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The lead singer of The Escape Plan performed with his band on the Cener Stage at the Independence Town Square on July 14th delighting residents. See more photos on page 11. Photo by Ryan Grzybowski



Independence High School running back Rory Corrigan charged through the "opposing" team as they practiced in July for the hopeful Fall games. See more photos on page 13. Photo by Ryan Grzybowski

"People are dying, and it's real". COVID-19 strikes in our suburbs!

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Talk to any nurse, physician or respiratory therapist who has been at the bedside of COVID-19 patients as they took their last breaths. They will beg you to believe the reality they witness every day: the novel Coronavirus is in our community. It can leave people sick for weeks or even months. And it can be deadly.

James Hill, MD, the Chief Medical Officer of UH Parma Medical Center,

wishes people who doubt the wrath of COVID-19 could see what he – and his physician friends in New York and Houston – are witnessing.

"People are dying, and it's real," says Dr. Hill.

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health reports at least 940 people in the Gazette service area have tested positive for COVID-19. Parma has been harder hit (132-543 cases), and Seven Hills and Independence (132-257 cases) have more cases than Brecksville and Broadview Heights (24-131 cases).

While there are more cases in the Parma zip codes than in Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills and Independence, the virus exists in each of these suburbs.

"This virus is very real," says Lindsey Wells, RN, an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nurse at UH Parma who has cared for patients of all ages since March. Too often, this critical care nurse has had to FaceTime a family so they could say goodbye to a patient dying from this devastating disease.

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