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## Betts Skrha, 96, passes away; beloved wife, mother, nurse, civic leader, friend

Betty Ann "Betts" Skrha (nee Stasny), age 96. Beloved wife of the late Deacon Doctor Joseph W. Skrha, MD. Loving mother to Joe Ray, Betsy Skrha Kennedy (Dan), Paul (deceased), and John (deceased) (Pattie). Cherished grandmother of Christopher (Alyssa) and Nathaniel Kennedy, Carolyn Skrha; and great-grandmother of Sophie and Thomas Kennedy. Her Mom and Dad were Dr. Raymond and Camille Stasny who were on staff at St. Alexis Hospital and lived next door to Betts and her family.



Visitation was Tuesday, April 14, from 3 to 7 p.m., at FORTUNA FUNERAL HOME, 7076 Brecksville Rd., Independence, OH 44131. Funeral Home Prayers are Wednesday, April 15, at 10 a.m., followed by 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 3395 E. 53 St., Cleveland, Ohio 44127. Interment will follow Mass at Calvary Cemetery.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic church has been a big part of the Skrha family for many generations. Funding is needed if OLOL is to live on and continue to serve the community.

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## NN offers free tickets to spring musical

The Neighborhood News has tickets to give away in a free drawing for the Garfield Heights High School's theatre production of its spring musical, "Once Upon a Time..." with performances on Friday and Saturday, April 17 and April 18, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 19, at 1 p.m., at the Center for the Performing Arts, 4900 Turney Rd.

Just stop in to The Neighborhood News office at 8613 Garfield Blvd., Garfield Heights, during normal business hours to sign up for the drawing. Deadline is Wednesday, April 15, at 12 p.m.

## Hometown pride at Donovan Park



Garfield Heights residents Lou and Ann Dregely organized a Geocaching event and clean up at Donovan Park on Saturday, April 4, that included 20 local volunteers. The city provided bags and gloves for the clean up.

"It was one hour of total dedication with some good results," said one of the volunteers. Anyone interested in doing a Neighborhood Cleanup can call Pat Salemi at 216-475-1100, ext. 2425, or email psalemi@garfieldhts.org.

## Garfield Hts. resident Bryanta Spencer wins Social Worker of the Year Award

Bryanta L. Spencer, a proud resident of Garfield Heights, is this year's statewide winner of the National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Chapter, Social Worker of the Year Award, as well as the CareSource Community Impact Award in recognition of her outstanding work in the community.

She is also the founder and CEO of Fortitude Wellness & Consultations, and is a nationally recognized leader in innovative, community-based social work practice.

She currently serves as Social Work manager at the Cuyahoga County Public Library (CCPL), where she is the first known social worker employed within a library system in the state of Ohio—helping to redefine how and where recovery support services are delivered.

"What makes Bryanta's work especially unique is that she is the first social worker in Ohio to be hired within a public library system," noted Cuyahoga County Public Library social worker Donea Roddy. "Through this innovative role, she has helped redefine how libraries can serve as access points for social services, resources and community support. Her career includes many additional accomplishments that make her an exceptional choice for this honor."

Spencer is known for her forward-thinking approach integrating mental health and recovery supports into nontraditional environments. In addition to her practice and leadership, she is actively engaged in policy advocacy and is currently advancing the Social Worker Protection Act, a legislative initiative aimed at enhancing safety, privacy and professional protections for social workers.

Spencer earned dual undergraduate degrees in Social Work and Communications, with a minor in Criminology, from The Ohio State University, and a Master of Science in Social Administration from Case Western Reserve University. She also holds certifications in Clinical Trauma, Integrative Medicine, and Mental Health First Aid.

Known for her engaging presence, candid delivery, and ability to connect across diverse spaces, Spencer brings both authenticity and strategy to her work. Guided by her philosophy of "dignity in service," she remains committed to building systems that offer a hand up, not a handout, and an advocate for the advancement of the social work profession in non-traditional spaces.

As Social Work manager for the Cuyahoga County Public Library, she provides direct service and support to library customers including children, adults, seniors, veterans, persons with disabilities, and individuals experiencing homelessness to help them find resources necessary to overcome challenges, such as substance abuse, mental health, food and housing, employment, benefits and basic needs, education and social challenges and supports.



**Bryanta Spencer received the Social Worker of the Year Award at the National Association of Social Workers Ohio Chapter's 10th Annual Celebration Gala, held in Columbus, Ohio, on March 14, 2026.**

## Garfield Heights to hold 2026 State of the City Town Hall



Garfield Heights Mayor Matt Burke will give his annual State of the City Address at a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, April 21, at 5:30 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd.

The event is free and all those wishing to learn more about what's going on in the city are encouraged to attend.

# Community police reports

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

## Garfield Heights

### Assist Other Departments

On April 2, GHPD officers were alerted by dispatch for assistance to Bedford PD in a pursuit. Bedford was in pursuit of a Kia SUV whose owner had multiple felony warrants. Bedford PD performed a PIT maneuver on the Kia at the Granger Rd. westbound ramp onto I-480. A PIT maneuver (Precision Immobilization Technique) is a police tactic used to stop a fleeing vehicle by intentionally striking its rear quarter panel, forcing it to spin out, lose traction and stop. Bedford said they believed four males bailed out of the vehicle. They were able to apprehend a passenger in the vehicle shortly after the bailout. However, the driver had bolted from the vehicle and ran across I-480 and was struck by a motorcycle. A GHPD officer was first on scene and saw both the Kia driver and motorcycle driver laying on I-480 east near Granger. Both were transported to MetroHealth Medical Center by GHFD. GHPD units then blocked off lanes on I-480 east and called SEALE Accident Investigation Unit for assistance. I-480 was shut down during the investigation. At the time of the report the Kia driver was in stable condition at Metro. No mention of the motorcycle driver.

### Weapon Offense

On April 3, at about 2:30 a.m., officers were checking the area of Mountview Ave. for a vehicle that had fled from Cleveland PD about an hour earlier. The registered owner of the vehicle had a listed address in the 10800 block of

Mountview Ave., and had an active warrant for murder through Columbus PD. While parked near the home, the suspect vehicle passed officers and pulled into the vehicle owner's driveway and police pulled into the driveway behind it. The driver exited and was ordered to the ground. When looking inside the car an officer saw an extended magazine with live rounds inside. The officer asked the suspect if he had any weapons on him. He said it was under the seat. Officers recovered a loaded and chambered Glock 17 under the driver's seat and multiple baggies of ziplocked marijuana from the front passenger floorboard.

The suspect did not appear to be the owner of the vehicle. He admitted to being in the vehicle during the earlier pursuit with Cleveland PD, but said he was not driving. He said he dropped off the other occupants before returning home. He said he had been convicted of robbery as a juvenile and is not allowed to have a gun. The suspect was transported to city jail and charged with having weapons under disability. Detective Bureau was requested for follow-up charges.

On April 9, at about 8:46 p.m., an officer was dispatched to the area of Orme and Turney rds. for a call that a black juvenile male wearing dark clothing had pointed a firearm at another black male juvenile that he had been physically fighting. The male with the firearm was last seen walking north on Turney Rd. from Orme. Once in the area the officer found the suspect with the firearm near Little Caesar's Pizza, 5721 Turney Rd., and detained him and confiscated the firearm, which was inside his waistband along with a packet of marijuana. He told the officer he had been walking down Orme Rd. when multiple people began to attack him. In the scuffle he said a gun fell to the ground and he picked it up, made sure it was loaded and pointed it at his attackers with the intention of shooting them, but decided not to. He said police should talk to a witness who had seen everything.

He was taken to the police station to be processed for having a concealed firearm which had a fully loaded magazine and a round in the chamber. Once back at the station the officer continued interviewing the suspect who said three males had attacked him, threw him to the ground and that multiple guns had been pointed at him. The officer said in the report that the suspect's story changed several times as he was interviewed. The officer asked if he could view the photos on the suspect's cell phone to which the suspect agreed. The officer observed more than eight photos with the suspect having firearms that resembled the one he had in his possession at the time of the arrest, which was a Glock 48 9mm. The report will be forwarded to the Youth Bureau for further review.

The juvenile was turned over to his mother.

### Criminal Damage-Auto

On April 7, at about 9:03 a.m., an officer went to the police station to take a criminal damage report. The complainant said he parked his GMC vehicle at the Iconic Ultra Bar on April 5, at about 8 p.m. When he was leaving at about 1 a.m., on April 6, he noticed that his car had been struck by three bullets. No suspect(s) at the time of the report. The complainant was advised to follow-up with his insurance company.

### Public Indecency

On April 9, about 10:35 a.m., an officer observed a black male, wearing a tan pullover, blue jeans and a winter cap, standing inside the RTA glass bus stop at the intersection of Turney and McCracken rds. As the officer approached in his patrol car, the suspect appeared evasive. His pants zipper was down and he appeared to be adjusting the front of his pants. The officer pulled into the parking lot of Fire Station #1 on McCracken Rd., and at that time a female citizen approached the officer in her car and reported that the male the officer was observing had just exposed himself and had urinated on the sidewalk. The officer detained the suspect as he was walking south from the bus stop at the intersection of Turney and Wallingford Ave. He denied that he had urinated on the sidewalk and refused to put his hands on the patrol car so he could be patted down for weapons. He became increasingly evasive and nervous. When the officer tried to handcuff the suspect he fled on foot. Assisting officers established a perimeter and K-9 Echo assisted in tracking him. After several minutes he was apprehended in front of a home in the 11000 block of Wallingford Ave., and taken into custody. A patrolman recovered a dirty glass pipe from the suspect's pants pocket, consistent with those commonly used to smoke crack cocaine. No narcotics were found.

The officer returned to the bus stop and observed a puddle on the sidewalk in the exact area where he had first seen the suspect standing. A check through LEADS showed the suspect had an active felony warrant issued by the Cleveland Police Department. He was taken to city jail on a \$4,000 cash/surety bond and assigned a court date. He was charged with obstruction of official business and public indecency.

## Call Crime Stoppers with anonymous tips

Crime Stoppers encourages members of the community to assist local law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime.

Crime Stoppers provides an anonymous telephone number, Text Tips and Web Tips to encourage citizens to volunteer vital information helpful to law enforcement agencies. By offering anonymity and cash rewards for information leading to indictment or arrests, the program encourages otherwise reluctant callers to provide information.

The 24/7 hotline number, 216-252-7463, allows the caller to remain anonymous. The phone does not have a caller ID function and calls are not recorded.

Those with information can also text TIP657 plus your message to 274637, or can submit information online at [www.25crime.com](http://www.25crime.com).



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### Public Hearing Notice

The City of Garfield Heights will have a public hearing at 5:30 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2026 at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Road. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss potential projects to be funded with available Cuyahoga County Community Development Block Grant and Community Development Supplemental Grant programs. These competitive grant programs help strengthen cities, encourage regional collaboration, and improve the quality of life for county residents. All applications must meet a community development need related to the health or welfare of the community. Comments or ideas for future projects can be sent to Pat Salemi at [psalemi@garfieldhts.org](mailto:psalemi@garfieldhts.org). Any person who wishes to attend and requires special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act should contact Pat Salemi no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting by e-mail or at 216-475-1100 Ext. 2425.

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## First draft of S.V. master plan seeks input

The first public draft of Slavic Village's long-awaited master plan was unveiled last week by Slavic Village Development (SVD) and now awaits review by residents and stakeholders before it is finalized and published in the next couple months.

The plan, which will set the course for the neighborhood for the next decade, is the culmination of a year of research by SVD's consultant, SmithGroup, as well as extensive outreach and engagement efforts occurring in person and online. With colorful graphics and revealing data about housing, business and population demographics, it paints a picture of the area's history and current conditions, then extrapolates out to an aspirational future, with a range of prescriptions on how to get there.

The complete 100+ page draft and its appendixes are available on the development corporation's website: [www.slavicvillage.org](http://www.slavicvillage.org). SVD's staff encourages all Slavic Villagers to read it thoroughly, then comment via the attached survey, which will be open for public input until early May.

## Journey Center advocates to prevent child abuse; offers informational Tool-Kit

In support of Child Abuse Prevention Month, Journey Center for Safety and Healing wants to offer everyone its Child Abuse Prevention Tool-Kit (see below). Included in its online Tool-Kit are graphics, verbiage, data and much more on the prevention and advocacy for child abuse.

Child Abuse Prevention Month, held each April, is a time to empower people through awareness and engagement and the impact of child abuse. Journey participates in a month-long campaign dedicated to advocating and educating the community about child abuse and the ways that we can all help those experiencing it.

Journey Center is also Cuyahoga County's most comprehensive domestic violence agency. Formerly known as Domestic Violence & Child Advocacy Center, Journey Center carries on the same mission, vision and values, as its website indicates, and monitors a 24-Hour Helpline: 216-391-4357 (HELP). For more information, visit the link to get you to Journey's online Tool-Kit.

### Tool-Kit

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5e6a9f51cd199317e28ce969/t/69cd28de385ee530a9d140b9/1775053022310/CAPM+2026+Tool-Kit.pdf>

## Beware of scams targeting personal info

By Tonya Sams

Scammers continually seek new methods to exploit others for financial gain. The best way to avoid being a victim is to know the tactics that scammers use to take advantage of others. One such tactic is text scams.

"A text scam is when a scammer sends a text message to try to create a sense of urgency for you to click a link that's going to put some type of malware on your phone," said Matt Alden, a supervising attorney in the Economic Justice Practice Group at The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. "They may try to get you to give up your Social Security number, date of birth, or your bank account information. To help create a sense of urgency, scammers sometimes use the names of government agencies. They will pick agencies that they think will generate a quick reaction in people such as the IRS or FBI."

Tactics that prey on people who are looking for additional work are known as side hustle scams. They typically work at home positions, like processing orders or data entry, that claim to offer more money than usually expected for the type of work performed. To make sure that the company is legitimate, verify on the Better Business Bureau, Ohio Attorney General or the Federal Trade Commission websites.

"The first clue that it is a scam is if they're asking you to pay money to get started," said Alden. "A legitimate company that's hiring someone does not charge you a fee to start doing the work."

Another scam tactic is debt settlement scams. Scammers target those who owe thousands in credit card debt and will have them pay a certain amount of money each month into a fund, promising to reach out to creditors to settle the debt for less than what is owed.

"Some creditors may agree to accept less, but other creditors may sue you," Alden said. "You will then have to worry about your wages being garnished, and you're out of all the money that you paid the debt settlement company. You wind up either having to file bankruptcy or take some action to protect yourself."

Because it's tax season, beware of tax scams. Scammers will file a tax return under someone else's name while also falsifying information such as work history or family size. The person who was scammed usually finds out when they try to file their income tax return and the IRS informs them that a tax return was already filed under their name.

For free legitimate tax preparation services, visit [www.refundohio.org/tax-sites](http://www.refundohio.org/tax-sites).

If you think that your personal information has gotten into the wrong hands, notify your bank and the three main credit bureaus (TransUnion, Equifax, and Experian) immediately.

If you have been scammed, Legal Aid may be able to help! To apply for free legal services, call 888-817-3777 or apply online: [laslev.org/apply](http://laslev.org/apply).

(Tonya Sams is a Development & Communications manager at The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland.)



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# Death Notices

## JOAN J. UNGER



Joan J. Unger, age 92, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on April 3, 2026. Beloved wife of the late Walter S.; Devoted mother of Richard (Becky), Robert (Janine), Thomas (deceased), and David (Laura); Cherished grandmother of Ricky, Sandi, Sarah, Ryan, Kara, Bradley, Jillian, Leanne, Wesley, Alyson Grace, Dustin, Cameron, Susan, Tracy, David, Zach and Alexis; great-grandmother of 28, and great-great grandmother of 5. Dear sister of the late Lenny and Louie. Loving daughter of the late William Connell and Gladys (nee Roberts).

Joan raised her four children by herself for many years. She enjoyed traveling the world, gardening and was a member of the Senior Citizens of Cuyahoga Heights Club, and the Avon Lake Herb Guild.

Per Joan's request, no services will be held.

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All programs are free unless marked otherwise. For questions or to register for programs, please visit [clevelandmetroparks.com](http://clevelandmetroparks.com) or call CanalWay Center at 216-206-1000. Also, call or visit the website to confirm that the program you wish to attend has not been changed or cancelled.

### CANALWAY CENTER - OHIO & ERIE CANAL RESERVATION

**April 22: Cart Tour - Towpath Trail - CanalWay Center to Steelyard Commons.** Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak drives the 7-passenger cart while sharing the importance of trails, science, history, and interagency cooperation in the drive for reconnecting Cleveland. We'll talk about watersheds, canals, trails, steel plants and other groovy things. 1:30-4 p.m. CanalWay Center. Fee: \$10.50 Registration required: 7 people.

**April 26: Canal Towpath and Wetland Walk.** Join Naturalist Carly Martin for an enjoyable walk along the towpath, where we'll explore nature in the canal, the Cuyahoga River and in nearby wetlands. This might be our last chance to get a look at the eagle nest before the

leaves conceal it for the summer. 12-2 p.m. Terrain: paved surface, 2.5 miles

### GARFIELD RESERVATION

**April 23: Minister Creek Backpacking Trip.** Learn about back country travel on this 2-night beginner backpacking trip in the beautiful Allegheny National Forest in Pennsylvania.

Enjoy natural rock overlooks, streamside camping, and scenic hiking while learning about back country travel, cooking, hygiene, water purification, safety and more. Guests must attend the mandatory pre-trip meeting on Thursday, April 23, 6-9 p.m. at Garfield Park Program Center, 6-9 p.m., Garfield Park Program Center.

Ages: 14 years & over. (Minors between the ages of 14-17 MUST have a registered and participating adult.) Registration Required. \$185.

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## Garfield Heights Theatre Department to launch spring musical this weekend!

The Garfield Heights Theatre Department will present its spring musical, "Once Upon a Time...", on Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 19, at 1 p.m., at the Center for the Performing Arts, 4900 Turney Rd.

The musical review will present selections from "Motown," "Heathers" and "Wicked."

Adult tickets are \$10, and students and seniors are \$5. They can be purchased with cash or credit cards at the box office upon arrival.

Seniors who bring in the coupon at right will receive free admission!

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## RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN GARFIELD HEIGHTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



The city of Garfield Heights is offering and/or partnering for the following activities geared for Youth and Adults:

**CHEER SKILLS CAMP:** ages 7-14, Tuesday, April 14, from 6 – 7:30 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd. Wear a white shirt and bring a water bottle. For details contact [fhughes@garfieldhts.org](mailto:fhughes@garfieldhts.org) or [khughey58@gmail.com](mailto:khughey58@gmail.com).

**HIP-HOP DANCING CLASSES:** Every Tuesday from 7 – 8 p.m., held at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd. Cost is \$5 at the door – cash only. For details contact [fhughes@garfieldhts.org](mailto:fhughes@garfieldhts.org)

**LINE DANCE CLASSES:** Every Wednesday from 7 – 9 p.m., held at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd. Cost is \$5 at the door – cash only.

**FLAGFOOTBALL SUMMER LEAGUE:** For boys and girls ages 6-14. Cost is \$80 and includes jersey. Whether you're a seasoned player or just starting out, we have divisions for all skill levels. Season starts in June with practice; games begin in July. For details contact 216-313-3965 or email [fhughes@garfieldhts.org](mailto:fhughes@garfieldhts.org) - [@ghbulldogs\\_cheer](https://www.instagram.com/ghbulldogs_cheer), [@garfieldheightsyouthsports](https://www.instagram.com/garfieldheightsyouthsports)

**BRICKMADE WRESTLING ACADEMY:** held at 12425 Trinity High School, 12425 Granger Rd., Garfield Heights, for girls and boys grades K-8, Monday – Thursday from 6 – 7:45 p.m. For more information contact Coach Xavier at 216-434-2016 or follow on IG: [@Brickmade\\_Wrestling](https://www.instagram.com/Brickmade_Wrestling).

**GARFIELD HEIGHTS KIDS T-BALL:** T-ball is for ages 5-7 on July 1, 2026. Birth certificates are needed at the time of registration. Only a parent or legal guardian can register a child; all residents must bring in 2 current proofs of residency (current utility bills, bank statement or pay stub with name & address). Residents fee: \$60.00 + \$20.00 current rec ID card. Non-Residents fee: \$80.00 + \$50.00 current rec ID card. Registration will begin on Monday, April 20, at the Dan Kostel Recreation Center, 5411 Turney Rd., Garfield Heights, during open office hours and will end on May 27. Signups after May 27 are subject to an administrative late fee. For more information call 216-475-7272 or email [fhughes@garfieldhts.org](mailto:fhughes@garfieldhts.org).

## Womankind Community Resource Fair

Womankind, a prenatal and maternal care center in Garfield Heights, will hold a Community Resource Fair on Saturday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd.

Connect with local organizations and find valuable resources from prenatal care, health and wellness, education, parenting, housing, food and more.

All are welcome to this free event, which will also feature food, activities for kids and giveaways. For more information email: [info@womankind-Cleveland.org](mailto:info@womankind-Cleveland.org)



## 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.

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**Ellenwood Book Discussion -Adults. Wednesday, May 13, 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. May 13th: "The Nickel Boys" by Colson Whitehead.

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# Betts Skrha, 96, passes away

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Betts lived a life full of joy, enthusiasm, determination and love. Her life was full of wonder and she enjoyed so many opportunities to be with others. She was a people person first and foremost, and brought joy into their lives. She was also a lover of the arts having played piano, enjoyed live music and any social event. She was a regular at the Music Box and Beachland Ballroom.

Betts played a large part in the local community. She grew up, lived and worked in the North Broadway community. Betts attended Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School and Notre Dame High School.

She went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree from Notre Dame College, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in nursing from St. John College. After graduation, Betts served as a registered nurse and later taught nursing at St. Alexis. In 1980, she joined her husband in his family medical practice.

She went on to chair the St. Alexis/St. Michael Hospital Community Board and was a member of the Central Catholic High School Advisory Committee. Both Betts and her husband, Joe, were actively involved in the Permanent Diaconate Program of Cleveland. Betts was also on the Board of Directors of the Broadway School of Music. As a young girl she volunteered at the Natural History Museum, and continued to serve throughout her life wherever needed.

Betts was a lover of nature, wildlife and wild places having traveled throughout the country by train, plane and motorhome. Highlights included many trips with her family to Minnesota, Alaska, the Rocky Mountains and Labrador, Canada. She especially loved her time at the family lake in southern Michigan where she swam, rowed and enjoyed her summers.

Most important to Betts were the times she got together with family and friends for holidays, birthdays, spontaneous occasions and everything else in between to celebrate as a family!

# Trinity High's annual Out of the Blue fundraiser scheduled for Friday, May 1

Trinity High School, 12425 Granger Rd., Garfield Heights, will hold its annual Out of the Blue fundraiser on Friday, May 1, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the high school.

This year's event features entertainment by Cleveland Keys, a dueling piano band that promises to bring Song Wars to a whole new level! Tickets are just \$75 and include a catered meal, open bar and music by Cleveland Keys so don't miss out! Tickets can be purchased here by going to: <https://BidTHS26.givesmart.com>

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