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**PRESS ADVISORY**

*Mayor Gary R. McCarthy Announces  
Schenectady's City Hall Clock Tower  
Will be turning Purple for the month of November*

**Schenectady, NY** - During the month of November, Schenectady City Hall's clock tower will be bathed in purple for Pancreatic Cancer Awareness. "It is my great pleasure to highlight this important issue by throwing the switch on the floodlights of City Hall tonight." The American Cancer Society's 2014 estimates for pancreatic cancer in the United States are: About 46,420 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. About 39,590 people will die of pancreatic cancer. Rates of pancreatic cancer have been increasing slightly over the past decade or so. Pancreatic cancer accounts for about 3% of all cancers in the US, and accounts for about 7% of cancer deaths.

<http://www.cancer.org/cancer/pancreaticcancer/detailedguide/pancreatic-cancer-signs-and-symptoms>

<http://www.cancer.org/cancer/pancreaticcancer/detailedguide/pancreatic-cancer-risk-factors>

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