Holly police investigate armed robbery

suspects steal cash and cell phones from three victims

Holly — The Holly Police Department is investigating an armed robbery and is asking the community for help in identifying the suspects.

On Friday, April 20, an armed robbery occurred in the parking lot of Holly Ridge Apartments, located at 3522 Grange Hall Rd.

At 11 p.m., two armed men wearing bandanas over their faces approached three adults in the parking lot of the apartment complex. The victims were held at gunpoint as they were just exiting their vehicle. Money and the victims’ cell phones were taken.

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Missing Holly Township boy located

Found safe, with Michigan State Police

By Tim Jagielo

A 12-year-old Holly Township boy reported missing Sunday evening was located, unharmed Tuesday morning. Michigan State Police report that he was found safe and was in custody.

Devon Austin Liszkiewicz was missing from his home around 6 p.m. on Sunday.

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Sheriff: Suspect ‘insinuated’ shooting

Threat forces closure of Hartland High School

By Sharon Stone

Hartland High School was closed Tuesday, after death threats were discovered Monday.

Livingston County Sheriff Robert Bezotte said the school has been the target of graffiti for the past couple of weeks and more recently, an individual was entering posts on his Twitter and Facebook accounts insinuating a shooting.

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Sprinting for Spot!

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Alcohol, graduation and students don’t mix

Proms and open houses are catalysts for underage drinking

By William Axford

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Two festivals, one summer, one mile apart

Mixed Martial Arts fighting, motorcycles at Summer Happening?

By William Axford

This summer may be one of the most festive seasons ever for the city of Linden. On Monday, Linden City Council approved the tentative schedule for the Mills Days, which is planned for June 21 to 24 in downtown Linden. The
If phones could talk...

What your smartphone knows about you!

The biggest thing is to get some kind of protection.

Joshua Bommarito
Wireless Zone of Fenton

As cell phones become increasingly advanced, they retain more and more of our private data.

By Ryan Tackabury
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Once considered only a work of science fiction, cell phones are now a fixture in today’s world. Those who use cell phones are not just carrying a telephone around with them; they are carrying around a miniature computer that contains a lot of private information.

Your cell phone usage can tell a lot about you, and it is no surprise that cell phone companies are often subpoenaed to protect your phone.

In a pinch carpet shampoo

Apply a dollop of shaving cream to the afflicted area, let it sit for five minutes, then scrape off foam with a spatula and dab the spot with a damp cloth. Allow to dry, then vacuum as usual. The shaving cream contains glycerin that helps dissolve stains.

Rose fertilizer

You can recycle old banana peels by using them as fertilizer. The peels are a great source of potassium and phosphorus, which roses need to grow and bloom. Bury the peels around an inch of soil around your rose bushes.

‘Bulletproof’ visits Gerych’s, Fenton Hotel, Cafe Aroma

Jef LaFerney of Davison thoroughly researched areas in Fenton on which to base scenes from his new novel, “Bulletproof,” including The Fenton Hotel Tavern and Grill, where this photo was taken.

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Dick Clark remembered

Dick Clark, who died last week at 82, was called “America's oldest teenager.” That's because not only he looked so good late into life, but also because he carried with him the teen memories of those of us who grew up watching “American Bandstand” on glorious black-and-white, small-screen television sets.

Every weekday afternoon, I would arrive home from school, say hello to Mom, grab a snack and plop down in front of the TV to watch a dance show broadcast live from South Philadelphia.

There were lots of sensuous girls of Italian descent. The boys who had clicked back hair and a serious attitude about dancing. Those who weren’t on the dance floor sat in bleachers, waiting their turn in the crowded studio.

Freddy “Boom Boom” Cannon made over 100 appearances, more than any one else.

“Bandstand” premiered on TV in Philadelphia in 1952; five years later “American Bandstand” aired nationally. Clark served as its host from 1956 to 1989.

While Dick Clark transcended more than one generation, he “belonged” to those of us who grew up with him. It was his ‘50s. We “invented” rock ’n roll. The music was mostly fun then, before it turned ugly, misogynistic and crude. That’s 50’s were also happier times, safer times. Drugs were bought with a prescription and kids often lied about sex, because most of us were too afraid to actually “do it.”

I met Dick Clark just once by accident. Sitting in a makeup chair at NBC in New York, preparing to go on a TV program, I noticed a man in the next chair. I began a conversation, turned his way and realized it was Dick Clark. He was used to this and was gracious, thanking me for appreciating his work while I was growing up.

My high school classmate, Renny Temple, a former member of the folk band The Highwaymen, sent me an e-mail from Los Angeles informing me of Dick Clark’s passing. It said, “Dick Clark is dead. Long live rock and roll!”

Chuck Berry, along with Danny and the Juniors – who also appeared on “American Bandstand” – would agree.

How old is your oldest pair of shoes?

“Probably older than me. I go to the thrift store and buy them. Converse All Stars.”
— Sandra Niemi
Howell City

“My cowboy boots are at least 20 years old. I have three or four that are that old.”
— Gale Walrath
Argentine Township

“I still have a pair of boots. I’d say 12.”
— Shandra Newsome
Virginia Beach

“I think 15 years old. High heels.”
— Elizabeth Affelt
Fenton

“I’m just gonna say two years. I don’t keep them that long.”
— Lois Price
Fenton Township

“Twenty-five years old. They’re ostrich cowboy boots. They were $999.”
— Michael Turner
Holly Township

A 16-YEAR-OLD can legally drive a car, but can’t see an R-rated movie on their own. An 18-year-old can vote, donate organs, and go off to war, but can’t or don’t drink alcohol. He can’t drink, but cannot rent a car. Am I missing something, or did the person who came up with these rules suffer dyslexia and mix up their numbers?

MY TAKE ON the abortion issue - the government should be uninvolved with what a woman does in the bedroom. I also believe that women should not go to that same government and expect them to help pay when she gets pregnant. There were two people involved, the mother and father, and those are the only two people who should be responsible.

HEY BONNIE, did you put back a few bucks for Torrey Drive. Or doesn’t anyone important enough live here? I’ve been patiently waiting for five years.

WOULD ONE OF you politicians explain, on paper, if you have any guts, why we give so much money to these Muslim nations that hate us? Oh, I forgot they haveTeenagers who have jobs, killed on the streets, and some guns to blow up our kids and shoot them.

ABORTION IS LEGAL whether you like it or not, so why don’t you try and change the law if you can? The smart thing to do would be to give the pregnant mother some other options.

FOR THE EDIFICATION of the narrow-minded ignorants, abortions are sometimes needed for reasons other than irresponsible sex.

TO THE GUY that’s paying over 50 percent in taxes and is worried about Obama only paying 20 percent, I say you have a personal issue, not an issue with Obama. You need a tax advisor or someone to advise you on your finances, because you’re doing something wrong.

TO THE PERSON who said ‘ending a life for a woman’s convenience is wrong,’ I could not agree with you more. Just because a woman has rights, it does not mean she should have the right to kill a child just because it is in her body. As far as abortion in cases of rape, physical danger, etc., I do not agree but I understand.

I ESPECIALLY DON’T understand how women who already have children could ever think of having an abortion. Look into the eyes of your child and say that you want to end the life of that child’s little brother or sister. Look at them and know it could have been them.

ALL THE POLITICIANS are nuts. Do you honestly think this country is being run into the ground by one single party? Fill in the blank.

How old is your oldest pair of shoes?
City Council goes ahead with plan to remove geese and algae from millpond

By Ryan Tackabury
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Fenton — While the Mill Pond in Fenton is anticipated to be overrun with geese and curly leaf pondweed, the Fenton City Council has taken precautionary steps before they become too big of a problem.

Two types of processes will be employed to deal with the weeds, mechanical harvesting and chemical treatment.

“While some people question the effectiveness of each process and point out issues that are a result of the treatments, in the end both processes do a fairly effective job on controlling weeds,” wrote Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Daniel Czarnecki in a memo to the council.

The treatments do not have an effect on the fish population, and signs will be posted on shoreline areas of the pond when it is treated, which is expected to happen in late May or early June.

Treatment for the curly leaf pondweed, provided by Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control, Inc. out of Swartz Creek, will cost $8,175 and is already budgeted for the year.

Councilman Mike Piacentini asked if the job could call for a bid process to get a lower price. Councilman Les Bland, who previously served as the DPW director, said that in the past when opened up to the bidding process, no other companies put in a bid.

Councilwoman Patricia Lockwood said that it would not hurt to look into a bidding process again, though the current company does do well. “I know this guy does a great job and his price is very reasonable,” Lockwood said.

The city council approved utilizing Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control, Inc. for the summer. Czarnecki said that he could look into additional options for the city in the future.

In an effort to cut down on the number of geese making the millpond their home, a goose round-up will take place in June, when the geese are molting and unable to fly away. Once rounded up by Goose Busters of Holly, the geese will be relocated. The roundup is expected to cost less than $1,000.

To move forward with the round-up, the city council approved a resolution, at Monday night’s meeting.

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Clean audit for Holly Township

> ‘Unqualified’ opinion highest mark available

By Tim Jagielo

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Holly Twp. — The township received an “unqualified” audit grade from the auditing firm Rehmann, which was revealed in a presentation last Wednesday night.

An unqualified opinion is “the highest level of assurance that we can give as auditors,” said auditing representative, Mike Birchmeier.

The audit examines and critiques the financial records of the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2011 as provided by the township. Audits are done every fiscal year, in every local municipality.

A “qualified opinion” would mean that the auditors cannot offer assurances that the financial material was presented correctly.

Supervisor Jesse Lambert asked if this was a “clean” audit. Birchmeier said that a perfect audit is rare, so the township can consider this audit clean.

The audit did report weaknesses in the township’s financial reporting with regards to separation of duties. “There’s not enough staff for what we consider to be adequate controls,” said Birchmeier. This issue is common in municipalities like Holly Township that have a smaller staff. The city of Fenton also received similar communications as part of their clean audit last year.

Birchmeier said these weaknesses do not suggest the township deserves a higher risk rating, but these factors would simply be watched in the future.

Financially, the township has assets of $3 million. The general fund has $1.1 million. It spent $550,000, with $808,000 in revenues, leaving it with $262,000.

The fund balance, which acts as the township’s bank account, has more than $1.1 million.

Birchmeier said Holly Township also came $80,000 under projections in department expenditures and it received an extra $120,000 from the state of Michigan because of a population increase.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO THE GENTLEMAN who paid for our groceries on April 22 at a local grocery store. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. My faith in humanity has been restored. God Bless you.

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The importance of keeping the court informed of a current address

Whenever a person becomes a party in court, certain identifying information must be provided. Perhaps the most basic, but at the same time very important bit of information, is a party’s name, current mailing address and telephone number so that the court and all of the other parties can provide proper notice of court proceedings and deadlines.

By the federal Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals was faced with the question of what should happen when a plaintiff’s attorney failed to maintain his current e-mail address with a federal court in Ohio, which resulted in his not receiving notice of an important court filing by the defendant. His resulting failure to timely respond to the filing resulted in a dismissal of his client’s case.

By way of brief background, the federal courts have a special procedure, which allows many court pleadings and documents to be filed using a computer as opposed to paper. An important aspect of this system requires current e-mail addresses to be furnished by all parties connected so that they can receive copies and notices of all filed pleadings and documents.

The Court of Appeals ruled that under the circumstances presented, the plaintiff’s attorney’s actions were not excusable neglect and indicated that whether it is a regular mail address or an e-mail address, it is the responsibility of the party to apprise the court of any changes. If this does not occur the party and/or the attorney runs the risk of an adverse consequence. In the federal case, the adverse consequence was the Court finding that it was too late to file a response and ultimately upholding the dismissal of the case.

The rule of maintaining one’s current address with the court applies to all courts and all types of cases both civil and criminal. If you have a court case and your address is current you too run the risk of an adverse consequence. Therefore, this word to the wise — to avoid a possible problem keep the court informed of any and all of your address changes.

Police & Fire report

ROLLOVER ON U.S 23
At 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 22, Fenton police responded to a rollover crash on U.S. 23, just north of the Owen Road entrance ramp. Lt. Jason Slater said an 18-year-old woman from Grand Blanc, driving a Ford Focus, was entering the highway from Owen Road. Apparently, she was driving too fast and lost control of her car after it began shaking. The car veered from the roadway and rolled over onto its roof. The driver was taken to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township after she complained of pain. She was not ticketed; however, the driver was listed at-fault on the accident report. No alcohol or drugs were suspected.

SLEEPING TEEN TICKETED
At 2:34 a.m. on Sunday, April 22, a Fenton police officer was sent to a fast-food restaurant on Owen Road to investigate a disorderly person complaint. The suspect could not be located; however, while the responding officer was at the restaurant, they observed a person, identified as a 17-year-old Fenton resident, sleeping in their vehicle. Upon contact, the officer detected the odor of intoxicants coming from the teen. A preliminary breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .06 percent. The teen was arrested for Under 21 Consumption and has a June 4 court date. He was taken home.

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POLICE CATCH SUSPECT IN 15 LARCANIES
Smash and grab technique used to steal from vehicles

By Sharon Stone
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Early Friday morning, Argentine Township police arrested a 23-year-old man suspected of smashing the windows of several vehicles and stealing items from inside.

Police Chief Dan Allen said at approximately 4:50 a.m. on April 20, the police department responded to the 7300 block of Silver Cove after receiving a report of a larceny from auto (LFA), in progress. Police located the suspect quickly after observing him reaching into a neighbor’s vehicle, through a broken window.

During their investigation, Argentine police found a large amount of stolen property in the suspect’s tan 1995 Saturn that was parked a few houses away.

The man was transported and lodged at the Genesee County Jail for LFA, pending his arraignment.

Allen said his department received 15 LFA complaints. Of those complaints, the windows of 15 vehicles had been broken. Police recovered all of the known property reported stolen from the suspect’s vehicle.

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TIMES MIDWEEK Wednesday, April 25, 2012
Did you know?

Laughter and music just may be good for the heart.

Millions of people routinely take prescription medications or make dietary changes, such as eliminating salt from their diets, in an effort to lower blood pressure. However, for those who are interested in making some easy lifestyle changes that can result in modest reductions in blood pressure, listening to music or laughing more may do the trick. In a Japanese study presented in May at an American Heart Association meeting, researchers explained that people who took part in bimonthly group sessions built around music or laughter lowered their systolic blood pressure (the top number in the reading, which measures the pressure in the arteries when the heart beats) by an average of five to six points after three months. In contrast, the average blood-pressure reading in a control group that received neither therapy didn’t move. According to experts, this decline in pressure is the equivalent of what someone could expect from adopting a low-salt diet or losing 10 pounds. The American Heart Association recommends that healthy blood pressure should be less than 120 for systolic and less than 80 for diastolic.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

A BIG THANK YOU to the lady in front of us at the drive-thru, who paid for my and my son’s, order on Saturday morning. That was very sweet and you have a cute dog too.

WOULD THE BANKS, retailers, grocers, and other businesses please install hitching posts in front of their establishments? I am going to sell my car and buy a horse to get around town instead of buying gas. Towns should prepare to relieve the pooper-scoopers they fired 90 years ago.

I THOUGHT WE (the City of Fenton) paid to have all the lights along Shiawassee/Owen Road configured to make it from one end of town to the other without having to stop at every single light. What happened?

URGENT – THE U.S. Senate (controlled by Democrats and Obama) are floating a proposal to eliminate the 401k tax deduction. I thought Obama just wanted to have the rich pay their fair share? Guess we are all rich now, aren’t we? Well, until Obama taxes us all into poverty.

IS ANYONE IN the area following the ongoing Holly Township debacle regarding the Township Board and the Smith family? It is unbelievable that elected officials are getting away with behaving this way and we have no way to hold them accountable, except to not re-elect them in November.

IN ALL HONESTY, how can Democrats claim that Obama cut the income tax for 95 percent of all Americans when over 47 million in income taxes last year. Honestly, how can that not be considered a ‘fair share’?

WHY IS A girl allowed to play on the Holly freshman baseball team? They have the girls’ equivalent in softball. Why is this allowed, but a guy could not play volleyball if he wanted? It isn’t a special-ized sport, such as football or hockey. This is simply wrong.

PET PEEVES FOR today: I’m watching the news, and the announcer says ‘Next, we will see this story.’ Well, it is never ‘next’ at all. Another grind is ‘The price is under $20’ and it is $19.99. Oh boy, one penny under.

TO ALL OF you singing the praise of Obama, I would remind you that you can’t make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear. The man can’t run on his record so now he must blame everyone else for his failure. Restore our country, vote Obama out in November.

ONLY A CONSERVATIVE could equate money with compassion. Not all conserva-tives are stupid, but most stupid people are conservative.

I OWN A 2007 Saturn Vue built in Tennessee that I recently learned is equipped with a Honda engine. No small wonder that it runs so good. So much for buying American.

MORE INTERESTING NEWS — apparently, there is a large number of Hispanics heading back to Mexico. Why? Jobs. Yep, they have more jobs in Mexico than in the U.S. Obama says things are improving. I think someone is being, let’s say, less than transparent like he promised to be.
Hulet-Bravender Holly VFW Post commander Don Winglemire is glad that the post will stay open. He will cede command after five years at the helm, and 50 years involved in the post.

**Holly VFW to stay open**

> New officers bring post back into accordance with bylaws

By Tim Jagielo

The Hulet-Bravender Holly VFW Post was at risk of closing its doors and liquidating assets due to lack of officers — but it has been saved by a new slate of officers. They will be at the June national convention.

Current Post Commander Don Winglemire said these men are of the “younger generation,” mostly from the Vietnam War. Most are retired, and they stepped forward and assumed new responsibilities to keep the post open. “It looks like everything is a go now,” he said.

The new commander will be in place after the national convention. “I think it’s great. (The post) needs younger people to take interest and be involved,” he said. The post now has all 10 officers needed to conduct business at meetings. He’s not sure if general attendance will increase, but at least they have all the officers needed. “I’ll let you know in a year,” he said.

To become a member of a VFW post, a veteran must have been on active duty in a war zone for more than 30 days. To inquire about Holly VFW, call Winglemire at Winglemire Furniture, (248) 634-8731.
**SHOOTING**

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that there would be a shooting on Tuesday.

As the “tweets” on Twitter and posts on Facebook spread throughout the area, parents began notifying the school and sheriff’s department with their concerns.

Bezotte said the superintendent, Janet Sifferman made the decision to close the school Monday night, with the sheriff’s support.

Around 12 a.m. Tuesday, a deputy working on the case identified a suspect, an 18-year-old male and student at the high school, through his tweets and Facebook posts. “The deputy did a good job identifying a suspect,” said the sheriff.

Bezotte said the suspect insinuated there would be a shooting by posting that he was “polishing his rifle,” and the person he was communicating with online would be his first victim. The sheriff’s department and school district came to the conclusion that the suspect intended for a shooting to occur.

Contact has been made with the suspect; however, investigators do not believe there is any threat at this time. The suspect claimed it was all a joke. The sheriff’s department confiscated his cell phone and detectives continue to investigate his Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Bezotte added that they are investigating the graffiti to see if this suspect is responsible for that, as well. The case remains an active investigation.

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**OBAMA HAS BEEN** in office for 3½ years and has spent $5 trillion over budget to ‘fix Bush’s mess.’ Obama supporters, are you doing as well or better than you were? If receiving any assistance, would you prefer to have a good job instead? Why vote for Obama’s failed administration again?

**ROMNEY’S DAD STARTED** out with nothing, worked hard, no college and was very successful. Romney gave all of his inheritance away, went to school, worked hard and is very successful. Are liberals jealous or just afraid of hard work? Why is working hard and being successful evil to them?

**MR. OBAMA HAS** signed executive orders giving him Czar status. He can now bypass congress to do anything he pleases. More freedoms will be disappearing soon. Count on it.

**SENATE REPUBLICANS HAVE** blocked the ‘Buffet rule.’ This is a bill that would make the super-wealthy pay at least a 30 percent tax on money earned over $1 million dollars. The average middle-class taxpayer pays about 30 percent. Instead, they are proposing more tax cuts for the wealthy. Republicans are for the rich.

**GEORGE BUSH ORIGINALLY** gave the President the power to indefinitely detain anyone at Guantanamo for no reason right after 2001, which was widely supported by Republicans, as well as torturing people at Gitmo, but now that Obama’s President, the GOP has turned into the humanitarian crusaders.

**SHOP OWNER: STOP PARKING** your vehicle right in front of your store. Don’t you care about shoppers or the neighboring businesses? This is incredibly rude to those of us trying to shop or eat locally.

**OBAMA HAS FAILED** as president. With fewer than 200 days until election day, we must remind every person we know of his clear failures. We have not asked this question recently. Are you, your family, your friends, your co-workers (if you are working) better off now than you were four years ago?

**ACTUALLY, THE S&P** has risen over 12 percent due to companies sitting on cash reserves not because they are hiring. Also, if you go back 14 years, consumer confidence was at 140, it is now at 70. And real unemployment and underemployment is nearly 20 percent. Obama’s failed economic policies.

**SOCIALISM HAS NEVER** worked in any country. If you believe in socialism then vote for Obama because it does not take a genius to see the path he has taken. Twice he has clearly shown he is racist in the police officer and the Martin case.

**IN RESPONSE TO** having one day where we don’t have to read about Obama, that day is coming, right after the November elections!

**I WENT TO** the Mr. Fenton contest Friday night and what a great night it was. The kids put on a very entertaining show and the talent was awesome. I highly recommend you check it out next year. Congratulations to Justin Reid on winning. Everyone involved should be proud.

**THE TRI-COUNTY PUBLISHED** an employment ad for St. John School Educational Foundation in Sunday, Aug. 22 paper. One of the qualifications is “A practicing Catholic/Christian.” Is that even legal? Are churches exempt from the equal employment opportunity laws?

**I ALWAYS SUPPORT** my children in their schoolwork, but this MYP project for Fenton sophomores is absurd.
ALCOHOL
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Parties occurring at the end of the year.

Minors caught consuming alcohol potentially face serious legal troubles and life threatening health risks.

“Studies have shown that the youth drink to get drunk,” said Angela Minicuci, a public information officer with the Michigan Department of Community Health. “Minors consume more alcohol than they can take, they drink to binge. Their bodies aren’t able to process that much alcohol.”

By law, a consumer must be 21 or older to purchase and consume alcohol. Minors caught attempting to purchase alcohol or consuming alcohol may be issued a minor in possession (MIP). Community service, alcohol classes and thousands of dollars in court fines are only a few of the penalties that come with a MIP.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said his department will perform sting operations at local stores to make sure alcohol isn’t sold to minors. Stores caught selling to minors can lose their liquor license for a period of time.

“We’ve located a business here or there who have sold to the decoys,” Aro said. “Stings aren’t a known procedure and typically it’s just a clerk, not management, who doesn’t check I.D.”

Aro said teenagers have been relatively safe during prom and graduation season in recent years, attributing it to community awareness.

Joseph Trollman, owner of Runyan Lake Food Center, notices more minors attempting to purchase or steal alcohol as the weather gets warmer. Generally, minors try to steal liquor or beer cases and avoid kegs.

In November, the state of Michigan enacted a new sticker law for beer kegs, which requires stores to record information from a purchaser. Trollman said the new law is essentially useless.

“Summertime and during Spring Break you have to pay more attention, but as long as you check everyone’s I.D., you can prevent underage drinking,” Trollman said.

Trollman doesn’t come across too many fake I.D.s. Instead, customers lacking I.D. generally claim they left it somewhere and not a friend,” Aro said.

To have a successful celebration, experts maintain that alcohol is dangerous and illegal in hands of minors.

“We definitely encourage parents to be a role model for their child and child’s friends,” Minicuci said. “Be aware if your child is going to a party with alcohol involved. Talk to them about the consequences legally and health wise.”

Aro said parents caught facilitating underage drinking could face misdemeanor charges, a $500 fine and up to 93 days in jail. “It’s important for parents to remember there are times you have to be a parent and not a friend,” Aro said.

ADVICE FOR PARENTS

- Don’t serve alcohol to minors at graduation parties. If caught, parents can face misdemeanor charges, a $500 fine and up to 33 days in jail.
- Talk to your kids before they head to party. Warn them about the health and legal dangers of alcohol.
- Offer your kids a ride so they will not drink and drive.
- Stay up-to-date on the progression of your teen’s graduation party. You don’t have to be present for the entire time. Periodically checking in will help prevent underage drinking.

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Rick Aro
Fenton police chief

PROTECT
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A new phone faster than a scratch on an otherwise nice touchscreen. Joshua Bommarito from Wireless Zone of Fenton recommends that cell phone owners, “Get one of our top cases, which are the OtterBoxes, a hard clip-on case. The biggest thing is to get some kind of protection.” Bommarito also recommends screen protectors to help prevent scratches.

“The first thing we suggest you do for water damage is take the battery out of the phone, and put them both in a bag of rice,” Bommarito said. “It soaks up all the moisture.” It is important that if you suspect a phone may have been in contact with water to not turn it on, as it could cause irreparable damage to the device.

Phone apps such as Find My iPhone and Android Lost can help you track down a lost cell phone using the GPS device—but you have to be able to install it beforehand. If your phone ends up stolen, you can remotely wipe the data from the phone to protect your privacy.

Dr. Bommarito also recommends to speak to your kids about the dangers of alcohol. “The Michigan Department of Community Health recommends that because of the dangers of alcohol to their lives, parents should not give their kids a drink, not even a birthday drink. They shouldn’t even introduce alcohol into the conversation.”

For more information on the dangers of alcohol, please visit the Michigan Department of Community Health at www.michigan.gov/health.
MISSING
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Residents were concerned by circling search helicopters in the area on Monday, and news reports circulated the missing person story on social media.

Summary
A missing Holly Township boy was located late Tuesday morning, after walking away from his home Sunday evening.

I KNOW OF someone whose kid is out of school a lot primarily because of the custodial parent. When will the school step in and do what’s right?

TWO NO-HITTERS in two games, great job Holly pitchers.

I LOVE THE feeling of the wind whipping through my hair as I ride my Harley down the highway.

WHAT’S UP WITH the chicken lady? Can we raise chickens in the city or not? My family has been thinking about this for quite some time and want to now if we would get in trouble.

HOT LINE
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I’M SO SICK of reading about Obama and aboritions.

TO THE LADY (yes I am guessing at the gender) complaining about folks turning around on a ‘No Outlet’ street: No Outlet does not mean ‘No Admission.’ They can drive wherever they please on a public road.

WHENEVER YOU READ a ridiculous statement or rumor about a politician, I suggest checking it out on factcheck.org. They are non-partisan and they also rate what politicians say.

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Tri-County Fundraisers
Linden Lions hosts charity golf outing
The Linden Lions Club is hosting its 10th annual four-person Golf Scramble on Sunday, May 20 at Coyote Preserve Golf Club in Fenton. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the shotgun start is at 10 a.m. Proceeds from the outing will benefit the Leader Dogs for the Blind, the Michigan Eye Bank and more.

Cost for teams is $320, or $80 per golfer. Price includes lunch at the turn, 18 holes of golf with cart, a dozen golf balls per player and more. First, second, third and fourth place team prizes will be awarded. Sponsors are sought. Sponsor entry of $400 includes hole sponsorship and one team entry. To sponsor hole only costs $100. To sign up or to obtain more information, call Mark Stroebel at (810) 735-9140.

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provide phone records in court. With all of the phone calls and texting done today, records exist involving who you spoke with, when you spoke with them, and even from where you spoke with them.

According to an investigation done by the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), the only phone company to keep records of text message content — the actual message you have typed — that you send is Verizon, which keeps the information from 3-5 days.

All other phone companies do keep records of other text message information though, such as who the text message was sent to and at what time it was sent. How long this information is stored depends on your service provider. Verizon will keep the records for one year, Sprint will hold them for approximately 18 months, while AT&T holds on to the information for five to seven years.

Records that hold information about call details are held for similar amounts of times by the companies.

Other data kept includes what cell towers your phone may have used to make a call or send out a text message. This information can be used to determine where a person may have been at a given time. This information is kept for approximately the same amount of time text message details are kept.

Ensuring the privacy of your information extends beyond simply dealing with your phone company. When facing the amount of information kept by phone companies, it may be easy to overlook that your phone itself also stores information about you such as web browsing history, images, and text messages — even once it has been deleted.

Like a computer, when information from your cell phone is deleted, it does not actually go away until it is overwritten by other data. This could take days or months depending upon the storage capacity of your device.

If you are concerned about information being retrieved from your phone, you can try downloading apps such as Secure Wipe or Secure Deletion for Android, which claim to permanently delete text messages.

ROBBERY
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The suspects left the complex in an unknown direction riding in a grey four-door unknown model car or small SUV driven by a third suspect.

Anyone who may have seen anything suspicious or anyone having further information is asked to contact Det. Julie Bemus at (248) 634-8221 or report the information anonymously to CrimeStoppers at 1-800-Speak-Up.

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Safe ways to travel with pets

To those who feel a vacation isn’t complete unless the family pet comes along, you’re not alone. The U.S. Travel Association says that 49 percent of Americans feel the pet is just another member of the family and 18 percent of U.S. travelers plan to take their pets along the next time they travel.

Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the United States have softened laws regarding international travel with a companion animal. With the Pet Passport Scheme, or PETS, individuals may travel freely with their pets to member countries on approved carriers. Some procedures include certification of rabies vaccination and the animal’s microchip or tattoo number.

Car trips are common forms of travel with a companion animal in tow. While many pets are easygoing, there are some who are unaccustomed to traveling with their owners and may even balk at riding along. Acclimating and protecting your pet for travel will require a little patience and some pointers.

Secure the pet
Just as you would buckle up when entering the car, so should you buckle up a pet. It is important to ensure the animal is not a moving target around the car should an accident occur. Not only could you risk injury to the pet, but you also risk injury to yourself if the animal becomes a projectile.

Even if an accident does not occur, a jittery pet, or one who is content to jump from back seat into the front, could prove a distraction while driving. He or she could also bump into the gear shift or get stuck under the gas or brake pedal. It is much better to keep the pet secured.

Pets may travel in a well-ventilated carrier. Larger dogs may need to be belted into the car with a special dog harness. There are also barrier screens and gates that can be installed, typically in SUVs, to restrict the pet.

Acclimation
Some pets just do not enjoy being placed in a carrier or riding in a car. They may need some coaxing and practice to become comfortable if a trip is planned. The ASPCA suggests getting the pet used to a longer trip by taking a series of short trips first over the course of a few days or weeks. With each trip, gradually increase time spent in the car.

It may help to bring along a pet toy or blanket that is soothing to the animal, so he or she associates the car with a safe place, just like home.

Even after several attempts to acclimate your pet to the idea of a car trip, the animal may still not be happy about the idea. Talk to a veterinarian about other strategies or whether a mild sedative could make the travel easier.

Safety tips
Although many pet owners are aware of certain do’s and don’ts when it comes to traveling with a pet, many still engage in behavior that could be dangerous to the animal.

Stashing your toy-sized pooch in your purse is not a safe way to travel with a companion animal.
The climax of Jeff LaFerney’s new novel “Bulletproof” takes place at the bar of The Fenton Hotel Tavern and Grill.

MYSTERY

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Tanner Thomas. In this book, the father and son team work to solve both crimes and a cold murder case at the Fenton Hotel. They both have a unique medical condition allowing them a heightened level of paranormal awareness; both can communicate with spirits who seek their help solving crimes of the past, a theme carried over from LaFerney’s first two books. The climax of his mystery/suspense novel is at the Fenton Hotel, where the fictional murder takes place 11 years before the story is set, in what is currently Fenton Hotel owner Nick Sorise’s office.

“It’s suspenseful, they won’t know the ending until it happens, I promise,” he said. “People in Fenton will really like it.”

LaFerney even bases the ghost of the murdered caretaker after a ghost that already seems to haunt the hotel. Other ghosts, whose stories are familiar with workers at the restaurant, are also used.

He started writing novels in 2009, all of which were set in Michigan, in areas he was familiar with, like Flint and Durand. It began as a way to feel comfortable writing novels; to focus on areas he knew well. “I needed to have something that made me comfortable. Being in the area made me comfortable.”

When he sold 49 hard copies of his first book at a farmer’s market in four hours, he knew he was on to something. People like reading about places they know. LaFerney chose Fenton because it is an area convenient to the story line, but also because friends knew of the ghost stories from the Fenton Hotel, and he was inundated with suggestions to check the location out. “I had to figure out a way to get these guys together again, and Fenton made the most sense,” he said.

“Bulletproof” was written in the fall of 2011. He does substantial research for his locations, and even a brain surgery he uses to explain one character’s unique mental abilities. Though it’s a series, the books all can be read separately, he said. LaFerney is with World Castle Publishing out of Florida, and was top selling author for February and March.

“My books are suspenseful, humorous, and they keep your attention all the way through, they’re fun to read. I want people to enjoy my book,” he said. “There is always a twist and a surprise at the ending in my books.”

LaFerney said he’s a character writer who focuses on suspense and witty dialogue. “The best thing people say to me is, ‘I couldn’t put your book down,’” he said. He teaches eighth grade English at Davison Middle School, coaches sports, and has a family of his own.

On Wednesday, “Bulletproof” will be available online at Amazon.com, and Smashwords. It will also be available soon at Fenton’s Open Book.

PREVIOUS WORKS

“Loving the Rain,” 2010

Synopsis: Clay Thomas had encountered Jack Harding 20 years before, when Jack was a brash teenager, hungry for success. Born with the uncanny ability to manipulate minds, young Clay occasionally used that skill to his advantage—but he recognized the moral consequences and vowed to keep his secrets to himself. Though he never knew of Clay’s ability, Harding is convinced his former adversary is to blame for his past humiliation, and sets out to exact revenge.

“Skeleton Key,” 2011

Synopsis: After a tragic train wreck, Depot co-owner, Adrian Payne disappears. Seven years later, Clay Thomas meets Payne’s beautiful wife and determines to help her by using his mind powers to solve the mystery of Payne’s disappearance. With the help of Clay’s son, Tanner, the local chief of police, and Adrian Payne’s ghost, Clay discovers the body, catapulting the investigators into a mystery with more questions than answers.
Spring Cleaning

Do it yourself or hire a professional

By Times Editorial
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Cleaning house is a rite of spring for many families. In earlier times, people kept their houses shut tightly against the ravages of winter, heating them with coal, oil or wood. Light came from candles, and people welcomed spring as a time to make the home fresh again (britannica.com).

On the first warm, dry day, everyone in the family who survived the cold season would help take the furniture and every scrap of cloth outdoors. Some would clean indoors, sweeping corners and washing walls, while others would air out linens, remove soot and ash from couches and chairs, dust books and paintings and mend.

Today, spring-cleaning remains a chance to enliven the whole family and get the home ready for warmer weather. One of the first steps is deciding what needs to be done, if the right supplies are on hand, and who is doing what. If there are young children, they can receive a small job to perform (ehow.com).

While performing the actual cleaning, it might be helpful to set aside unwanted/unneeded items to donate to a charity, give away or sell at a future garage sale. This helps bust clutter and leaves fewer items lying around to collect dust later. Also, this extra “stuff” helps someone else who can use it, instead of taking up space in a landfill.

Sherri McArthur, owner of The Cleaning Authority in Fenton, suggests keeping it simple and using simple products. This can include baking soda and vinegar, to clean a drain. Dishwashing soap, water and a Scotch-Brite netted sponge are her favorite all-purpose cleaners. Inexpensive products tend to have less perfume and be more environmentally friendly. Kitchens and bathrooms are key areas to target for spring-cleaning. These rooms get a lot of use, and they have many areas to address when cleaning, she said.

Or, if spring-cleaning appears too time-consuming, area residents can hire a professional. A Cleaning Authority slogan is, “Life’s too short to clean your own home.” The Cleaning Authority has many one-time clients in the spring, said McArthur.

A team of professional housecleaners trained and employed by The Cleaning Authority, clean the home. They are uniformed, fully insured, and bonded.

In addition, The Cleaning Authority uses environmentally friendly, Green Seal cleaning products and HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) vacuums and dusting cloths. This reduces the impact on the environment, and people’s health. It is an especially important consideration when someone is allergic, or has breathing difficulties.

So, grab a piece of paper and a pen to make a list of what you need to do and supplies you’ll need. Divide the work between family members, or check out local businesses that will do the work for you.
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Holly forgets the past, ties East in second game

By David Troppens
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Holly — Benny Jackson’s first Metro League baseball game of his varsity coaching career didn’t go as he hoped on Monday.

His Holly Bronchos lost to the expected Metro favorites 16-6 in the opening game of a doubleheader.

However, the Bronchos showed the fighting spirit that Jackson hopes becomes his team’s trademark in the second contest, with Joel Perry standing center stage during it.

Perry hit a solo home run in the bottom of the fifth inning, earning the Bronchos a 5-5 tie in the second game. The contest was called after five innings due to darkness.

Perry, who tossed four-hit ball over four-plus innings, lost his chances of earning the pitching victory when East scored three runs in the top of the fifth, taking a 5-4 lead in the process.

However, Holly, who had led since the bottom of the second inning, didn’t fold, and particularly not Perry. He hit the second pitch he saw against East reliever Chad Carson over the right-field fence, tying the game at 5-5.

“arid kept throwing me fastballs all day, so that’s what I sat on,” Perry said. “I knew it was coming, so I swung away. I got a good shot out over right-center.”

See HOLLY on 21

Fenton Elite Wrestling opening its club with grand opening on Friday

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There are plenty of youth wrestling programs that have intense practices during the regular season, with many kids participating.

But few maintain that type of intensity throughout the entire year.

And that’s why the Fenton Elite Wrestling (FEW) program has been created.

FEW is a non-profit organization to provide year-round youth wrestling. It is made up of a volunteer group of dedicated and experienced coaches that will work with boys and girls ages five years old right up to high school age. The group is hosting a Grand Opening Clinic at Premier Indoor Sports on Friday, starting at 5:30 p.m. The cost is $5, and will include instruction from University of Michigan wrestlers.

“We are pushing for a program that has wrestling year-round,” said Wendy Wagner, one of the organizers of FEW. “It’s going to be running year round, and any kids in the area can join. It doesn’t matter where you live.”

The team’s home base will be Premier Indoor Sports, located at 14261 Torrey Rd. and they are preparing to start their summer wrestling program.

The summer wrestling program runs from April 30 until Aug. 30. There are practices on Mondays and Thursdays for two hours, starting at 6 p.m. on those days. The program already has a six-person coaching staff, led by Chuck Decker. Wrestlers can join as a full-time summer participant, a part-time summer participant, or can pay a drop-in fee for one day of practicing. Wagner said the group plans on starting with about 28 wrestlers.

“We have our coaches lined up and we are ready to show the people what we are about at our grand opening,” Wagner said. “We want to give the kids a way to enjoy the sports year-round.”

For more information, go to Friday’s grand opening or go to www.fenton-elitewrestling.com.

Lake Fenton’s varsity baseball team advanced to the semifinals of the Greater Flint Tournament, losing to Montrose 8-1 in that game.

The Blue Devils advanced to the contest by defeating Burton Bendle 8-1 in the quarterfinals.

After giving up a run in the first inning of the opening game, Lake Fenton hurler Tyler Hammond retired 13 straight batters, eventually earning the win with five strike outs. Offensively, Tyler Donnelly had two hits and an RBI.

In the semifinal, Montrose scored five runs in the first inning, cruising to the win.

Montrose pitcher Eli Reinhardt held the Blue Devils to just one hit over seven innings. He struck out 10. The Blue Devils scored their only run in the sixth on an RBI-single by Jim Lyons.

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Fenton swimmer does well at zone meet

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Gabrielle Haaraoja hasn’t taken much time off since the varsity girls swim team ended in fall.

In fact, until this month, she hasn’t taken off any time.

But it is paying off.

Haaraoja recently qualified and competed at the 2012 Ohio Central Zone Section 3 Spring Speedo Championships, competing in four events.

She posted strong times in longcourse event, preparing her to have a strong summer season with the Tiger Shark Swimming program.

“My goal was to make it to that meet, qualify and to do that,” Haaraoja said.

“Once I got there, I wanted to be close to my best times for the summer because it was a longcourse meet. I just wanted to get ready for the summer, and to help build the Tiger Shark program.”

Haaraoja, a sophomore at Fenton High School, had a time of 28.89 seconds in the 50-meter freestyle in the meet held at Miami (Ohio) University, placing 82nd out of 131 competitors. She also posted a time of 1:02.94 in the 100 freestyle and a time of 1:11.92 in the 100 backstroke.

The times were based on a longcourse pool. The pool is measured in meters (a meter is about 3.3 inches longer than it is), and the pool lanes are 50 meters long, instead of the usual 25 yards during the high school season. Therefore times are higher during longcourse events.

During the girls swim season, Haaraoja placed 13th at the state meet in the 50-yard freestyle (24.80) and 23rd in the 100 freestyle (55.06).

Haaraoja said: “It was a tough team. They are the league favorites, but we regrouped and played a lot better. That was Holly base-

ball.”

“We came out with more intensity,” Perry said. “We came out to hit the ball. We pretty much erased that game out of our memory. That’s how we need to play after a bad game. We can’t let it roll over to the second game.”

The Bronchos trailed at one time 13-1 in the opener, with the only run being plated on David McNeely’s solo home run in the fourth.

However, a five run fifth, sparked by run-producing doubles from McNeely and Chris Green changed the team’s state of mind for the second contest.

Holly travels to Swartz Creek on Thursday for a 4 p.m. doubleheader.

Monday Report

BASEBALL

Linden 6-3, Swartz Creek 1-1: Tyler Benedict tossed a six-hitter in the opener and Josh Hoebeler pitching a five-hitter in the second game, earning the Eagles a pair of doubleheader complete-game wins.

In the opener, Benedict struck out eight, walked four and didn’t allow an earned run. Offensively, Travis Hull had a double and a single. Brenden Pud-
duck had two RBI.

In the second game, Hoebeler struck out four and walked one. Lin-
den had only three hits, collecting no runs on six hits. Two runs scored on wild pitches and the other on an RBI by Benedict.

SOFTWARE

Lake Fenton 4-4, Goodrich 0-0: The Blue Devils got shutout pitching performances from Paula Valacak and Kim. They went on to earn the DH sweep. Both pitched three-hitters.

In the opener, Valacak struck out seven and walked two. Roed struck out one and walked none in the second game.

Offensively, Kayla Ward had two hits in the first game and Lake Fenton. In the nightcap, Alexis Melton, Shelby Beck-
man and Roe had two hits each.

Linden 6-1, Swartz Creek 5-11: The Eagles got hits from Majia Salkow-
iosk, Kailyn Dunleavy and Taylor Wilson in the opener. Julie Quickcan got the win on the mound, striking out seven.

Lapeer West 2-12, Fenton 1-1: The Tigers had just three hits in each game of the opener. Sammi Cowger tossed a four-hitter, striking out 13, but took the hard-luck loss. Offensively, Marina Cleis had a double.

In the second game, West had a pair of six-run innings, earning the victory. Three Fenton errors resulted in five unearned runs being scored.

BASEBALL

Goodrich 9-5, Lake Fenton 1-1: The Blue Devils had four hits in each game, with Wyatt Wilson providing the only multiple-hit effort in either contest. He had a double, a single and an RBI in the second game.

SOCCER

Lake Fenton 2, Brandon 2: Jordan Newman and Denise Carlson had a goal each. Sierra Bucker helped the Blue Devils (4-4) earn the tie in net.

Linden 2, Swartz Creek 2: Kelsey Brecht had a goal and an assist, while Jessie Magalski scored the other goal. Lexi Downes had eight saves in net.

Lapeer West 5, Fenton 1: The Tigers’ only goal was recorded by Carly Granger on a pass from Tiffany Cairns.

Lapeer East 2, Holly 0: The Eagles won the contest with two second-half goals.

Fenton’s Gabrielle Haaraoja posted some strong times at the 2012 Ohio Central Zone Section 3 Spring Speedo Championships recently.

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HOLLY

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East scored a run in the first inning on one hit, two walks and an error, but Holly tied the second game at 1-1 in its first. Alec Miller walked and he scored on Perry’s first big hit — a two-out single.

East scored another run in the second on two singles, but the Bronchos took the lead with two in their second. Pat O’Connor walked and scored on Richard Kowalski’s double. Later, Kowalski scored after back-to-back singles by Joe Thomas and Miller. Holly led 3-2.

Holly upped the gap to 4-2 with a run in the third. O’Connor was hit by a pitch, and scored on Kowalski’s second RBI-double of the game.

However, East scored three runs on two hits, a walk and two errors in the top of the fifth. The key hit was a two-run single by Zeko Stone, tying the game 4-4 with all only one out and two runners on. A Holly error allowed Stone to eventually score, so the Bronchos trailed 5-4 entering their final at bats. Of course, Perry capitalized.

“The first game was an absolute disappointment, so it was nice to regroup and play this team tough,” Jackson said.

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HURLERS
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team’s Metro start.
“We just play to win. We don’t talk much about stats,” said Jones who didn’t realize until going through the scorebook that Thomas had a no-hitter.
“It was big for Brianne to have only one walk. She had excellent defense behind her.
“Megan Louis caught two diving shots at second base, and Hannah Steigerwald had two big catches in centerfield, one which would have been in the gap. Rachel had two huge hits with the bases loaded, both times.”
While Thomas was shutting down the Eagles’ bats in the first game, it was a five-run third inning that led Holly to the win. Individually, Rachel Harrington knocked in seven of the Broncos’ runs in the contest with a grand slam home run and a triple.
While Lewis sparked on the mound in the nightcap, she had plenty of run support.

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GOLF
Linden, Fenton at Bay City West ern Invitational: The Linden Eagles placed third in the 24-team event at Bay City Country Club, posting a team score of 339, just two strokes behind first-place Midland Dow (337). Fenton placed a very respectable sixth with a team score of 340.
Brett Bentford was Linden’s medalist, placing fifth with an 18-hole score of 78. Eric Quckian placed ninth with an 80. Kevin Jones carded an 85, and Alec Bond had an 86.
The Tigers were placed by John Lloyd’s 80, tying him for ninth.
Holly at Perry Invitational: The Broncos were paced by Phil Samson’s 106, while William Moller carded a 107. Jacob Brown posted a 109, while Schuylar Gullett had a 110.
Holly at Lapeer Tune-up: The Broncos placed 17th with a score of 387 at Lapeer Country Club. Mitchell Hughes led Holly with a 95, while Phil Samson had a 96’s. William Miller and Austin Moller had 98’s.
BOYS TRACK AND FIELD
Fenton at Tri-City Invitational: The Tigers were placed by the distance medley relay team of Ross Brooks, Connor Sweeney, Matt Gilbert and Max Kryza, taking fourth in 10:59.87. Individually, Kryza placed seventh in the 3,800 run.

GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD
Fenton at the Tri-City Invitation al: Kira Rentschler and Jessica Curtis placed third in the discus relay (170-feet-2 combined), while Julie Gilbert and Amy Rooker placed third in the high jump relay (6-4 combined).
Tori Halwood and Tori Chapin placed fourth in the pole vault relay, while Meredith Brown and Chapin were fourth in the long jump relay.
Holly at the Tri-City Invitational: The Broncos Megan Piwowarski jumped 5-feet-0 in the high jump, while Sarah Dewealsche threw 33-4 in the shot put. Elizabeth Hawley threw 33-4 in the shot put as well. Rachel Domagalski vaulted 10-feet-0.
TENNIS
Holly at the Forest Hills Invita tional: Holly’s three doubles teams of Carley Postma and Leah Miller won their flight title, taking the championship match in three sets.
SOFTBALL
Fenton at Clarkston tournamen t: The Tigers lost to Stevenson 5-2, Clarkston 3-1 and Regina 12-2.
Against Stevenson, Regina Siekierski had three hits, while Marina Cleis had two hits.
Against Clarkston, Ellie Cowger, Sarah Halstead, Sarah Collier and Katie Carinduff had a hit each.
Emma Brant led Fenton with two hits against Regina.
SOCCER
Lake Fenton at Flushing Invita tional: The Blue Devils lost to Flushing 8-0 and Hartland 5-0, but defeated Brandon 3-2 in a shootout.

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Jaimie Jones
Holly’s varsity softball coach

Sydney Aulseybrook ripped a single to chase home two runs in the bottom of the first inning, giving the Bronchos the lead for good. Steigerwald, Randy Lewis and Chelsea England all had big hits in a four-run second inning. Holly took a 7-0 lead into the bottom of the fourth when they erupted for 11 runs, enforcing the 15-run mercy rule.
“Absolutely, a good day for us, huge for the kids,” Jones said. “It is what they have been working hard for. Two wins really helps them believe in themselves.
“The kids have been working on the defense. We had great pitching and hitting, and it was nice to see the whole package.”
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FESTIVALS
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Summer Happening is also on track to
return this year as organizers are working
to have the festival on the Linden school
grounds in Argentine Township from
July 19 to 22.
Summer Happening
Organizer Brain Carr said the Summer
Happening is picking up new sponsors
every week and that the community has
given organizers a lot of feedback.
“We’re doing all the same events we’ve
done in the past,” Carr said. “We’ll probably
have more than we’ve done in the past.”
Organizers will present their plans to
the Linden Board of Education during its
Wednesday, May 2 work
session at 7 p.m. Carr
said a mixed martial arts
event and a motorcycle
performance are some
of the events planned so
far. Children’s activities,
a mom-to-mom sale and
live music and dancing
are also planned for the
festival.
Carr said Wade Shows carnival has
agreed to be a part of the festival. Fire
works and a “parade of lights” will also
be featured.
In March, the Linden school board
gave its approval to allow the Summer
Happening to be held on the high school
and middle school grounds in a 5 to 2 vote.
Concerns were raised on the possibil
ity of alcohol and tobacco use on school
grounds, which is not permitted, per state
law. Organizers said an entertainment
tent with alcohol would be necessary for
the festival. Organizers had approached
Mike Mlinarich on the possibility of
hosting the entertainment tent on his
property. Mlinarich has not given orga
izers permission yet and said he would
need more information from organizers
before making a decision.
Mills Days
Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation
(SLPR) Enrichment and Event Program
mer Meghan Balint said the Mills Days
committee is continuing to secure spon
sors. Balint did admit, however, that the
festival is new and may run into some
problems.
“ar be honest, we are concerned about
sponsorship,” Balint told the board.
“We’re a little afraid of what’s going
on in Argentine will affect us. But we
are strong and we have a huge passion.
I think it’s going to be a
great challenge for us.”
So far, organizers have
secured a carnival and
fireworks show for the
festival. Mills Days has
the backing of the city
and the SLPR as well,
giving organizers further
prospects for sponsor
ship. Fenton Winery &
Brewery and the Linden Hotel were two
sponsors mentioned at Monday’s Linden
City Council meeting.
Balint also said the Linden VFW Post
4642 is also involved with the plan
ning of the festival. In 2010, Summer
Happening organizers had encroached
on VFW property during the festival,
causing friction between the two. Balint
assured city councilors that the VFW sup
ports the Mills Days and it will be hosting
events to coincide with the festival.
“We just need to be concerned that
the rules we’ve set up earlier as a city
council to minimize the concerns,” said
City Councilor Ray Culbert.

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Another mistake many people make is leaving the pet inside of a car — even for a short duration of time. The ASPCA warns that even with the windows open, a parked car can rapidly heat up and heatstroke can occur. A similar thing takes place in the winter with the car getting much too cold.

If you anticipate having to make stops, be sure to go where you can take the pet out and along with you.

Comfort and care
An animal out of his or her environment or element could become skittish. Try to keep a pet’s feeding schedule as close to normal as possible. This will minimize the chances of discomfort or even digestive aggravation. Bring along bottled water or tap water from home because drinking water from an unfamiliar area could result in unwanted digestive distress, which could prove uncomfortable for pet and owner alike.

As an added precaution, you may want to invest in rubberized floor liners and waterproof seat covers, says the ASPCA. This helps if the animal gets carsick or has an accident. Removable seat covers can also prove advantageous for collecting fur and keeping the interior of the car less messy than need be.

Identification
It is important to always carry proper identification for your pet, as well as documentation of vaccinations. For those who have not yet microchipped their companion animal, now may be the time to do so. The microchip is a very small device implanted under the skin of the pet, usually by the scruff of the neck. It will transmit contact information when a specialized transmitter is waved over the microchip.

There’s also the old-fashioned method of having your dog or cat collared with an ID tag. Using this in conjunction with a leash and harness will help reduce the chances of losing your pet while on the road.
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The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject at this hearing.

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CODE OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ARTICLE III, SECTION 10-71 (2) and (5) - BLIGHT

Notice is hereby given that on April 11, 2012, the Holly Township Board adopted amendments to Article III, Section 10-71 (2) and (5) Blight.

The true and complete copy of Holly Township’s Code of Ordinances can be viewed online at www.mytci.com or can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Township Clerk, 120 Civic Drive, Holly Michigan, 48442, at times said office is open for business.

The following constitutes a summary of Holly Township’s Amendments to the Code of Ordinances:

SECTION 1 - AMENDMENT

ARTICLE III Blight - Section 10-71(2) and (5): Blight Unlawful; Prohibited Activities.

(2) In any area zoned residential by the zoning ordinance, chapter 32, the out of doors storage upon any premises of a dumpper and building materials unless construction work is being done or is being contemplated within 60 days on such premises in accordance with a valid building permit and such dumpper or materials are intended for use in connection with such construction except as further provided in this article.

(5) In any area zoned other than residential by the zoning ordinance, chapter 32, the causes of blight or blighting factors prohibited in this section in any area zoned for residential purposes are applicable, unless such uses of property are incidental to and necessary for the carrying on of any business or occupation lawfully being conducted upon the premises involved.

SECTION 2 - INVALIDITY

This ordinance shall become effective immediately after publication as prescribed by law.

SECTION 4 - REPEALING CLAUSE

SECTION 5 - ADOPTION

I, duly elected clerk of the Township of Holly, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Notice of Adoption and Summary of the Holly Township Ordinance Article III, Section 10-71, 5 Amendment adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Holly at the regular meeting held on the 18th day of April, 2012 at which a quorum was present.

Karin S. Winchester, Clerk
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Funeral services will be held 11 AM Thursday April 26, 2012 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton Monday from 5-8 PM and Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-8 PM and also will be held at church Wednesday from 10 AM until time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to Peace Lutheran Church.
Charlene was born April 2, 1943 in Saginaw, the daughter of Edward and Lydia (Schutt) Yankauskas. She was a 1961 graduate of Fenton High School. She married Curlique “Cass” Castiliano on September 23, 1967 and he preceded her in death on January 2, 2003. Charlene retired from Citizen Bank (formerly Bank One and First National Bank of Fenton) after 30 years of service. She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Fenton. She had resided in the Fenton area most of her life. Surviving are: daughter, Christin, and husband Shaun Mann of Fenton; son, Craig Castiliano of Troy; half sister, Sharon Aguilera of Chino, CA; cousin, Kurt and wife Ann Schutt and their children David and Katheryn; brother-in-law, Bryan (Andrea) Rodgers of Lake Fenton and Bradford (Susan) Rodgers of Indiana; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. Online tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Charlene Kay Castiliano 1943-2012
Charlene Kay Castiliano - age 69, of Fenton, went to be with her Lord and Savior, Saturday, April 21, 2012.
Funeral services will be held 11 AM Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at Peace Lutheran Church, 2051 W. Maple Ave. Flint, with Rev. Paul M. Boegger officiating. Visitation was held at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton Monday from 5-8 PM and Tuesday from 1-4 and 6-8 PM and also will be held at church Wednesday from 10 AM until time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to Peace Lutheran Church.
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