Police respond to ‘running at large’ dog complaints on a regular basis

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It’s no surprise that people have concerns about aggressive dogs, which brings us to wonder just what the rules are in Fenton, when it comes to the ownership of dogs.

Distrust of certain “dangerous” breeds brings about talk of breed specific legislation, where certain breeds would be banned from ownership. Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said, “There are no ordinances restricting any particular breed of dog in Fenton.” However, anyone who has tried to rent an apartment or home may have run into this type of rule, when some places don’t allow dogs. See RULES on 7

ALS challenge — better late than never

Tomek-Eastern Elementary Principal Brett Young is doused with icy water before the entire student body by Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) President Amy Scott on Thursday — a long overdue answer to her ALS challenge to him.

Fenton Township family proud of three sons serving in the military

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Ann Hasenfratz of Fenton Township thought she and her husband, Keith, had enough to worry about when their eldest of four sons, Andrew, joined the Army at age 18 after graduating from Lake Fenton High School. Not only was his unit, the 82nd Airborne, deployed to Korea, the Philippines and Haiti for a humanitarian

See SONS on 8

Don’t get stung by ‘Tiger Fever’

Baseball fans cautioned about bogus playoff tickets

The Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving eastern Michigan is warning fans to beware of potential scams by fake ticket sellers seeking to cash in on the Detroit Tigers’ success.

See FANS on 5
Register to vote by Monday

Absentee Voter ballots can be requested up to the Monday before Nov. 4 General Election

By Tim Jagielo
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Register now if you want to help choose the next governor of Michigan, and your local house representative.

Go to michigan.gov/vote to check and see if you’re registered. You can register at your Secretary of State, or your county or local clerk’s office.

The same website has a “find your clerk” tab to the left to find exactly where you register.

If you are eligible for an Absentee Voter ballot (see sidebar) you can request one from the local clerk’s office, up to the Monday before the election, in this case, Monday, Nov. 3.

To be eligible to vote absentee, are you —

• Age 60 years old or older?
• Unable to vote without assistance at the polls?
• Expecting to be out of town on election day?
• In jail awaiting arraignment or trial?
• Unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons?
• Appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence?

Source: michigan.gov

So far Linden Clerk Lynn Henry said they have 363 Absentee Voter ballots out. Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller said they’ve received 366 Absentee Voter ballots. Fenton has received 193 of the 235 requested, and Fenton Township hasn’t had requests yet.

Lizard Lick fans wait two hours for autograph

Bridge Street Exchange draws thousands of reality show fans

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Linden — Saturday was a busy day in downtown Linden. As early as 9:30 a.m. there were people lined up outside Bridge Street Exchange on North Bridge Street. Why? They were waiting for the arrival of Amy and Ronnie Shirley of Lizard Lick Towing & Recovery.

Fans of reality TV may have heard of them. Plenty of people were excited to see them come to the area to launch their new jewelry line, Lick Life, which they are releasing with Kevin Begola’s Titanium Buzz jewelry company. Begola is the owner of Bridge Street Exchange.

Begola said more than 1,000 people showed up to meet Amy and Ronnie Shirley, get their autographs, and even pose for pictures with them. They offered special Lizard Lick T-shirts, commemorating the event.

Begola said, “We expected a good turnout, and I think we got that.”

Reports came in saying at times people were lined up around the block. Begola said there was an average two-hour wait time to get in. “Overall it was a huge success,” he said. “Seems like everyone had a good time.”

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Features and News

Real skills, real college credit

Genesee Career Institute has 12 program areas

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton High School senior Justin Knierien, 17, (center) works with Dylan Richards (right) of Bendle High School, and Tyler Springer of Carman-Ainsworth High School on Monday. These Discovery Engineering II students are programming the LED lights on the microprocessor with the laptop and computer program. Knierien said the program encouraged him to pursue engineering.

Mundy Twp. — While the cosmetology students are working on corn rows, outside the extension building, a store bought whole chicken rots in a cage, with the smells that go along with it. Forensic science students will observe the decomposition, and measure the size of the maggots to learn how to ascertain how long the body has been sitting out.

These classes are two of between 15 and 30 happening at any given time at the Genesee Career Institute (GCI), formerly known as Genesea Area Skill Center.

Of course there’s engineering, video-production and a bevy of healthcare related classes happening as well, for 94 a day in total.

The institute is a part-time home to approximately 1,360 students, with 99 from Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS), 88 from Linden Community Schools (LCS) and 44 from Lake Fenton Community Schools (LFTC).

Last year, the Genesea Area Skill Center (GASC) went through major changes. Flint Community Schools, which operated “skill center,” sold it to the Genesea Intermediate School District (GISD) for $2.5 million, which changed the name to Genesea Career Institute for the 2014-15 school year.

GISD spokesperson Jerry Johnson said the institute is also pushing for more deliberate accountability from students, and putting emphasis on career and college readiness. “We’re trying to convey that in a career and technical area,” said Johnson.

The GCI is free to all students attending Genesea County schools. Should a student from Holly Area Schools (HAS), or Hartland Consolidated Schools want to attend GCI, the cost to the district is $750 per term.

The process of attending GCI actually begins soon — a representative will visit local schools to talk to sophomores, and arrange tours of two programs at the school. Students will shadow each class for 30 minutes.

Should the student want to attend one of the courses, they’ll turn an application in to their high school counselor, who will help determine if the class is appropriate.

Haley Einfeldt, a 16-year-old senior at Fenton High School, works on corn rows in Basic Cosmetology. She wants to be able to do hair out of high school.

Think varicose veins are just a cosmetic issue?

Think again!

Varicose veins are a sign of vein (venous) disease.

Symptoms may include pain, swelling, restlessness, burning, itching, fatigue of the legs as well as skin damage. Learn more about vein disease at www.flintveins.com
Obama’s new racial reality, still divided

Whatever happened to “Obamamania”? Recent polls suggest that race relations have gotten worse since President Barack Obama’s 2008 election — or, at least, that more of us Americans think they have.

It didn’t help anybody’s feeling of sunny delight that the two latest polls were conducted in the wake of racial unrest in Ferguson, Missouri. Either way, the polls add fuel to the conservative portrayal of Obama as more of a divider than a uniter.

For example, only 6 percent of voters in battleground election states this fall say race relations have improved under the first African-American president, according to a Politico poll.

Almost half — 47 percent — of both white and African-American voters said race relations were about the same. Similarly, white respondents who thought blacks and whites got along well, increased 3 percentage points from 2007 to 2009 to 80 percent, but fell 5 percentage points from 2009 to 2014.

The possibility of a positive answer to that question fueled much of the euphoria surrounding Obama’s election. But the Ferguson riots and other racial eruptions during Obama’s terms reveal the limits that any single person, even one with Obama’s eloquence, can do to heal the nation’s historic racial divide.

The president’s My Brother’s Keeper program, aimed mostly at connecting young black males to mentoring and support networks, is a worthwhile effort to join government help with conservative self-help values. But the urgency of such hot-button issues as crime and allegations of police misconduct continue to drive wedges between the races.

A lot of voters may have had it in their heads that Obama’s election would heal our racial divide and inaugurate a “post-racial” America. Instead it has only revealed our racial divide to be deeper than many, perhaps even Obama, thought it was. That’s the new reality.

Eric Holder decided to resign his position as Attorney General of the U.S. He has been not only incompetent, but the most political and racial divider we have had in that capacity.

When no one is in the 10- or less lane and you get in it, before you know it there’s three or more people behind you and you’re waiting with items in their arms. Some of them are senior citizens. Read the signs.

This is for the thoughtless punks that destroyed the anti-deer fence around an 84-year old man’s garden. I am sure it gave you a feeling of great pride and accomplishment.

At one time was Fenton going to build a path for walking or a bike path where the stop sign is on North Road?

Mr. Obama, Latte salute. Really? I have returned thousands of salutes and have never disregaced the soldiers, sailors and air persons like he did.

Who’s idea was it to cut down the trees downtown by the Thel Laundry? Those trees were a beautiful and historic part of Fenton. Now that area looks empty. Sickens me.

Don’t you see what is happening? The 1 percent wants you to fight across party lines. The more you fight, the more they can influence congress and make more money. I say, let’s fight them together. Start by voting out all incumbents this fall.

It is bad enough when the tornado took out so many trees downtown, years ago, but that was an act of God. The removal of so many beautiful mature trees as part of the Streetscape Project is just terrible.

Citizens, stand your ground against any pipelines coming through our backyards. Keep the politicians honest and on board or vote them out. Know your rights.

Just drove home from Chicago. We stopped counting how many stupid windmill fans we saw on both sides of I-96. We drove endlessly looking for a pole. What a shame. What a waste.

If that bridge was well made in Detroit a garbage truck wouldn’t have pulled it down. It would have wrecked the truck, not the bridge. There’s a lot of sloppy work.

The Hot Lines about the article about the bees said the ground bees are not aggressive. I don’t know where they got that one.

When I read the Hot Lines and someone is complaining about Obama, I just skip over it. You voted for him, so just shut up.

Having read the article about new businesses, I think it was an error to list the church. They are not a business. They don’t pay taxes. In fact, any time the church takes over property we lose taxes.

One new business you missed coming into town was The Barn that just opened up.

See Hot Line throughout Times

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Use mercenaries to fight ISIS?

On his Fox News show Monday night, Bill O’Reilly suggested using mercenaries to fight the Islamic State (ISIS) instead of U.S. ground forces, which President Obama has repeatedly vowed not to deploy.

Under O’Reilly’s scenario, mercenaries would be well paid and live under American rules of war and the Geneva Convention.

They would solve a political problem for President Obama and his liberal base that wishes not to be a part of any Mideast conflict and, more importantly, it might be more effective in achieving the president’s goal of “degrading and destroying” ISIS far more than airstrikes as they do.

Daniel Trombly and Yasir Abbas are analysts with Carus Associates, a research and strategy firm based in Washington.

In an article for The Daily Beast, they get to the heart of what’s wrong with a bombing-only strategy.

The more familiar but difficult medium- to long-term task of degrading ISIS will take well-disciplined, organized ground forces to push our ISIS guerrillas entrenched among population centers where airpower cannot remove them. Strategically, airpower will play a supporting role to efforts to organize and coordinate ISIS’s rivals on the ground to take territory permanently and contain it as a regional threat.

Even as ISIS’s rapid offensive gains have proved limited and vulnerable to modern air attack, the group’s capabilities as a defensive and clandestine guerrilla force — and its decentralized military structure — will deny foreign airpower a rapid or comprehensive victory in the long-term effort for its defeat.

When American leaders stop trying to turn the motivations of fanatics into something other than what they are, only then will we start treating this war for what it is. All of the non-sequiturs about Islam as a peaceful religion that has been ‘hijacked’ by extremists is meaningless if members of the ‘peaceful religion’ don’t rise up and defeat those fanatics they claim have misrepresented their faith.

Either way, if Western civilization and its values of tolerance, freedom and religious pluralism are to survive, we have to make sure that ISIS does not. There can be no coexistence between good and evil. If good doesn’t triumph, evil will.

Have you or a family member ever been bitten by a dog?

“A family member’s dog bit my son Timothy and his dad James.”

— Heather Baxk
Holly
Linden

“I don’t remember it, but I remember the aftermath of having to get a shot.”

— Rhoda Kaye
Linden

“When I was a little kid, we were playing with my aunt’s terrier. He wasn’t used to kids and jumped at my face.”

— Loretta Niclae
Holly Township

“I was bitten by my mother-in-law’s Pomeranian two years ago. I’d forgotten about it until now.”

— Linda Yax
Fenton

“My wife and I were at our friend’s house, and the dog nipped her. We haven’t been back.”

— Richard Steinhoff
Fenton Township

“I was trying to take my German shepherd out of the crate to go to the vet. I reached in and she bit my finger.”

— Winn Britain
Tucson, Arizona

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Paralyzed by Loretta’s submissions, for my son Timothy and his
Tyrone Township to host public information meetings

Residents will learn more about assessment renewal to pay for public safety

Tyrone Township will host two public information meetings to review the details of the proposed ballot initiative for renewal of the special assessment for public safety and allow voters to ask questions regarding the proposal. The open meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on Oct. 6 and Oct. 9 in the student center of the Rock Church located at 11400 Linden Rd., at Bennett Lake Road in Tyrone Township.

The current special assessment expires on March 31, 2016. In order to continue to provide fire and police services, the special assessment will need to be renewed.

The Tyrone Township Board is asking the voters to approve a renewal of the Public Safety Special Assessment for a period of six years, covering services beginning April 1, 2017, and continuing through and including March 31, 2022.

The first year of the assessment would generate estimated revenues of $684,880.

Proposed ballot question

 Shall a special assessment district be created, encompassing all of Tyrone Township, for purposes of purchasing public safety services and general operations for fire protection, and annually assessing each parcel of land as follows:

- Vacant parcels, $65.
- Parcels with residential structures, $175.
- All other parcels, $300.

- If these parcels containing structures or manufactured homes with multiple units, an additional sum of $20 per unit will be assessed.

During the term of this assessment, the assessment may be increased in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the original assessment or decreased by an amount deemed appropriate by the Tyrone Township Board of Trustees.

The Internet has become the arena of sports fans looking to take advantage of sports fans by becoming a breeding ground for scammers selling tickets, but unfortunately, it also has become a haven for BBB complaints by consumers nationwide.

FANS

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Sports fans can get scammed buying tickets from individuals outside the stadium, on the street or through online auctions, classified ads and bulletin boards. Sports fans can get burned by purchasing counterfeit tickets or paying for in advance for tickets that never arrive.

The secondary market for sporting and entertainment tickets is estimated at more than $10 billion a year. It includes tickets bought and sold by professional brokers as well as those purchased and resold by speculators and season ticket holders. Tickets purchased for sports and entertainment events are the source of hundreds of BBB complaints by consumers nationwide.

The BBB database of BBB Business Reviews includes reputable, secondary market ticket firms that provide buyer protections, including money-back guarantees if tickets are fake. Local BBB Accredited ticket services can be found here. Fans can also purchase tickets directly here.

The BBB offers the following advice for fans seeking tickets:

- Be careful buying tickets from someone on the street. When you get to the gate and find out your tickets aren’t real, the seller will be long gone.

- Before buying from an online ticket broker, see if there is a BBB seal on its website by clicking on it to make sure it is real. BBB’s dynamic seal will take you directly to the BBB Business Review on the company, where you can read about the company’s record for responding to complaints.

- Make sure the website has a secure payment processing system, usually denoted by “https://” at the start of its website address or URL, or a small closed lock icon at the bottom of the screen.

- If you buy tickets through an online auction site, choose a seller with a long history of satisfied customers. Scammers can hijack old accounts, so make sure the seller has recently sold other tickets.

- Ticket buyers also should be wary of sellers who try to lure buyers from a legitimate site to another site for a “private” transaction. Scammers often want to conduct their business on sites with names that mimic well-known companies but actually are fakes.

- If you are buying tickets through an online classified ad site, never pay the seller by wire transfer. You will have no way to get your money back if the tickets do not arrive or are counterfeit.

- Know the difference between a ticket broker (legitimate and accredited reseller) and a ticket scalper (unregulated unlicensed ticket seller).

- Check the ticket broker’s refund policy. Only buy from a ticket reseller that provides clear details about the terms of the transaction.

- Check the seats out ahead of time. Always ask for section, row and seat number to avoid obstructed view seats or seats that do not exist. Also, feel free to ask questions to make certain you get all the answers you need to feel comfortable with your ticket purchase.

- If you believe you have purchased a counterfeit ticket, immediately report it to the National Association of Ticket Brokers (NATB) hotline at 630-510-4594 and file a complaint with BBB at www.bbb.org/detroit.

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City drops $700,000 into local roads

Construction adds to the normal end-of-day congestion at State Road Elementary in Fenton on Monday. The city saved for approximately five years for the $700,000 to replace and rehabilitate local streets, which are not eligible for federal funds. Outer and Vassar drives, along with Plateau and Summit streets were totally replaced, while other streets like Silver Parkway, South Holly Road and others, underwent replace and rehabilitate local streets, which are not eligible for federal funds. Outer in Fenton on Monday. The city saved for approximately

HOT LINE CONTINUED
FOR THE COMMENT about junk in the trunk not looking good in yoga pants, junk in the trunk is in. To each their own, not everyone is anorexic, go starve yourself.

IT IS TIME to quit trying to convince Obama’s supporters what an incompetent loser their boy is. You cannot fix stupid, you can only hope they don’t vote next time.

YOU DEMS SHOULD be happy that the Republicans started the Civil War. Without it, Obama wouldn’t have gotten the chance to be the incompetent president he is.

I LIVE ON Fifth St. Junkyard saws, and junkyard dogs, every Saturday morning. Didn’t realize I was living in a business district.

I RETIRED OVER 20 years ago and was happy to sleep in every morning. The last few years I have been waking up at 6 am to go to church and the store. I blame it on climate warming.

MICHIGAN VOTES
WHAT YOUR LEGISLATORS VOTED ON RECENTLY

MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This is the Sept. 19 MICH News Weekly Legislative Roll Call Report.

Senate Bill 730: Mandate restaurant manager food allergy training
To mandate that restaurants must post a window sticker or notice on the menu that customers have an obligation to inform the server about any food allergies. The bill would also mandate that restaurants train at least one manager who has received training or viewed an approved video on food allergies (in addition to current requirements for one manager to have a food safety certification).
Passed 31 to 7 in the Senate
State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) YES NO
State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County) YES NO

House Bill 5405: Heroin overdose treatment immunity
To grant immunity from criminal prosecution or administrative sanction to a medical professional or pharmacist who prescribes, dispenses, possesses, or administers an “opioid antagonist” (such as Naloxone) to someone who believes in good faith to be suffering a heroin or opioid related overdose. Senate Bill 857 grants law-suit immunity to a layperson who does this, and also passed unanimously.
Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate
State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) YES NO
State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County) YES NO

Senate Bill 1011: Facilitate mentally ill prisoner staying on Medicaid
To require the state to suspend but not terminate Medicaid eligibility for an individual with a “serious emotional disturbance” or mental illness if the person is in jail, prison, a state mental health inpatient program or a “youth correctional center.” This would permit the individual to start getting Medicaid benefits again immediately after release.
Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate
State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) YES NO
State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County) YES NO

Senate Bill 998: Establish rape evidence regulations and procedures
To create a government commission to establish regulations, procedures and timetables with deadlines that law enforcement agencies and health care providers must follow when collecting and using sexual assault kit evidence.
Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate
State Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Genesee County) YES NO
State Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Genesee County) YES NO

The elimination of driver responsibility fees
Back in 2003, Michigan was facing a difficult problem. Under the federal Transportation Appropriations Act of 2000, if a state did not have its drunk driving law provide that .08 blood-alcohol content was considered as intoxicated driving, federal highway construction funds would be lost. At that time, Michigan was receiving approximately $1 billion annually from the federal government for state transportation and Michigan law provided that a blood-alcohol level of .10 was considered intoxicated driving. To ensure that federal funding would continue the Michigan legislature amended the law to the lower threshold. As part of a package of laws, a new unrelated law was passed at the same time, which assessed a driver responsibility fee for a number of traffic offenses or for having seven or more points on one’s driving record.

This law went into effect on Oct. 1, 2003 and has been with us ever since with certain modifications.

Basically, the law provides for these fees to be collected by the Secretary of State from affected individuals. The fees are for two consecutive years and range from $1,000 per year for drunk driving and other similar serious offenses, down to $100 per year for having seven accumulated points.

If the monies aren’t paid then there is a driver’s license suspension until they are.

Effective Oct. 1, 2012, the legislature eliminated some driver responsibility fees for certain driver’s license and automobile insurance offenses.

The law has been criticized in a number of ways including that it is simply another form of a tax; a second punishment for the same offense; and for putting more people on the road driving with a suspended license.

This year in response to these and other concerns, the state legislature voted to amend this law to reduce and gradually eliminate driver responsibility fees commencing on Oct. 1, 2015, with all fees to be completely eliminated for offenses that occur on and after Oct. 1, 2019.

Additionally community service may now be performed in lieu of payment for accumulated responsibility fees for the offenses eliminated in 2012.

HOT LINE CONTINUED
HELPING PEOPLE TOO much destroys them. The message to parents is you are incompetent and not responsible. The message to children is you are entitled to special treatment. The children then grow up feeling entitled to special treatment and that someone else is always responsible.

Occasionally, if there is no one in the 10 or less lane, the cashier will call people over if the store is busy. It’s happened to me before.

Wrong again. The plan to pull troops out of Iraq was planned under Bush. Obama just followed the plan that the U.S. and Iraq had agreed upon.
Fenton church celebrates 50 years

Special service, concert set for this Sunday

The Fenton Free Methodist Church commemorates 50 years in their building at 800 North Road on Sunday, Oct. 5. The church’s first service was conducted by Rev. Wesley Scott on April 19, 1964.

The celebration will begin at 11 a.m. with Rev. Chuck Hubbert conducting a service, which includes Superintendent Paul Castle from the East Michigan Free Methodist Conference. Former pastors of the Fenton FM church will be on hand to celebrate, as well as current and former congregation members, friends and families.

The celebration will continue at 2 p.m. with a performance by the Jason Eaton Band, a Flint-based Christian rock band, whose latest single “Satellites” is climbing the Christian music charts. Admission is free.

The community is invited to attend the service and/or the Jason Eaton Band concert.

Church history

The Free Methodist movement began in Fenton in 1919. Rev. A. E. Warren organized the society. Meetings were first held in a store building on Leroy Street, and then in the home of William McAllister, and later in the home of Julia Tryson. The society has owned four parsonages in Fenton. The first was on Shiuwasse Avenue, the second was on Walnut Street, the third was 105 West Elizabeth St., and the present is at 807 North Rd.

The congregation outgrew the Shiuwasse Avenue church in the early 60’s and purchased the current building. A groundbreaking took place in June 1962. The first Sunday service was held in the new church on April 19, 1964 with Rev. Wesley Scott presiding.

LeRoy tied up, for water tie-in

South LeRoy Street in downtown Fenton will be closed periodically this week as the addition of the Fenton Community and Cultural Center is given water service for the fire suppression, and domestic water systems. The opening in the street will be filled with gravel until it is filled with asphalt later this month.

P O L ICE

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C A N’ T U R I N A T E I N P U B L I C

At 2:30 a.m. on Sept. 23, a Fenton police officer observed a man urinating while standing in the parking lot of a fast-food restaurant on Owen Road. Contact was made with the man, identified as an Indiana resident. The officer learned that the man had in fact urinated in public. The man was arrested and issued an Oct. 20 court date for indecent exposure.

U N D E R D R A G E D R IN K E R A R R E N E D

At 11:20 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, a Fenton police officer conducting foot patrol through the Applefest observed a male who appeared to be very intoxicated as he tried to walk through the back parking lot. Lt. Jason Slater said the man was creating a public disturbance. Contact was made with the 30-year-old Fenton Township male, who claimed to be 21. After blowing a .171 on the breathalyzer, police arrested the man and took him to the police station for processing. He was cited for disorderly intoxication and under 21 consumption. He has an Oct. 20 court date.

T E E N S H A V E P O T I N C A R

At 9:15 p.m. on Sept. 20, a Fenton police officer initiated a traffic stop at South Long Lake and Torrey roads when a car disregarded the traffic light. The officer detected the odor of marijuana from the car with two male occupants, a 17-year-old from Fenton Township and one from Flushing. The teens denied smoking or possessing marijuana, however, police recovered marijuana from both. Both were arrested and temporarily lodged at the police station. They will appear in court on Oct. 20.

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allow pit bulls or other breeds generally thought of as aggressive. Some get around pinpointing specific breeds by putting weight limits on dogs.

No matter what breed of dog you own, cities and towns everywhere have ordinances that they expect their residents to follow. Aro said, “Like most cities, we are called to complaints regarding dogs on a regular basis. Typically, the complaints involve dogs running at large, bites and noise complaints.”

In Fenton, no owner shall continue to own, possess, harbor or keep any dog 6 months of age or older in the city, unless the dog is licensed in accordance with the county dog department regulations, or to own, harbor, possess or keep any dog 6 months old or older that does not at all times wear a collar or harness with a metal tag attached in accordance with county dog department regulations, according to city ordinance.

Of the common complaints mentioned by Aro, running at large is a big one. This ordinance states, “No owner shall permit or allow a dog, whether licensed or not, to run at large or stray beyond the premises of such owner or such person having charge of such dog unless under the reasonable control of some person."

There are also specific rules for people with nuisance dogs and vicious dogs. In addition, “No owner shall continue to own, possess, harbor or keep a dog after it has been bitten by an animal known or reasonably suspected to have been afflicted with rabies at the time the dog was bitten, unless the dog shall have been surrendered to the county dog warden, held for observation, and released.”

In the kennel ordinances section of dog ordinances it states, “Any person who shall own or keep upon his premises more than three dogs other than dogs under 4 months of age, shall be deemed to be the operator of a dog kennel for the purposes of this division.”

For the complete list of ordinances regarding dogs, they are all available online through the Fenton city website, section 5.21-5.40.

Ordinance definitions

Keeping or harboring means regularly having a dog kept in your home, store, building, enclosure, or on the premises. Running at large means the dog is anywhere other than on the property of the owner, except when they are in the reasonable control of a person.

Source: cityoffenton.org

See more ordinance definitions with this story online at www.tctimes.com
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for the student, and if it can work into their schedule. Seats are divided up by school district size — Fenton would get more seats than a smaller district.

If all goes well, the counselor will forward the application to the GCI, which will see if there are seats available.

Programs do have prerequisites — for their engineering programs, a level of math and reading are required. To take “electrical wiring II,” the student would have already passed “electrical wiring I.”

This is important also, because some programs have waiting lists, said Ply. There is always a waiting list for the cosmetology program, as does the GCI. There is always a waiting list for some programs have waiting lists, either gets you out of three credits at Mott Community College or Baker. If you

There are many other examples of ways college credit can be earned at GCI.

**SONS**

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mission after the earthquake in 2010, he was also sent to Afghanistan and Iraq.

“We were the last combat unit to leave Iraq,” said Andrew in a phone interview from Fort Benning, Georgia, where he serves now as a drill sergeant. “We put the lock on the door, so to speak.”

For Andrew, joining the Army was nothing less than a plan he had prepared for his life beginning in the fourth-grade, as a student at West Shore Elementary. “I always wanted to be in the military,” he said. “I can’t imagine doing anything else.”

He shared a fascination of the military with his paternal grand-father, who had also been a history buff and Army veteran.

Andrew had been so adamant about joining the Army that he wanted his parents to sign for him to join early, at age 17, when he graduated from Lake Fenton High School in 2006.

“We wouldn’t do it,” said Ann. “We wanted him to be old enough and ready to make that decision for himself when he was 18.”

As a drill sergeant since April, Staff Sgt. Andrew Hasenfratz graduated his first class of Private First Class (Pt.) new Army recruits in August.

While Andrew’s military path was expected, the enlistment of two of his younger brothers has been a total surprise.

Only one son, Keenan 17, a junior at Lake Fenton High School, is still at home, undecided about his future career plans.

The second oldest Hasenfratz brother, Pfc. Lucas Hasenfratz, 24, is stationed at Fort Wainwright in Fairbanks, Alaska. He is a member of the First 25th Infantry — a striker brigade. He had attended Mott Community College after graduating from Lake Fenton High School in 2008, and decided at 22 that he was more interested in joining the military ranks instead of civilian life.

“His unit will be one that would be deployed if there’s any action in the Pac-ifice,” said his father, Keith.

Now the second youngest brother, Lance, has enlisted in the Army, now at boot camp at Fort Benning since Sept. 8. “I haven’t seen Lance yet, but I look forward to helping him through the process,” said Andrew, who would like someday to go to Special Forces Selection. “After that training, you become a Green Beret. It’s not all up to me.” He’s engaged to Selina Gallegos, although wedding plans will have to wait until the appropriate time.

Lance’s decision to join the Army came as a big surprise and quite a shock to his whole family. “He was enrolled and ready to attend Northern Michigan (University) this fall,” said Ann. “He decided to enlist at the last minute.”

She admits that she worries about her sons every day. “I could never sugar coat anything myself if they’re doing OK,” she said. “I always think of the worst-case scenario.”

But behind the fear lies a huge amount of pride. “I’m proud that each of our boys made their own decision to go, each with their own reasons.”

For Andrew, being in the Army is a way of showing thankfulness. “We all have certain obligations to those who can’t stand up for themselves,” he said.

“That’s the way we were raised as kids.”

“I’m definitely going to re-enlist for another three years,” said Lucas. “It’s the best decision I’ve ever made in my life. I’d like to eventually end up with the 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, like my older brother did.”
**Strong first half paces Fenton by Holly, 4-2**

By David Troppens
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**Fenton** — The Fenton varsity boys soccer team began the season by playing a pretty tough non-league schedule, and for that reason the Tigers are bouncing around .500 this season.

The idea was the tough non-league slate would help when the Metro portion of the year began. And it looks like it’s doing just that.

Fenton (4-1 in the Metro) retained control of its own destiny toward earning a league crown by scoring three first-half goals against Holly and capturing a 4-2 victory at Fenton High School against the Bronchos.

Fenton remains just two points behind the first-place Linden Eagles with two Metro contests remaining, including a battle at Linden on Monday.

“We are just trying to stay focused and win out in the Metro,” Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said. “We just have to stay focused on our goal and take it one game at a time.”

Palmer gave the Tigers an early lead, scoring 8:50 into the contest. He earned a breakaway and scored with a shot to the far low post. Before the half was over, teammate Christopher VanCamp iced the contest with two goals within three minutes of each other. The first came with 8:30 remaining in the half off an assist by Adam Gornick. The second came on a rebound goal. His initial shot was saved, but he got the rebound and scored on it. Fenton led 3-0 with 5:34 left in the opening half.

If the third goal didn’t lock up the victory, the Tigers did it with a nice corner kick goal during the first minute of the second half.

Isaac Moore crossed it and Jacob Martin headed the ball cleanly into the Holly net for a 4-0 lead.

“It definitely helped playing tougher competition because it allows us to see where we stand and helps us build,” Palmer said. “Our team chemistry has gotten a lot better throughout the year. Our trust is building and that’s a positive.”

The Bronchos (2-3 in the Metro) asserted themselves after the fourth goal, with Lucas Sammut scoring twice for the Bronchos. The first came with 23:54 remaining from about 25 yards out. The second came on a nifty chip over the defense with 3:35 left.

“We didn’t play our best, but we finished out the game,” Sammut said. “I think we’ve progressed a lot. We are starting to pass more. We are starting to build our teamwork and becoming a better team.”

Fenton hosts Flushing today while Holly hosts Swartz Creek.
Divine Child sneaks by Blue Devils in fourth quarter, 38-24
By David Troppens
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For most of Saturday night, the Lake Fenton varsity football team had to feel good about how they were competing against Dearborn Divine Child.

The Blue Devils dominated time of possession, led for a large portion of the game and had the Falcons’ defense trying to figure out ways to stop Lake Fenton’s potent ground attack.

But Divine Child found a way to score two touchdowns in the final two minutes of the first half and then scored two more TDs late in the fourth quarter, leading the Falcons to a 38-24 victory against the visiting Blue Devils.

“It was a good football game, but we left some plays on the field,” Lake Fenton coach Eric Doyle said. “We dominated the football game for about 42 minutes. But this is part of the maturation process. We are getting better and that’s what we are concerned with — getting better every day.”

Lake Fenton (2-3) jumped out to the early lead in the first quarter, scoring a TD on its opening drive. It was capped by a five-yard TD run by Trent Hillger.

Lake Fenton’s defense stopped the Falcons on their first possession. Divine Child drove to the Lake Fenton 5, but missed a field goal, giving the Blue Devils the ball back. Early in the second quarter, the Blue Devils made it 10-0 when Jared Smith connected on his first See BLUE DEVILS on 11

Linden’s title chances jeopardized by loss to Flushing
Holly struggles in homecoming game, loses to Mustangs 7-0
By David Troppens
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In a battle of two teams undefeated in Metro play, Flushing came away with a pivotal 36-15 home victory against the Linden varsity football team on Friday night.

Flushing never trailed, scoring two TDs in the opening quarter. One came on a 67-yard TD run from Nolan Martin, and the next came on a 37-yard TD run by Garett Oginsky.

The rest of the game’s scoring came in the second quarter. Linden cut the gap to 14-8 when Ethan Quesnelle scored on a one-yard run. He also completed the two-point conversion. However, Martin answered back for Flushing with a 47-yard TD run. Flushing led 20-8 after the kick failed. The Eagles cut the gap to just one score one last time. It came on Quesnelle’s 40-yard TD pass to Zachary Kentish, cutting the Raiders’ lead to 20-15, but Jordan Crumm took the ensuing kickoff 80 yards for a score.

The final Raiders’ score came on a 56-yard run by Oginsky. Quesnelle completed 16-of-34 passes for 251 yards. Martin ran for 156 yards and 117 yards for Flushing while Oginsky had 99 yards rushing on just five carries.

Linden travels to Brandon for another road Metro contest on Friday.

Clio Mustangs 7
Holbrook’s 0
The Bronchos (0-5) have struggled scoring points all season long.

By David Troppens
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The Fenton varsity girls swim team knew that beating Grand Blanc would be near impossible at the Genesee County Invitational.

But taking second place looked well within the team’s grasp.

However, due to a relay disqualification, that didn’t happen.

The Tigers earned two individual county champions and had 13 individuals qualify for the championship finals in events, but Fenton was able to only place third with 305 points, just seven short of second-place Brandon. Holly also competed at the event and finished ninth with 100 points.

The Tigers would’ve taken second if not for one mistake — Fenton’s 200 freestyle relay team had a disqualification, reducing Fenton’s team score by a minimum of 22 points.

Disqualifications in relays are especially deadly since competing in the finals can score a team 22 to 40 points. Individual events are just half of that. The Tigers did have two event champions and dominated one event in particular. Divers Zoe Weinberg (407.30) and Taylor Shegos (400.30) placed first and second, respectively, keeping the Tigers right in the mix for second place.

The other first was posted by Elise Cassidy in the 100 backstroke (1:04.36).

Fenton swimmers place third at county meet; Bronchos take ninth

Tri-County Times | Mark Bolen
Linden’s Ryan Young (left) looks to run the ball uphill during the Eagles’ 36-15 loss to the Flushing Raiders on Friday night.

It was a problem again on Friday during the Bronchos’ homecoming game, as Clio shut out Holly to earn the victory.

Clio only scored one TD, but it was enough to win the ball game. It was a rushing TD with 1:15 left in the first half. In the second half, Holly tried to convert a fourth-and-goal for a TD but failed to score.

Holly has struggled with its offense all season long. The Bronchos have scored seven or less points in four of the Bronchos’ five games.

Holly hosts Flushing for the squad’s annual Pink game on Friday.

Tri-County Times | David Troppens
Fenton’s Taylor Shegos prepares to attempt one of her dives at a recent meet. Shegos placed second in diving at the county meet on Saturday.
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field goal of the year from 32 yards.
“He had a great day for us,” Doyle said about Smith. “He made the field goal, had three touchbacks and made his extra points.”

Behind Divine Child quarterback Jimmy Seewald, the Falcons scored their first TD with 4:13 left in the half. It came on the first of four TD passes Seewald had, this one being a 10-yard reception. Lake Fenton responded right back when Trevor Wright scored on a seven-yard TD camper. Lake Fenton led 17-6 with just 3:12 left in the half. But the final two minutes of the half were all Divine Child. Seewald had TD passes of 49 yards and 38 yards, leading the Falcons to a 21-17 halftime lead.

“Those two scores took some wind out of our sails. They got us on a long pass play and we knew they were capable of that,” Doyle said. “When they kicked off to us, we ran a trick play we didn’t execute and then had to punt to them.”

Lake Fenton took its final lead with 7:38 left in the third quarter on a Hillger 35-yard TD run, putting the Devils up 24-20. However, Divine Child scored the game’s final 17 points. Three came on a Tyler Fugate 24-yard field goal, and the final 14 came on a TD pass by Seewald to Danny Blake and on a one-yard TD run by Seewald with 1:41 left.

Hillger ran for 164 yards on 25 carries. Lake Fenton has another tough road game on Friday against the GAC Red leaders Beecher. But a victory also puts the Blue Devils in control of their own destiny for a conference title.

SWIMMERS
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The Tigers placed third in their other two relays. The 200 medley relay team of Elise Cassidy, Lauren Gruber, McKenzie Mead and Grace Sietker tied for third (2:04.20), while the 400 freestyle relay team of Brianna Costigan, Cameron Mathews, Emma Cagle and Cassidy placed third (3:41.86).

Other Fenton individuals to place in the finals were: Costigan, second in the 500 freestyle (5:39.25) and fourth in the 200 freestyle (2:06.06); Cassidy, fifth in the 100 freestyle (1:01.20); Cagle, sixth in the 200 freestyle (2:13.52) and eighth in the 50 freestyle (55.47); Mathews, seventh in the 200 individual medley (2:36.18) and eighth in the 100 freestyle (1:01.96); Mead, sixth in the 100 butterfly (1:07.83) and eighth in the 200 individual medley (2:37.14); and Gruber, sixth in the 100 freestyle (1:01.77).

Holly had two individuals place. They were Jennie Degenhart, seventh in diving (290.90) and Alex Karakuck, seventh in the 100 backstroke (1:15.30).

Fenton hosted Lapeer on Tuesday night, while Holly hosts Brandon on Thursday.

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**Wednesday, October 1, 2014**

**MIDWEEK TIMES**

**WEDNESDAY SUDOKU**

DEAR DR. ROACH: My doctor wants me to get more vitamin D. Can I use cod liver oil? I did as a kid. — V.M.

ANSWER: There are many good food sources of vitamin D, and cod liver oil is one of the best. A single tablespoon contains about 1,400 units of vitamin D, which is as much as almost anyone needs in a day. Swordfish and salmon are excellent sources as well, with about 500 units in a 3-ounce serving.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to Roachmd@osp.com. To view and order health pamphlets, visit www.rb-mall.com, or write to P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2014 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved.

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

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**WEDNESDAY JUMBLE**

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To the residents and property owners of Fenton Township, Genesee County, Michigan, the owners of land within the Lake Fenton Improvement Special Assessment District, and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Supervisor and assessing officer of the township has reported to the Township Board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by her covering all properties within the Lake Fenton Improvement Special Assessment District benefited by the proposed Lake Fenton Improvement Project. Said assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the eradication and control of aquatic weeds in Lake Fenton and work incidental thereto within the aforesaid assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 12060 Mantawauke Drive, Fenton, Michigan within the township, which assessment is in the total amount of $289,699.80 over five years.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12060 Mantawauke Drive, Fenton, Michigan on Monday October 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing said special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. Said roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of said hearing and may further be examined at said hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal.

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