

## **October 2016**

Thank you Mr. President. By way of a report for this month, I will keep my remarks brief. I want to thank the hundreds of individuals who participated in the Garfield Heights City Schools' Family Fun Night, which took place just over a week ago on Friday, October 7, 2016 before the varsity home football game. This event brought together families for a fun night of activities, including bounce houses, football tosses and food. A raffle took place, and the winners from the punt-pass-and kick competition were also announced. A great deal of preparation goes into events like this, and so I want to thank everyone who helped to ensure a smooth event. Thank you to those who attended. In the process, this night raised more than \$1,000 for Citizens for Garfield Heights, which is our campaign committee.

Speaking of the campaign, I want to share with the community that Issue 113 is on the ballot this November. People are already voting by mail. Please remember that Issue 113 is a NO NEW TAXES renewal issue that simply renews funding that was voted on back in March 2012. This funding goes towards transportation costs, building & facility maintenance, educational programming and resources and other academic needs. Since our last meeting, Mr. Sluka and I had the distinct opportunity to visit a City Council meeting, and we are proud to report that Mayor Collova has endorsed Issue 113, along with Councilman Suster, Dudley, Nenandovich, LaMalfa and Vaughn. Thank you to these specific City leaders for recognizing the importance of passing Issue 113. Please take time to get informed on Issue 113, as it will not raise your taxes.

I want to commend all the participants of this year's Home Coming festivities for making this annual celebration a wonderful event. From the assembly to the dance and the annual parade, there was a great deal of excitement. Our homecoming court even went on tour, and visited some of the younger students in our elementary schools. Congratulations to all participants in this year's Homecoming event.

Finally, Mr. President, just a brief update for those who visit Central Office that a new garage is being built courtesy of the Construction Trades Class from the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, in which two of our very own students will be participating. What's being constructed is essentially a 3-car garage for storage of plows, trucks and other equipment. The Garfield Heights City Schools purchased the materials and poured the footer and now the students will construct the structure. We will keep you posted as this project progress.

Thank you for your continued support, and as always...

**GO BULLDOGS!**

Terry Olszewski

Superintendent of Schools