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American Nationalities Movement presents 3 with Freedom Awards

The American Nationalities Movement of Ohio held its annual Captive Nations Dinner on July 24, at Bohemian National Hall, and honored Fr. John Kumse, Chris Ronayne and Jon Husted with Freedom Awards presented by its president, retired Judge Ralph J. Perk, Jr.

Fr. John Kumse is the long-time pastor of St. Mary of Assumption Church in the Collinwood area of Cleveland. Chris Ronayne is the Cuyahoga County executive, and Jon Husted is a Republican U.S. senator from Ohio.

Former Freedom Award winner Tony Brancatelli was in attendance and thanked Judge Perk for carrying on this historic tradition of uniting all the nationalities in the United States and seeking to achieve an understanding of the complex issues that confront each group, individually and collectively.



Shown in photo above, from left, is American Nationalities President Ralph J. Perk, Jr., U.S. Senator Jon Husted and Cuyahoga County Executive Chris Ronayne, with Fr. Kumse inset. Photo by Howie Wise

Four-year terms for Garfield Council members heading to electorate in Nov.

Garfield Heights Council held a special meeting on Tuesday, July 28, and voted to approve amending the city charter to let the electorate decide if council members should be elected to four-year terms beginning in Nov. 2029, instead of its present two-year terms. The question will now be put to Garfield Heights voters in this November's 2026 General Election.

Also passed by council for a vote of the electorate was an amendment to the city charter stipulating that the term of office for Garfield Heights Council members will begin on Dec. 1, following that year's General Election, and will end four years later at midnight on Nov. 30, following the General Election in that year. This amendment also will be decided upon by the electorate in this November's 2026 General Election.

Traffic cameras voted down

Also at the special meeting last week, Garfield Heights Council voted down an amendment which would have submitted to voters this November the issue of repealing a section of the city charter that now forbids photo-monitoring devices to be used in the city.

If council had passed the ordinance last week, it would have brought traffic cameras back to the city pending approval by voters this November.

The ordinance was defeated by a 3 yes to 4 no vote, with Councilpersons Stacey Collier, Tenisha Mack and Clifford Kelley voting to send the traffic camera reinstatement issue to the electorate, and Councilpersons Mark Smith, Avery Johnson, Rachelle Tonsing and Jennifer Newrones voting against it.

Bedford City Council approves builder for new Juvenile Justice Center on Rockside Road

By Ellen Psenicka

Bedford Council met Monday night and voted to accept the city's Planning Commission decision approving Matthew Gilmore of Bowen Architecture to build a new Juvenile Justice Center at 17500 Rockside Rd.

Ward 2 Councilman Steve Salvi, in his council report Monday, explained that the new juvenile detention facility in Bedford and the one under construction in Grafton, OH, will replace the aging Ohio Department of Youth Services Cuyahoga Hills facility located in Highland Hills.

He said the state has reasoned that constructing smaller juvenile detention facilities, like those planned in Bedford and Grafton, will be safer for the incarcerated youth and staff. Salvi also noted that the state's theory is that smaller campus environments will help with the delivery of rehabilitative services and help lower recidivism rates.

Other legislation passed

- Motion to authorize Law Director John J. Montello and Clerk of Council Tracy M. Simons to act on behalf of city council members for public records training and the Ohio Sunshine Law requirement.

- Motions to accept the Board of Zoning Appeals decision to deny Joel Levis variances to reduce the required side yard setbacks at 377 and 389 Hubbell Circle.

- Resolution requesting the county auditor to advance taxes for the year 2026 and collected in 2027.

- Ordinance to levy assessments for delinquent water bills in the city.

- Ordinance to levy assessments for removal of weeds, tall grass and trees on various lots in the city during the year 2026.

- Authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Valley Ford Centers for the purchase of a 2027 Ford F-250 4x4 pickup truck for the Waste Water Department, at a cost of \$60,939.23.

- Authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Pat Flowers for longline striping and pavement marking of streets in the city, at a cost of \$37,144.05.

- Authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Comfort Systems USA for the purchase of a 10-ton Trane rooftop unit for the fire department, at a cost not to exceed \$25,677.

- Adoption of the Bedford Employee Handbook in relation to employee sick leave benefits.

- Entering into a contract with Montrose Fleet Service to purchase one 2027 Dodge Durango GT AWD for the fire department.

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ODOT announces traffic closures

The Ohio Department of Transportation District 12 has issued the following traffic alerts for The Neighborhood News readership area:

I-480 westbound / Valley View Bridge local lanes will be closed on Friday, Aug. 7, at 8 p.m., through Monday, Aug. 10, at 5 a.m.

Transportation Blvd. entrance ramp to I-480 westbound will be closed on Friday, Aug. 7, at 8 p.m., through Monday, Aug. 10, at 5 a.m.

I-480 westbound to I-77 will be closed on Friday, Aug. 7, at 8 p.m. through Monday, Aug. 10, at 5 a.m.

I-77 southbound to Opportunity Corridor Blvd. will be closed Friday, Aug. 14, through mid-October.



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out for a hike this morning that ventures to a nearby creek. We will hike through the woods to a creek where we will explore and discover what lives there. Water shoes and change of clothes suggested. 10:30 a.m. – noon. Egbert Picnic Area. Ages 2–6 years w/adult. Terrain: paved and natural surface, hills, 1 mile.

GARFIELD PARK RESERVATION

Aug 13.: Try-It - Stand Up Paddleboarding. Get to know the beauty of nature from the water as you try your skills at stand up paddleboarding under the guidance of certified instructors. Walk on water SUP style as you test your balance on a stand up paddleboard. You'll start paddling on your knees, and as you become comfortable, we'll give you tips and tricks to help you stand. You'll be walking on water in no time! 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., 7-8 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center. Registration required. Fee: \$5.

Aug. 13: Try-It - Kayaking. Kayaking is a fun way to explore Cleveland Metroparks. Discover the beauty from your kayak during these 1-hour Try-It sessions where playing games and touring the waterways will be the focus. Learn paddle techniques and basic boat fitting as you try kayaking under the guidance of certified instructors. 5–6 p.m., 6:30 – 7 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center. Registration required. Fee: \$5.

Aug. 19: Garfield Park Walking Club. Join our new 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, bring a water bottle and be ready to meet new people! 10–11 a.m., Garfield Park Pond (outside of Program Center). Terrain: paved, gravel, hills, 1 – 2 miles.

Aug. 27: Kayaking and Stand-Up Paddleboarding Demos. Paddling is a fun way to explore Cleveland Metroparks. Drop-in and climb into an available kayak or onto a stand-up paddleboard. Instructors will be on shore to assist with securely putting on a lifejacket, learning to use a paddle, and to safely launch. 6–8 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center.

Aug. 29: Trail Challenge - Hike around the Pond. Join a naturalist for this staff-led hike that is part of the Trail Challenge. We will enjoy an afternoon walk around the Garfield Park pond and discuss the history of the park and the nature that has endured changes through time. 1–2 p.m. Outside Garfield Park Program Center. Terrain: natural and paved surfaces, hills, 1 mile.

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WALKING AND BIKING IN GARFIELD HEIGHTS





The City of Garfield Heights is developing an active transportation plan and **WANTS YOUR FEEDBACK** on ways to improve walking and bicycling in the community.

OUTREACH AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION TIMELINE

Data Collection
Stakeholder &
Public Engagement

Summer 2026

Existing Conditions
Analysis &
Stakeholder
Engagement

Fall 2026

Stakeholder &
Public Engagement,
Project List &
Action Plan,
Plan Development

Late Fall/Winter 2026

Active
Transportation
Plan
Completion

February 2027



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Transportation



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CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Thursday & Friday, Sept. 10th and 11th | 10 AM - 5 PM
Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 12th and 13th | 9 AM - 5 PM

Registration fee - Only \$10.00
Registration Dates: Monday, August 3rd through Friday, September 4th
Registration Location: Senior Center - 15901 Libby Rd.
Need more info? Call Us at 216-587-5481

Sokol Dinner and Concert

Sokol Greater Cleveland will hold a Chicken Paprikash and Dumplings Dinner on Sunday, Aug. 16, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., Cleveland. Dinners are \$20 and include coffee and dessert; cash bar available.

Reservations are needed by calling Vlad at 216-894-3591 by Aug. 10. A free Patriotic Concert by the Cleveland Community Band will be held at 2:30 p.m. So come for the food and stay for the music!

Bedford City Council approves builder for Juvenile Justice Center

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Passed for second readings

•Ordinance amending a codified ordinance section regarding water rates in the city. Because the city of Bedford gets its water from the city of Cleveland, which has raised the rates it charges to Bedford, this ordinance would raise the water rates for residents of Bedford by 3.63% for the year 2026.

•Ordinance amending a codified ordinance section regarding sewer rates in the city. Beginning Jan. 1, 2027, the minimum charge for sewer rates in Bedford would be raised to \$36.36 per month, and slightly more for every cubic foot in excess of 300 per month.

•Ordinance amending a codified ordinance titled "Rate Reduction for Disabled Persons and Senior Citizens" for water and sewer discounts. Those disabled persons and seniors who meet the qualifications will receive a 30% discount on their water and sewer bills.

•Ordinance declaring the improvement to certain parcels in the city owned by Hikma Pharmaceuticals to be for a public purpose and exempt from taxation; providing for collection and deposit of service payments and specifying how those payments may be expended; authorizing school compensation payments.

•Authorizing an agreement with Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. or an affiliate, providing for a project and a property tax exemption pursuant to the city's Community Reinvestment Area Program.

Back Pack Bash at St. John Lutheran

St. John Lutheran Church, 11333 Granger Rd., Garfield Heights, will hold a Back Pack Bash on Sunday, Aug. 16, from 2-4 p.m. Students can come and collect their needed school supplies, enjoy Kona Ice, popcorn and some fun on a couple of inflatables.

Registration forms will also be available for the Thursday evening Basketball and Youth Center activities. The Thursday evening events will begin on Sept. 8. The Thursday evening activities are for 4-8th graders, 5:30-7 p.m.; and high school students 7:30-9 p.m.

For kindergarten-3rd grade children, Kid's Oasis is new this year and will begin on Sept. 7, at 5:30 p.m. Call the church, 216-587-4222, or email: sjlutheran@att.net if you have questions.

PB CLE campaigns kick off in S.V.



Ten contestants in Cleveland's first ever participatory budgeting project began their campaigns last Saturday at the PB CLE Expo at Slavic Village's Polish American Cultural Center on Lansing Ave. For the next three weeks all Slavic Village residents over the age of 16 are eligible to vote to fund their favorite neighborhood improvement projects at www.pbcle.com. Top vote-getters will be announced at a public event on August 22. *Photo by Tony Brancatelli*

*** VEHICLE THEFTS UPDATE ***

Posted on GHPD Facebook page 7-30-26

"Starting a little over a week ago, there were multiple car thefts in our city, Hyundais and Kias. Our detectives and Targeted Enforcement Unit immediately began working with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department Carjacking Unit to identify the suspects and locate the stolen vehicles.

"Within the past seven days all six vehicles that were stolen have been recovered and seven arrests have been made. Those arrested have ties to numerous other property and violent crimes in the area.

"There are so many great law enforcement officers in our area that are highly dedicated and motivated to holding criminals accountable and helping the victims of their crimes achieve restitution. Add in the technological resources we have available and results can happen very quickly.

"Our sincerest appreciation to everyone involved with these cases, it was truly impressive to watch. And, for those who have not yet pieced together the message here... IF you choose to commit crimes in Garfield Heights, you WILL be caught. Thank you."

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Garfield Heights

Community police reports

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

Garfield Heights Recovered Stolen Auto

On July 20, at about 2:20 p.m., police received radio information regarding a stolen vehicle entering Garfield

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

By order of the Council of the City of Maple Heights, sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Agent, at Maple Heights City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio 44137, until 12:00 Noon, local time, on the 20th day of August, 2026 for the “**MAPLE HEIGHTS LEE ROAD GATEWAY ENHANCEMENT SIGN PROJECT**” in the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, NO FAXED COPIES ACCEPTED.

The bid documents, specifications and drawings may be examined without charge online at www.cvelimited.plancycle.com. To become a Registered Bidder, documents, specifications and drawings must be purchased at either www.cvelimited.plancycle.com, SE Blueprint at 2035 Hamilton Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114 or SE Blueprint at 520 South Main Street, Suite 2411 Akron, OH 44311 at the cost of \$100.00 + tax and delivery which includes bid registration, one hard copy set of the bid package and one complete set of pdf files. Additional sets of bid documents can also be ordered online at www.cvelimited.plancycle.com or by emailing seblue@seblueprint.com, calling 216-241-2250 or visiting an SE Blueprint location.

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety. Each bid must be made upon the Proposal Form provided in the set of specifications and must be accompanied by a bank check or cashier's check drawn on a solvent bank in Cuyahoga County in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, or a bid bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount bid, as a guarantee that if said bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and a Surety Bond satisfactory to said City in an amount equal to 100% of the total bid will be furnished. Checks shall be made payable to the City of Maple Heights, Ohio.

Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity.

Bids will be opened and read at the time and place stated above. Those who submitted Proposals or their representatives are invited to attend.

The Maple Heights Lee Road Gateway Enhancement Sign Project is partially funded by the Cuyahoga County Department of Development Block Grant Program. A bidder/contractor will be deemed committed to the Department of Labor's goals and timetables for the Cleveland, Ohio area as specified in the Notice of Requirements for Affirmative Action to ensure Equal Employment Opportunity Executive Order 11246 by submitting a properly signed bid. Each bidder must ensure that all employees and applicants for the employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

A copy of the Bid Specification package for the Maple Heights Lee Road Gateway Enhancement Sign Project will be available for review by all potential bidders at the offices of the Cuyahoga County Department of Development located at 2079 East Ninth Street., 7th floor office 7-303, Cleveland, Ohio 44115.

Small Business Enterprises (SBE's) are encouraged to participate on this project. The goal for SBE participation is 35% of total contract award for this project.

A Pre-bid Conference for the Maple Heights Lee Road Gateway Enhancement Sign Project will be held at 10:00 A.M. local time on the 13th day of August, 2026 in the Council Chambers at the Maple Heights City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio 44137 for all interested parties. Information will be disseminated concerning proper completion of bid package documents.

The right is reserved to accept any bidder, to reject any or all bids, and to waive informalities should it be deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Maple Heights to do so.

Bids are to be submitted in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the Purchasing Agent. Sealed bids must be marked, “**MAPLE HEIGHTS LEE ROAD GATEWAY ENHANCEMENT SIGN PROJECT**”

Dennis Kennedy
Finance Director
Maple Heights, Ohio

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Heights. Dispatch advised the Sheriff's Department was following the suspect vehicle southbound on Turney Rd. GHPD observed the vehicle on Turney at the intersection of Maple Leaf Dr., and attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The suspect vehicle accelerated and began to flee. It crossed Rockside Rd. and ran the red light there, and continued south on Turney at speeds of about 60 mph with light traffic, and while attempting to make a left turn onto Grove Dr., drove up onto a tree lawn damaging the driver's side front tire and flattening the passenger side front tire. The vehicle then turned west onto Milo Rd., and drove onto the dead end of the street, coming to a complete stop in the area of the 12800-12900 blocks of Milo. The driver and the passenger both fled through a vacant lot while an officer pursued and were subsequently arrested without incident. The car was inventoried before it was towed and trash drug paraphernalia and suspected crack cocaine were located inside. The driver told officers he was homeless and met another homeless person who gave him the vehicle. He said he did not know it was stolen but ran from police because he had crack on him. He said his passenger had no involvement with anything and was released without any charges. The driver is to be charged with receiving stolen property, fleeing and eluding and possession of drugs.

Traffic Offense-Fleeing

On July 28, at 2:39 p.m., officers observed a black Kia K5 with heavy window tint going west on Broadway Ave., near Henry St. When officers got behind the vehicle it went around traffic and fled south on Henry, then west on McCracken Rd., eventually going west on Broadway, passing Miles Ave., and into Cleveland. During the pursuit officers were unable to obtain a plate number or identify the driver. After checking city cameras, Marymount Hospital cameras and FLOCK cameras, a license plate number was obtained. It was returned to a female out of Cleveland in the area of Park Ave. and E. 76 St., in Cleveland near where the pursuit was lost. Officers toured the area but could not locate the Kia. It was entered into LEADS as a felony vehicle by GHPD. Report forwarded to Traffic Enforcement Unit for follow-up.

Burglary Attempt

On July 28, at 6:38 p.m., officers were dispatched to a residence in the 11600 block of Granger Rd. for a report of a side-door alarm activation. The caller, who was not at the home, also reported, as was seen on her home security camera, that three males had entered through the side door.

Upon arrival officers approached the west side door and observed it being open. During this time, officers also observed several juveniles congregating behind the Garfield Heights Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd. One officer remained at the open door of the house while other officers made contact with the juveniles. They alleged they had

witnessed different juveniles kick the side door before fleeing the scene. Police searched the residence for anyone inside with negative results. Officers noticed that several individuals in the group loosely matched the brief description provided by the caller, though they were unable to view the video footage at that time.

Shortly afterward the homeowner arrived on scene and provided police with the video showing two black males, both wearing ski masks, jumping a fence from a neighboring yard onto her property. A third individual, also wearing a ski mask, remained in the neighboring yard. After the door had been kicked, all three subjects fled west through the backyard of a nearby residence. With the video footage now available, officers located juveniles matching the descriptions still in the area near the Civic Center. Officers made contact and placed two of the subjects into handcuffs. The third subject was not identified. The two detained juveniles were placed under arrest and transported to the police department without incident.

The homeowner provided a written statement saying she had left her residence at approximately 5:45 p.m., and received a lock notification for the side door. At approximately 6:35 p.m., she got another notification indicating the side door had been opened, although further investigation appeared to show no forced entry had occurred. After reviewing her video footage she then contacted police. Two of the juveniles were charged with burglary and criminal trespass. Report forwarded to Juvenile Detention and Juvenile Detective Bureau.

Assault

On July 30, at about 5:51 p.m., dispatch advised police that an assault had just occurred at Dollar General, 5068 Turney Rd., and that the suspect had fled north on Turney Rd. An officer en route to another call located a black male matching the description given of the suspect sprinting north on Turney Rd., near Garfield Heights High School. The patrol car pulled up to the suspect in front of the high school and the officer ordered him to stop. He was escorted to the patrol vehicle but resisted being placed in handcuffs refusing to comply with commands to place his hands behind his back so he could be constrained. The officer got him to the ground but he continued pulling his arms away from the officer and flexing them inward. He was instructed to roll onto his stomach and immediately tried to push the officer off him. During the struggle the suspect reached down the officer's right side toward his duty firearm with his left hand. He was only able to pull out the officer's handcuffs on the right side of his outer vest before the officer regained control of his arms and held him down. Another officer arrived on scene and assisted with getting the suspect on his stomach as he continued to try to pull his arms away while he was placed in handcuffs. During the struggle both officers sustained minor scrapes. He was taken to city jail where he was booked without further incident.

Aggravated Robbery

On Aug. 1, at 1 a.m., officers were dispatched to the Aries Restaurant and Lounge, 4619 Warner Rd., for the theft of a firearm. The caller, who was also the victim and was working security at the bar at the time of the incident, said the subjects fled the scene in a black Mitsubishi Eclipse going north on Warner Rd. Police arrived and spoke with the victim, who said he went inside the bar to use the bathroom. He said he took off his belt and put it in the bathroom stall. He said he had his revolver on his belt at the time. The victim left the bathroom and realized he had forgotten his gun. When he returned to the bathroom it was gone. Shortly afterwards he was approached by two men who attempted to "extort" him for the return of his firearm. The conversation eventually continued in the parking lot of the bar. The victim, who was near his car, told the two men that he had his hand on another firearm he had in his car. At that time one of the men brandished a black Glock-style handgun and pointed it at him. It was alleged the subject male said he needed \$250 to return the firearm. The victim said he was a dark-skinned black male with long dreads and wearing all black, seated in the passenger seat of the Mitsubishi. The victim explained he could not pay the amount and the subjects, described as four black males, fled the scene in the car. Report forwarded to the Detective Bureau for follow-up.

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2

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3

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4

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5

PLASTIC Bottles/Jugs

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Taste of Turney hits the street this Saturday!!

The 3rd annual Taste of Turney will be hitting the street this Saturday, Aug. 8, from noon to 7 p.m., along Turney Rd., between Garfield Boulevard and Homeworth in Garfield Heights.

Enjoy various food trucks, two stages of entertainment, eight live performances, plus raffles and giveaways all day!

Live music headliners include Brittany Atterberry, Billboard charting saxophonist and national recording artist from 5 to 7 p.m., on Stage 1, and Just Plucking Around Band on Stage 2. All are invited for great food, great music and loads of fun!

Introducing Girls Club

The Girls Club of Ohio is proud to serve our community with life-changing programs for girls throughout the community and equip them with essential skills that will serve them for years to come.

The Girls Club now offers CPR and First Aid Training for girls and boys as well as adults and "Learn How to Read" classes and training to build literacy skills, also open to all.

Call the Club at 216-478-7028 or visit www.girlsclubofohio.org today!

Bedford Historical Society to hold Summer Flea Market

The Bedford Historical Society will hold its annual Summer Flea Market on Saturday, Aug. 8, on the Bedford Commons from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free. Wide variety of items for sale including collectibles, antiques, books, records, toys, clothing, tools and plenty of household misc. A "Fleatique" of items will be sold in the lower hall of the old church, including gift shop items. Event held rain or shine.

Anyone wishing to sell items can purchase a spot in advance for \$20 per 10 ft. space, or \$25 the day of the market. Bring your own tables and chairs. Contact Chris Sweet at 440-439-7470 or visit: www.bedfordohiohistory.org and click "events."

Enjoy Independence Home Days, Aug. 7-8

The 109th annual Independence Home Days celebration will be held this Friday, Aug. 7, from 6 to 11 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 8, noon to 11 p.m., at Elmwood Park, 6363 Selig Dr.

Enjoy a free yoga class Saturday at 10 a.m., then watch the annual Home Days Parade that steps off at noon.

Other highlights include lots of live music, delicious food, carnival rides, paddleboats to navigate Elmwood Pond, rides on the Magical Train, endless raffles and the popular Family Fun Zone.

There's something for everyone at Indy Home Days!!

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Independence
Fiscal Year 2025 Finance Report
has been completed and is available
for public inspection at the office of
Vern Blaze, Finance Director,
Independence City Hall,
6800 Brecksville Road,
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The Neighborhood News: 8-5-26

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Activities in its six-week Summer Academy, which just concluded last week with a Peace in the City concert at Cleveland Central Catholic High School where the Academy is held, feature music with string instruments, vocal, Orff method, drama, poetry, dance and the visual arts.

For more information, contact 216-692-1733; pparry@ameritech.net; or www.jonesroadfamily.org



Literacy Through the Arts Summer Academy held its Peace in the City Grand Finale Concert at Cleveland Central Catholic's Ironmen Center in Slavic Village last Thursday evening. All grade levels participated, much to the delight of their proud parents. Poetry, dance, music of all kinds featuring vocals, violins, drums and more were enjoyed by everyone attending, including the program's executive director, lone Parry. *Photos by Lee Parry and Ellen Psenicka*



August 11, 2023

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SLAVIC VILLAGE AUGUST CALENDAR

THE BIG EVENTS

SCHOOLS REOPEN Mid August

PBCLE VOTING through Aug 22nd

SV Stakeholders Tues, Aug 18th

Goodbye Summer Party Sept 4th

MORE EVENTS + MEETINGS

- Iron Ward Concerts: Mondays, 7pm, Dan Kane Park
- Village Gardeners: call for times + locations 216.496.1514
- SVD Parks meeting: Aug 21st, 8:30am, Worley Park

WARD MEETINGS

- Ward 2/CM Bishop: 4th Tues Monthly, 6pm, 4127 E. 131 St.
- Ward 3/CW Gray: 3rd Thurs, 5pm, 5246 Broadway
- Ward 5/CM Starr: 2nd Thurs, 4pm, 2251 E. 73 St.

POLICE MEETINGS

- Third District: Third Tues, 6pm, 4501 Chester Ave.
- Fourth District: 4th Tues, 6pm, 3808 East 131 St. (Holy Trinity Baptist)

CLUB MEETINGS

- Fullerton-East 71st Block Club:
2nd Tuesday, 6pm, 6501 Fullerton Ave.
- East 63rd Block Club:
2nd Wed, 6:30pm, Forman (St. Stan's School bsmt)
- Hyacinth Block Club:
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