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Fenton High School students Jillian Kaye, 18, (top), Alexis Brisette, 16 and Micaia Gadola, 18, of the National Honor Society help pack
100 Thanksgiving dinners for local residents in need on Tuesday at the Fenton United Methodist Church. Orders were packed for families
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Family ‘no phone zone’ Thanksgiving Day challenge

Leave your phone out of the tradition

By Yvonne Stegall
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Thanksgiving is one of those few times a year when family members get together to spend time with one another. It’s a time for giving thanks for friends, family, great food and all of the great things we have in life.

Today, though, we are all part of the hustle and bustle of the ever-connected world, which means that cell phones and smartphones often become part of the celebration.

From texting across the room to continual photos flashing for the Instagram turkey update, our phone almost seems like an additional appendage anymore.

Some families are anti-phone when it comes to family time, and maybe they have the right idea.

Stacy Mielcarek, from Yesterday’s Treasures, said that her family always practices a no phone zone when they get together, even if it isn’t a holiday. “You don’t answer it… it has always been a rule.” This allows her family time to actually converse with one another.

If you want to try this out in your family, it isn’t too late. We challenge you to go “no phone zone” at your Thanksgiving get together this year. Here are some tips that were shared online by AT&T. Hopefully these will help you have a more peaceful and stress-free Thanksgiving!

Summary

Leave the cell phones out of Thanksgiving. Instead, be thankful for some peace and quiet with family and friends.

Fenton library to be closed until February for renovations

Busy building sees 10,000 visitors per month

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — By February, the Jack R. Winegarden Library will look completely different inside. But patrons be ready — it will be closed for up to eight weeks, starting Monday, Dec. 1.

Today (Wednesday) is the last day it will be open, as all library branches will be closed the rest of the week for Thanksgiving.

Patrons can visit the Linden Library or any other branches of the Genesee District Library (GDL) system and still deposit returns at the back of the Fenton library. The library is part of the GDL system, like the Linden Library, which all can share media, such as books and DVDs between them.

Employees will be reassigned to other branches of the GDL during renovations. The closure will allow for phase two of the library renovations, which include a modernized interior, furnishings, electrical and plumbing.

Gone will be the brown patchwork carpet held together by duct tape, and the ceiling that literally falls in pieces on employees’ heads.

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President Obama is soon expected to issue an executive order that would make it possible for some illegal immigrants, many of whom are the parents of children who are U.S. citizens, to live and work in this country without the threat of deportation, in effect granting amnesty to up to five million people.

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The one promise President Obama is keeping is to ‘fundamentally transform’ the United States of America. Amnesty will transform it in ways Hamilton foresaw as weakening the nation both he and Jefferson loved and for which they and the other Founders sacrificed so much.

Unfaithfully executing the law...
Temper flare again at Holly Township meeting

Dispute over Smiths’ Shiawassee River property continues

By Christopher Jones news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8828

Holly Twp. — Timm Smith’s conflicts with the township government regarding his property along the Shiawassee River were not on the board’s agenda Wednesday, Nov. 19. However, that stopped neither him nor Oakland County Commissioner Bob Hoffman from again voicing their complaints with the township board about the conflict with the township.

Smith claims that the board intends to steal what remains of his 10-acre property on the Shiawassee River. Smith believes that this is so the township can make a river park.

Chief among the complaints of Smith and Hoffman is that Holly Township has previously attempted to have the Smiths’ electricity shut down. Smith and Hoffman said the attempts were an act of harassment.

Smith’s wife Maria accused the Holly Township board of trying to crush her family. “This will not fly,” she said to board members.

Hoffman and Smith were allowed just the allotted four-minutes to voice their complaints during public comment time, as the dispute over the land was not part of the meeting’s agenda.

Board members denied the allegations of Smith and Hoffman. Since the topic was not on the agenda, board members did not comment further on the matter. Hoffman said the township board lacked transparency.

“Open government is a total stranger to the Holly Township Board,” said Hoffman.

GAS TAX

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is that there are two bills being bounced back and forth on this very same subject.

“We’ve been working on this thing now for two years.”

The House and the Senate have two different versions of the bill, and according to Kowall’s description, “We vote ‘no’ on theirs and they vote ‘no’ on ours.” He is hoping this yo-yo game will take the bills to a conference commit-tee, where an agreement can be worked out.

One of the bills, which recently passed through the Michigan Senate replaces current per-gallon fuel taxes with a plan that is based on the wholesale cost of gasoline. Looking at one description of this plan, it would seem that this would lower what we citizens pay to gas up our vehicles.

According to Michigan Governor, an organization which tracks votes, a bill was passed 23 to 14 in the Senate on Nov. 13, to replace the current 19-cent per gallon gas tax and 15-cent diesel tax with a 9.5 percent whole-sale fuel tax, gradually increasing to 15.5 percent in 2018. When fully phased-in this would represent a tax hike of around $1 billion at current wholesale fuel prices, or around 10 cents per gallon. When in place, the tax could only rise or fall by 5 percent per year even if wholesale prices rose or fell faster.

Right now, the most recent visitation of this bill, passed by the Senate, is waiting for another voting by the House. Kowall is sure it will be voted down again, now that it has been edited to their liking. He compared the public’s lack of transparency, doing the same thing repeatedly and expecting a different result. He said, “We can’t stand by and do nothing.”

According to Kowall, the real hope, at least in the Senate, is to get a rewrite of Public Act 51, which is the original road-funding plan from 1951.

If it’s still confusing to you what is going on with this bill, you are not alone. Right now, it’s safe to say we don’t have to worry about the increased taxes yet. If there is an increase it won’t happen until sometime next year.

To clarify any of this information, or to find out how our local state representatives voted, you can contact them. They are happy to answer any questions citizens have.

See contact information for area elected officials online at www.tctimes.com.

Calendar of events

Black Sheep Weavers Fiber Guild’s 32nd annual Holiday Sale. The Holiday Sale will run from 3 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6. Admission is free. A wide selection of products made from natural fibers will be available. The sale will take place at the Hartland Insurance Agency, 2532 Old U.S. 23, in Hartland. For more information, go to www.blacksheepweavers.com, or call Linda, (248) 202-0178.

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**Convinced felon from Linden a suspect in Fenton break-ins**

Quick thinking store clerk leads police to man after he makes suspicious comments

By Sharon Stone
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A 30-year-old Linden man was expected to be arraigned today, Wednesday, on two counts of breaking and entering.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said at 1:36 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25, officers responded to a gas station at North Royal Street and South Long Lake Road to investigate a call made by the store clerk.

Aro said the clerk told officers that a white male had walked into the store and had made suspicious comments about breaking into some area businesses. The clerk said the unknown man said he felt bad about breaking into them.

The clerk immediately called police and officers located the suspect, who was still in the area. Officers checked area businesses for any signs of a break-in and observed forced entry into Village Vacuum Sales & Service, as well as Transformation Time Fitness, two businesses just north of the gas station.

Officers also observed vacant businesses in the Galleria plaza that had been entered and items inside had been disrupted. A white four-door Saturn, parked nearby, had also been broken into and the steering column was broken.

Police arrested the Linden man and he provided statements after being transported to the police station. Police recovered suspected stolen items that were in his possession. Police learned that the man had served time in prison for auto theft, home invasion and credit card theft in Oakland County.

Police will release the man’s identity once he is arraigned in district court.

**Fenton Kiwanis Christmas food baskets**

For a moment, the Fenton Kiwanis asks community members to remember the less fortunate in our community. For the families that the Kiwanis assist, a basket of food will make a tremendous difference in their celebration of the holiday. On Friday, Dec. 5, the Fenton Kiwanis will put on their Santa suits to collect money for their annual Christmas basket program. Last year, they distributed food baskets to more than 100 Fenton families and they expect to deliver at least as many again this year. With the help of Fenton High School and Lake Fenton High School Key Clubs, the Fenton Kiwanis also collects non-perishable food items. Send monetary donations to Kiwanis Club of Fenton, P.O. Box 794, Fenton, MI 48430. If you know of anyone who needs a Christmas food basket, contact Fenton High School Principal Mark Suchowski at (810) 750-6954 or at (810) 591-2601.

**Linden deputy clerk resigns**

At Monday night’s Linden City Council meeting, the resignation of Martha Donnelly, deputy clerk, was accepted. She was the city clerk for 22 years and partially retired in September 2013. She became part-time and deputy clerk at that time. She has worked for the city of Linden for 24 years. Mayor David Lossing, along with the rest of the City Council said, “She was very dedicated to the city of Linden and always so supportive and helpful with anything that was needed. She will be greatly missed.”

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**LET’S SEE, RECORD company profits, record stock market, record energy production, lower unemployment, no major wars started, 15 major wars started, with health insurance, 2 million illegal immigrants deported, very low inflation, gas prices dropping...**

...easy to see why Obama’s policies have hurt the country, not!

A QUESTION FOR older folks with deep roots here in Fenton, Genesee County history describes a Native American burial ground on the north-west side of Mud Lake (now Pome- mah). Anyone remember a grandparent speaking of this? Thanks.

**THIS WEEK’S INSERTS**

- **Christmas 2014 Featured Section**
  - Fenton’s Open Book
  - Gifts
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**The history of Thanksgiving Day and some recent retail trends**

I have found a wonderful history of how we came to celebrate Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. National Archives. The following is a brief synopsis.

In 1789, President George Washington issued a proclamation declaring that Thursday, Nov. 26, 1789 was to be our country’s first Thanksgiving Day.

Subsequent presidents issued various Thanksgiving proclamations but the dates and even the months varied. In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation that Thanksgiving was to be regularly celebrated each year on the last Thursday of November.

In 1939, the last Thursday of November fell on the last day of the month. Because the country was in the midst of an economic recovery, there was concern that a shortened Christmas shopping season might have an adverse impact. To remedy this, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued a proclamation that declared Thanksgiving would be on the second to the last Thursday of November. Thereafter, 32 states issued similar proclamations but 16 states refused to go along. As a result, there were two Thanksgiving Days in the United States. This changed when President Roosevelt signed a resolution on Dec. 26, 1941 establishing Thanksgiving Day nationally on the fourth Thursday of November.

Thanksgiving has long been associated not only with giving thanks for what we have, but retail commerce as well. Traditionally stores have been closed on Thanksgiving Day and the day after Thanksgiving is called ‘Black Friday’ when shoppers begin seeking holiday bargains.

This has now changed and there is a growing trend for stores to be open not only early on Black Friday, but on Thanksgiving Day as well. There has been much discussion as to the pros and cons of all this with the arguments ranging from this is what consumers want to is this really necessary, and what of the employees who work at the open stores?

Massachusetts, Maine and Rhode Island have laws that ban most retailers from opening on Thanksgiving and Christmas and some Ohio legislators have recently proposed legislation allowing employees to refuse to work on Thanksgiving Day.

Who’s right or wrong is a matter of opinion but hopefully no matter what side one takes the original reason for Thanksgiving will never be forgotten.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Recent constitutional amendment proposals of interest include: There will be no Roll Call Report during Thanksgiving week. The Report will return on Dec. 5.

House Joint Resolution KK: Replace House and Senate with unicameral legislature
Introduced by Rep. Martin Howrylak (R), to place before voters in the next general election a Constitutional amendment to establish a nonpartisan unicameral legislature (instead of a separate House and Senate) with 110 districts apportioned on the basis of formulas specified in the resolution. Legislators would have four-year terms and term limits would be repealed. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

HJR B and MM, SJR Z: Repeal constitutional prohibition on graduated state income tax
Introduced by Rep. Jeff Irwin (D), Rep. Jim Townsend (D) and Sen. Rebekah Warren (D), respectively, to place before voters in the next general election a Constitutional amendment to repeal an existing prohibition on a graduated income tax (as opposed to Michigan’s current flat tax). The measures do not specify a rate structure, which would be left to future legislatures. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Joint Resolution BB: Call for restrictions on corporation and non-profit political spending
Introduced by Rep. Jeff Irwin (D), to submit an application to Congress calling for a “convention to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution,” limited to proposing an amendment to “address concerns such as those raised by the decision of the United States Supreme Court in Citizens United v Federal Election Commission,” which affirmed that unions and “corporations” (including non-profit groups motivated by ideological or political concerns) possess the same right already recognized for individuals to spend however much they want on independent political expenditures. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Joint Resolution NN: Call for congressional term limits convention
Introduced by Rep. Tom McMillin (R), to submit an application to Congress calling for a “convention to propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution,” limited to proposing an amendment that prohibits members of congress from being in office for more than 12 years (combined House and Senate terms). Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Don’t let holiday reunions turn into trouble

> Designated driver plans should be made in advance for biggest bar night of year

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As families make their way home to celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday, many opt to go out for dinner and drinks Wednesday night to get a jump on their reunions and to not mess up the next day’s dinner preparations.

With so many people celebrating the traditional holiday at places other than home, they will eventually have to make their way back home for the night. For those who know they will enjoy a few cocktails or beer while out, they are urged to have a plan in place ahead of time to get home safely.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said his officers will be conducting routine patrols throughout the city and as always will be on the lookout for possible drunk drivers.

Aro said people would be wise to choose a designated driver before they go out, or know a trusted person that can be called if needed. He said his department did not make any drunk driving arrests last year on the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, but that is not to say there weren’t some drunk drivers.

To report a possible drunk driver, motorists or their passengers can call 911.

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NO PHONE ZONE

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Silence is golden — All cell phones should be on silent or vibrate mode on Thanksgiving Day.
Create a cell-phone free zone — Family can text, talk, surf online, and check Facebook as much as they want during the football game and kitchen prep, but not at the Thanksgiving table.

No paparazzi — Take photos of family before or after the meal, but don’t whip out your camera phone during dinner.

Take personal conversations outside (or in a different room) — If you must take or make a call on Thanksgiving Day, step outside or into another room, so that others aren’t forced to overhear your call.

Take a break between courses — if people need to check their phones, build in breaks between the meal and dessert when everyone is stretching their legs anyway.

Enjoy your family this Thanksgiving, and consider putting your phone away. You can get back on it after you’re stuffed with turkey and can’t move anymore!
BREAK-INS
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learning that someone had broken into a barn. Several items were reported stolen.
Later that same evening, another call came in reporting a suspicious vehicle with no lights on that had just pulled up to a home in the 16000 block of Bird Road. Responding officers arrived and spotted the suspicious vehicle, which was unoccupied. The officers observed that the garage had been broken into and items that appeared to have been stolen had been dropped on the ground. Alan believes the officers intercepted the suspect’s plans.
The officers heard the suspect running through the wooded area near the home, however, they were unable to locate the individual.
The suspect’s vehicle was impounded and a trace of a cell phone, which was left in the vehicle, led officers the following day to the Pine Ridge Trailer Park. The suspect, identified as Markus, was staying with friends and was taken into custody.
While being questioned, Markus confessed to the Bird Road break-ins. He has also been linked to another break-in on Silver Lake Road and one in Pinckney. More than $10,000 worth of stolen items have been recovered and returned to the rightful owners.

MARIJUANA
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That however, did not happen. Progress is being made though, however slowly. “The planning commission has made a recommendation to the city council and we would like the city council to extend the moratorium to give the council time to study the recommendation by the planning commission,” Markland said.
The new moratorium is set to expire Feb. 1, 2015, or until an ordinance is enacted. City attorney Steve Schultz spoke in favor of the recommendation, and for taking some extra time. “With the holidays coming up you might want to take this to a work session so you have time to look at it and then go ahead and put it on the agenda for adoption,” Schultz said.
Since the law allowing for use of medical marijuana was enacted in 2008, municipalities have struggled to understand the reach and scope of control they have over land use for medical marijuana. Many have chosen to enact moratoriums to avoid legislating on the issue until the framework of dealing with them becomes clearer.
The village of Holly is one of the few local municipalities that has enacted an ordinance regulating medical marijuana dispensaries.

LIBRARY
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The building is the site of the former post office, which the city bought and moved in 1950. Since then, the library has never really been renovated, save for some partitions being moved, according to Fenton City Library Board President Bobbie Sweetman.
The GDL reports that Fenton’s library sees between 10,000, and 15,000 customers per month, or approximately 300 per day.
Both phases of the project will cost $310,000 total, and is being financed by the Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Sweetman said the DDA, city administration, and city council have all been very supportive of the project. “We’re just delighted that we have this renovation coming to take place, it’s going to be so nice for all the patrons there.”
The terrazzo tile at the entrance will be restored and new carpet, plaster, furniture and upgraded bathrooms will be finished. Two new study rooms will be added, and the children’s library area will be modernized.
The first phase included needed roof repairs and exterior painting, which are already completed.
Any public project of this kind comes after possibly years of planning and preparation. The library project has been in the hopper for the last few years according to DDA Executive Director Mike Burns. “The goal is to make the building a little more modern and a little more functional,” he said.

In the meantime...
You can visit other Genesee District Library branches. Note that all GDL branches are closed the rest of this week for Thanksgiving.

Linden Library:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: closed
Thursday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday and Sunday: closed

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No Action: Town Hall Meetings.
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Holly Dickens Festival is here

**Longest running Dickens festival has many attractions**

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**Holly** — The Dickens Festival will start this Friday, Nov. 28 and residents have many reasons to get excited for this first weekend entitled “Great Expectations.” The festival will officially kick off at 7 p.m. with a Lighted Parade, that starts at Allstate insurance parking lot. The parade will be followed by a tree lighting ceremony featuring the arrival of Santa Claus in a horse-drawn carriage at 7:30 p.m.

The Detroit Institute of Arts is providing its mobile classroom unit, DIA Away, at Crapo Park from 3 to 9 p.m. on Friday. Saturday and Sunday, the class unit will be open from 1 to 6 p.m. DIA Away has many interactive features and focuses on providing a rich art learning experience through the use of digital and hands-on interactive tools.

At Crapo Park, the Blackthorn Pub will host a pub tent Friday from 5 to 8 p.m., Saturday from noon to 11 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

The Red Devil restaurant will host “A Christmas Carol Abridged” at their theatre stage starting at 4 p.m. The community can also look forward to horse-drawn carriage rides from 1 to 8 p.m. on Saturday and 1 to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

For the kids, entertainment throughout the weekend will include sledding games, activities at the Tiny Tim Children’s Tent, and a Meet the Puppets show featuring Marley and Scrooge. Queen Victoria will lead a Children’s Parade twice on Saturday and Sunday. The center of the festival will be Battle Alley in the middle of Holly’s historic district. It will stretch north to the modern shopping district, south to the Hadley House museum, west throughout Civic Drive and east to Crapo Park.

For more information on the Holly Dickens Festival, now in its 41st year, go to www.hollydickensfestival.org and the festival’s page on Facebook.

**‘Citizen Cavalry’ rallies for term limits**

**Grassroots group drawing attention to 1992 law**

Last Wednesday, the “Citizen Cavalry” arrived at the Linden County Park in Fenton Township with its 10-foot-tall, carved wooden horse to rally against any attempt by state legislators to alter the term limits that voters enacted in 1992.

“It takes a big horse to scare away lame ducks,” said Scott Tillman, state coordinator for “Don’t Touch Term Limits!” Tillman said via email, “We’ve formed citizen cavalry to remind politicians like Reps. Klint Kesto, Mike McCready and Joe Graves that they answer to the people on term limits, not the other way around. Term limits were introduced by citizens, not politicians.”

“Don’t Touch Term Limits!” is a grassroots, non-partisan, non-profit organization formed to defend the 1992 vote of the people of Michigan for term limits. For more information, call Scott Tillman at (231) 282-1167.
Area gymnasts have a prep home

Co-op team begins first season with weekend meet

By David Troppens  dtroppens@tctimes.com

Nancy Holden has been waiting about 15 years for one moment. That moment came on Saturday. The tri-county area finally has a varsity gymnastics team, and the squad had its first meet on Saturday. The Linden/Lake Fenton/Fenton co-op gymnastics team opened its season against Milford/Lakeland dropping a narrow 129.4-127.6 verdict in the Huron Valley Invitational.

“We are pretty excited,” Holden said. “This is our first year and the girls have been working hard for this. It’s nice to finally have a high school team in our community. It gives the gymnasts in the area a chance to continue in sports at the high school level. This has been a long-time goal.”

The girls were excited to be a part of the first-ever varsity match in the three schools’ histories.

“I’m excited because we get to start the path for everybody,” freshman Jessica Richert said. “I was nervous because I didn’t know what the scoring would be like but it was a good start because it was not too tough and not too easy.”

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Swimmers do well at state

Future looks bright for young girls Fenton squad

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

This was going to be the Fenton varsity girls swim team’s developmental season, rebuilding year, whatever you want to call it. Apparently, rebuilding seasons can be pretty good too.

The Tigers capped their swim season by taking nine swimmers to the Holland Aquatics Center at the Division 2 state meet on Friday. None of the swimmers or divers were able to advance to the second day of the meet, but the fact that all of the competitors were underclassmen, that was kind of expected. This year, just getting to the meet was the ultimate goal, and with nine Tigers at the meet, they can say that mission was easily accomplished.

“It was an amazing experience,” Fenton sophomore Elise Cassidy said. “There was so much energy and so many fast girls, it really helps you go faster and feel good.”

“It was a great experience for us,” Fenton junior Bri Costigan said. “We all continued to bond and grow as teammates. We still have a couple of years left and we got to see some really fast girls at state. We were able to see them compete. It was a great learning experience.”

Fenton swim coach Brad Holden said, “I’m a very shy girl, whose family will be patient and help build my confidence.”

Griffins begin season with new mentor

Start strong in opener, but fall 5-2

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

Will Dawson once played for the Fenton varsity hockey team.

The 2010 graduate experienced the Fenton-Linden rivalry as a player, even if the rivalry included a Linden co-op squad with Lake Fenton.

Now he’s added another chapter of his legacy to the two programs.

Dawson is coaching the Fenton-Linden Griffins varsity hockey team this winter. He coached his first varsity game on Saturday, as the Griffins lost a 5-2 verdict against the Mid-Michigan Storm.

Despite the loss, Dawson likes what he has seen out of his squad so far.

“I think we are looking pretty good,” Dawson said. “The team is working pretty hard and they have a lot of heart. They showed this...”
Detroit Lions Thanksgiving history

By David Troppens
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When it comes to Thanksgiving Day, there are a couple of traditions that have held for as long as families can remember. One is family coming together for a great turkey dinner. And the other is, of course, the nation turning on their television sets to watch the Detroit Lions play during the early afternoon.

The Lions played their first Thanksgiving game during their first season in existence in Detroit — in 1934.

The game pitted the 10-1 Detroit Lions against the 11-0 Chicago Bears. Lions’ owner George A. “Dick” Richards hoped the team would draw more than the 12,000 the team had been drawing, and it did. Reports say more than 26,000 jammed the University of Detroit Stadium on Thanksgiving 1934, with thousands being turned away. Universal Service reporter Damon Runyon stated in an article “These two teams meet in Detroit on Thanksgiving Day in what may prove to be the best pro game in history.” It was an outstanding game, but the Bears won it 19-16. Regardless the result, a tradition was born. When the Lions face the Chicago Bears for Thanksgiving tomorrow, it will be the 75th game in Detroit. Here is some more history about the game.

Top three foes on Thanksgiving

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*Doesn’t include this season’s game.

Note: It makes sense that the Packers and Bears would face the Lions more than any squad on Thanksgiving as both are in the same division as the Lions. Interestingly, the Lions have played the Minnesota Vikings just three times, going 1-2 against them.

Games at Lions’ home venues

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Note: The only venue the Lions had an above .500 record was the Pontiac Silverdome (16-11). They were 2-2 at Briggs/Tiger Stadium (pictured). The Lions are a paltry 2-10 at Ford Field.

Worst Lions loss on Thanksgiving

Year: 1980
Score: Chicago 23, Detroit 17 OT

The Bears’ Vince Evans tied the game up on the final play of regulation. David Williams then took the opening kickoff 95 yards for a TD, earning the Bears the shortest overtime victory (21 seconds) in NFL history.

Summary:
The Lions’ Thanksgiving game is a family tradition. For Detroit fans, it’s become an event to harken back to the glory days of college football and the history of the Lions. It’s a day to remember the past and the present, and to hope for a bright future.

Summary:
David’s top three games he’s attended

1995
Detroit 44, Minnesota 38
Summary: It remains the only Thanksgiving game I’ve ever conned more than my brother to attend. And what an offensive contest it was. Lions QB Scott Mitchell threw for 410 yards and four TDs to pace the offense. Three players — Brett Favre, Johnnie Morton and Herman Moore — each had more than 100 yards receiving.

1997
Detroit 55, Chicago 20
Summary: The Lions trailed 20-17 at the half, but scored 38 unanswered second-half points, improving their record to 7-6 with the squad eventually qualifying for the playoffs. Barry Sanders rushed for 167 yards, allowing him to pass Eric Dickerson into second place on the league’s all-time rushing list. He also scored three TDs.

1998
Detroit 19, Pittsburgh 16 OT
Summary: This was the famous coin-toss game. Pittsburgh’s Jerome Bettis apparently called tails with a TV camera catching it, but the official said he called heads. The flip came up tails and the Lions won the toss based on the ref’s decision. Detroit’s Robert Porcher looked as shocked as anyone by the call. However, the Lions took the opening drive of OT on Jason Hanson’s 42-yard field goal. As fans, we had no clue about what happened until we reached our car and tuned the radio on.

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Jones agreed with his two swimmers. “From an experience standpoint this was a great weekend,” Jones said. “When you come down for the first time the girls are in awe of being in that environment. They see the girls going fast and it makes it overwhelming. But now when they come down there in the future they’ll be more comfortable. It will be easier to motivate and what you have to do. The first time you go it’s impossible not to get caught up in it.”

The Tigers had three competitors come close to making it to the finals or consolation finals. Two of them were divers Taylor Shegos and Zoe Weinberg. The other was gymnast Nicole Costigan.

The top 16 divers advanced to Saturday’s final round and after the opening round, Weinberg was in 16th with a 159.20 while Shegos was in 20th (150.05). During the second round, Shegos improved to 17th place with a score of 241.10, just 3.05 points out of 16th place. Meanwhile, Weinberg finished in 18th (238.50).

“It was awful timing for both of them. They were both sick all week,” Jones said. “Taylor was unable to dive at all this week. They were both walking around with boxes of Kleenex because they were both sick. If they were healthy and able to dive at the level they are capable of, I thought they both had a great chance (to make it to the finals). … Their careers are certainly not done.”

Costigan was the only Fenton competitor to compete in two individual events and in both relays. She also came the closest swimmer to qualifying for a Saturday swim, taking 18th in the 50 freestyle with a time of 24.98 seconds. She missed qualifying for the consolation finals by .02 seconds. She also competed individually in the 100 freestyle, earning a time of 54.94 seconds.

“After coming so close you start to think about the one part (of the race) where you could’ve busted it a little harder,” Costigan said about her 50 freestyle performance. “But I was fine with it because it was one of my best times.”

The only other Fenton swimmer to compete in an individual event was Cassidy. She placed 33rd in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:02.10. It was the first time Cassidy has ever competed in an individual event at a state meet.

“It was pretty sweet,” Cassidy said. “Competing with girls who were about the same time as me helped push me to go faster.”

The Tigers had two relays compete at the meet. Costigan and Cassidy competed on both. The pair teamed up with sophomores Cameron Mathews and Grace Stielker to place 28th in the 400 freestyle relay (3:51.54). They also teamed with sophomores Lauren Gruber and junior McKenzie Mead to place 28th in 1:58.46.

The Tigers knew it would be tough to earn second-day swims because they had to taper (or rest) again to qualify for the state meet late in the season. That made it near impossible to work out and rest again for the state meet. Resting will usually help swimmers accomplish their best times of the season, giving those who can work out hard and taper for the state meet a big advantage.

“I’ll remember this season a great team bonding season,” Costigan said. “We had the leadership from our seniors and then our sophomores stepped up and helped us accomplish what we did this year. I think in the future it’s all about getting more and become better swimmers and friends.”

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“I think it’s cool to be the first ever to do this,” sophomore Jordan Dawson said. “It’s starting out slow, but I hope it grows. We’ve been trying to get it going for awhile, and I’m glad it finally happened. I wish it happened my freshman year, but we’re still young so it’s still good.”

The team is young. The squad has four freshmen (all from Linden), and a sophomore each from Lake Fenton and Fenton. It takes at least four gymnasts to compete as a team at the prep level. The top four point scorers on each apparatus for each team has their score included in the team score. Once all four events are completed (balance beam, uneven bars, vault and floor exercise), the highest total score determines the victor. The squad should get gradually larger next season when there are a couple of other athletes expected to join the team. The squad likes being young.

“We’ve been together for a long time,” Dawson said. “We’ve known each other forever. I love them. The fact we’ve grown up together makes it a lot easier to compete with each other. We are comfortable with each other.”

“Most of us have been doing gymnastics since we were little,” Richert said. “We’ve all been together, so hopefully we’ll continue (to stay together).”

In the first meet, Richert led all competitors with an all-around score of 34.125. Her top effort came on the beam where she posted a 9.15, the highest score of any competitor. She also had an 8.825 on the bars. Mirinda Stevens was second all-around with a 32.70. The other three who competed were Dawson with a 29.75, Nicole Haberkamp with a 28.65 and Macy Mitchell with a 28.6.

The co-op squad returns to action on Dec. 6 at the Judge’s Cup. The first home meet will be Dec. 18. The team trains and competes at Hyatt Elementary School.

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weekend they don’t quit.

“We just have to become a team and get everyone working on the same page. That can be difficult when everyone has been coached by different people on different teams, so right now we are just trying to get everyone together on the same page.”

The Griffins opened the game strong, scoring two of the game’s first three goals. Jake Thomas scored unassisted just 43 seconds into the second period. The Storm tied it up 6:34 into the second, but the Griffins answered back with a power play goal by Buck Hudson on an assist by Jonah Lainesse. However, the 2-1 lead didn’t last as the Storm scored four unanswered goals over the rest of the contest to earn the victory.

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While it seems that chaos is taking over, you get everything back to normal, even if it means being more than a little assertive with some people. Expect to hear more job-related news soon.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20)
Expect to be able to move ahead with your workplace plans now that you have a good idea of what you might have to face. You also can anticipate a welcome change on the home front.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)
A quieter period settles in, giving you a chance to catch your breath, as well as allowing for more time to handle some important family matters. The arts dominate this weekend. Enjoy them.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)
The frustrations of last week have pretty much played themselves out. You should find things going more smoothly, especially with those all-important personal matters.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22)
Once again, you find a creative way to resolve a pesky problem in short order. However, a matter involving a possible breach of confidence might need a bit more time to check out.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to Sept. 22)
Reuniting with an old friend could lead to the sharing of some great new experiences. But be careful you don’t find yourself once again being super-critical or overly judgmental.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
You should be seeing some positive results following your move toward repairing that unraveling relationship. There might be some setbacks, but staying with it ultimately pays off.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Encouraging a friendlier environment in the home could go a long way to help dissipate anger and resolve problems, especially those affecting children. It won’t be easy, but you can do it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
A recent act of kindness is beginning to show some unexpected (but very welcome) results. On another note, expect to hear more about a possible move to another locale.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
The good news is that the sure-footed Goat can rely on his or her skill to get around obstacles in the workplace. The not-so-good news is that new impediments could turn up later.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
A change of pace is welcome but also confusing. Before you make decisions one way or another, be sure you know precisely what it is you’re being asked to do.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20)
Don’t fret if you don’t get the gratitude you think you’re owed for doing a nice thing for someone. There might be a good reason for that. In any event, what’s important is that you did it.

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The Charter Township of Fenton Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2015 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center on Monday December 1, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. The property tax millage rates to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Fenton Township Office, located at 12060 Mantawauka Drive. Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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**Father Robert McKeon**

1925-2014

Father Robert McKeon age 89, died on Monday, November 24, 2014, at his home in Byron. He was a Roman Catholic Priest in the Lansing, Michigan, Diocese. He was born September 18, 1925 in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, the third son of Leo Gregory McKeon and Mary Ellen Hogan McKeon. He attended a grade school in Waukesha, Wisconsin and Lincoln, Michigan. He graduated from the Ladysmith Wisconsin High School in June 1944, and entered the United States Navy the same month. He served as a signalman aboard an LST ship in the Western Pacific until the end of World War II, and was discharged in June 1946. He attended college at the University of Wisconsin, Ladysmith, Wisconsin and the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. He began studies for the priesthood in 1949 and attended seminaries in Grand Rapids and Detroit, Michigan and in Cincin- nati, Ohio. Father Bob was ordained at the Lansing Cathedral on June 6, 1959 and celebrated his first Mass at St. John’s Parish, Fenton, in the free-standing church that his grandfather, Frank McKeon, helped build. He served as an assistant pastor at parishes in Jackson, Flint, Lansing and Fenton. He became a pastor at St. Isai- dore Parish in Lansingburg. He was pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Flint, St. Plus Parish in Flushing, and St. Mary’s Parish in Mount Morris. He retired in 1997 and moved to his home in Byron. After retiring, he served as sac- rimental celebrant at St. Joseph’s Parish in Genesee until November 2014, in addition to his parish services. Father Bob was Chaplain for the Daugh- ters of Isabella and for the Divorced and Separated Catholics of Flint and in the Michigan Prison system.

Father Bob was preceded in death by his parents and his two brothers, Leo Gregory and Reverend William James, and by his cousin William Donovan Mandeville who was raised with him, Father Bob’s household and with whom Father Bob was as close as a brother. Father Bob was survived by three neph- nes, seven grand-nieces and nephews, and many cousins. Father Bob trav- eled much of the world from the Western Pacific to Ireland and Italy. He criss- crossed North America by car. He felt at home anywhere in Wisconsin or Michigan, but his family’s farm on the Shiawassee River west of Linden was the place on earth dearest to him. Father Bob loved God. He loved God’s Church, despite its flaws. He loved his family and multitudes of relatives de- spite our flaws. He loved his parishioners. As a father he looked forward to taking his family on a 2 week vacation every summer camping up north, and a spring vacation to Florida every spring. Many camping trips were undertaken at state parks in the UP. After retiring he and his wife Barbara spent 36 years in Jensen Beach Florida, making many memories. Leonard is survived by his wife of over 70 years, Barbara Wambold; children, Diane (Dennis) Kinzly, Jane (Mike) Johnson, Jill (Ed) Maxwell and Jim (Mary) Wambold; grand- children, Sue Kingsley, Mike (Christina) Kingsley, Betsy (Ryan) Dave Worth- (Emerton), Brad (Jen) Emerton, John Emerton, Joe (Stephanie) Wambold and Matt (Rincone, Megan Crowely); brother, Jacob, Owen, Austin and Calvin. Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, Loyd and Cynthia; siblings, Leslie Wambold and Evelyn Hart. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, November 26, 2014, at 11:00 AM at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main St., Fenton. Pastor Hal Phillips officiating. Friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM until the time of service at 1 PM. Interment and Military Honors immediately follow- ing at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Holly. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to South Muskegon United Methodist Church. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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**Leonard Charles Wambold**

1924-2014

Leonard Charles Wambold age 89, of Grand Blanc, passed away on November 23, 2014. He was born December 19, 1924 in Flint to Lloyd and Cynthia (nee: Hill) Wambold. He graduated from Flint Northern High School and served in the US Navy in WWII. He retired from Fisher Body in 1976 after 30 years as a tool and die supervisor. He married Barbara Joan Smith on Dec- eben, Michigan, was a great husband, fa- ther, grandfather and great- grandfather. He looked forward to continuing his family on a 2 week vacation every summer camping up north, and a spring vacation to Florida every spring. Many camping trips were undertaken at state parks in the UP. After retiring he and his wife Barbara spent 36 years in Jensen Beach Florida, making many memories. Leonard is survived by his wife of over 70 years, Barbara Wambold; children, Diane (Dennis) Kinzly, Jane (Mike) Johnson, Jill (Ed) Maxwell and Jim (Mary) Wambold; grand- children, Sue Kingsley, Mike (Christina) Kingsley, Betsy (Ryan) Dave Worth- (Emerton), Brad (Jen) Emerton, John Emerton, Joe (Stephanie) Wambold and Matt (Rincone, Megan Crowely); brother, Jacob, Owen, Austin and Calvin. Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, Loyd and Cynthia; siblings, Leslie Wambold and Evelyn Hart. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, November 26, 2014, at 11:00 AM at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, 500 Main St., Fenton. Pastor Hal Phillips officiating. Friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM until the time of service at 1 PM. Interment and Military Honors immediately follow- ing at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Holly. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to South Muskegon United Methodist Church. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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**How long will those Thanksgiving leftovers last?**

Avoid food poisoning by quickly refrigerating or freezing and reheating properly

By Yvonne Stegall

Holiday meals often yield leftovers for days to come, but how many days can you safely eat those leftovers?

First, there are rules as to how long foods can sit out (and remember, your home does not come equipped with a sneeze guard). According to an article on WebMD, it’s as easy as remembering the “2-4-2” formula. This means:

- **2 hours.** Store all leftovers in the refrigerator or freezer no more than two hours after cooking. If food has been out more than two hours, toss it.

- **2 inches.** Use shallow containers, about two inches deep, to store this food. This will allow it to cool quickly and evenly, foiling annoying bacteria.

- **4 days.** Eat leftovers within four days. Holiday food kept longer than that should be thrown out. Freeze anything that is not going to be used within four days.

If you refrigerate past the four days the risk of food poisoning is greater. Food poisoning, or food born illness, is caused by things like bacteria in contaminated food. Because bacteria typically don’t change the taste, smell or look of food, you can’t tell whether a food is dangerous to eat.

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**Safe storage tips**

- Cut the turkey into small pieces to store in the refrigerator.
- Separate leftover stuffing and store it in a separate container from the turkey.
- Place leftovers into shallow containers, and refrigerate or freeze up to four days.
- Do not heat refrigerator or freezer leftovers, or refrigerate leftovers more than two hours after cooking.
- Refrigerate leftovers for a total of 4 days.
- Proper food-handling practices can help prevent food poisoning. These include:
  - Refrigerate leftovers for a total of 4 days.
  - Use breakable utensils in the refrigerator or freezer.
  - Use clean utensils and plastic wrap or aluminum foil to cover leftovers.

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