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S.V. Job Fair offering free, walk-in access to over 30 employers Oct. 27

Slavic Village Development, in partnership with Greater Cleveland Works and OhioMeansJobs Cuyahoga County, will host a Slavic Village Job Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Sokol Greater Cleveland's Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., Cleveland 44127.

Job Fair attendees can walk in, meet directly with employers, and learn about career opportunities that align with their skills and interests. This event is free and open to all job seekers. No advanced registration is required.

Job seekers who are ready to apply are encouraged to bring copies of their resume and dress to impress. Those who are earlier in their career search are also welcome, as there is no minimum age or experience required to attend. The event can be used to network, ask employers what they are looking for in candidates and learn what steps would make them a strong candidate for a particular company or profession.

Participating employers include: Cleveland Wire Cloth, U.S. Cotton, Howmet Aerospace, Sealed Air, National Safety Apparel, Alpha Star Logistics (Amazon), Honey Grow, Swagelok, Starting Point, The City of Cleveland, PNC Bank, Citizens Bank, Cleveland Metropolitan Housing Authority, Garland, United States Postal Service, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Lake Shore Electric, Compass.

New fire chief, assistant, lieutenant sworn in at Bedford Council meeting

By Ellen Psenicka

It was a full house for Bedford City Council's meeting on Monday, Oct. 19, as special swearing-in ceremonies were held for new Fire Chief Tim Grote, new Assistant Fire Chief Ryan Turk and new Lieutenant Kevin Messich.

Fire department co-workers, friends and family of the trio were in the audience to congratulate them on their "well deserved" promotions.

Legislation approved

The following motion and ordinances were passed by council Monday:

- To approve the Planning Commission's decision to deny Sunery Solar, LLC's application to install a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system at 119 Santin Circle.

- To authorize the city manager to enter into a purchase agreement for the sale of property located at 787 Archer Rd., from the city's Land Revitalization Program, for the sum of \$64,900.00.

City Manager Mike Mallis explained that the prospective buyer intends to build a new home on the parcel of land, which is over two acres.

- To enter into a contract with Buckeye Pumps for repairs to the submersible pump at the Waste Water Treatment Plant for a total amount not to exceed \$25,052.42.

City manager's report

In his report to council, Mallis announced that Enbridge Gas will begin a main gasline replacement project this month focused in the areas of High St., and McKinley, Taft and Avery aves., scheduled for completion in February 2027.

Garfield Heights Council update

By Ellen Psenicka

Garfield Heights Council met on Tuesday, Oct. 13, and passed an ordinance directing the city engineer to prepare the necessary plans and specifications, per the OHM Advisors proposal, to go out for competitive bids for the Melgrove and E. 126 St. Sewer Separation Project and authorizing payment of costs through funding by the NEORSD MCIP and the city of Garfield Heights.

The purpose of the project is to eliminate residential basement flooding and property damage, reduce flows to the district's infrastructure for treatment of removing storm water from the currently combined sewer system and improve water quality in area waterways, and reduce and eliminate property damage to both public infrastructure and private property.

The other piece of legislation acted upon at last Tuesday's meeting was the authorization of a 10-year Job/Payroll Creation Incentive Grant for UCI Controls, Inc., dba Cleveland Controls.

UCI Controls, Inc., dba Cleveland Controls, will begin operations in the city effective January 1, 2027, at 5638 Transportation Blvd., as a result of business growth. Cleveland Controls will maintain its operations and current staffing levels of 110 full-time employees at the site, and is committed to creating 20 full-time jobs - including engineering and sales positions - within its first 18 months of operation in the city, with a projected annual payroll of \$1,681,000.00.

Cleveland Controls designs, manufactures and installs precision sensing switches and control instruments for air and gas flow in HVAC, energy management and industrial applications.

In return for this job retention and growth in the city of Garfield Heights, Cleveland Controls will be given an annual Garfield Heights Payroll Incentive Grant award for each Grant Year, which will be 50% of the Municipal Income Tax paid by the employer to and retained by the city with respect to the Municipal Income Tax Differential for such Grant Year.

Get help with delinquent taxes

Cuyahoga County's Delinquent Tax Outreach (DTO) Department will provide property owners with delinquent property taxes and those facing foreclosures a chance to resolve their issues at an outreach event at the Polish-American Cultural Center, 6501 Lansing Ave., Cleveland, on Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Sit one-on-one with a Cuyahoga County tax professional to discuss options/resources available to those with delinquent property tax issues or those in jeopardy of losing their home, business, investment property, or land through a foreclosure auction or Sheriff's Sale.

Local author will bring Ohio City history to life at Genealogical Society meeting

The Cuyahoga Valley Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m., for members and the interested public, at the Willow Room at the Independence Civic Center, 6363 Selig Blvd., in Independence.

Speaker for the evening will be author Tom Kaschalk talking on "Cleveland's Ohio City Neighborhood," bringing Ohio City's history to life through rare photographs and stories.

In just a few square miles on Cleveland's west side, you'll find the oldest continuously operating public market in America, a stop on the Underground Railroad, Ohio's most haunted building, a boulevard of Victorian mansions that once rivaled anything in the city, and a brewing tradition stretching from 19th-century German lager empires to today's nationally celebrated craft breweries.

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

ELECTION NOTICE

CITY OF MAPLE HEIGHTS PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS

NOTICE is given that pursuant to Ordinances Nos.: 2026-58; 2026-59; 2026-60; 2026-61; and 2026-62, adopted by the Council of the City of Maple Heights, Ohio, on August 5, 2026, the following proposed Charter Amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the City, at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November 2026, as prescribed by general law, and shall appear as the following Issues 51-55. A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

The full text of the Charter provisions if they are amended by the passage of said Issues will read as follows. (Proposed additions are underlined and proposed deletions struck through with a line.)

ISSUE 51-Shall Article III, Section 1 of the Charter of the City of Maple Heights be amended to provide that each member of Council shall have resided continuously in the City for a period of at least two (2) years preceding their election; and that they shall have resided continually in the district from which the Councilperson seeks election, for a period of at least two (2) years preceding their election?

ARTICLE III, SECTION 1. QUALIFICATIONS.

All elective officers shall be qualified electors and residents of the City of Maple Heights, and each member of the Council shall be a resident of the district from which elected. The Mayor and the President of Council shall be elected at large, and the members of the Council from their respective districts. The Mayor and the President of Council shall be qualified electors of the City and shall have resided in the City continuously for a period of at least three (3) years immediately preceding their election, and shall continue to be qualified electors and residents during their terms. Each member of Council shall be a qualified elector of the City, shall have resided continuously in the City for a period of at least two (2) years preceding their election ~~not less than two (2) years next preceding the Councilperson's election~~, shall have resided continually in the district from which the Councilperson seeks election, ~~for a period of at least two (2) years preceding their election not less than two (2) years next preceding election~~, and shall continue to be a qualified elector and resident therein during the term of office.

ISSUE 52-Shall Article III, Section 3 of the Charter of the City of Maple Heights be amended to delete the provision that an elective officer who is absent from the duties of office for three months, or disqualified from office, may continue in office until a successor is qualified?

ARTICLE III, SECTION 3. ABSENCES; FORFEITURE OF OFFICE.

If any elective officer shall be absent from the duties of office for a period of three (3) months or shall cease to possess any or all of the qualifications provided for in this Charter, the office shall be deemed vacant and forfeited, such forfeiture to be effective only when declared so by the Council or proper judicial authority. ~~Each officer, however, shall serve until a successor is qualified.~~

ISSUE 53-Shall Article VII, Section 12 of the Charter of the City of Maple Heights be amended to permit ordinances or resolutions embracing the subjects of salaries, the necessity for and intention to install public improvements which contain provisions for assessments against abutting properties, or grants of public utility franchises, be posted on the City's website and social media accounts and in four (4) public places in the City, said places determined by Council?

ARTICLE VII, SECTION 12. ORDINANCE RECORD; APPROPRIATIONS.

All ordinances or resolutions upon their final passage shall be recorded in a book kept for the purpose and shall be authenticated by the signatures of the presiding officer, Clerk of the Council and the Mayor, unless a certificate of the Clerk is attached thereto showing such signature of the Mayor is unnecessary under the provision hereof.

The annual appropriation ordinance and all other ordinances or resolutions embracing the subjects of salaries, the necessity for and intention to install public improvements which contain provisions for assessments against abutting properties, grants of public utility franchises, shall, at the option of the Council, within ten (10) days after their final passage, be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Maple Heights, or be posted on the City's website and social media accounts and in four (4) five (5) public places in the City, said places to be designated by the Council; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to change or modify the provisions of law now existing requiring the publication of certain ordinances, or which may hereafter be required to be published according to the laws of the State.

ISSUE 54-Shall Article XIII, Section 7 of the Charter of the City of Maple Heights be amended to correct a grammatical error by revising the phrase "committee of the petitions" to "committee of the petitioners?"

ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 7. COUNCIL ACTION; POWERS.

Upon receiving the proposed ordinance from the committee, the Council shall at once proceed to consider it and shall take final action thereon within thirty (30) days from the date of such committee report. If the Council rejects the proposed ordinance or passes it in a form different from that set forth in the petition, the committee of the petitioners petitions may, as hereinafter provided, require that it be submitted to a vote of the electors in its original form, or that it be submitted to a vote of the electors with any proposed change, addition or amendment, which was presented in writing either at a public hearing before the committee to which the proposed ordinance was referred, or during the consideration thereof by the Council.

ISSUE 55-Shall Article XX, Section 2 of the Charter of the City of Maple Heights be amended to provide that, beginning in January 2031 and each five (5) years thereafter, the Mayor, the Council President, and each member of Council, from within their District, shall appoint one qualified elector of the City and respective District, holding no other office or appointment with the City of Maple Heights, as members of a nine (9) person Charter Review Commission; that the Mayor and President of Council shall appoint one (1) alternate member each, to serve if a Commission member(s) is absent for a meeting; and if a Commission member(s) is absent for a meeting, then one, or both of the alternates, as necessary, may be appointed by a majority of the members present for the meeting to replace the absent member for that meeting only, with all the same rights and duties as the absent member; and to provide for the election of a Chairperson pro tem from among the Commission members?

ARTICLE XX, SECTION 2. CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION.

~~Beginning in January 2031, During the month of January, 1971;~~ and each five (5) years thereafter, the Mayor, the Council President, and each member of Council, from within their District, shall appoint one qualified elector ~~appoint a commission of nine (9) qualified electors of the City and respective District,~~ holding no other office or appointment ~~with the City of Maple Heights in this Municipality,~~ as members of a nine (9) person Charter Review Commission. The Mayor and the President of Council shall each appoint one (1) two (2) alternates who will attend all meetings but will have no vote. In the event one (1) or more of the nine (9) qualified electors, for any reason, can no longer continue to serve as a member of the Charter Review Commission, or in the event the remaining Charter Review Commission by majority vote declares a vacancy on the Charter Review Commission, for any reason, one (1) or both of the alternates shall be selected to become a member of the Charter Review Commission with all the same rights and duties as any other member. ~~If a Commission member(s) is absent for a meeting, then one, or both of the alternates, as necessary, may be appointed by a majority of the members present for the meeting to replace the absent member for that meeting only, with all the same rights and duties as the absent member.~~ The members shall be sworn in at the first regular Council meeting in the month of February and shall conclude their business six (6) months after this date. ~~The Mayor shall appoint two (2) members and each Councilperson shall appoint one (1) member from his or her district.~~ A Chairperson, and a Chairperson pro tem, shall be elected from among the members of the Commission. Such Commission shall review the City Charter and within six (6) calendar months after the appointment thereof, recommend to Council revisions and amendments to this Charter, if any, as two-thirds (2/3) of all of them deem desirable. The Council shall forthwith submit to the electors any such revisions and amendments of this Charter in the manner provided in Section 1 hereof for the submission of such measures to the vote of the people by the Council. The revisions of and amendments to this Charter submitted by the Commission to the Council, shall be first submitted to the Director of Law for the purpose of harmonizing the intention of said Commission with the Constitution of Ohio.

A clerk shall be supplied by the City to the Commission if requested. A secretary shall be elected from among the members of the Commission, and he or she or his or her duly qualified successor shall certify that each measure submitted as a revision or amendment to this Charter, has received the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of all members of said Commission. The Commission shall determine by a majority vote of all members thereof, whether the measures submitted as revisions of and amendments to this Charter shall be submitted as individual measures or collectively to a vote of the people.

By: Frank Consolo, Law Director, City of Maple Heights
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Community police reports

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

Garfield Heights
Weapon Offense

•On Sept. 30, at about 12:45 a.m., officers patrolling in the area of E. 131 St. and Service Ct. observed a vehicle going south on E. 131 St. As it passed the officers' cruiser, they observed the driver make a series of furtive movements, as if he were trying to conceal an illegal item, and veered over solid lane markings constituting a violation. Police initiated a traffic stop on Thornhurst Ave., and informed the driver of the reason for the stop and asked if he had any weapons inside. He said there were none. As officers continued to speak with the suspect an officer observed loose marijuana packets in the center console. Officers found a loaded SIG SSP2022 inside the car. Police learned the suspect had pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter in the past and was prohibited from possessing a firearm. He faces felony charges and will have a court date assigned.

•On Sept. 30, about 12:53 p.m., detectives assigned to the Targeted Enforcement Unit responded to North Shore High School, 4744 Turney Rd., regarding a shooting and/or large fight that a caller told dispatch would happen after school. A white Nissan Altima was observed exiting the parking lot of the school with extremely dark window tint making an improper turn onto Turney Rd., and failed to give a proper signal when it turned onto Russell Ave. A traffic stop was initiated and the Altima pulled over. The driver and the three passengers were all male juveniles. While speaking with them, police noticed the odor of burnt marijuana from inside the car and loose, raw marijuana could be seen in several areas of the vehicle. All four told police there were no firearms present and all four were patted down. A semi-automatic firearm was found in the waistband of one of the passengers. It was loaded with a live round in the chamber and 20 rounds in the extended magazine. He was placed in the rear of the police vehicle. The two other passengers were removed from the car, briefly detained and later released. No other contraband was located.

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The driver was issued citations for tinted windows and operating on a temporary permit without a licensed driver. The armed passenger was charged with illegal conveyance or possession of a deadly weapon in a School Safety Zone, carrying concealed weapon and improper handling of firearms in a motor vehicle, pending through the Garfield Heights Youth Detective Bureau. Juvenile Detention Center accepted him into their custody.

Burglary

On Oct. 8, at about 3:10 a.m., officers were dispatched to a York Ave. residence for a call that a male wearing a ski mask and Nike Tek was knocking all the cameras off his house. Police observed an open door on the west side of the house. The K-9 was deployed and officers entered the home and located no one inside. The top door of the refrigerator was open and all three bedrooms appeared to have been ransacked. The homeowner arrived on scene and told police he had left his home shortly after midnight and he received an alert on his camera that someone was in his yard at 1:48 a.m. The camera showed someone walk up and cover the camera on the side of the residence. Reported missing were a Glock 17 firearm, personal gaming systems and a safe from an upstairs closet containing \$10,000. The Detective Bureau followed up.

Suspicious activity

On Oct. 8, about 3:14 a.m., Garfield units were dispatched to a home in the 19000 block of Granger Rd., on a call that a male was attempting to break into the female's residence. Police arrived, searched the home and were unable to locate the suspect. Video showed a light-skinned male, dressed in dark clothing with a longer beard and a soft cast on his right arm pulling on the doors of two of her vehicles but was unable to gain entry. Police were notified by dispatch that another GHPD officer was out with a male fitting the description of the suspect on Penfield Ave., who was subsequently identified as such. He was placed under arrest, detained in handcuffs and taken to city jail. Police located one other vehicle in the Granger Rd. neighborhood that appeared to have been rummaged through. The suspect was charged with vehicle trespass.

Shots Fired

On Oct. 10, at about 6 a.m., police responded to a home in the 13800 block of Saybrook Ave., for a report of a house being shot. The homeowner and guest told officers they had been inside the home when they heard several shots fired and saw the front window had been broken from a gunshot. The homeowner said her daughter and granddaughter had been asleep on the living room couch when the house was struck but no parties were injured. Officers located one apparent bullet hole in the front window of the house, one in the southeast corner of the residence, and one partial bullet jacket on the dining room floor, as well as one above a window near the trunk of a white Buick Envision parked in a neighbor's driveway. Detective Bureau to conduct follow-up.

On Oct. 11, at 6:14 p.m., a two-man unit was dispatched to Open Pantry, 4541 E. 131 St., for a report of a vehicle being shot. The owner of a blue 2012 Honda CRV said he was inside the car and parked in front of the store when it was struck twice by bullets. He told police he saw two juveniles, a male and a female, standing near Open Pantry's parking lot. Two additional juveniles then exited Open Pantry and walked over to the other juveniles. He thinks they were possible suspects. He said he didn't know anyone who could have done this and added it would be the second time within six months his car had been shot. Police found no shell casings or witnesses. Officers checked the Honda CRV and observed a bullet hole in the right rear passenger's side just left of the door with a shattered window. Inside the trunk they saw damage to the trunk latch where two bullets possibly struck. Report forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

Juvenile(s)

On Saturday, Oct. 17, at 2:53 p.m., an officer responded to Marc's at Garfield Mall for a complaint that a juvenile was selling candy. The officer found the juvenile male sitting near First Federal Lakewood and asked his name, which he later found out was not accurate. The boy admitted to selling candy at Garfield Mall. The officer told him of the ongoing complaints and advised him he is trespassing and to discontinue selling anywhere on the property. The officer took him home and advised his father of his son's trespassing. The report was referred to the Juvenile Bureau.

Child Endangering

On Oct. 18, at about 5 p.m., police responded to a report of a child wearing a diaper running across Oakpark Blvd. near Turney Rd. The child then went into the Marathon gas station, 5571 Turney Rd. Police found the child inside the gas station. It was clear to the officers that the child was autistic and non-verbal. Based on similar incidents, dispatch was able to locate the child's mother. There were four previous confirmed incidents where the child had left home without the mother's knowledge and was found wandering on nearby streets. Police picked the mother up at home and brought her to the Marathon station. She said while she was sleeping she thinks her older daughter left the door unlocked after ordering food. The mother was issued a summons for child endangering and given a court date.



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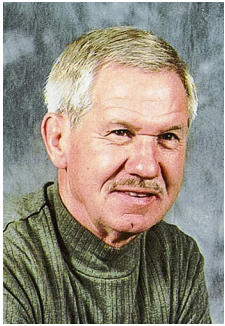
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Death Notices



OTIS ESTEL ELKINS

Otis Estel Elkins, 88, passed away peacefully at his home in Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday, Oct. 16, 2026.

Born Dec. 16, 1937, in Logan, West Virginia, Otis was the son of the late Delmont and Ruby Elkins. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Willard "Jess," Pete, Landville, and Larry, and sisters, Glora Mae and Merle "Sissy."

Otis lived a full and hardworking life. An entrepreneur at heart, he was the proud owner of Cuyahoga Siding and The Rebound Lounge. He also had a lifelong love of sports. In his younger years he played in the National Softball League and earned recognition as a Golden Glove Boxer. He enjoyed cheering on the Cleveland Browns and Guardians.

Above all Otis loved his family. He is survived by his wife, Teresa (nee Durbin); children, Otis Elkins Jr. (Kerri), Clara Sue Heydorn (Steve), Trevor Elkins (Laura), Jesslyn Elkins (Stephanie), Michael Beeman (Christine), Christopher Mauser (Tamara), and Scott Mauser (Jamie); 22 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Audrey Meness and Avanell Evans, along with many nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Family and friends are invited to a visitation on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 3 to 6 p.m., at Fortuna Funeral Home, 7076 Brecksville Rd., Independence, OH 44131, with a closing service to follow from 6 to 7 p.m.

Otis will be remembered for his strong work ethic, competitive spirit, love of sports, and, most importantly, his devotion to his family.



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.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Google Docs Basics Learn the fundamental features of Google's web-based word processing software to format text, insert objects and share files. A Google account is needed to participate in the class. Thursday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Innovation Center & Memory Lab Orientation Learn about the equipment and policies of the Innovation Centers throughout Cuyahoga County Public Library. Attending this orientation allows users to utilize the library's Innovation Centers. For adults 18 years and older. Upcoming sessions: Tuesday, Nov. 10, 6-7 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 21, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Registration required.

Tuesday Evening Book Discussion Join us for an engaging in-person book discussion. This month's title is "Mad Mabel" by Sally Hepworth. Tuesday, Nov. 17, 6-7 p.m.

Thyme to Meal Prep Join Chef Wanda, founder of Thyme to Eat, for an interactive cooking demonstration on how to plan and prepare meals efficiently! Wednesday, Nov. 18, 5-7 p.m. Registration required.

USPS Job Fair Learn about career opportunities with the United States Postal Service at this job fair hosted by Cuyahoga Works. Walk-ins are welcome. Friday, Nov.

20, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Black Authors Book Discussions Join us for this monthly book discussion featuring Black authors. November's title is "Ghalen" by Walter Mosley. Monday, Nov. 23, 7-8 p.m.

Blood Drive The American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive. For more information or to make an appointment to donate blood, visit www.redcrossblood.org or call the American Red Cross at 800-RED-CROSS (800-733-2767). Saturday, Nov. 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

TEENS

Teens Innovate Teens can come explore STEAM activities, new technologies and make cool things in the library's Innovation Center. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

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 Tuesday, Nov. 10, 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 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. Thursday, Nov. 12, 3-4:30 p.m.

Teen Tuesday Meet up with friends and enjoy trying a new activity each month! This month's activity is making mug cakes! Tuesday, Nov. 17, 3-4:30 p.m.

CHILDREN and FAMILIES

Frankentoys Bring your creativity and join us to use different tools to take apart toys and make them into something new! All supplies provided. For children in grades 3-6. Wednesday, Nov. 4, 3-4 p.m.

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BEDFORD RESERVATION

Oct. 24: The Science of Fall Colors. During autumn many trees reveal the true colors of their leaves before they fall. We'll reveal the science behind fall colors as we enjoy a brisk walk through the forested slopes of Tinker's Creek Gorge. 2:30–4 p.m. Meet at Egbert Picnic Area Trailhead. For adults. Terrain: natural surface, hills, 3–4 miles.

Oct. 30: Preschoolers: Hike with Me. Bring your preschooler on a woodland trek through the Bedford Reservation forest! We will be walking along a mountain bike trail looking for mushrooms, fall insects and fall color change in the tree's leaves. It is sure to be an awesome adventure! 10–11 a.m. Meet at Egbert picnic area. Ages 2–6 years w/adult. Terrain: natural surfaces, 1 mile.

Nov. 14: Family Forest Fun Hike. Bring the family out for a hike through the forest. We will travel through the woods looking for tracks, scat and fungus. Along the way we'll walk rugged mountain bike and bridle trails. Sturdy shoes and hiking poles are recommended. 10:30 a.m. Meet in the parking lot at the corner of Overlook Lane and Egbert Road. 5–12 years w/adult. Terrain: natural surface, hills, 2 miles.

Nov. 20: Preschoolers: Hike with Me. Bring your preschooler to explore the trails above Deerlick Creek. On our adventure this morning we will see two waterfalls - Quarry Falls and Bridal Veil Falls. We will be on the lookout for fungus, colorful leaves and tracks of the wildlife that live in the park. 10–11 a.m. Meet at Bridal Veil Falls parking lot. Ages 2–6 years w/adult. Terrain: natural surface, 1 mile.

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Oct. 22: Hike Because It's Good for You. Research tells us that being in nature, being active, and being with other people are all good for us. Join a naturalist for a walk along the Ohio & Erie Canal, and we'll do all those things. 3–4:30 p.m. Meet at CanalWay Center. For adults. Terrain: paved, 2 miles.

Oct. 24: Cart Tour on the Towpath Trail - Steel Heritage Center to Canal Basin Park. Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak drives the 7-passenger cart while driving home the importance of trails, science, history and interagency cooperation in the drive for reconnecting Cleveland. We'll talk about the steel industry, railroads, the Towpath Trail, canals and so much more. 10:30 a.m.–1 p.m. Steel Heritage Center (behind Five Guys restaurant at Steelyard Commons). Fee: \$10.50. Registration required: 7.

Oct. 25: Drop by - Make a Nature Inspired Trick-or-Treat Bag. Drop by during the listed time, and kids can decorate their own spooky sack with bats, spiders and owls to show off their love of nature. 1–3 p.m. CanalWay Center.

Oct. 31: Drop by - Spiders. Stop by CanalWay Center between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. to learn why spiders aren't spooky! We will be learning about the different species of spiders found in Ohio as well as the types of webs they weave and why. Guests will also have the opportunity to create a spider craft to take home. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Nov. 1-30: Hunt of the Month - Turkey. It's the time of year when turkeys trot through our forests and our minds. Come to CanalWay Center and look for Toms, Jennys, tracks, feathers and other things turkeys leave behind in this indoor scavenger hunt. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Nov. 9: Drop-by - Indoor Night Hike Activity. This fun family activity will take place in a darkened room and involves exploring things you'd typically find on a night hike. Complete a word puzzle with only a flashlight and your sense of adventure. Activity will take approximately 20 minutes. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. CWC. Terrain: dark, indoors.

GARFIELD PARK RESERVATION

Oct. 22: Backcountry Skills Series - Knots to Know. Join us as we practice the knots that make hiking, backpacking, climbing and boating a breeze. 6-8:30 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center. Registration required. Fee: \$5.

Oct. 28: MetroHealth Mammogram Screenings & Be SimplyWell Talk on Breast Health. Join us for a Be SimplyWell Health Talk with Natalie Joseph, MD, FACS, on Breast Health for an insightful discussion on breast cancer awareness, the importance of early detection, the path to recovery, and resilience after diagnosis. The MetroHealth Mobile Mammography Coach will be on site to provide mammogram screening services via appointment from noon–6 p.m. Mammogram Screenings by appointment at the Garfield Park Program Center. Be SimplyWell Breast Health Talk Garfield Park Program Center, 6-7 p.m. Call 216-559-5267 or 216-550-5422 to schedule an appointment for a mammogram.

Oct. 29: Mindfulness Hike & Hot Cocoa. Engage your senses with a relaxing hike through beautiful Garfield Park Reservation while incorporating basic mindfulness techniques. Reward yourself with a cup of hot cocoa by the fireplace afterwards. This inclusive experience is open to individuals of all abilities; mobility devices available upon request. 5-6:30 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center. Registration required.

Nov. 9: Nature Jeopardy. Do you think you know nature? Join Naturalist Mario Jackson to put your knowledge to the test at Garfield Park Nature Jeopardy. Bring your family and friends and come along for an evening of fun and friendly competition on nature trivia. Whether you're a wildlife expert or just love the outdoors, everyone is welcome! Hot beverages are provided. 6-8 p.m. Garfield Park Program Center.

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CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO
List of Meetings for November 2026

Monday, November, 2026	Council Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 3, 2026	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11, 2026	Southeast Area Law Enforcement (SEALE) Board of Trustees Meeting (if needed) Work Session - 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting - 12:00 p.m.
Monday, November 16, 2026	Council Work Session - TBD Regular Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 17, 2026	Planning Commission (if needed) Work Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 24, 2026	Board of Zoning Appeals (if needed) Work Session - 5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

It should also be noted that the Board of Building Standards and Appeals, Civil Service Commission, Bedford Arts and Cultural Board, Bedford Historical Preservation Board, Assessment Equalization Board, Public Hearings, Planning Commission, Animal Appeals Board, Board of Zoning Appeals and Tree Board meet as needed. Notification of these meetings will be posted at the five most public places in the City per Ordinance No. 8461-09.
All Meetings will be held at Bedford City Hall, 165 Center Road, Bedford, Ohio 44146. For agendas and minutes please go to www.bedfordoh.gov or call Tracy M. Simons, Clerk of Council, at 440-735-6510.
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Treat-N-Trunk at St. John's Lutheran Church

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Fun for the whole family with games, facepainting, hot dogs and popcorn. The treating fun begins at 4:30 p.m. Kids can go from car to car collecting treats from some wonderful trunk hosts. Come enjoy an afternoon of family fun, treats and community fellowship!

Trick-or-Treat Street at Ellenwood in Bedford

Children ages infant-12 will Trick-or-Treat through various stations inside Ellenwood Center, 124 Ellenwood Ave., in Bedford, this Saturday, Oct. 24. Register for a specific time slot between 10 a.m. and noon in advance by visiting: bedfordoh.myrec.com or by calling 440-735-6570. Registered children receive a pumpkin and a Halloween craft to go. Hay rides will be available!

Fee: \$5 for Bedford resident child ages 0-12 and \$8 for nonresident child. Adult supervision required.

Registration will not be accepted on the day of the event. Space is limited. There will be special time slots starting at 12 p.m. for teens and adults with special needs. Non-participating caregivers are welcome to attend and are not required to register.

Ward 7 Block Watch to meet in Garfield Heights

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch, sponsored by Councilwoman Jenn Newrones, will meet Thursday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m., in the cafeteria of St. Benedict School, 13633 Rockside Rd. Guest speaker will be a representative from the Garfield Hts. Service Dept. He will be updating everyone on leaf pickup, snow removal and other city services.

Nonperishable items or cash donations to help the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry with the approaching holidays would be appreciated. All are welcome. For more information contact Gail, 216-662-9213.

Girls Club hosting Youth Conference in Garfield Hts.

The Girls Club of Ohio will host its upcoming free Youth Conference, "Putting Your Best Food Forward," on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at The RaJan Center, 9438 Dorothy Ave., in Garfield Heights. The event is open to girls ages 8 to 12 from the Greater Cleveland area.

Organizers said the conference is designed to inspire and equip young women with the skills and confidence they need to navigate the future. Interactive workshops will feature Self-Care and Wellness, Leadership & Team Building, Goal Set-

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