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Construction company seeks Cleveland permit to build new asphalt plant in Slavic Village

By Ellen Psenicka

Could construction of a new asphalt plant be in Slavic Village's future?

Kenmore Construction has applied to the city of Cleveland for a permit to construct a new building at 4200 E. 71 St., which would be used as an ancillary asphalt production facility, if the permit is granted.

The \$20 million construction permit, which Kenmore applied for on July 29, 2026, is currently "Under Review."

The location of the asphalt plant, according to the permit application, would be on a 5-6 acre portion of an existing 40-acre rail and aggregate distribution property. According to a NEOtrans blog by Ken Prendergast on Aug. 3, 2026, the plant's proposed location is near I-77 at the south end of a neighborhood which borders an industrial area at the intersection of E. 59 St. and Park Ave.

Former Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli said there have been a few heavy industrial uses proposed in the past for the site when he was a CDC director and then councilman, "but the community helped push back and prevent uses like this proposed asphalt plant since it may cause harm to the neighborhood."

"In my experience and research, asphalt plants can negatively impact nearby communities and the environment by releasing harmful air pollutants, toxic chemical fumes and strong odors," Brancatelli said. "They also generate heavy industrial traffic and noise and reduce local property values."

Brancatelli is hoping that the permit will not be acted upon by the city before the communities affected have a chance to weigh in.

Karma Materials no longer part of NEORSD project, says Garfield Heights Law Director Milko Cecez

By Ellen Psenicka

Garfield Heights residents and businesses that traverse Warner Road hill each day are fed up with the filthy conditions caused by Karma Materials trucks hauling dirt and debris from a NEORSD project to its landfill location at 5151 Warner Rd.

But according to Garfield Heights officials, Karma Materials is no longer a part of the project due to its potential noncompliance issued by the Cleveland Division of Air Quality. The Neighborhood News reached out to the city administration, and Garfield Heights Law Director Milko Cecez responded with the following clarification to the issue:

"The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORSD) is overseeing the Southerly Tunnel and Consolidation Project, a major underground tunnel project currently being constructed in Cuyahoga Heights and Cleveland's Slavic Village neighborhood.

"As part of that project, McNally Tunneling Corp., the general contractor, had

been bringing materials to Karma Materials for processing or disposal. However, it is our understanding that, after NEORSD learned of Karma Materials' potential noncompliance issued by the Cleveland Division of Air Quality, NEORSD directed McNally Tunneling Corp. to divert the materials to an alternative site, which we understand to be Boyas Excavating.

"The city is aware of the ongoing concerns regarding the materials located on the Warner Road hill and understands the frustration this situation has caused for nearby residents and businesses. We will continue to monitor the situation and work with the appropriate parties, including the NEORSD, Ohio EPA and Cleveland Division of Air Quality, to ensure that the issue is properly addressed.



Blood donor 'Battle of the Badges'

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, the American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the Valley View Community Center, 6828 Hathaway Rd., Valley View. According to a Valley View Facebook post, they're making it more interesting by hosting a Battle of the Badges: Police vs. Fire. Every blood donor will have the opportunity to choose a team, and doing so will enter them into a drawing. One lucky donor from the winning team will receive a \$50.00 gift card. (You do not have to choose a team to donate blood at this event.)

For more information or to schedule an appointment, download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.

Last chance to sign up for Garfield Heights Community Garage Sale!

Mark your calendars for an exciting weekend of deals and treasures, and make some money, too, at the Garfield Heights Community Garage Sale coming up Thursday and Friday, Sept. 10 and 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12 and 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at homes across the city. But act fast - deadline to register is this Friday!

The \$10 registration fee covers your permit, advertising, and your address on the master map available to all shoppers. Register now through Friday, Sept. 4, at the Garfield Heights Civic Center during regular business hours, or sign up by calling Ward 5 Councilwoman Rachelle Tonsing, 216-307-5211, or Ward 7 Councilwoman Jenn Newrones at 216-478-9977.

Free Community Meal at GHUMC

Garfield Heights United Methodist Church, 4977 Turney Rd., will hold its monthly Community Meal on Sunday, Sept. 6, from noon to 1:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Community police reports

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

Garfield Heights

Obstructing Official Business

On Aug. 21, at 3:18 p.m., police arrived at McDonald's, 5240 Turney Rd., regarding a complaint regarding a male causing a disturbance and refusing to leave the property. When the officer arrived on scene he saw the juvenile male matching the description provided by dispatch near Wendy's, across from McDonald's. The officer parked his car in the Wendy's lot and began to approach the suspect, who immediately began to walk away from him. The officer took hold of his arm to prevent him from running away and began to escort him to the zone car. He grew more agitated and attempted to break free but was unsuccessful and was forcefully placed in the rear of the zone car. The suspect refused to give the officer his name and threatened to spit on him. He began to aggressively strike the plastic glass in the rear of the zone car. He continued to grow more aggressive and agitated, so the officer requested to take him to city jail in connection with his violent and erratic behavior and his refusal to identify himself. The request was approved and he was taken to the jail and placed in a holding cell, while attempting to spit on officers. He was charged with obstructing official business. His mother was served with a citation for failure to supervise resulting in criminal conduct of a child. Report forwarded to Juvenile Bureau and Prosecutor's Office.

Arson

On Aug. 24, at 1:46 a.m., police responded to a home in the 9600 block of David Dr., to help the fire department with an active fire in the residence. The homeowner told police someone had thrown a Molotov cocktail through his back window. He showed the officer the bottle he had grabbed and removed from the house, which was stuffed at the top with suspected clothing and had a strong odor of gasoline mixture. The fire inside was put out and was no longer active. The homeowner said that about 1:30

a.m., he had gone to bed and shortly after heard a window break and opened the door to see the start of a fire. He said he tried throwing water on the fire but it made it bigger so he grabbed the Molotov and ran outside. The Garfield Heights fire investigator arrived on scene and advised that the Ohio Fire Marshals had been contacted and would investigate further.

Debris on Street

On Aug. 21, at 5:55 a.m., police arrived in the area of Broadway and McCracken Rd., for debris in the street. Garfield Heights Dispatch was able to observe on video a red dump truck with the company name Elite Innovators on the vehicle dropping its load on McCracken and Broadway. The load consisted of a mixture of asphalt and road aggregate that was spread north on Broadway to the I-480 ramps. The service garage was advised and cleared the roadway.

Criminal Damage-Residence

On Aug. 23, an officer arrived at a home in the 9600 block of David Dr., for a report of criminal damaging. The homeowner said that on that morning, at about 4 a.m., he was in bed and heard a loud crashing sound. He went outside and located a broken rear window on the home and saw a brick that was still suspended from the window screen. He said he assumed it was just kids and did not call police. About 5 to 5:30 a.m., he was inside the home again and suddenly heard gunshots. He told the officer he was cleaning up the glass from the window broken earlier and didn't know if the gunshots were close to him or behind his home in the open park area. At about 7 a.m. he said he again heard a loud crash coming from the front of his home and found another object had been thrown, this time breaking out a front window. The damage total included the broken two windows, rear door and storm door damage, and four gunshots into the doors and siding. One 9mm shell casing was found about 30 feet north of the home in the backyard near the side bushes, which is where the shots were likely taken from. No injuries reported.

Traffic Offense-Fleeing

•On Aug. 23, at 6:49 p.m., officers were advised of a group of 4-wheelers and dirt bikes west bound on Granger Rd. The group was reportedly cutting through traffic, riding on sidewalks and doing wheelies in the street. The complainant had last seen the group of about 20 off road ATVs and dirt bikes going north on Turney Rd. at McCracken

Rd. Officers pursued the group using overhead lights and sirens. The group failed to stop and continued north on Turney at speeds about 40 to 50 mph. Pursuit was terminated just north of the city limits on Turney.

•On Aug. 30, at about 12:45 a.m., an officer at the intersection of Park Dr. and Turney Rd., observed an orange Dodge Charger run a traffic light while going north on Turney at Garfield Blvd., at a high rate of speed. The officer initiated a pursuit, while the vehicle continued to operate in a reckless manner through moderate traffic. While going south on E. 90 St., the Charger lost control and struck an occupied vehicle backing out of a driveway on E. 90 St. The suspect vehicle pushed past the collision and came to a stop in front of a home in the 4900 block of E. 90 St., due to disabling mechanical damage. The driver fled the scene on foot and police set up a perimeter south of the crash site on E. 90 St. A short time later an officer who was patrolling the outer perimeter located a barefoot adult male walking on McCracken Rd., near E. 94 St., who matched the driver's description. The officer detained the suspect and during a pat-down the suspect the officer he was carrying a gun. Police recovered a concealed Smith & Wesson handgun from his person. The suspect was arrested for fleeing and eluding and held on no bond for investigation by the Detective Bureau, which were to issue him citations for various traffic violations.

Assault

On Aug. 28, at 2:31 p.m., GHPD units were advised of a large group of juveniles in the area of Dave's Supermarket, 4948 Turney Rd., and were preparing to fight. Police were able to disperse the crowd, resulting in large groups going elsewhere throughout the city. One such group was in the area of E. 110 St. and Plymouth Ave., where a male juvenile who attends Garfield Heights High School said he was walking home from school when two unknown juveniles started to follow him. He said he had been having issues at school with kids but refused to identify them.

The juvenile kept walking and more juveniles starting showing up and he began to run in fear for his safety. He said there were about 10-15 juveniles chasing him and caught up to him in front of a home in the 11200 block of Plymouth Ave. They ripped his backpack off, smashed his school computer and punched and kicked him in the head while in the rear of the Plymouth Ave. address. He had multiple bruises and lumps to his head, as police observed. The gang then stole his iPhone 11, destroyed the screen and threw it in the backyard of a nearby home. Three juveniles were detained but were found to have had no part in the incident. The victim was taken to Marymount Hospital due to his head injuries. At the time of the report the extent of his injuries was unknown. The victim refused to fill out a witness statement.

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Permits filed for major new industrial project for Slavic Village

Ken Prendergast of NEOtransblog reported on Friday that Premier Development had filed applications with the city of Cleveland for a 166,000 square foot industrial development at 3000 E. 55 St., near Opportunity Corridor. A significant new economic development project for Cleveland's Slavic Village neighborhood moved a step closer to reality with the filing of permit applications for the proposed Gateway 55 industrial campus.

Mark Rantala, executive director of Slavic Village Development Corp., has been touting the availability of "Shovel Ready - Job Ready Sites" in Slavic Village since his arrival in his new position in June.

Rantala had been promoting four sites with 95+ acres that are shovel ready development sites. Spencer Piszczak of Premier Development Partners has been marketing this site as a great industrial location. Slavic Village has access to I-77, I-71, I-490, I-90 and Opportunity Corridor. It provides access to all northeast Ohio. It may well be the most accessible neighborhood in all of Cleveland, said Rantala.

According to city permit records, developers have submitted plans for a 166,000-square-foot, single-story, multi-tenant industrial building at 3000 E. 55 St., just south of Opportunity Corridor. The Gateway 55 project, developed by Premier Development Partners, is being designed by Cleveland-based Richard L. Bowen & Associates.

Developers describe the project as a flexible industrial facility capable of accommodating multiple tenants. Public records characterize the development as a building containing warehouse, production and office space, reflecting growing demand for modern industrial facilities in Northeast Ohio, according to NEOtrans reports.

This project complements efforts in the city's Midline District where Cleveland is preparing to reactivate former industrial land and create new job opportunities. This site is approximately 1.2 miles south of the Midline District.

Genealogical Society meets

The Cuyahoga Valley Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting for members and interested guests on Monday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m., in the Willow Room at the Independence Civic Center, 6363 Selig Dr., Independence.

Please join us for the beginning of another year of exploring genealogical research. "Dust in Time: Prevention Care for the Year Ahead" will be presented by Holly Witchery of ICA Art Conservation Cleveland.

All are welcome! Coffee and refreshments will be served. For additional information contact Cuyahogavalleygensociety@gmail.com.



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. Also, call or visit the website to confirm that the program you wish to attend has not been changed or cancelled.

BEDFORD RESERVATION

Sept. 13: Extreme Hiking Bedford Gorge Overlook. Experience the beauty of Bedford from two perspectives. We will start at the scenic overlook above the gorge before descending to explore it from below. This extreme hike will get your heart racing with beautiful views and challenging inclines. This hike will be more walking than talking, but we will make two stops to appreciate and discuss the importance of the Tinkers Creek watershed. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Tinkers Creek Gorge Scenic Overlook. Terrain: paved and natural surface, strenuous hills, shallow stream crossings, up to 8 miles.

Sept. 13: Trail Challenge- Viaduct Park History. Take a trek back in time with naturalist Pam Taylor as we head down into Viaduct Park to discover the history of this area and why some consider it "the heartbeat of Bedford." 3-4 p.m. Meet at Viaduct Park. Terrain: paved trail, natural surface, uneven terrain, hill, 0.5 mile.

CANALWAY CENTER - OHIO & ERIE CANAL RESERVATION

Sept. 21: CanalWay Kids. Young children and an adult are invited to join us for this 6-week preschool nature class held each Monday (9/21 - 10/26). Each week we'll

spend a little time indoors learning about seasonal nature topics and some time outdoors exploring the natural world. 10-11:30 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m. Ages 3-5 years w/adult. Fee: \$30 per child for 6-week session. Register online; 8 each class.

GARFIELD PARK RESERVATION

Sept. 13: Make a Recycled Banner Bag: Adult and Child Teamwork. Let's have a fun morning together making a reusable bag out of a recycled banner! Today's project is designed for an adult and child to work together. Each pair will make a reusable bag large enough to hold 4 boxes of cereal. 10 a.m.-noon, Garfield Park Program Center. Ages 8-12 years w/adult. Fee: \$8 per pair. Registration online: 10 pairs.

Sept. 16: Try-It: Adaptive Kayaking. Have you always wanted to try kayaking, but weren't sure how? Adaptive kayaking is specifically designed for guests with disabilities to have the opportunity to enjoy the water and explore new areas of Cleveland Metroparks. Adaptive equipment, kayaks, paddles and personal flotation devices provided. 5:30-7 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center. Registration required. Fee: \$5.

Sept. 23: 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. Meet at Garfield Park Pond (outside of Program Center). Terrain: paved, gravel, hills, 1-2 miles.

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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

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 10th day of September, 2026 for the “**RAYMOND STREET RESURFACING**” 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 their 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 RAYMOND STREET RESURFACING is partially funded by the Cuyahoga County Department of Development’s 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 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, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

A copy of the Bid Specification package for the RAYMOND STREET RESURFACING 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 RAYMOND STREET RESURFACING will be held at 10:00 A.M. local time on the 3rd day of September, (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, “**RAYMOND STREET RESURFACING.**”

Dennis Kennedy
Finance Director
Maple Heights, Ohio

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more information, or to register for any program, please call 440-439-4997.

Chapter Book Champs, Friday, Sept. 4, 4 p.m. At each session we’ll read the first chapter of an exciting chapter book together and talk about the story, characters, setting, and what might happen next. Through discussion, prediction and shared reading, participants will discover new books, strengthen comprehension skills, and build enthusiasm for independent reading. Whether you’re a seasoned reader or just beginning your chapter book journey, come explore great stories and become a Chapter Book Champ! Sept. 4 - "City Spies" by James Ponti.

Pokémon Club, Saturdays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2 p.m. Learn how to play and meet fellow fans in a friendly, welcoming environment. Bring your own cards or use ours!

Toddler & Preschool Storytime, 19 months – 5 years (not yet in kindergarten) with caregiver, Wednesdays, Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30 a.m. Join us for rhymes, songs, fingerplays and stories.

Ellenwood Book Discussion, Wednesday, Sept. 9, 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, 124 Ellenwood Ave., or the Bedford Library one month before each meeting. September’s title, "The Soulmate" by Sally Hepworth.

Cozy Collective -Teens, Children, Adults. Fiber Arts! Wednesday, Sept. 9, 7 p.m. A relaxed space for those who like to keep their hands busy: knitting, crocheting, embroidery, or anything yarn-related. Beginners are absolutely welcome! Bring your current project or start something new while we chat, swap tips, eat snacks and unwind together. **MUST REGISTER**

Understanding the School-to-Prison Pipeline - Adults, Thursday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m. Join us for a thought-

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The deadline to apply for consideration is Monday, October 5th by 5pm for 4051 E 44 St and Monday, October 12th by 5pm for 5301 Harvard Ave. Late submissions will not be accepted. Applicants must be available to attend a meeting of the Community Improvement Corporation to present their proposal.

4051 E 44 St will be open to show on:

Friday, September 11, from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 12, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

5301 Harvard Ave will be open to show on:

Friday, September 18, from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 19, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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provoking presentation that explores the school-to-prison pipeline — a national trend in which students, particularly those from marginalized communities, are pushed out of schools and into the criminal justice system. This presentation will examine the root causes of the pipeline, including zero-tolerance discipline policies, racial and economic disparities, the role of law enforcement in schools, and the long-term impacts on students’ futures. This session is ideal for students, educators, parents and community members who want to better understand and dismantle this systemic issue. **MUST REGISTER**

Storytime in the Park with Bedford Library, Saturdays, Sept. 12, 19, 26, 10 a.m. Enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays in the fresh air! Families are encouraged to stay and play in the park! In case of inclement weather, Storytime will move indoors to the Bedford Library. For questions or weather updates, please call the Branch at 440-439-4997.

I Survived...Book Club, -K-5th, Thursday, Sept. 17, 6 p.m. In this Book Club, participants will explore a different historical disaster or event. Through reading, discussion and hands-on activities, we’ll learn about the real events behind the stories, examine how people survived these challenges, and discover the courage, resilience and history that inspired each book. Perfect for readers who enjoy adventure, history and unforgettable true stories. Sept. 17 - "The Sinking of the Titanic, 1912."

Garfield Heights Branch Library

Here are some of the **FREE** programs available at the Garfield Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 5409 Turney Rd. Call 216-475-8178 to register or for more information.

TEENS

Workforce Readiness: Career Hustle Lab Teens can join Yvonne Wideman from Central State University to practice interviewing for jobs, learn how to understand job postings, and explore their skills and strengths. There will be sessions on Tuesdays, Sept. 15, and Sept. 29, 6-7 p.m.

Crafting for A Cause Teens and children in Grades K-12 can join us for this fun, hands-on community service program to make handmade gifts for patients and healthcare workers at local hospitals. High school students who need volunteer hours for graduation are welcome — library staff can sign off on eligible volunteer service hours for participation. Thursdays, Sept. 3, and Sept. 17, 3-4:30 p.m.

Teens Innovate Teens can come explore STEAM activities, new technologies, and make cool things in the library’s Innovation Center. This month Teen’s will make Perler bead charms. Tuesday, Sept. 8, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Teen Tuesday Meet up with friends and enjoy trying a new activity each month! This month we’ll have a video game tournament. Tuesday, Sept. 22, 3-4:30 p.m.

CHILDREN and FAMILIES

Taste Test Challenge Children in grades 3-6 can join us to test their taste buds with a variety of food challenges! Monday, Sept. 14, 3-4 p.m. Registration and a signed release and hold harmless form from a parent or caregiver are required.

Pokemon Club Children in grades K-6 can come join our Pokémon Club! Show off your cards, do a craft, or just hang out with other fans. Monday, Sept. 14, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Fiscal officer of the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio at her office in the Village Hall, 7595 Walton Road, Walton Hills, Ohio 44146, until 12:00 o’clock noon on September 18, 2026, for the removal of snow from various driveways in the Village in accordance with specifications and instructions to bidders on file in the Village Hall.

Said bids shall be enclosed in an opaque, sealed envelope, marked “SNOW PLOWING OF PRIVATE DRIVES”, and shall bear the name of the bidder.

The Council of the Village reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the Council of the Village of Walton Hills, Ohio
Nickol Sell, Fiscal Officer, Village of Walton Hills, Ohio
The Neighborhood News: 9-2-26 & 9-9-26

Red Chimney now open in Parma Hear about PB CLE pilot program in Slavic Village tomorrow on Ideastream's "The Sound of Ideas"



Roving reporter Tony Brancatelli was at the new Red Chimney restaurant at 8320 Snow Rd., in Parma, last week before it opened for business to check out the renovations and ambiance of the restaurant that replaced the old Red Chimney on Fleet Ave., in Slavic Village, after a fire last year forced the neighborhood landmark to close.

"It is very open and spacious," Brancatelli said, "with a large parking lot, but still retains that local diner feel with a big counter and plenty of seating. Their menu has that large selection of local ethnic fare that their customers loved, including the famous Red Chimney "Breakfast Special."

Red Chimney is open this week, Monday through Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Permanent hours will be announced on the restaurant's website.

Pictured above, from left, is Tony Brancatelli, restaurant owners Pete and Louie Skantzios and Red Chimney staffer Cathy Slone.

CVCC to host College Night Thursday, Oct. 1

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center (CVCC), 8001 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville, will host College Night on Thursday, Oct. 1, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Cuyahoga Valley College Night Consortium (CVCNC) and coordinated with the Ohio Association for College Admission Counseling, the event will connect students and families with representatives from colleges, universities, technical centers and military academies.

CVCC will use StriveScan, a college fair scanning app, during the event. Attendees will receive a QR code to use when visiting colleges and other organizations. Representatives can scan the code to provide participants with additional information about their programs, making the process faster and more environmentally friendly. A Financial Aid presentation by Kent State University will also be available from 6:15 to 7 p.m.

College Night is free and does not require registration. For more information, contact Josh Hayes, assistant principal, at JHayes@cvccworks.edu or call 440-746-8260.

Cassie Park and Chuck Gliha will be live on "The Sound of Ideas" this Thursday at 9 a.m., to talk about the Slavic Village pilot program of People's Budget Cleveland. The People's Budget in Slavic Village has successfully concluded a three-week voting period after 861 residents selected five projects that will receive a total of \$100,000 in funding.

Tune in this Thursday, Sept. 3, at 9 a.m., on FM radio's 89.7 WKSU in Cleveland, on the Ohio Channel and at www.ohiochannel.org. Listeners can interact with "The Sound of Ideas" during the show by calling 866-578-0903 or email to: soi@ideastream.org

Independence police to hold town hall-style meeting tomorrow

Independence Police will host a Police and Community Engagement (PACE) town-hall style meeting Thursday, Sept. 3, at 7 p.m., at the Independence Civic Center, 6363 Selig Dr.

Chief Robert Butler will discuss upcoming legislation, including a proposal to purchase a new type of patrol vehicle, the department's new drone program, and other public safety initiatives. Residents are welcome to ask questions and get answers!

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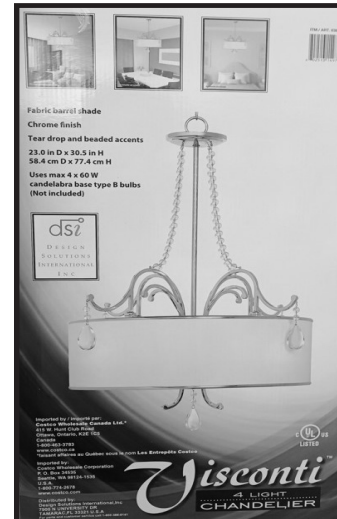
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- 9 firearms
- 50 grams of meth
- 5 grams of fentanyl
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Two males were arrested for weapons and drug trafficking charges, and two others were arrested on felony drug warrants out of Medina County. The stolen vehicle was also recovered.

Great work by all! Friendly reminder - we're always watching!

Kicking off the Labor Day weekend in Slavic Village will be the Iron Ward Music Festival's traditional Goodbye Summer Party this Friday, Sept. 4, at 7 p.m., at Dan Kane Park, E. 65 St. at Kenyon Ave.

The last concert of Iron Ward's 2026 season will feature fan favorites Jammin Janice and the Bad Boys, playing a lively blend of jazz, blues and pop tunes.

Visitors will also be treated to free hot dogs and ice cream, thanks this year to the generous assistance of Denise Kinder's Friends of Slavic Village. All residents and friends of Slavic Village are invited to share one final concert together under the evening sky before the neighborhood's fall event season begins.

Sokol Sunday Dinner to feature pork chops, scalloped potatoes

All are invited to attend the next Sokol Sunday Dinner at Bohemian National Hall 4939 Broadway Ave., Cleveland, on Sept. 20, for breaded pork chops, scalloped potatoes, coffee and dessert, with a cash bar. Dinners are \$20 each; contact Vlad at 216-894-3591 by Sept. 14, for reservations. Meal prepared by Wally Goralczyk of Wal-Tam Catering. The museum will be open for viewing from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

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