Tina Stafford-Marbury was elected president pro tem of council, meaning she will act as council president when Council President Dana Anderson is absent from a meeting.

Legislation passed

The following legislation was passed by council at last Wednesday's meeting:

- Approving the mayor's renewal of her appointment of Dennis G. Kennedy as part-time finance director beginning Feb. 15, 2026.

- Establishing a special revenue fund entitled "Payroll Stabilization Fund," and adopting and adding a new

section to the codified ordinances of Maple Heights.

- Authorizing the mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to provide U.S. EPA Phase II stormwater services for the period Jan. 1, 2026 through Dec. 31, 2030.

- Granting the East Ohio Gas Co., dba Enbridge Gas Ohio, a gasoline pipe easement on two parcels and a temporary construction easement on the whole of three parcels for the repair, replacement, construction or installation of the gas pipeline as required for the Greenhurst Road Bridge Demolition Project, and authorizing the mayor to execute all documents necessary to grant the temporary construction easement.

Passed for a third and final reading was an ordinance waiving for the year 2026 the 100% escrow requirement to correct violations resulting from point of sale inspections to offer an incentive to those who purchase residential properties and occupy them.

Passed for a second reading was a resolution authorizing the Community Life and Education Committee to expend public funds and accept private donations to host the following 2026 community events: Black History Month, Women's History Month, Memorial Day Parade, Juneteenth, Voter Registration, Hoop It Up, Trunk or Treat, Unity in the Community, Clean-up Day and Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday events.

Sokol Fish Frys are back!

Sokol Greater Cleveland Fish Frys are back on Fridays, Feb. 20 and Feb. 27, at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., Cleveland, offering fish, shrimp, pierogis and so much more; cash bar and music! All dinners include Tater Tots, cole slaw, dessert & coffee.

Also available ala-carte: pierogi, mac & cheese, Tater Tots, shrimp & dessert. Music starts at 5 p.m. On Friday, Feb. 20, enjoy the talented Ra-Aaron 2 Go (Raymond M & Aaron Dussing). Beverage permit requires a \$1.00 membership at the door.

Reservations are recommended for parties of 8 or more. Text/call 216-288-5692.

SV stakeholders to meet

The first quarterly meeting of the Slavic Village Stakeholders for 2026 will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the Seven Roses building, 6301 Fleet Ave. Doors will open for meet-and-greet at 5:30 p.m., and the meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

On the agenda

- *Annual election of officers
- *Formal introduction of new Cleveland City Council persons
- *Updates on Fleet Avenue business activities
- *Review of the 2026 event calendar events for Slavic Village

Stakeholder membership is open to all residents and friends of Slavic Village. Its annual membership fee is waivable if the member volunteers at neighborhood activities. For more information, call 216-469-4806.

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Feb. 2 meeting: CLE City Council passes Tanisha's Law for new approach in responding to mental health crises

Cleveland City Council convened its regular in-person meeting in Council Chambers Monday, Feb. 2, and passed Tanisha's Law, championed by Councilmembers Stephanie Howse-Jones, Charles Slife and former member Rebecca Maurer, that establishes a new, compassionate approach to responding to mental health and behavioral health crises in Cleveland. The new legislation prioritizes dignity, safety and appropriate care over traditional law enforcement responses when possible. It is inspired in part by the death of Tanisha Anderson and seeks to prevent similar tragedies.

Key components of Tanisha's Law

- Creation of a Bureau of Community Crisis Response within Cleveland EMS, led by a deputy commissioner, to coordinate citywide crisis response efforts in collaboration with public safety, public health and other city departments.
- Unarmed Crisis Response Teams made up of behavioral health professionals, social workers, peers with lived experience and clinicians. These teams will be dispatched, often instead of police, to nonviolent behavioral health crises, wellness checks, substance-use crises and quality-of-life calls.
- Crisis call diversion through embedding mental health clinicians in the 9-1-1 dispatch center to route appropriate calls away from policing and toward behavioral health responses.
- Follow-up care and service connection, with responders assessing needs, providing resources, making referrals and helping individuals access appropriate facilities or services.
- A public online dashboard showing response data, police hours saved and community feedback.
- Expanded crisis intervention training for police.
- Public education and engagement, with outreach to inform residents about the new crisis response system and how to access it.

Expense account increase

Council approved legislation increasing members' monthly expense accounts to \$2,500, the first increase in 40 years. Members of council were previously reimbursed up to \$1,200 per month for expenses incurred during the course of their duties.

Council opposes Ohio ICE legislation

Council passed a resolution strongly opposing Ohio I.C.E. legislation: House Bills 26, 42 and 281 and Senate Bill 172, which generally require state and local agencies, municipalities and hospitals to cooperate in all I.C.E. related immigration enforcement even if contrary to established federal or Ohio law and penalizes those institutions by eliminating funding if they do not comply. The resolution was sponsored by Councilmembers Kevin Conwell, Tanmay Shah and Richard Starr with a majority of the members signing on as co-sponsors.

Feb. 9 meeting:

At its meeting on Monday, Feb. 9, council approved legislation authorizing the Director of Public Health to apply for and accept a grant of \$24,000 from Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry Campaign to support the Food Access Navigators program under the Cultivating Cleveland's Next Generation (CCNG) project, and to enter into contracts with East 66th Street Services Inc. and Elements of Internal Movement Eternal Pull Inc. to implement the grant.

CCNG is a youth workforce development program focused on food sovereignty and civic engagement. Program goals include: hiring and training four youth Navigators, hosting or tabling at up to 16 outreach events across all Cleveland wards and connecting at least 80 Cleveland families to SNAP, WIC and related programs.

Oral History Project on Cleveland's Hispanic Community

Council approved legislation authorizing the city to enter into agreement with MetroWest Community Development Organization for the Latin American Historical Society Oral History Project providing cultural research publications of the Hispanic Community of Cleveland through the use of \$10,000 of Ward 14's Casino Revenue Funds.

Congregate Meals and Community Resources

Council passed legislation authorizing the Department of Community Development to contract with Famicos Foundation to deliver emergency congregate meals and

community resource information to eligible Cleveland residents using \$22,420 in Ward 7 Casino Revenue Funds, based on the ward boundaries in effect on November 15, 2025.

Condemns Racist Truth Social Post

Council passed a resolution, sponsored by Council President Blaine A. Griffin and joined by all of Council, condemning President Donald Trump and his Administration for the racist video portraying former President Barack Obama and former First Lady Michelle Obama as apes that was posted to President Trump's Truth Social account.

Polish Paczki Party at PACC

Celebrate Fat Thursday the original Polish way before Cleveland's Paczki Day arrives! All are invited for paczki, pierogi, polkas and lots more on Thursday, Feb. 12, from 4 to 10 p.m., at the Polish American Cultural Center, 6501 Lansing Ave. Admission is free.

The fun starts at 4 p.m. for Polish Happy Hour in the lower bar featuring imported Polish beer, homemade Polish foods like pierogi, tazanki, golabki, kielbasa, kapusta and, of course, lots of paczki!!

Tour the Polish Museum, library and Heritage Garden and enjoy live polka music by the Tom Katrenich Orchestra. For more information call 216-233-7234 or 216-513-6646 or email: sokoly69@gmail.com

Valentine's Day Pasta Dinner

American Legion Post 309, 15521 Broadway Ave., Maple Heights, will host a Valentine's Day Pasta Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 14, serving from 3 to 7 p.m. The dinner is open to the public for eat-in or carryout. Advance dinner orders are appreciated. Call the post at 216-662-7768.

Dinners include angel hair pasta with meatballs, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Donation \$13.00.

Sokol Sunday Roast Pork Dinner at Bohemian Hall

Come on down to Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., Cleveland, on Sunday, Feb. 22, and join the fun at the first of many Sokol Sunday Dinners. Let the talented volunteers cook you delicious pork, dumplings and homemade sauerkraut, served with coffee and dessert. Cash bar with Czech beer, wine and soda pop. Reservations required by Tuesday, Feb. 17, by calling Vlad, 216-894-3591.



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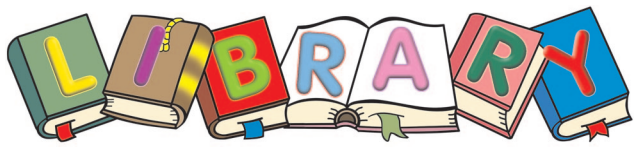
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SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Bedford (Bedford Heights/Oakwood Village) Branch Library

Here are some of the FREE programs coming up at the Bedford Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, located at 70 Columbus Rd., Bedford, Ohio 44146. For more information, or to register for any program, please call 440-439-4997.

Ellenwood Book Discussion - Adults. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2 p.m. Join fellow book lovers for a lively discussion on the second Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m., at the Ellenwood Recreation Center in Bedford. Pick up a copy of the discussion book at either the Ellenwood Recreation Center or the Bedford Library one month before each meeting. The Ellenwood Recreation Center is located at 124 Ellenwood Ave., Bedford OH 44146. Feb. 11: "Colored Television" by Danzy Senna.

Time Travelers - Travel Through Time with the Magic Tree House. Grades 2-5. Wednesday, Feb. 11, 7 p.m. Join us as we explore Mary Pope Osborne's classic "Magic Tree House" series. "Dolphins at Daybreak" on 2/11.

Engineering Hour - Grades 1-5. Wednesdays, Feb. 11, 25, 3:30 p.m. Bring your creativity and dexterity for an hour of building!

Valentine's Day Party. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2 p.m. Come dressed in your Valentine's Best for a heartwarming party with crafts, music, photo wall and more! MUST REGISTER

Kindergarten Countdown - For Children Entering Kindergarten in the Fall and Caregiver. Wednesday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m. Join us as we help your child build kindergarten readiness skills in a program aligned to Ohio's Early Childhood Standards. MUST REGISTER

Short Films, Big Stories: Celebrating Black Voices in Cinema - Adults. Saturday, Feb. 21, 2 p.m. Experience the power of storytelling through a short film screening that spotlights Black characters, voices and perspectives. Following the films, you're invited to a guided discussion to reflect on the stories, the art of filmmaking and their cultural impact. Whether you're a film enthusiast or simply curious, this program invites meaningful conversation and a love for movies. MUST REGISTER

TeenZone. Wednesday, Feb. 25, 7 p.m. Join us for activities, crafts, community and fun. MUST REGISTER

African American Authors Book Club. In-Person or Virtual — All Adults Are Welcome. Thursday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m. African American Authors book group meets the last Thursday of the month. February Title: "Happy Land," by Dolen Perkins-Valdez.

Internet Basics - Adults. Friday, Feb. 27, 10 a.m. Learn how to use web browsers and search engines to navigate the internet. Also learn how to stay secure while being online. Prerequisite: Computer Basics or experience using a mouse. MUST REGISTER

Self-Care Saturday. Teens. Saturday, Feb. 28, 2 p.m. Come ease your mind with calming activities like art, writing and meditation. Comfy clothes recommended.

Tinker's Creek Watershed moment for Maple Heights

Tinker's Creek Watershed Partners, Inc. (TCWP) has received a \$1,000 Conservation Action Grant from Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District for the Maple Heights Pollinator Garden project. TCWP will partner with the city of Maple Heights on the transformation of a vacant garden plot into a native pollinator garden. This new green space will provide food and habitat for pollinators while improving soil health and supporting stormwater management.

Community members, including students, volunteers and the Senior Citizen Garden Club will participate in planting and care, and educational signage will highlight the benefits of native plants and stewardship.

To find upcoming Native Bee House workshops, volunteer opportunities for the Maple Heights pollinator garden and other ways to participate, visit <https://tinkerscreek.org/events/>

Job Fair at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center is March 5

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center (CVCC), 8001 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville Rd., will host a public Job Fair on Thursday, March 5, from 3 to 5 p.m. CVCC invites job seekers aged 14 and older to attend and explore a variety of employment opportunities. This free event will be held at CVCC, and no registration is required.

Local businesses and nonprofit organizations will be on site offering interviews for full-time, part-time and seasonal positions. Attendees are encouraged to dress professionally, bring multiple copies of their resumes, and be ready to complete applications and interview with potential employers. For more information, contact Josh Hayes at JHayes@cvcworks.edu or 440-746-8260.

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center serves the public school districts of Brecksville-Broadview Heights, Cuyahoga Heights, Garfield Heights, Independence, Nardon Hills, North Royalton, Revere and Twinsburg. Adult Education courses are enrolling now and are available to all residents of Northeast Ohio.



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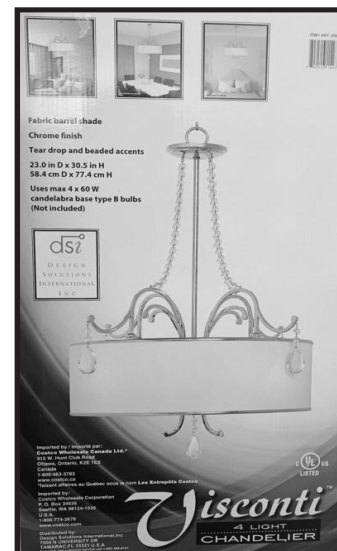
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On Feb. 1, at 4:28 p.m., an officer observed a silver 2012 Ford stopped in the parking lot at Walgreens, 12777 Rockside Rd., with heavily tinted illegal windows. With a check through LEADS it showed the car's owner had warrants. Another officer responded to the scene and began to speak to the man in the car. He matched the description of the owner of the vehicle. The driver said he didn't know where his driver's license was, did not know his Social Security number and began reaching around the car. He found his driver's license and was ordered by police to exit the vehicle. He refused to exit several times and became verbally abusive with the officer, who attempted to pull him out of the car. He pushed the officer and was finally extricated by the other officer. He continued to violently resist arrest and was Tased by police. He went to the ground but continued to resist arrest with his hands under him. A knee strike was given and one hand was put behind his back. After another struggle officers got the other hand pulled back and he was handcuffed. He then refused to get into the police cruiser and was pulled into the car and taken to city jail. He was charged with resisting arrest, obstructing official business and issued a citation for window tint. He was held without bond pending court appearance. The warrants were found to be out of the pickup radius. One of the officers sustained an injury to one of his right fingers during the suspect's resistance.

Criminal Damage-Auto

On Feb. 1, at 7:44 p.m., police arrived to the 13500 block of S. Parkway Dr. regarding an attempted auto theft. They talked to the car's owner and saw damage to the driver's door window of the Honda CR-V. It was completely shattered and the steering column was peeled and damaged and could not be started. The owner said the car had been parked in the driveway all day and he didn't notice anything until about 7 p.m. when he checked his cameras. The video showed two slim, black males in black hoodies, one wearing black Adidas pants with white stripes and a book bag, looking around the vehicle. It also showed the vehicle headlights come on as if someone was trying to start the car but was unsuccessful. The owner

checked his car and found that an emergency air compressor was missing from under the front passenger seat, worth about \$100, and officers advised him to contact his insurance company.

Disorderly Conduct

On Feb. 4, at 11:02 a.m., police were dispatched to the area of the GH Historical Society, 5405 Turney Rd., for an active disturbance. The caller advised that there was a male who had a gun and was trying to get a female into a white Chevy Equinox.

Police arrived in the area and located the car at the intersection of Turney Rd. and Tonsing Dr. A female was standing outside of the vehicle. Due to the possibility of a firearm involved, police conducted a felony stop on the vehicle when they initially arrived at the scene. The female was told several times to get away from the vehicle and come towards the officers, but she continued to go towards the vehicle and disobey orders as officers were ordering the suspect out of the car. Police were able to separate the suspect and the female, and both were detained without incident. A firearm, Glock 43, was located in the driver door pocket and rendered safe.

The suspect explained that he and his wife, the female on scene, got into a verbal altercation regarding the prolonged length of her hair appointment. His wife then decided to leave the vehicle and walk away from her husband. The suspect drove alongside trying to convince his wife to get back into the car so they could go home. That's when two unknown subjects began to approach the female clutching something in their hoodie, which the suspect believed was a firearm. He then pulled out his Glock 43 and told them to get back from his wife. The unknown subjects left the area prior to officers' arrival.

After speaking to police officers at the scene, the female stated that she got into an argument with the suspect and decided to walk away. She approached the two unknown subjects for a ride. That was when the suspect pulled his firearm, but never pointed it at anyone. Two subjects then left the area.

The female wasn't able to be positively identified having no official US document to confirm her identity. She stated she was born in South Africa and was on an Au-pair cultural exchange program. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) was contacted. She was issued a citation for obstructing official business and released to ICE's custody.

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