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“We live across the street from Eli, the potbellied pig. He



is a sweet little man, with pretty good manners. Everything that

I have read about them is true and they make great pets. My grandsons and I vote that he gets to stay. Go Eli!”

“The pet pig ordinance leaves the city with no choice. They are doing the job we elect and pay them to do. Don’t blame them for enforcing the law.”

“To the people who think Obama is a great man doing



great things and is therefore criticized — that

must make George Bush the greatest president ever!”

“I agree with the Hot liner pointing out that all great presidents are criticized. History will tell, just as it will tell that George Bush was one of the worst presidents ever.”



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Local mom runs first marathon in memory of son

By Sally Rummel
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When Kim Foerster signed up in January to run the St. Jude Nashville Country Music Marathon Series on April 27, she had only one thing in mind: her son, Braylon.

“January and February are really hard months for me,” said Foerster, referring to the birth of her son, Braylon, on Feb. 7, 2006 and his passing on Jan. 2, 2007 of congenital

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Kim and Brett Foerster donned rain ponchos to protect themselves from the elements while Kim ran the St. Jude Nashville Country Music Marathon and he cheered her on from the sidelines.

City opposes entertainment tent, alcohol

►Linden Mills Days proposal echoes council’s friction with Summer Happening

By William Axford
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Linden — Three years into its existence, Linden Mills Days is experiencing friction between organizers and city leaders.

On Monday, Cyndi Roesner, creator of the Linden Mills Days, presented plans to Linden City Council for the summer festival, which is scheduled for June 20 to 23 in downtown Linden.

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North LeRoy roadwork begins



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

An equipment operator with Northern Concrete Pipe Inc. delivers drain pipes to the work site on North LeRoy Street on Monday.

►Orange barrels guide motorists as southbound lanes are torn out

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — At a snail’s pace, the “hammer” does its work, idling down North LeRoy Street. Progress can be seen over Genesee County Road Commission

Summary

►One week into the summer project on North LeRoy Street, phase I of the road-widening project is underway, with southbound North LeRoy Street closed down and torn up.

(GCRC) Site Inspector Mary Graham’s shoulder, as she swipes through her smartphone looking for information.

The ground thumps every other second, vibrating underfoot a few meters away. “What he’s doing

is real important,” said Graham, referring to what is essentially a giant rideable jackhammer that works in slow motion. It’s important because as it loosens up the old asphalt, it will make it easier to be removed in chunks later.

Zito Construction Co. is the primary contractor for the joint GCRC, City of Fenton project.

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“Hopefully it just continues at the same rate. Two years of construction is hard for businesses.”

— Michelle Curtis
Tri-City Trading Post owner

TYRONE TOWNSHIP SURVEY:

What are residents willing to pay for?

By William Axford
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Tyrone Twp. — Negotiations for police services between Tyrone Township and the Livingston County Sheriff’s Department are proceeding with some uncertainty. At the Tyrone Township Board of Trustees meeting last Thursday, officials reviewed a survey to be sent out to residents with the summer tax bill, which will include how the

township should proceed with public safety.

“The sheriff’s contract is still in limbo. It’s in their court,” said Clerk Keith Kremer. “The other issue is there won’t be any road patrol. If people want road patrol, they’re going to have to pay.”

Summary

►A summer survey will be sent to residents inquiring what services they want and how much they are willing to pay for them.

In March, a \$300,000 contract between Tyrone and Hartland townships and the Livingston County Sheriff’s Department expired. The townships were paying
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“The sheriff’s contract is still in limbo.”

— Keith Kremer
Tyrone Township clerk

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Sometime between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, a suspect broke the passenger window of a vehicle parked in a lot in the 1100 block of North LeRoy Street and stole an expensive purse. Witnesses reported seeing a suspicious pickup truck in the area, however, police have no suspects.

SIX DRUNK-DRIVING ARRESTS

Det. Scott Townsend of the Fenton Police Department said between Friday May 10 and Tuesday, May 14, Fenton police made six drunk/drug driving arrests, including one at 12:43 a.m. on Monday, May 13. An officer saw a vehicle turn from Owen Road onto northbound Silver Parkway and he made eye contact with the driver. When this happened, the driver accelerated to about 50 mph in the 35-mph zone. When the officer activated the overhead lights to make a traffic stop, the driver accelerated to more than 70 mph before eventually pulling over into a business parking lot. The officer detected the odor of burnt marijuana coming from inside the vehicle and the driver was agitated. The driver consented to a blood draw at the hospital. The 29-year-old Linden man was released pending the results of the blood test.

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►Between two wheels there is an abundance of options from which to choose

By **Ryan Tackabury**

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If you are looking for a bicycle to celebrate National Bike Month, some people might find the task a bit confusing. With price ranges from in the low hundreds to the thousands, there is a bike out there for everyone — but the trick is finding what's right for you.

Summary

►Frame size, material type, and other options are all important to selecting the bike that suits your own personal needs.

When looking to buy your first or your 10th bike, there are multiple reasons to shop at locally owned merchants that specialize in biking. If you don't know what you are looking for, you will have several experts on hand to match you with a bike that suits your needs. More importantly, you are more likely to get better quality products.

"That's another problem that the industry has, a lot of the bikes that are bought from the mass merchants are not always assembled properly and can sometimes be very dangerous to ride," said Matt Coe, Manager of CycleFit Multisport in Fenton.

For anyone looking to get into cycling, but don't know where to start, sometimes it is easiest just to go right to the source and ask the experts.

"The first thing we do is find out what type of riding they are going to do because that will dictate the type of bike. You have your cruisers,



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Bike Technician Ryan Carter (left) installs a chain on a bike as Tom Cummings installs a front wheel at Cycle Fit Multisport in Fenton on Monday. With bikes, they agree that you get what you pay for. More upfront cost could mean fewer repairs later.

your mountain bikes, fitness bikes, there's a lot of varieties in bikes," said Coe. The next decision to make is what material you want the frame to be made out of. Lighter frames will be more expensive, though they can be easier to ride.

Cruiser bicycles have heavy frames and are built for comfortable riding, and have minimal gearing — they are a simpler bike for people who may just be getting into the hobby. Mountain bikes of course are designed for

off-road cycling, for enthusiasts who want a bike for more rigorous activities.

People come in a variety of different sizes, so it is important to make sure the bike is set up to accommodate your particular stature for the most comfortable ride.

"We try to hit everyone's budget, because some people don't have \$400 to spend

on a bike," said Coe, who tries to accommodate everyone from the experienced

“We try to hit everyone's budget, because some people don't have \$400 to spend on a bike.”

Matt Coe
Manager of CycleFit Multisport in Fenton

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Social Security: \$821 billion paid in 2013

►Social Security Number based on group and geographic location

By **Tim Jagielo**

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According to the Social Security Administration (SSA), one in six Americans receives Social Security benefits.

This amounts to 58 million people in the program, or \$821 billion in benefits paid in 2013. For a retired person, the average



monthly benefit is more than \$1,200.

Social Security is derived from the 1935 Social Security Act. It was signed into law by President Franklin Roosevelt. The first cards were issued to existing workers in the U.S. between 1936 and 1937, with the first payments to start in 1942. A man named Ernest Ackerman was the first to receive benefits, as he retired one day after the Social Security program began.

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Time to update

Census race questions

A notable example of how Americans fall through the cracks in Census data gathering caught my attention while Web surfing. It appeared on the black-oriented website TheRoot.com under this eye-catching headline: 'I found one drop; Can I be black now?'

The 'one drop' is a reference to the old racial rule that one drop of black blood in your veins makes you black.

The answer turned out to be a white woman who had written to The Root's 'Race Manners' advice column. She had uncovered an African-American ancestor who long ago had passed for white. She was wondering which box to check.

'Do I check both, and come across as a liar to those who don't know my history?' she asked. 'Or do I check just white, and feel like a self-loathing racist?'

I sympathize with the suddenly mixed-race woman's confusion. In changing times, government forms are often the last to catch up.

On question number 9 in the 2010 form, for example, there are check boxes for 'White,' 'Black, African American or Negro,' 'American Indian or Alaska Native,' as well as 11 other choices.

'We shouldn't be governing in the 21st century by a race classification given us by a German doctor in 1776,' former Census Director Kenneth Prewitt told me in an email exchange.

In a book to be released in June, titled 'What is Your Race? The Census and Our Flawed Efforts to Classify Americans,' Prewitt, now a public affairs professor at Columbia University, calls for an overhaul of census race questions for a new era in our increasingly diverse nation.

Prewitt lays out a bold plan for phasing out the current questions about race while phasing in a new set aimed at measuring differences in income, education and upward mobility and social assimilation, — key questions in determining how well our fabled American 'melting pot' is still working.

Whether Prewitt's scheme is widely embraced or not, it's worth talking about. Americans are changing too much for us to squeeze ourselves into the old boxes.

LIBERAL LOGIC — WHEN a soldier dies for our country, the grieving family receives a flag and a note expressing condolences and gratitude from our government. When a black professional athlete announces that he's gay, he receives a personal phone call from President Obama commending him for his extraordinary courage.

TO THE GENTLEMAN that felt that he had to yell at the passenger of another car for not parking right. By chance did you see that your car was way over the yellow line — not ours? Next time, take a good look at how you park before you spout off.

REGARDING THESE BENGHAZI hearings. Anyone with an I.Q. of room temperature knows that it was all about the 2012 election that caused those four patriots to be thrown under the bus. Hillary is on the hot seat and Obama will throw her under the bus as fast as his mother.

AN NFL FOOTBALL player can beat his wife, do drugs and even be arrested for reckless driving and they will still welcome him back, but a Christian man with deep religious beliefs (Tim Tebow) can't even get a chance because his beliefs harm team unity. This culture sucks.

I HATE THE Republican Party. Abusing the filibuster, boycotting meetings, holding up Senate confirmations, denying agency services, investigating blatantly false 'scandals' based on nothing more than Internet rumors, refusing to negotiate on anything, and holding the economy hostage to get

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what they want. Don't ever vote for a Republican again.

THE FOLKS THAT consider all Arabic people Muslim, and consider all Muslims are terrorists, are confused by their single news source. What they are being trained to do is to ensure that this country maintains freedom of religion, as long you choose one of the Christian ones!

They are haters.

THE REASON PEOPLE are not flying the flag is because they no longer have faith in our government, especially the current administration. There is no trust in the Republicans either. I lowered Old Glory for the last time on Nov. 6. Vote Libertarian for change.

I BOUGHT A used car once and it blew up the next day. I blamed the seller but realized I hadn't done my homework. I was to blame in the end and regretted it. I am sure there are many Obama voters who now feel the same way.

THE PIG STORY is so touching. We need to stick together to save him. Who would complain about that? Someone who's bored I'm guessing.

REGARDING THE LOW voter turnout for the May 7 election — I would have voted had I known there was an election. How was it announced?

TO THE PERSON whom thinks your president is doing a great job — You must be on welfare to say he's doing a good job? Or you're just misinformed.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

FROM THE RIGHT

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Benghazi, IRS: Son of Watergate

In his defense of President Obama, Press Secretary Jay Carney is beginning to sound a lot like Ronald Zeigler, Richard Nixon's spokesman. Carney only has to use the word 'inoperative,' as Ziegler did when incriminating evidence surfaced that proved his previous statements untrue.

Following what appears to be a cover-up in the Benghazi attack, the Washington Post has obtained documents from an audit conducted by the IRS's inspector general that indicate the agency targeted conservative groups with 'tea party' and 'patriot' in their names, as well as 'nonprofit groups' that criticized the government.

IRS official Lois Lerner described the targeting efforts as 'absolutely inappropriate,' but said IRS actions were not driven by partisanship. How, then, would she explain why no groups with 'progressive' in their titles were similarly targeted?

The Post's editorial board writes, 'A bedrock principle of U.S. democracy is that the coercive powers of government are never used for partisan purpose.' The board called for a full accounting. I doubt we'll get it.

Regarding Benghazi, Carney said Ambassador Rice's initial claim — that the attack grew out of protests over a video that insulted Islam — was based on what was known to U.S. intelligence at the time. But as last week's testimony by three whistleblowers before the House Oversight Committee revealed, much more was known at the time. The latest, but probably not the last shocker, is a report about CBS News Correspondent Sharyl Attkisson, who covered the Obama administration's handling of the Benghazi terrorist attack in Libya. Now, according to Politico, Attkisson can't get some of her stories about Benghazi on the air. She is reportedly in talks to leave the network. Is it because she chooses to behave like a real journalist instead of a cheerleader for Obama?

Meanwhile, House Oversight Subcommittee Chairman Charles Boustany (R-LA) has demanded the IRS turn over by Wednesday all communications containing the words 'conservative,' 'patriot' or 'tea party.' And the IRS should.

Journalists should stop protecting President Obama and Hillary Clinton and do their jobs, like Sharyl Attkisson. Congressional Republicans should press for all the facts. That's their job.

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What advice would you give to newlyweds?

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"Don't lose that sense of touch. My husband is now deceased and I wish I could just touch him again."

Ceil Pitman
Linden



"Marriage is something you have to work at. There will be bumps in the road but you have to keep working."

— Derek Berry
Falls Church, Va.



"Just love each other and that will get you through."

— Vickie Hoover
Fenton Township



"I've been married 42 years and I've learned not to go to bed angry. Always stay up and talk things out."

— Darla Marsh
Holly Township



"Have patience, and a lot of it. Love will change through the years and you have to be patient."

— Barbara Kuptz
Fenton Township



"Trust one another and love each other."

— Kay Lambert
Fenton

Is Michigan no-fault insurance reform a good thing?

►State's 'generous' no-fault benefits could be capped at \$1 million

By Tim Jagielo

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If you drive a car legally, you have at least Michigan no-fault auto insurance.

Currently, insurance covers the damage caused to another driver in case of a crash no matter who caused the crash.

It also provides unlimited medical benefits for injuries related to crashes, and benefits for a family caretaker. It will also pay up to 85 percent of your lost income, up to \$5,200 per month, and the same amount for three years to your family should you be killed in a crash.

Currently you are protected, limited to \$1 million in property damage in Michigan, and can be sued only in some cases, such as causing death or disfigurement.

Michigan House Bill (HB) 4612 introduced April 23 proposes several changes, the biggest of which is capping lifetime medical benefits at \$1 million.

The main way changes would be felt would be in the monthly bill. Statutorily, the first year would see a reduction in everyone's no-fault bill by \$125.

Pam Barkel, Personal Lines Manager at Hartland Insurance testified before the Michigan House of Representatives

Insurance committee two weeks ago and said, "It's wonderful coverage, but it's very expensive."

Barkel spoke of two clients that have reduced their coverage in order to save money. She said Michigan is 16th most expensive state for insurance. The closest highest state medical cap is \$50,000, she said. Medical cap aside, Barkel likes that the bill contains a fraudulent claims committee, and agrees with the basic reforms of the bill.

According to a news release from Gov. Rick Snyder, Michigan would still be the "most generous" no-fault state in offering a limit of \$1 million in coverage.

"I think the no-fault system in Michigan is good; it prevents lawsuits from torts, but needs reform," said State Rep. Joe Graves of (R-Argentine Township).

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“What’s on the table today, I don’t think it’s good reform.”

Joe Graves

Michigan state rep
(R-Argentine Township)



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More adults passing on marriage

►Divorce declines slowly in the past decade

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Rev. Bill Donahue doesn't buy into the old adage that half of marriages end in divorce. The Fenton United Methodist Church pastor said marriage is just as popular as it ever has been, and possibly even more than it has been in the past.

"A lot of people say the divorce rate is 50 percent. That's skewed," Donahue said. "In the course of a year, if you have 100 marriages and you have 50 divorces, those divorces aren't coming from the same year people were married."

Donahue may be speaking of his experience locally however, as data from the Michigan Department of Community Health shows that marriages have been on the decline across the state since 2000. Marriages hit a high in 2001 in Genesee County at 3,223. By 2006, marriages dipped to 2,555 and last year there were 2,146 marriages. The divorce rate for Genesee County however has remained somewhat stable between 2000 and 2011. Divorces peaked in 2003 at 1,917; since 2000, there have been at least 1,552 divorces a year.

Marriage counselor Sherry Daniels reiterated what Donahue said about marriage remaining popular. But according to Daniels, who works at Ascend Counseling Services in Fenton, stresses exist today for married couples that didn't exist a generation ago.

"Most recently, the economic stresses of the last eight years have been huge and very difficult for people," Daniels said.

Another problem Daniels encounters with couples is the Internet and cell phones. While more technology allows couples to stay connected, Daniels said there exists an opportunity to contact more people outside of the marriage.

"One of the problems we didn't deal with a generation ago is the Internet. We have more access to infidelity," Daniels

said. "It's a new type of stressor."

Marriages overall in Michigan have been on the decline. In 2000, there were 66,328 marriages; in 2011, there were 56,159 marriages. Marriages dipped the lowest in the last decade at 53,528 in 2009 and hit the highest in 2001 at 66,876 marriages. Divorces have been declining across the state as well, however, at a much lower rate than marriages. In 2000, there were 38,932 divorces; by 2011, the number shrunk to 33,940, declining by an average of 500 fewer divorces per year in the past decade.

According to a 2010 Pew research study, love is the biggest factor why people get married, beating out companionship, having children and being financially stable. The same study also found that 69 percent of people do not believe they have "one true love."

And, despite the stable divorce rates, Pew found that 61 percent of unmarried men and women still want to get married. That optimism shrinks after a divorce, as only 29 percent of adults who have had a previous marriage said they would marry again.

When compared to marriage statistics compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau, Michigan overall has fewer marriages than the national average. Data also shows that marriages peaked in the mid 1940s and have been on the decline ever since.

In Donahue's experience, difficulties in a marriage do not arise overnight and can stem from problems before people are married. The reverend stresses to couples going through a rough patch to seek counseling from someone they trust. Even if a marriage ends in divorce, it doesn't have to be completely painful.

"There is a myth perception that things become much worse when it comes to marriage," Donahue said. "In regards to divorce, it's not a simplistic thing. Even in the midst of divorce, there are ways to heal."

SURVEY

Continued from Front Page

the department for one, 24 hour, 7 days a week officer to patrol both townships. Tyrone Township officials began questioning if they were receiving the services they were paying for and if renewing the contract was in the best interest of its citizens.

Through the course of their negotiations with the department, Kremer and Township Supervisor Mike Cunningham have learned that the sheriff's department will be reducing its staff in the upcoming years. The officials also learned that the department is not obligated to do road patrol.

"There is no statutory for road patrol. There is a statutory for emergency," Cunningham said.

Kremer said the number of officers in the Livingston County Sheriff's Department has dwindled from 36 to 26 this year and could be further reduced to 16 deputies.

Township officials also entertained the notion of hiring a constable or a pri-

vate company for public safety. Kremer pointed out that starting a department or contracting with a private company could be an expensive endeavor.

"It should be cheaper to pay officers," Kremer said. "It takes a lot of overhead to start your own department."

Should Tyrone and Hartland townships renew their contract with sheriff's department, costs could increase by 40 percent. In an April 19 Times article, Public Safety Committee Chairman Ronald VanHouten said the increases were, "... a normal thing because of police contracts. Police need a raise in the future."

However township officials proceed with public safety, they are expecting feedback from residents on what services they would pay for and how much. The survey would allow officials to gauge how residents feel about issues in the township.

"It's asking people what services they use and what would they use again," Kremer said.

Super foods that 'supercharge' your brain

► Men and women have different nutrition needs

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If you're making lists to help you remember all that you have to do in a day, the most important list by far is your grocery list.

That's because the food you buy at the grocery store will actually help you "supercharge" your brain, if you make the right choices. Even as people age chronologically, we can maintain a healthy brain into "old age" by adding these smart foods to our daily diets.

Not surprisingly, women and men require different foods, because there are clear differences between male and female brains.

In general, women's brains are more active than men's brains, according to a study of 46,000 brain scans involving about 26,000 patients. Foods that increase serotonin are critical for women, for help with relaxation and anti-anxiety and depression. Men need higher protein foods, to increase dopamine for better focus and impulse control. Protein also provides fuel for a man's greater muscle mass.

BEST 'SMART' FOODS FOR WOMEN

- **Chickpeas (garbanzo beans)** — they increase the production of serotonin, and are high in nutrients and fiber (12 grams of fiber per one-cup serving). Fiber slows the body's absorption of sugars, prevents sharp spikes in insulin and helps the brain work at optimal levels.
- **Sweet potatoes** — they are a "smart" carbohydrate that causes a gradual increase in serotonin, are high in vitamin C and fiber and don't raise blood sugar/insulin as quickly as white potatoes.
- **Blueberries** — they're called "brain berries" because they are such a concentrated source of flavonoids and other antioxidants that reduce brain inflammation. This is important for good mood and memory. Other berries also provide benefits, but blueberries are the best



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When looking for food to "supercharge" your brain, start at the produce aisle. Different nuts, berries and starches offer benefits to men and women.

choice for brain function.

- **Dark chocolate** — it's one of the healthiest foods a person can eat because it increases the levels of nitric oxide, a molecule that dilates arteries throughout the body, including the brain. It can also improve mood and energy. Because it's high in antioxidants, it reduces "oxidative stress" that can impair memory and other brain functions. About one-half to one ounce provides all the benefits needed.

BEST 'SMART' FOODS FOR MEN

- **Salmon** — men who eat fatty fish with docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), one of the omega-3 fatty acids found in salmon and other fatty fish, have less brain inflammation that can impair the transmission of nerve signals. Elderly adults who got more DHA had improvements in memory and learning, in a study published in Alzheimer's & Dementia: The Journal of the Alzheimer's Association.

- **Eggs** — they are an excellent source of protein and high in vitamin B-12, which can reduce age-related brain shrinkage and improve cognitive function.

- **Sesame seeds and Brazil nuts** — in addition to increasing dopamine, they contain antioxidants that protect brain cells. Like other nuts and seeds, they're high in protein and monounsaturated fats that reduce LDL "bad" cholesterol. Nuts and seeds are as good for the heart as well as the brain.

Source: Bottomlinesecrets.com

Five other 'super' foods for your brain:

1. **Avocados** — they're almost as good as blueberries in promoting brain health. This monounsaturated fat contributes to healthy blood flow and lowers blood pressure.
2. **Whole grains** — they promote cardiovascular health, promoting good flow to the organ system, including the brain.
3. **Beans** — they stabilize blood sugar levels. The brain is dependent on glucose for fuel and since it can't store the glucose, it relies on a steady stream of energy, which beans provide.
4. **Pomegranate juice** — this offers potent antioxidant benefits, and can be enjoyed in small amounts, about 2 ounces a day, diluted with spring water or seltzer.
5. **Freshly brewed tea** — two to three cups a day, either iced or hot, contains a modest amount of caffeine, which can boost brain power by enhancing memory, focus and mood. It also has potent antioxidants which promotes healthy blood flow. It has to be freshly brewed, not bottled or powdered.

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Tyrone Historical Society

The next meeting of the Tyrone Historical Society will be held on Monday, May 20. There will be a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. (bring a dish to pass), followed by a short meeting. Their program speaker will be Dave Pettigrove, who is a Civil War reenactor. He will present his experiences with the reenacting organization and share with guests the music he uses as their official bugler. Everyone is welcome. The group meets in the Tyrone Township Hall located at 10408 Center Road, east of U.S. 23. For more information, call (810) 629-2031.

Pasta Dinner

Gaines United Methodist Church is hosting an "All-You-Can-Eat Pasta Dinner" from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, June 7. Take out is available.

Homeland security grant will protect Fenton's wells

By Ryan Tackabury

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Fenton — The Department of Homeland Security describes its purpose to defend the nation from its many threats — and now it will be helping to protect Fenton's well fields.

An approved grant from the DHS will allow the placing of several 8-foot high fences around the well houses with two large gates at each location. The project will cost \$11,345 to complete, all of which is covered by the grant.

There is one catch however. According to Fenton Water Plant Superintendent Steve Guy, "The grant program itself ran into some bumps." The city has been asked to pay the upfront costs, and

after which the city will be reimbursed for the project in full. Fenton City Council unanimously agreed to do this.

Guy apologized to the council for the vagueness of the memo sent to the city council. "I don't think you have to apologize when you ask for a request and then cover it with a grant," said Councilwoman Pat Lockwood.

Councilman Les Bland, who served as the city's Department of Public Works (DPW) director in the past, said that he wanted to let the council know this was a project that the department had tried to get done for years.

"If you know where our well housewares are, they are out in the boondocks, and are vulnerable to vandalism," he said.



Mark McCabe

67th District Court

Ask the judge

Retroactivity and the crime victim's rights fee

Last week I wrote a column about how there are times when the courts are called upon to decide the question of whether an amended or new statute or judicial opinion should be given retroactive or prospective effect and discussed a Michigan case that raises this issue which is presently pending before the United States Supreme Court.

As I indicated there are cases and rules on the topic and a recent example is found in the April 25, 2013 Michigan Court of Appeals decision in the consolidated cases of People v Jones and People v Anderson.

In both of these cases, the defendants committed felony offenses before Dec. 16, 2010. That date is significant because that was the effective date that the statute authorizing a crime victims rights assessment against convicted felony defendants went from a \$60 assessment to \$130.

A crime victim's rights assessment is assessed at the time of sentence for all criminal convictions. These monies are used to maintain or enhance crime victim's right services.

At the time the defendants were sentenced (in addition to other penalties) they were both ordered to pay the \$130 fee as opposed to the \$60 fee.

They both appealed and claimed that these higher assessments violated the Michigan and Federal Constitutional prohibitions on ex post facto laws, or in plain English, they were being subject to a retroactive law and punishment.

The Court of Appeals held that this was not the case and the imposition of the assessment did not act as punishment for the particular crime but rather was a consequence of crime itself. Two judges voted for this result.

The third judge concurred in the result only, found that this assessment was in fact a punishment, and a previous case, which was being relied on had flawed reasoning.

This and other cases show the question of when a law will be retroactive is indeed a difficult one to answer. As in last week's column, I will report on any further developments in these two cases.

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SECURITY

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Through the decades the Social Security Act was amended to include disability coverage and coverage for spouses.

How is the number determined?

The nine-digit Social Security Number (SSN) is composed of three parts, the area number, the group number and the serial number. The system of coding the number was designed in 1936 to assist the Baltimore, Md.-based records office in keeping track of the applicants, and assigning individuals a card.

The first three digits, the area number, is assigned by geographic region. It is based on the zip code from the original application for the Social Security card, and generally, the numbers begin in the northeast and heads west. The lowest area numbers will appear in the east, and the highest in the west.

The next set of two digits, the group number, was also created for administrative reasons. Group numbers range from 09 to 99, but were done in groups of odd numbers in a range, followed by even numbers.

The last four digits is the serial number. In each group, the serial numbers run consecutively from 0001 through 9999.

Protecting your SSN

"That Social Security Number is a pathway to anything," said Holly Interim Police Chief, Sgt. Michael Story. "If you've got someone's Social Security Number, it's so easy to steal their identity, to open checking accounts, credit card accounts." In Holly, the police department gets periodic complaints for identity theft, but not necessarily related to the SSN.

Story said income tax being stolen is a big problem in some areas, nationwide. A false tax return is filed, and the fraudulent party will seek to claim that income tax return. He doesn't necessarily suggest carrying your Social Security card with you, he recommends keeping the number secret, and safe.

Another perspective on protecting your SSN is this: there are algorithms that can predict one's Social Security

Number based on time and place of birth, so don't worry too much about shredding documents and destroying old passports.

This is according to a 2009 Wall Street Journal article, which argues that social media provides all the necessary background information to figure your number out. "Their efforts to shield themselves from identity theft by guarding their Social Security Numbers are being undermined by government officials and social networking sites," reported the article by Aleksandra Todorova.

Summary

►To check on what benefits your could receive, go to www.ssa.gov. Retiring after age 66 ensures receiving full benefits, and you can collect Social Security as you work past age 66. The number should be kept safe.

Your SSN is a matter of public record — though it is protected, and not available to anyone who wants to see it. The Michigan Social Security Privacy Act of 2005 also protects individuals from having to use their number in the course of employment — except for four consecutive numbers.

Tyrone Township Clerk Keith Kremer said at the township level, they only have the numbers they need for payroll, and only his deputy has access to the numbers, which are locked in a safe.

When to claim Social Security benefits

Despite some myths, one cannot claim a lump sum of a payment, said accountant Penny Fausey, of Fausey and Associates in Fenton.

It's not a promise to pay, she said. "It doesn't really accumulate there, the choice is when you retire and then start drawing." For the full benefit, retire later, at least at the retirement age of 66. After 66 you can draw Social Security and work at the same time. If you retire before 66, the monthly amount will be less, though the amount is different for everyone.

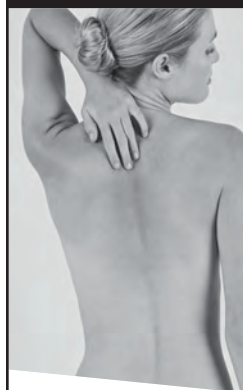
"There's no umbrella answer for everybody," she said. "It's like any investment question. You have to look at your own finances and your own needs."

A good place to start is the SSA website: www.ssa.gov. There you can calculate based on earnings what your payout would be. Fausey said it's also a good idea to check to make sure your income and records are accurate.

“It's like any investment question. You have to look at your own finances and your own needs.”

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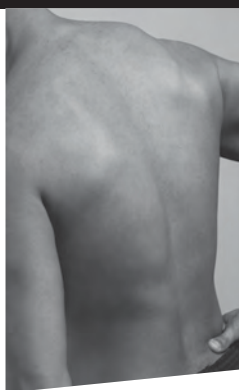
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MARATHON

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heart disease. "I have to have something to focus on. Running is my therapy."

It also seemed like fate. "Everything that has to do with Braylon is a number 2 or a number 7," she said. "His birth-

Summary

► Fenton resident Kim Foerster puts one foot in front of another to run races in memory of her son, Braylon, who passed away at age 11 months in 2007 of a congenital heart defect.

day with Feb. 7, his passing was Jan. 2, he underwent seven surgeries, spent seven of his 11-month life in the hospital, was the seventh grandchild on both sides of our families. When I found out the date of the race was April 27, I told Brett, 'you're going to have to take a couple days off

work because we're going to Nashville!'"

Going to Nashville also seemed like it would be "going home" again for Foerster, who had lived there in her 20s. It was also where she beat a nagging weight problem by taking up running — a sport she has enjoyed throughout her life.

"I wanted to get a full marathon (26.2 miles) off my bucket list before I got too old," said Foerster, 45, who has run many races, but never more than a half marathon.

"I'd hit puddles so deep that my feet would slip and slosh and add about five more pounds to the run."

Kim Foerster

"I told Brett that this race would be perfect because the weather would be 70 degrees and sunny."

Not only was the weather "not perfect," monsoon-like conditions sent about 3½ inches of rain pounding on downtown Nashville, from the time Foerster started the race until she hit Mile 25. "I ran in a poncho that kept blowing off as I'd run," she said. "I'd hit puddles so deep that my feet would slip and slosh and add about five more pounds to the run."

Miraculously, at Mile 25, the rain finally let up. "I told myself I couldn't let myself cry until I ran the final 1.2 miles of the marathon," admitted Foerster. "When I saw the cheering crowds and the finish line ahead, I told myself that I could sprint that. It was the most amazing feeling!"

She was also very pleased with her time, running the full marathon in 5:1:34. "I'll never be a fast runner, my goal is just to finish the race," she said.

While up to 85 family members and friends have run annual races in Ann Arbor to raise money for Team Braylon Gift of Hope, this was the first time in seven years Foerster had stepped out on her own for a different cause. The Nashville marathon raised more than \$1 million to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital.

"I think my son would be proud," she said. "We saw a lot of young cancer patients at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital." However, Foerster doesn't see another full marathon in her future, unless she takes her work schedule down a notch. "It's too hard to train for a full marathon when I'm working full-time (at Diplomat Pharmacy) and traveling for work," She said. "I'd have to give



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The starting line at the Nashville Country Music Marathon shows 3,431 marathon runners stepping out to raise more than \$1 million for St. Jude Children's Hospital.

up family time for long runs of 16 to 19 miles at Kensington. At this point in my life, family time is more important to me."

But she hasn't given up raising

money in her son's memory. She'll be leading the way at local events like the Tour de Lacs Charity Bike Ride in Fenton, coming up on Aug. 3. "This is where my heart is," she said.

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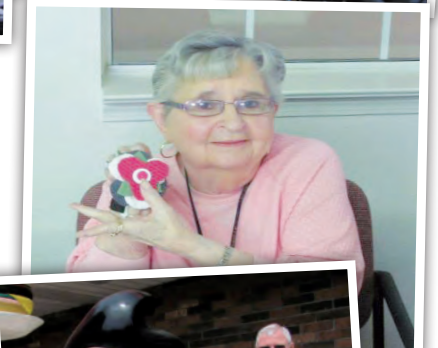
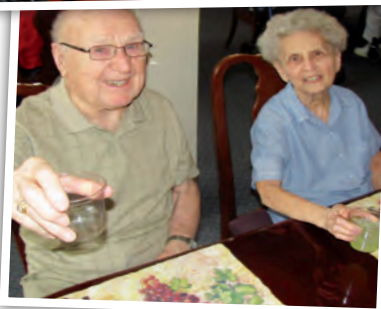
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SO, I HEAR someone hasn't been truthful with the people of Holly. Apparently, the Dispatch Center is being turned over to Oakland County through backdoor deals. If this is the case, I want my money back that I had to pay out for the special assessment.

IT'S TIME MICHIGAN put tougher restraints on welfare recipients. Come up with a work program and force all welfare recipients to work for their welfare. There are plenty of job ideas out there — use them. And test them for drugs — the rest of the working community is tested.

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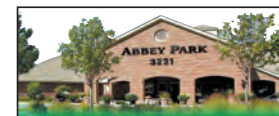


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"What's on the table today, I don't think it's good reform."

A summary by the Coalition Protecting Auto No-Fault described the caps as "unprecedented." Rehabilitation is limited to 52 weeks, and can be extended by another 52 weeks if reasonable progress is expected.

Many of the proposed caps, such as \$50,000 every seven years for home modifications because of the injuries have been amended, along with a handicap accessible vehicle.

Financially, according to Graves, the bill would make insurance \$125 cheaper to no-fault users for the first year. After the first year, he expects savings to drop. This is because Graves expects medical expenses to increase the premiums, because of the cap. He said the bill does not contain any provisions to contain ballooning healthcare costs. "As we get

increases it's just going to be passed onto the consumer," he said.

The same news release from Snyder's office also reported an average payout of \$78 million by the Michigan Catastrophic Care Administration because of "lack of cost controls."

Currently, patients are charged 300 to 400 percent higher for medical bills under no-fault insurance care, according to the news release.

Graves said that a CT scan is billed to his own insurance for about \$2,000, while one that needs a CT scan from a crash under no fault is "gouged" at \$10,000. "There's nothing here that would reduce that cost," he said. Essentially, Graves fears that auto insurers would pass that extra cost onto their clients.

Currently, the bill is undergoing its second reading as of May 7, and has already been referred to the committee on insurance.

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Argentine Township is accepting sealed bids for demolition and clean-up of a property located at 9249 Pine Walk Pass. Linden, Mi., parcel # 01-34-626-061. A dumpster will be provided by Argentine Township. A requirement is to return the property to a finish grade. Argentine Township Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept/ and or refuse any and all bids.

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Denise Graves,
Clerk



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Loose Board President Ken Wensel addresses attendees of the groundbreaking ceremony last Thursday in front of Building C, one of the two buildings that survived the fire in 2011.

Community gathers for groundbreaking

►Completion of new Loose senior center building is expected before end of the year

By Ryan Tackabury

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Linden — It's been a long wait, but the Loose Senior Citizen Center has taken a big step toward getting a new building.

Thursday afternoon saw the groundbreaking for the new addition to the senior center, which was attended by more than 100 people. Members of the senior center were joined by community leaders who have lent their support to the rebuilding project.

In September 2011, one of the senior center's three buildings caught fire, leaving the senior community without one of its largest gathering places.

At the groundbreaking, Linden Community Schools was thanked for its support by providing the senior center space to

hold events after the loss of its building. The Linden Fire Department was also given special thanks for its diligent work in putting out the fire before it overtook the center's remaining two buildings.

The ceremony included welcoming by Loose Board President Ken Wensel. Refreshments were served compliments of Caretel Inns of Linden. Loose Governance Committee Chairman Chuck Montgomery

and Executive Director Carl Gabrielson also spoke, and Rev. William Donahue of the Fenton United Methodist Church led the group in prayer.

The new proposed building will be just over 6,000-square-foot and it will feature a fitness room, lounge area, office space and a kitchenette. The new structure will connect to the senior center's Building C. The new structure will also feature a fire suppression system, a public address system and wireless Internet.

"We have been very excited for this day to come," said Elsie Wermuth, who attended the ceremony. "This building will make us whole again."

Construction is expected to be done before Christmas. The senior center's two remaining buildings are expected to remain intact and to stay open throughout the construction process.

“We have been very excited for this day to come.”

Elsie Wermuth
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ROADWORK

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Fenton has a much smaller part, because most of the project is in Fenton Township. The project will widen the section of road between Bly and Butcher roads.

So far, barrels are laid out diverting traffic. Trees and branches have been removed from near the shoulder of North LeRoy, part of the southbound lane from Garnet to Bly Road has been removed and storm drain pipes have also been delivered.

Graham is on site to make sure the work is going according to plan, and to make adjustments when needed. Some changes she can make on the fly, others she must consult her boss. In any case, decisions are made to save time, money or both. "It all depends on how technical something gets," she said.

Around 11 a.m. Graham was supervising the delivery of dozens of concrete drain pipes, laid on the easement in front of the Transfiguration Lutheran Church.

Phase I of the four-phase project will widen the southbound lane, phase II is the center lane, and phase III is the

northbound lane — at least for now. Road construction is fluid, and can change if needed, said Graham.

As of now, the first three phases should be done by the end of July. The project budget is \$2.9 million, in state, county and some local city funds.

"So far they seem to be moving along pretty quickly," said Tri-City Trading Post owner Michelle Curtis, whose shop shares the parking lot with Sagebrush Cantina. Orange barrels now form a sometimes confusing barrier to her parking lot, and many other businesses at the very end of North LeRoy.

The current scene for businesses in this place may be a painful reminder of even more extensive construction from last year. "Hopefully it just continues at the same rate. Two years of construction is hard for businesses," said Curtis who added that it's too soon to tell if the construction has affected her business.



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A worker with Zito Construction Co. operates a machine that pounds the concrete of the southbound lane of North LeRoy Street to make removing the asphalt easier. This phase of the project has been going on for just over a week.



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GCRC Site Inspector Mary Graham looks through her phone as road work continues behind her. It's too soon to tell if the project is running on schedule overall.

News briefs

Holly High School 113th alumni banquet set

All graduates of Holly High School are invited to attend the 113th HHS Alumni Association Banquet scheduled for Saturday, June 1, at 5:30 p.m. at Holly High School. Dinner, entertainment and a business meeting will be included in the \$20 ticket. To reserve your spot, send check to Holly High School Alumni, c/o Betty Tinsman Messel, 1292 Thistleridge Drive, Holly, MI 48442 no later than May 21.

Fenton City waves goodbye to geese

In 2012, the city of Fenton hired Goosebusters of Holly to remove the geese that had taken up residence in the mill pond. A total of 71 geese were relocated, and Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Daniel Czarnecki said none were killed. On Monday, May 13, Fenton City Council approved another resolution to remove the geese for 2013. The city will pay a \$200 fee for the permit application, and additional costs depending upon how many geese are found, and removed. The process will take place in mid-June when the geese are molting, which makes the process easier as the geese are unable to fly.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

SOME REPORTERS ARE saying the Benghazi story is being pursued for political purposes but they don't explain that whistle-blower Gregory Hicks, the man in charge of the Libya Embassy after the Ambassador's death is a Democrat that voted for Obama and Clinton. How do they explain that? They ignore it.

■■■■
IRS SCANDAL ALERT. Evidence shows the IRS conducted 'investigations' targeting Tea Party, patriotic, other conservatives and Jewish organizations for liberal bureaucratic harassment. Obama denies any knowledge or

responsibility regarding these activities plus everything else happening in Washington. I wonder if he's actually working — maybe working on his golf game.

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IF YOUR CHILD lost a wallet at a garage sale in Holly on Thursday, May 9, please call (248) 634-0182 so that we can arrange to return it to you.

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Savvy sunscreening

► Everything you need to know
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By Olivia Dimmer

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With summer quickly approaching, many consumers will soon stock up on the essential outdoor lotion. There are thousands of sunscreens and lotions to choose from that contain a dazzling array of nearly unpronounceable chemicals and ingredients. Some of these ingredients are helpful, but some can be harmful according to the Environmental Working Group's (EWG) Skin Deep Sunscreen Guide.

The Guide lists about a dozen sunscreens that fall under a "Hall of Shame" category for including oxybenzone and retinyl palmitate, both of which have been linked to premature skin aging and cancer in government-funded tests using mice.

Retinyl palmitate is a form of Vitamin A that the Food and Drug Administration and National Toxicology Program have suggested may increase the risk of skin cancer when used on sun-exposed skin. Until research is proven, the EWG recommends avoiding these sunscreens.

The EWG warns against using high-SPF lotions that contain certain chemicals due to alleged health risks. In fact, the FDA debated disallowing companies to market their sunscreens above SPF 50, calling them "misleading to the consumer," citing an "absence of data demonstrating additional clinical benefit" (FDA 2011a).

The risk with marketing high SPF lotions is consumers often think that the SPF protects them more when it does not. Additionally, high SPF lotions are liable to cause skin irritations and allergies.

"There is no assurance that the specific values themselves are in fact truthful," according to the FDA in a 2007 report.

Lotions high in SPF contain larger

amounts of Oxybenzone and Avobenzone, which penetrate the skin in larger amounts and may cause hormone disruption.

To avoid chemicals, EWG recommends sunscreens like Alba Botanica and Burt's Bees.

In general, Kid's sunscreens are made with fewer harmful chemicals. Of EWG's sunscreen ratings, 72 percent of kids' sunscreens are fragrance-free, versus 54 percent of other sunscreens. Oxybenzone is used in 37 percent of kids sunscreens as opposed to 56 percent intended for the general public.

What matters are the ingredients — not the price on the bottle or who it is intended for.

With all the combating research published involving sunscreen and the affects on the body, it's better to be safe than sorry.



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Anyone enjoying the outdoors should apply sunscreen, as these two playing out at Seven Lakes State Park in Holly Township last July hopefully did.

Sunscreen tips

The best means of sun protection is a shirt and hat, but when there's no getting around exposure, follow these tips:

- **Use a sunscreen** lotion that does not contain oxybenzone or retinyl palmitate.
- **Avoid anything that** says "Sunblock." No product can completely block out the sun's rays.
- **Choose lotion over** spray for a more even coverage.
- **Make sure labels** list UVA or UVB (or broad spectrum protection).
- **Use a sunscreen** with a minimum SPF of 15 and a maximum of 50.
- **Apply an ounce** (a shot glass-sized amount) every two hours when in the sun.
- **Discard sunscreen that** is more than three years old or has been exposed to high temperatures.

Source: Mayo Clinic, Environmental Working Group Sunscreen Guide

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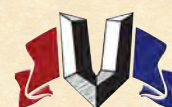
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Bike Technician Ryan Carter assists Eric Goldberg in checking out a \$1,200 Cannondale road bike on Monday. Goldberg already has a mountain bike, and is looking for a road bike.

BICYCLE

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bikers to those walking into a bicycle shop for the first time in their lives.

Even though we may never forget how to ride a bike, biking technology is always advancing, even if it may seem to do so in subtle ways. In the past five years there has been an increase in the amount of higher-end bikes designed for women. "Usually what had happened in the past was that if a woman was active in cycling they would have to ride a small men's frame," Coe said.

While an expensive option, other new bike technology options include hydraulic

disc brakes that are similar to what you would find in a car. "They have been out in the industry for a bit but are now starting to come under \$1,000," said Coe.

Health benefits

Why should you pick out a bike? Other than the fun of biking, there are also many health benefits associated with the activity.

- **Making bike rides** a regular habit is good for your heart, and can decrease the risk of coronary heart disease.
- **Get more physically fit** by toning your muscles in your lower body. Cycling is also easier on your joints than other physically demanding activities, making it easier to pick up for those who already have injuries.
- **If you are** trying to lose weight, bicycling can help you burn calories while having fun. Cycling is also been shown to increase your metabolism even after you are done riding.
- **Not only can** bicycling help you get healthy, it can help you stay healthy by strengthening your immune system.
- **Not only can** riding a bike make you physically healthier, it can make you mentally healthier as well. Getting outdoors, taking in the sun and being active can all help to promote a healthier mind.

Source: discovery.com



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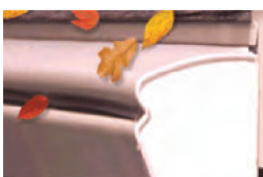
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David's Dabblings

So who stayed up Sunday night to watch Game #7 of the Red Wings' playoff series with the Anaheim Ducks?

It was well worth losing an hour or two of sleep for. For awhile, it looked like the Wings were going to win the game with some comfort, leading in the third period 3-1. But if Wings' fans have learned anything this playoff series, nothing comes terribly easy. A power-play goal late, cut the gap to 3-2 and gave the Ducks a chance to tie it. However, the defense held and the Ducks never really got off another good scoring chance, allowing the Wings to advance to the second round of the playoffs, starting their series against the Blackhawks tonight at 8 p.m.

I'll have to admit, this Wings' team has me kind of hooked right now. I think it's the fact that Detroit is actually an underdog going into the playoffs that has me paying attention. And now the Blackhawks are next? That's intriguing in itself.

The Division 1 softball postseason starts this week with regional action, and my alma mater is in the tourney. The Central Michigan Chippewas won the Mid-American Conference tourney title and will be at the Michigan regional. They are heavy underdogs, but I can't wait. I'll be watching the games on ESPN3. Fire up Chips!



Coffey tosses no-hitter vs. Montrose

PG **21**



DEVILS DRAW

Ninth-ranked Lake Fenton girls soccer ties Powers 1-1.

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Linden remains in Metro softball title chase

By Jordan Climie

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Lapeer — Linden softball coach Gordon Jamison saw some problems in his Eagles during both games against Flint Metro League opponent Lapeer West on Monday, but in the end, the victories were the only thing that mattered.

The first game was won 8-2 and the second was a 15-6 margin of victory.

"It keeps us in the hunt (in the league)," Jamison said. "If Swartz Creek stumbles, we wanted to do our best to keep pace."

The Dragons are currently at the top of the Metro League, so the Eagles will need some help to catch up. Winning against what Jamison called a good Lapeer

West team helped that.

"All we can do is worry about what we can do."

Molly Sherman pitched seven innings in both games, finding some trouble at the beginning of the nightcap while she battled an illness.

"She wasn't at her best but the defense behind her was good enough," Jamison said. "With as sluggish as our defense has been, thankfully we brought the bats."

In the first game of the evening, Sherman allowed two runs, one earned, on six hits and one walk. She struck out seven.

She had an 8-0 lead going into the bottom of the 7th, but loaded up the bases. A single by the Panthers drove in the first run, and another single drove in the next.

A pop out to foul territory would soon follow, however, and the Eagles escaped the scare.

Katie Conaway led the Eagles' offense in Game 1, going 1-for-3 with two RBI. Tori Davis was 3-for-4 with an RBI and Alyssa Logie went 2-for-4 with an RBI as well to aid in the effort.

In Game 2, the Panthers got out to an early 3-0 lead in the top of the first inning, although it was more on the defense behind the plate that caused that, as two passed balls by the Linden catcher brought in two of the runs for Lapeer West. She was replaced with a new catcher in the second inning.

In the bottom of the second inning, Linden's offense came alive.

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Linden's Molly Sherman collected both victories on the mound against Lapeer West on Monday.



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Lake Fenton's Kim Roe (left) tries to extend to make a catch among teammates Melody Draeger (front) and Taylor Sheyachich. Lake Fenton split a doubleheader with Goodrich on Monday.

LF needs help in GAC Red race, splits with Goodrich

By David Troppens

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Lake Fenton — Alexis Melton knew Goodrich hurler Hannah England well. She knew she was a good pitcher.

But when Melton got her pitch against England in the bottom of the seventh, she made sure she took advantage, ripping a home run beyond the left-field fence.

"It was an inside pitch," Melton said. "I know her from travel ball and I'm thinking she left it over the plate a little too much and I just cranked it. It was awesome. It was amazing."

What was nearly as amazing was the attempted comeback

the Blue Devils had against Goodrich. Lake Fenton trailed 8-0 entering the bottom of the seventh against the Martians, but scored seven runs and got the game-tying run to the plate before dropping an 8-7 verdict. The Blue Devils' bats were potent in the first game, resulting in a 10-1 victory, and a twinbill split between the teams.

The split means the Blue Devils trail Goodrich by one game in the GAC Red standings, and need to win out and hope Goodrich loses at least one of two games against Lakeville during Tuesday's two games to

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TRACK AND FIELD

► **Holly track at River Rat Invitation-al:** The Holly boys took second, while the girls placed sixth. Holly did best in the 300 hurdles. Sean Barr won the event (40.45), while Matt Porter (41.12) placed second. Barr placed second in the 110 hurdles (15.60). Other seconds for the Holly boys were posted by Vince Cantu in the 1,600 (4:34.86), Nate Frasier in the 3,200 (10:05.59), and the 400 relay team of Barr, Javon Barr, John Williams and Evan Papuga (44.43). Other individuals finishing with top-five performances for Holly were Dillon Lemond in the 3,200 (10:14.10); Dakota Thorington, third in the discus (145-6); Jarrod Schuermann, third in the long jump (18-10); and Nick Sammut, fourth in the long jump (18-5).

The Holly girls were paced by Maggie Schneider who placed second in the 3,200 run (11:55.36). Schneider also teamed with Kaitlyn Smith, Charlotte Ruffini and Korlyn Kesteloot to take second in the 3,200 relay (10:16.91). Two others earned individual top-five performances. They were Amy Derousha who placed third in the high jump (4-9), and Megan Piwowarski who placed fourth in the high jump (4-9).

► **Linden track at Williamston Invitational:** The Linden boys placed second, while the Linden girls placed third. The Eagles came home with three firsts. Nikki Sargent paced the girls by winning the shot put (43-7). She also placed third in the discus (99-0). For the boys, Connor O'Connell won the pole vault (13-0), while Kyle Susalla won the 400 (53.45). Other individuals earning top-three performances were: Graham Elliott, third in the 1,600 (4:35.92); Roger Phillips, second in the 3,200 (9:58.97); and Justin McKenzie, second in the pole vault (13-0). The Eagles had all four of its boys relays place second at the meet.

► **Fenton, Lake Fenton track at Cardinal Twilight Classic:** The Fenton girls placed 12th, while the Lake Fenton girls placed 16th. Lake Fenton's boys were 18th in their event.

Fenton's girls were paced by their 1,600 relay team of Mackenzie Figueroa, Ellen Sage, Emily Kinser and Emily Bemis, winning with a time of 4:19.37. Lake Fenton's girls also had a first. Sidney Scott took the top spot in the 300 hurdles (50.60). Others who placed individually in the top five for Lake Fenton were: Laura Carlson, fourth in the 1,600 (6:11.07); Megan Somers, fifth in the shot put (27-9); Jennifer Steyer and Sammie Hertler, tied for fifth in the pole vault (6-0).

The Lake Fenton boys were led by Sayer Scott who placed first in the 300 hurdles (41.56). Others individually placing in the top five were: Brad Wilson, fourth in the 100 (11.77); Matt Hommer, fifth in the 100 (11.82); and Nick Van Duser, fifth in the shot put (41-3).

LF soccer earns strong draw vs. Powers

By David Troppens

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Those wanting to find out exactly how good the ninth-ranked Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer team is, got a chance to find out on Saturday.

Competing against seventh-ranked Flint Powers, the Blue Devils (9-1-1) showed they are on par with the traditional state powers by earning a 1-1 draw against the Chargers.

"It was a hard-fought game with lots of action by both teams," Lake Fenton coach Lenny Glasstetter said. "This was an exciting game for the fans."

Both goals were scored in the first half. Powers (5-4-1) scored when Andrea Glubzinski attacked the left side and took a shot from about 15 yards out, nailing the back right corner of the net. Powers led 1-0 about 17 minutes into the contest.

However, with about seven minutes left in the first half, the Blue Devils responded. Jordan Newman sent a pass to Denise Carlson, who was running down the left side. The pass made it through two Powers defenders and Carlson

scored from about five yards out, deadlocking the game at 1-all.

In the second half, the game's tempo gave both teams some chances to score, but neither was able to. Powers enjoyed a slight 7-6 shots edge in the contest.

"The second half featured a lot of ball movement," Glasstetter said. "The midfielders were playing a tough physical game, with plenty of passing."

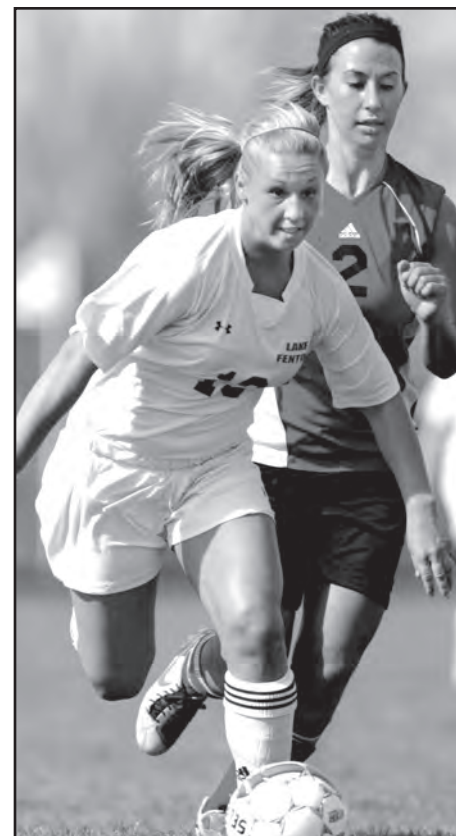
GAC Tournament

Lake Fenton 8, Mt. Morris 0

The Blue Devils (10-1-1) began GAC tourney play by earning the win in one half. Jordan Newman had four goals, while Victoria Hegbloom, Alyssa Krueger, Sidney Scott and Melissa Williams had a goal each. Scott and Denise Carlson had two assists each, while Krueger and Miranda Quick had an assist each. Missy Eggleston earned the shutout in net.

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Lake Fenton's Jordan Newman (front) scored four goals in the Blue Devils' 8-0 victory against Mt. Morris on Monday.



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earn at least a share of the title.

"We were looking to win both games, but it's out of our hands now," Melton said. "We are not going to stop playing though. The conference race is not over. We have been fighting for this and will keep on fighting."

The Blue Devils showed incredible fight against England in the seventh. Until the seventh, Lake Fenton had just one hit, but Shelby Beckman opened the inning with a single and Kayla Ward followed with a double. Melton's home run came next, cutting the gap to 8-3. Melody Draeger and Taylor Sheyachich followed with singles and Patricia Whittaker reached base on an error, plating Draeger. The lead was 8-4. With two out, Kim Roe hit a three-run home run, cutting the gap to 8-7, but Beckman grounded out to end the game.

Goodrich struggled against Roe's pitching in the first game, but started getting to her in the second contest. Some Lake Fenton errors helped as well. Goodrich scored three runs off just one hit in the first. The Martians added four more in the fourth off of just three hits. They added one more in the sixth, establishing the lead.

"They had things going right off the bat and we ended up having five defensive errors and that cost us in the end," Lake Fenton coach Amos Rinks said.

"We need to be a little more consistent

from one game to the next. We need to be able to explode on a pitcher like this."

Lake Fenton broke open the first game with a six-run second. Singles by Sheyachich (two of them), Sydney Sheyachich, Whittaker, Roe, Ward and Draeger sparked the rally.

The Blue Devils (9-3, 18-7) added another run in the third on a single by Autumn Beardsley, a double by Roe and an RBI-single by Ward.

In the Lake Fenton sixth, Beckman sin-

gled and scored on Melton's triple. Taylor Sheyachich and Whittaker followed with RBI-singles.

On the mound, Roe was masterful, allowing just two hits and one walk, while striking out 15 batters. She struck out 27 in the two games.

"We've lost seven ball games by seven runs," Rinks said. "But we showed a lot of heart. It was an 8-0 game and they came back and exploded."



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Tigers, Eagles win weekend tourney titles

By David Troppens

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Two area rivals came home from weekend tournaments with championships on Saturday.

The Linden varsity softball team won the Mt. Morris tournament, while the Fenton girls earned a co-title at the Kearsley Invitational, due to the final game not being able to be played due to darkness.

Linden opened the Mt. Morris event by beating Millington 7-5 in the first game and Flint Southwestern 14-4 in the second game. The Eagles capped their title with a 9-0 victory against Sault Ste. Marie.

The Fenton girls defeated Alpena 8-4 and then Imlay City 2-1 in eight innings in pool action. In the semifinals, Fenton beat Grand Blanc 1-0. The Tigers were forced to share the tourney championship with Bullock Creek, the other semifinal victor.

In the 2-1 semifinal victory, the Tigers trailed 1-0 after Grand Blanc's Samantha Handa hit an RBI-single, but Fenton responded with a run in the bottom of the first inning. Ellie Cowger tripled and Marina Cleis followed with an RBI-single. Fenton got the winning run in the fourth inning when Rachel Siekierski doubled, was sacrificed to third by Sarah Halstead and scored on a botched pickoff throw attempt. Cowger allowed only two hits on the mound, striking out five in what was a five-inning time-limit contest.

In the quarterfinal, Fenton's Emma Brant hit an RBI-single in the bottom of the eighth inning, scoring Katey Cairnduff. The Tigers' defense was dominant. Cleis turned a double play in one inning when Imlay City had the bases loaded, while Regina Siekierski threw out two Imlay City base runners. Paige Dean earned the complete-game vic-



Fenton's Sarah Halstead makes contact with a pitch. Fenton earned a co-tournament title at the Kearsley Invitational.

tory, allowing nine hits.

In the opener, Fenton had 11 hits, led by Rachel Siekierski's three hits and three RBI. Cleis had two hits. Cowger was the winning pitcher on the mound, allowing five hits and striking out seven. She walked none.

Linden won its title game behind four-hit pitching by Molly Sherman in the title

game. She struck out seven. Sherman also led the offense, going 4-for-4 with six RBI. Brianne Senter and Savannah Weaver each had three hits, with each providing a home run. Maija Satkowiak collected two hits.

In the team's second game, Linden took advantage of 10 Southwestern walks and four hit batters to earn the victory. Senter, Weaver, Sherman, and Tori Davis each walked twice. On the mound, Alexa Marsh went the entire five innings, earning the win.

In Linden's opener, Senter had three hits, including a home run in the sixth inning, to lead Linden to the victory. Sherman went the distance on the mound, allowing seven hits and just two earned runs in six innings. She struck out seven.

Lake Fenton at Hemlock Invitational

The Blue Devils had troubles in the seventh inning during the games at the tourney, resulting in a 1-2 record.

Against Pinconning, Lake Fenton surrendered three hits in the top of the seventh, losing 3-2. Against Saginaw Valley Lutheran, the Blue Devils allowed three runs in the bottom of the seventh, losing 4-3. Against Swan Valley, Lake Fenton scored 10 runs in the first inning and cruised to the 10-3 win in six innings.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

BASEBALL

► **Holly 6-4, Kearsley 5-3:** The Bronchos (7-6, 12-9) swept both games. Brent Smiles had four hits, including a pair of two-run home runs, and a double. He drove in four runs. Justis Kerner had four hits as well, scoring twice and walking once. In the opening game, Drew Eggleston got the win. In the second game, Joel Perry earned the victory.

► **Linden 3-10, Lapeer West 7-3:** Mitchell Ryan allowed just five hits in the second game, leading the Eagles (8-6, 15-8) to the split. Offensively, Trent Marks had three hits, while Mitchell Ryan and Brady Sarkon had two hits each. Ryan had three RBI, while Marks and Marsheal Ryan had two RBI. In the first game, the Eagles led 3-1 until Lapeer West scored six in the sixth. Austin Buerkel, Cameron Cook and Jacob Dunleavy had Linden's only three hits.

► **Lake Fenton at Panther Prep Classic:** The Blue Devils lost to Almont 9-3 and beat Mt. Morris 8-4. In the win against Mt. Morris, Neil Allor, Wyatt Wilson, Tyler Begley, Tyler Donnelly and Jared Smith each had two hits. Robbie Alexander tossed the complete-game victory, allowing eight hits and striking out three. In the first game, Lake Fenton managed just four hits. Alexander had two hits and Begley had two RBI.

► **Lake Fenton 13-7, Lakeville 6-4:** The Blue Devils had 14 hits in the opener, scoring four runs in the second and fifth innings. Neil Allor had three hits, three RBI and three runs scored, while Cody Alexander had three hits and to runs scored. Robbie Alexander had two hits and three RBI, while Wyatt Wilson had two doubles and three RBI. Jared Smith got the win, striking out two.

In the second game, the Blue Devils scored five runs in the fifth inning, the last inning of the game due to darkness, and won the contest. Cody Alexander was the winning pitcher and also had two hits and two RBI. Wilson had a hit and two RBI.

► **Goodrich 7-13, Lake Fenton 0-9:** The Blue Devils trailed 12-0 in the second game, but made a solid comeback before falling short. Tyler Begley, Joe Boughner and Cody Alexander had two hits each, while Begley and Stryker DeGayner had two RBI each.

In the first game, Alexander, Wyatt Wilson, Tyler Smith and Boughner had a hit each.

► **Linden JV 3-7, Lapeer West JV 3-1:** The Eagles (16-1-1) tied the first game after eight innings. Bailey Davis and Jake Marshall had two hits each, while Tim Sines struck out nine West hitters, going the distance on the mound. In the second game, Marshall and Petts had two hits each, while Marshall earned the victory, striking out five and allowing just four hits.

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► **Lake Fenton at St. Johns Invitational:** The Blue Devils took the tourney title with a team score of 317, eight shots better than second-place East Lansing. John Growney led the Blue Devils and the entire field by earning match medalist honors. He shot an 18-hole score of 77. Merrick George and Alex Lindbloom each carded an 80.

► **Holly 179, Brandon 188:** Sam Johnson and Parker Rowse led the Bronchos with 44s at Heather Highlands. William Moller carded a 45, while Kyle Pepper had a 46.

► **Linden 166, Lapeer East 181:** At Metamora Golf and Country Club, Zack Sutika carded a 39, leading the Eagles to victory. Alec Bond had a 40, while Devon Cota carded a 43. Dylan Elmer had a 44.

► **Fenton at the Milford Invitational:** The Tigers placed 19th with a team score of 337. John Lloyd led the Tigers with an 82.

► **Linden at the Halsett Invitational:** The Eagles placed seventh with a team score of 328 at Forest Acres East Golf Course. Alec Bond led Linden with a 79, while Dylan Elmer carded an 80. Zach Sutika had an 83, while Devon Cota carded an 86.

SOFTBALL

► **Fenton 10-9, Clio 1-12:** The Tigers got three hits from Dorian Carpenter, Katey Cairnduff and Marina Cleis, leading Fenton to the first-game win. One of Carpenter's hits was a home run. Paige Dean earned the win, allowing five hits and striking out six. In the nightcap, Clio scored three times in the fifth and sixth innings to take the lead for good, resulting in the DH split.

SOCCER

► **Fenton 5, Kearsley 0:** The Tigers remained undefeated in the Metro with the win, recording five different goal scorers in the contest. They were Allison Cialkowszewski, Cholee Foor, Katie Delavergne, Baylee Adams and Mary Geib. Brennan Sullivan and Bri Costigan had two assists each, while Foor had one.

► **Linden 7, Brandon 0:** Sarah Ford and Kelsey Brecht had two goals each, leading the Eagles to the win. Samantha Thornton, Katie Wilkowski and Jessie Magalski had goals as well. Wilkowski had two assists, while Magalski, Ford and Karrah Varner had assists. In the JV game Madison Maxheimer scored three times, leading the Eagles to a 4-0 win.

GIRLS TENNIS

► **Fenton 7, Flushing 1:** The Tigers won all four singles flight matches, sparking the victory. The singles winners were Madison Ballard (No. 1), Allison Peters (No. 2), Allison Strayer (No. 3) and Josie Foguth (No. 4). In doubles action, Fenton's victors were Lilly DuBois and Emily McIntosh (No. 1), Ashley Bearden and Hannah Horton (No. 2), and Sylee Kiran and Katie Kurycz (No. 4).

Coffey tosses no-hitter at Hourigan Invitational

► Fenton Tigers edged by Powers in title game

By David Troppens

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What had been the Wood Bat Classic has now been changed in honor of Fenton's Jesse Hourigan, who lost his battle with leukemia in March.

A year ago he threw the opening pitch to the tourney. This season, it was played in his memory for the first time.

Powers came out of the tourney as the champions, defeating the Fenton Tigers 3-2 in the finals of the Jesse Hourigan Invitational.

Powers scored a single run in the first inning, on a bases loaded walk, and single runs in the third and fourth to earn the win.

The Tigers tied it up in the first when Connor Davidson doubled and eventually scored on an RBI-ground out by Parker Cislo.

Trailing 3-1 in the seventh, the Tigers put together a rally. Davidson walked and Zack Kostka reached base on a fielder's choice play that got neither runner out.



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Fenton's Sam Coffey pitched a no-hitter against Montrose in the Jesse Hourigan Invitational on Saturday.

Davidson scored on a Cislo RBI-ground out, cutting the gap to 3-2 with the game-tying run at second. However, a strike out and a ground out ended the game.

"We had some opportunities," Fenton coach Chad Logan said. "We weren't able

to get the one big hit."

In Fenton's opener, the Tigers' Sam Coffey tossed a seven-inning no-hitter, leading the Tigers to a 9-0 victory against Montrose. He walked four and struck out 12, leading the Tigers to victory. It also was his 18th birthday.

"He just located his fastball really well," Logan said.

Kostka led the Tigers' offense with three hits, including a triple. Davidson and Dylan Benson had two hits each.

Linden lost to Powers in its opening-round game 7-4, but bounced back to beat Montrose 4-3 in the consolation finals.

Offensively, Austin Buerkel, Brady Sarkon and Jacob Dunleavy led the Eagles' offense against Powers, collecting two hits each. Buerkel drove in two runs, while Mitch Juhl and Mitchell Ryan had an RBI each.

Dunleavy got the win in the second game. He tossed 6 2/3 innings, allowing six hits and striking out two. Bryce Benedict got the last out and earned the save.

Trent Marks and Sarkon had two hits each to lead the offense.

LINDEN

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With a runner on, Sherman helped her own cause by drilling a no-doubter over the left field fence to bring the score to 3-2 in favor of the Panthers.

Two batters later, after another runner was on, Logie joined in the fun with a home run to right-center that gave Linden the 4-3 lead that was never relinquished, adding another run in a fielder's choice on a hit by Kayla Cavanaugh.

In the next frame, Linden added six

more runs to bring their lead to 11-3, four of those runs coming before the Eagles had one out.

When Lapeer West scored in the top of the fourth inning, in the bottom half of the frame Linden came right back with a two-run single from Sydney Jacques that extended its lead 13-4.

With two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, Sherman was able to keep her composure to get the final three outs and secure the big win for the Eagles.

Sherman struck out 11 in Game 2, al-

lowing six runs, two earned, on nine hits and one walk.

Offensively, Logie was the star of the second game, going 4-for-4 with 4 RBIs and four runs. Both Jacques and Sherman went 2-for-4 with two RBI, and Davis went 2-for-2 with an RBI and four runs scored.

Linden (15-3) returns to action Wednesday against Burton Bendle in a double-header. They will face Fenton in a double-header on Monday to close out their Flint Metro League schedule.

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In the win against Swan Valley, Kim Roe and Taylor Sheyachich had two hits and two RBI each, while Alexis Melton drove in three runs. Roe was the winning pitcher, striking out 10.

Roe was pitching a no-hitter until the seventh against Pinconning. Lake Fenton led 2-0 entering the seventh. Roe scored in the first on a Melton RBI-ground out. Roe then drove in Sheyachich with an RBI-single in the fifth. However, with one out in the seventh, Pinconning strung together four hits in five at bats, resulting in a three-run inning.

Against Saginaw Valley Lutheran, Lake Fenton took a 3-1 lead in the top of the seventh, only to watch Saginaw Valley score three runs in the bottom of the seventh. Roe and Shelby Beckman led the Blue Devils with three hits each.

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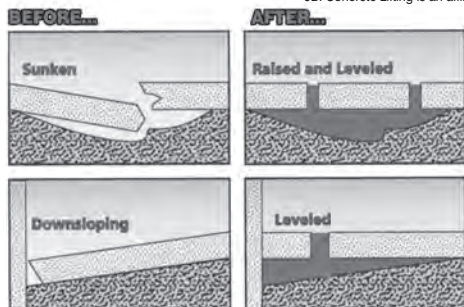
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Organizers with the Linden Mills Days are looking to bring bigger attractions to downtown Linden this year. A proposed entertainment tent was the biggest point of contention for city officials. Pictured is the carnival from the 2012 event.

OPPOSES

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Despite having met regularly with city officials since January, board members, Mayor David Lossing, City Manager Paul Zelenak and Police Chief Scott Sutter were unaware of most of the events planned for the festival. City officials became concerned when Roesner and fellow organizers Amanda Braithwaite and Terry Wright requested to serve alcohol in an entertainment tent for the event.

"I would not encourage serving drinks out on the street," said Councilor Ray Culbert, who audibly bemoaned Braithwaite as she requested the council consider the entertainment tent. "My concern is security. My concern is noise and crowd control."

Organizers proposed placing the tent on Bridge and Broad streets to East Street, in front of the Linden Hotel. A country singing competition is in the works for the festival and it would be held in the entertainment

tent. Braithwaite said the event could draw thousands of people downtown and that organizers have roughly \$12,000 allocated for radio commercials.

"We're expecting a lot of people, so we would like you to bear with us," Braithwaite said.

The Skerbeck Bros. Carnival, fireworks show, triathlon and 'kid zone' downtown are some of the events planned for Linden Mills Days, extending beyond the country singing competition.

But city officials were adamant about potential safety and noise issues with the entertainment tent. Councilor Ed Ciesielski called the presented plans 'sketchy at best' and compared the problems to that of the Summer Happening festival.

In 2011, Linden city officials endorsed Linden Mills Days after the Summer Happening festival pulled out of the city limits. Controversy over the use of an entertain-

ment tent was a major factor for organizer Brian Carr, who relocated the festival to the grounds of Linden Community Schools last year. According to the Summer Happening Facebook page, the Summer Happening will not be held this year.

Sutter said safety for the entertainment tent would be up to the organizers and not the city. When Braithwaite asked Sutter for guidelines on what criteria they would need to submit to him for security detail, Sutter responded, "I'm not going to do your work for you."

"There isn't a guideline, you're going to have to come up with it and ask around," Sutter said. "I'm just concerned about people going out into the streets afterward and something happening."

Wright said an entertainment tent could give organizers the opportunity to monitor those drinking alcohol and would generate revenue for the organizers. The city of Linden, who had contributed funds to

the event in the past, is not contributing funds this year.

"There was a time when there was no beer tent. What the problem was, people were wandering all over the place drinking," Wright said. "The beer tent has always been a problem, but the problem with the beer tent is they do need some revenue in order to ground the event. It takes money to do this, it is a tough sell."

Lossing moved to have city officials and organizers work on the entertainment tent separately from the event.

"I'm not opposed to a beer tent in the street to be honest, but I don't want this done at the last minute," Lossing said. "I want to make sure everybody is covered, the residents, the city, your organization so we could have a great event next month."

The city council and organizers are expected to speak further on plans for Linden Mills Days in June at a city council meeting.

“We’re expecting a lot of people, so we would like you to bear with us.”

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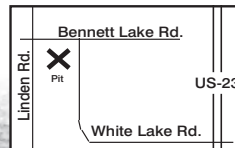


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