

Henry

## Holly man faces five years for fatal hit and run

With little evidence to go on. Holly detective credited for suspect's arrest

#### **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 A 30-year-old man from Holly Township was released on \$10,000 bond following his Oakland County district court arraignment on Saturday, Jan. 17. Holly police believe Damien Lee Henry

is responsible for a hit-and-run accident in Holly Village that killed 54-year-old Valarie Owen last October. Owen had recently moved from Lake Orion to Holly and was out on a walk.

Henry was arraigned on one count of See HIT AND RUN on 2

#### **Wolkow's adroit** actions with this investigation led to the suspect being identified and charged. 77

Michael Story, Holly police chief



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Auto show helps drive success of local dealerships

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#### **DANGER: 9-volt batteries** are a fire hazard

Proper storage and disposal are important

#### **By Yvonne Stegall** vstegall@tctimes.com

Recently a video has been spreading like fire around social media, a video on

how 9-volt

batteries

can actu-

ally cause

a house

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#### Summary Household batteries can

pose a fire hazard if not stored and disposed of properly.

Dustin Lucius, fire prevention officer at the Fenton Fire Department, said that all household batteries pose a fire threat to our homes. One Fenton family learned the hard way and there is a permanent display at the fire station showing the dangers of improper battery storage. Nine-volt batteries are

See 9-VOLT on 7



The biggest single attraction at the 2015 North American International Auto Show appears to be the new Ford GT, as it drew the most photos by visitors on Saturday. During the first public weekend, the NAIAS logged 110,509 visitors, which can lead to more sales at local dealerships.

## A new year, a new animal control

Positive changes being seen by volunteers, visitors

#### **By Yvonne Stegall**

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If you are already following GraceTheEvolution on Facebook, you've probably seen all of the updates the Times is about to share with you. However, if you are not into social media, then you will be happy to read that things are finally looking up for the critters at Genesee County Animal Control.

Stephani Lazar was replaced as the director at GCAC this month. The See ANIMAL CONTROL on 5

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HOT LINE



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO Under new leadership and direction, the Genesee County Animal Control is already seeing many positive changes

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both have locations in Somerset Mall in Troy. They are both



that we will love having here. Fenton is booming, and that's good for all.'

**G** am familiar with ULTA

and rue21 stores, they

### ▶2015 expected to be a record year for sales

#### **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 The excitement of the North American International Auto Show in Detroit this week is being felt at every local dealership, as the newest, most innovative cars and trucks find their way into area showrooms.

The show's influence in the tricounty area will likely contribute to what many people say will be a record year in auto sales.

Sales of new cars and trucks at U.S. dealerships are expected to climb to 13.83 million vehicles in 2015, according to J.D. Power & Associates. That's just slightly above the previous See SUCCESS on 9

**The 2015 F-150** is the most exciting vehicle we've had in a decade. 77

Matt Lasco, Lasco Ford

## Snyder vetoes CPL bill

Would have made it easier for PPO recipients to carry concealed guns

#### **By Yvonne Stegall**

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On Jan. 15, Gov. Rick Snyder vetoed Senate Bill 789, which won senate approval late December 2014. The bill was sponsored by Sen. Mike Green.

The primary purpose of the bill was to streamline the concealed pistol license (CPL) application process and make Michigan a true "shall issue state," by eliminating gun boards and transferring duties of licensing See CPL on 6



**C** 'American Sniper' was the best movie I have seen in a long time. It was powerful and made us even more proud of our military and their families who sacrifice so much.

tions to deny climate change. Even

uncommon sense. The Weather Channel just had a special about it. They must be in collusion with the scientists."

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#### **HIT AND RUN**

**Continued from Front Page** failure to stop at the scene of an accident resulting in serious impairment or death, a five-year felony.

Looking back to the crash, at 7:25 p.m. on Oct. 21, 2014, Holly police responded to the intersection of North Holly and Quick roads after a citizen driving by called 911 to report that a female pedestrian, later identified as Owen, was lying in the road unconscious. It appeared that she had been struck by a vehicle. Owen was pronounced deceased at Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township where she had been transported.

The vehicle striking Owen was unknown as the driver didn't stop or summon the police. The Oakland County Sheriff's Office traffic investigators and Holly Det. Heather Wolkow were called in to investigate.

Wolkow collected evidence from the scene and turned it over to the Michigan State Police Crime Lab for analysis. During the investigation, she also developed information on a possible suspect, Henry. Through her investigation, Wolkow learned that Henry had moved from his Holly Township residence. She eventually located him and the suspect vehicle. Following interviews with Henry, other witnesses, and the return of lab reports, a warrant request was forwarded to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office.

Believing she knew of Henry's whereabouts, on Friday, Jan. 16, Wolkow called the Wyandotte and Southgate police departments and asked for assistance. Officers of the Southgate Police Department located Henry and arrested him. Holly police then went to the location and took him into custody.

Holly Police Chief Michael Story is proud of the work done by Det. Wolkow. "Det. Wolkow worked very diligently on this incident. She effectively led an investigation with initially very scant evidence and turned that into a great deal of evidence to sift through," said Story.

The police chief said Wolkow's adroit actions with this investigation led to the suspect being identified and charged.

"There were many hours spent with this investigation that included her own time. I cannot say enough about Det. Wolkow's determination to bring this action forward."



Derick Hudson (right) poses with a group of friends before taking their snowmobiles out for a ride in Rogers City last winter.

## Linden man urges snowmobile safety

**Don't ride over** 

your limits. 77

**Derick Hudson** 

Linden resident

Painful recovery from
 2009 crash opens eyes
 of outdoor enthusiast

#### By Yvonne Stegall

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Now that we have some snow on the ground, some of us may be thinking about getting the snowmobile out for a ride.

While it's easy to poorly negotiate a turn or have something else go wrong, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) there were 14 deaths during the

2013-2014 snowmobiling season.

These accidents are not just reserved to the young, inexperienced, riders. According to the statistics, those 14 deaths involved riders between 19 and 67 years of age, with just one in their teens. The average age was 42. It also isn't just about men and their toys, as one of the deaths was a woman.

Linden resident Derick Hudson escaped death when he had an accident on his own snowmobile his senior year of high school, in December 2009. Hudson said, "It was at the end of Tickner Street in Linden where they were building the new homes. I had just brought the sled home from up north."

He said it's amazing the details you can remember when something like this happens in your life. "The rear end got away from me, it slid out and I hit a dry patch of pavement. It threw me off the sled and I slid about 20 feet, and hit a tree. The sled was flipping behind me and it slammed into my waist area and broke my pelvis."

Hudson said it took him two to three months to recover from his accident, and it wasn't cheap either. Luckily he was covered by his parents' health insurance and he didn't need physical therapy. He was on crutches for three weeks. While he was recovered by the next winter, he still didn't get right back on. "I took about four years off from riding."

Having learned a lesson the hard way, Hudson said, "If I could tell anyone anything about safety and your snowmobile or any ATV/ORV, it would be to respect the machine you're riding. Don't ride over your limits."

The DNR offers information about safety courses for snowmobiling. While snowmobile safety is only required for those between the ages of 12 and 17, it is still recommended that anyone planning to ride a snowmobile get safety training. Modern snowmobiles are capable of high rates of speeds over snow and ice. With the countless hazards associated with

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operating a snowmobile, training is a crucial factor in safe and responsible snowmobile operation.

According to the DNR website, more than 6,200 miles of designated snow-

mobile trails are located throughout the state of Michigan throughout three national forests and many acres of privately owned lands. Michigan is one of only three states that offer a large system of interconnected snowmobile trails.



#### Snowmobile safety tips

Always keep your machine in top mechanical condition.
Always wear insulated boots and

Always wear insulated boots and protective clothing including a helmet, gloves and eye protection.
Never ride alone.

- Avoid, when possible, crossing
- frozen bodies of water.Never operate in a single file when
- crossing frozen bodies of water.
- Always be alert to avoid fences and low-strung wires.
- Never operate on a street or highway.
- Álways look for depressions in the snow.
- Keep headlights and taillights on at all times.
- When approaching an intersection, come to a complete stop, raise off the seat and look for traffic.
- Always check the weather conditions before you depart.
- Source: michigan.gov

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# News & Features







# SO MUCH TO SEE AT THE North American International

By Tim Jagielo • tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

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trucks, but

also mo-

torcycles,

tanks, con-

**Detroit** — The North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) is like walking through a mall filled with cars and trucks instead of clothing and electronics. And not



cept cars and at least one indoor track.

The show was established in 1907, and was called the Detroit Auto Show, and was put on by the Detroit Area Dealer Association. It moved to Cobo Center in 1965, and became an international event. Organizers changed the name to reflect that in 1987.

See AUTO SHOW on 8

### **SHOW DATES** and information

There are still a few more days left to preview the world's newest automotive offerings. The show is open until January 25.

#### HOURS TODAY THROUGH SATURDAY:

9 a.m. to 10 p.m. (early access at 8 a.m. for handicapped individuals, no admittance after 9 p.m.) SUNDAY HOURS:

#### 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

(no new admittance after 6 p.m.) **IICKETS:** Regular tickets are \$13 Seniors are \$7 Children are \$7, for ages 6 to 12 Age 6 and under is free Go to www.naias.com for more information.









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## France needs a better 'melting pot'

In the language of headline writers, he is 'Muslim Man,' hailed as a hero for hiding hostages during last week's terrorist attacks by Muslim fanatics in France.

When the kosher supermarket where he works in eastern Paris came under siege, Lassana Bathily put his own life at risk to hide a half-dozen terrified customers in a walk-in refrigerator.

But when the 24-year-old shop assistant managed to escape through a back exit, police immediately forced him to the ground, handcuffed him and took him into custody.

Police held Bathily in handcuffs for an hour and a half to help them plan their assault that freed the surviving hostages.

That's when he became 'Muslim Man,' a hero in the headlines. Thousands signed an online petition that called on French President Francois Hollande to grant Bathily automatic citizenship for his heroism.

But Bathily's experience symbolizes the frustrations and cultural anxieties of immigrants who want to assimilate into the mainstream but run into roadblocks.

Paris suburbs become breeding grounds of multigenerational poverty, crime, resentment that drives too many dispirited youths into the arms of Islamic militants.

And that helps to feed a backlash of support for ultra-right political parties that flirt with neo-Nazism.

Unlike America's multiculturalism, which aims to help people from diverse backgrounds bridge their differences, European multiculturalism tends to encourage more separatism.

As much as some hardliners complain that immigrants don't really want to leave their enclaves and assimilate into the mainstream, the American experience tells us that assimilation is a two-way street. Newcomers need to feel invested in their new home country. Then they and, even more eagerly, their children will feel as though they have a stake in joining and improving the mainstream culture.

Or as I have heard veterans of America's civil rights movement say, we may have arrived on different ships, but we're in the same boat now."



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**OF** the people, by the people and for the

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TO THE PERSON who paid for my

dad's and my dinner at Mega Coney

Island. Thank you so much. God Bless

THE BAN GAY marriage law was only

voted on by a small portion of the peo-

ple. It was not voted for by 75 percent

of the people. All laws are subject to

checks and balances. The courts de-

EVEN WHEN YOUR local school says

they are in the top five in their district

time for a new goal and new structure

graduating has the tools to be as pro-

HEY, JOE GRAVES, why in Michigan,

a part of America, can I get a license to

brew beer but not be able to distribute it

'THOSE WHO FORGET the past are

doomed to repeat it.' Remember Selma

DUE TO THE upcoming lack of fire pro-

tection, Tyrone Township is accepting

volunteers for a bucket brigade.

in public education so that everyone

some students are still failing. It is

545 people that rule this

they've become a select

All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability. AMERICA IS ROARING back financially and you can only whine about our president traveling? Look at the stock market, low interest rates, jobs everywhere and the economy improving. It is his policies that are making this happen.

PRESIDENT OBAMA HANDLED the Paris terrorist attacks typically. The mass killing was the result of an act of violence, some extremists, and a few lone

wolves. Isn't the term lone wolves itself a contradiction? He is a talking points shill for Islam. If his lips are moving they seem to be telling a lie, covering a previous lie, or laying the foundation for a future lie. It's disgraceful.

**I WOULD NEVER** single President Obama out as a bad president. He is just one more in a line of nearly 50, with the only exceptions being Lincoln and Roosevelt, a Republican and a Democrat. They are all crooks and thieves.

**FOX NEWS BASHERS** need to cite their sources when offering fact check percentages. My opinion is that these Hot liners skew the 'facts' to fit their own ideology. After watching all the major news outlets available on TV, I find Fox to be the most balanced when it comes to presenting news stories. They do not censor by omission and allow the viewer to draw their own conclusion.

FOR THE GIRL who was forced to memorize the Quran to graduate from high school, don't we have an America anymore? We can't even cite the 10 commandments in the school. Something's fishy.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



FROM THE RIGHT Cal Thomas Nationally syndicated

## Why all the love for George Clooney?

Social media is agog over George Clooney's tribute to his wife, Amal, at last weekend's Golden Globe Awards in Hollywood. Women, especially, are swooning in their tweets and Facebook postings.

Said Clooney, 'Listen, it's humbling to find somebody to love, especially when you've been waiting your whole life, especially when your whole life is 53 years ... Amal, whatever alchemy brought us together, I couldn't be more proud to be your husband.'

I admit the tribute was sweet and his wife is drop-dead gorgeous, but Clooney has only been married four months. Maybe in Hollywood four months is considered a long-term relationship, but let's see if they make it to their 49th anniversary, as my wife and I did today.

I think that our culture has redefined 'love.' In 1984, when Tina Turner sang 'What's Love Got to Do with It,' that song might have been the anthem for a generation.

What is 'love'? If it isn't more than feelings, a superficial sugar rush that occurs when one is near someone special, what happens when the feelings subside? No marriage can be sustained at the level of teenage romance.

Some years ago, I introduced my wife to a colleague at a Christmas party this way: 'I want you to meet my first wife.' Later he sought me out and asked with a serious expression, 'Why did you bring your first wife to the party?' I replied, 'It's the only one I've had.' He looked at me surprised, as if I were a dinosaur at the Museum of Natural History.

Maybe I am, but it has worked for us. Has it always been perfect? Of course not. No marriage is and anyone who says so isn't telling the truth. When two imperfect people marry, you double the imperfections

So, happy anniversary, Charlotte Ray. I don't look like George Clooney, but I'm grateful you find me appealing. Besides, in a very short time, George and Amal won't look like they do today. I hope they stay married. I know we will.

## If you could buy any vehicle, what would it be? street talk

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Compiled by Alexei Rose, intern

"I would have a Buick Enclave because I like the style and I worked for GM."

— Dave Hajec Fenton Township



"Anything American made. Most of the vehicles that I had were Chevys."

Yvonne Hobbs Tyrone Township



"A Cadillac, my good friend bought one and they are beautiful."

Sandy Shepherd
 Fenton Township



"A car that is economical, is reliable. I currently drive a Pontiac Vibe."

Dwight Murphy
 Fenton Township



"I would want a Prius, because it charges itself. It is also environmentally responsible."



"Any four-door sedan because they are the most useful and easy to get in and out of."

Victims told investigators that two men entered the residence and bound

their wrists and ankles with duct tape.

The suspects assaulted two of the victims

causing injuries. Both injured victims

were transported to University of Michi-

gan Hospital in Ann Arbor for treatment

ing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact

the Michigan State Police Brighton Post

(810) 227-1051. Troopers were assisted

by Livingston County Sheriff's Depart-

ment, Oakland County Sheriff's Office

and Livingston County EMS.

The investigation is currently ongo-

with non-life threatening injuries.



Genesee County Animal Control relies on volunteers for many basic activities like walking, feeding and cleaning kennels.

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**Roberta Angelo** 

GRACE representative

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#### ANIMAL CONTROL Continued from Front Page

new director is Paul Wallace, who is backed up by a new Deputy Director, Karen Dombrowski.

Roberta Angelo, with Genesee Residents for Animal Control Evolution (GRACE) said, "We at GRACE could not be happier with the Board of Commissioners' decision to remove Lazar. The new leadership is already making positive changes."

Some of those changes, according to numerous posts on Facebook include: • Visitors to the shelter have reported being greeted warmly by the new Director and Deputy Director.

• People dropping off donations have been thanked, helped with the unloading and asked for more.

One volunteer overheard Director Wallace asking a ton of questions about how to get the "court case dogs," some of which have been held in the shelter for months, released so that they can be adopted or transferred. He is very concerned about the ones that have been confined for so long.
The new leadership has been observed working with the vet to make arrangements to vaccinate animals on intake. This is a best practice that keeps illness minimized.

• All of the cats have been tested for FIV and FeLv. For the first time ever, adopters and people wanting to rescue cats can have confidence that they will not be dealing with one of these horrible diseases.

• Instead of being left in a general popu-

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#### LIFT LOUNGE UP COMING EVENT: January Rail Jam Saturday, January 24 • Registration at 5pm, First He

Saturday, January 24 • Registration at 5pm, First Heat at 6pm There is only a \$5.00 ENTRY FEE. Age categories are: Age 12 and under, Age 13-16 and Age 17 and up.

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lation cages to suffer and spread illness and eventually be killed, three under-theweather cats were moved to an isolation ward so that they could receive medical treatment, keep their germs contained, and get better in a quieter area of the shelter.

Angelo said, "Visitors who have stopped in at the shelter this week have written to tell us that the cages are clean, the shelter smells so much better, and that the shelter staff was welcoming.

Volunteers have been thanked for coming in to help."

One of the biggest changes to note, which the Times has previously reported on is that the stray ward is now open to the public and no longer a "locked" ward.

"Volunteers are now able to take pictures of all the

stray animals and circulate them to try to reunite them with their lost families. People looking for a lost pet no longer have to worry that they are hidden somewhere in the building. In fact, there were several animals returned to their families last week," according to a post on the GRACE Facebook page.

There will still be an area that is not open to the public, but it is rightfully reserved for animals that are a danger to the public or have health issues and need to be quarantined.

Angelo said, "Now that compassionate people are making the decisions, the conditions and the outcomes for the animals are going to improve. We are already seeing that happen."

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## Hartland residents duct-taped, injured in home invasion

► State police ask for help in identifying suspects

On Saturday, Jan. 17 at approximately 9:13 p.m., Michigan State Police troopers were dispatched to a home invasion in-progress in Hartland Township in Livingston County. When troopers arrived on scene, the home invasion was no longer in-progress and the suspects had fled the scene.

Troopers provided first-aid to the victims prior to Livingston County EMS arriving on scene. A K-9 track was conducted and it was determined the suspects fled the area in a vehicle.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED are cowa

I SEE ALL these schools that are closing down, hurting and in trouble. Where is this lottery money that I thought was supposed to go to the schools? I spent a lot on it and know I put at least one kid through college.

I'M PRETTY SURE Obama should be impeached. For a guy supposedly knowing the Constitution, he does some pretty stupid stuff. He wants to finish destroying America's economy by giving our money to criminals. If you are not a legal citizen, you should be deported.

I AM SURE all of you Obama loving sycophants will love the Michael Moore hating America comments that snipers are cowards. We'll see how you feel when ISIS breaks into your office and starts killing everyone when there is no American military to keep them in line.

**LOOKS TO ME** that since Obama lost control of his empire he is becoming the next great rabble-rouser.

**NO MORE LIAM** Neeson movies in our household. What a hypocrite. All your characters do is shoot up people, usually the bad guys, yet you are against people owning a gun, legally?

**IN FLORIDA, THERE** is a whole lot in the papers about teachers having sex with students. Isn't it weird that these kids get legally into the military but they can't have sex legally?





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Max Wolfgram, a first-grader at State Road Elementary and a group of two dozen helpers build a 12-foot-tall snowman, an idea he came up with after watching a movie.

## Idea, action results in 12-foot snowman

▶ First-grader brings together classmates, parents for snowman building event

#### **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 When Max Wolfgram comes up

with an idea and puts his mind to it, he takes action. This action resulted in a 12-foot-tall snowman being built on Saturday on Fenton High School's soccer field. Max, a first-grader

The learning never ends. I love it. 77

**Gabrielle Brizendine** First-grade teacher at State Road Elementary

at State Road Elementary of Fenton Area Public Schools, is involved with the IB program that the school district offers to its students. Max's idea and taking action goes with the belief that when children take control of their own learning they have memorable, more meaningful, and

longer lasting learning experiences, according to his teacher, Gabrielle Brizendine.

"As his teacher I am extremely proud of Max See SNOWMAN on 9



## **Placement of traffic signals** requires studies, time

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**Rick Aro** 

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Parkway. 77

Fenton police chief

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Personal Defense Service CPL

firearms. **77** 

Lt. Brett Selby

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**Owen at Silver** 

▶ Fenton police chief says most dangerous intersection is Owen at Silver Parkway

#### **By Yvonne Stegall**

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According to Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro, the intersection with the most accidents is Owen at Silver Parkway. The blame is that there is a lot of traffic in this area and too many turning movements.

Knowing that a certain intersection is more dangerous than others may lead you to question how it is determined what traffic lights go where.

First, it depends on where your intersection is located. According to MDOT, your first step is to contact your local city, village or township office. The local authority can best determine who has jurisdiction over the

intersection in question. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is responsible for all traffic signals on Michigan's trunkline roadways (numbered M, U.S. and I routes) and

receives hundreds of requests for signal studies annually. Requests are handled in the order in which they are received. Evaluating a request for a new signal is

a four-part process, according to MDOT. A preliminary inquiry is conducted, followed by crews placing counting machines at the intersection to find out traffic volumes. The results are then analyzed and a formal report

#### CPL

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to the county clerks, sheriff's office and the Michigan State Police, according to Lt. Brett Selby, owner of Personal Defense Service CPL. The term "shall issue" is pending any prior convictions prohibiting to possession of firearms.

In his veto letter, Snyder wrote, "I am particularly concerned by the fact that SB 789 would allow certain persons who are the subject of a personal protection order (PPO) to obtain a concealed pistol license (CPL). Under the current law, no person who is the subject of a PPO may obtain a license to

carry a concealed pistol. Senate Bill 789 would limit this restriction to apply only in those cases where the PPO also includes express language stating that the subject of the PPO is not allowed to purchase or possess a firearm."

When seeking a PPO, victims of domestic abuse may not know to ask the court for a specific restriction on the subject's ability to purchase and possess firearms.

Today, PPOs issued without this language still have the effect of preventing the subject from obtaining a concealed pistol license.

Because SB 789 would remove this blanket protection in cases when the PPO fails to specifically address firearms whatever the reason for the omission — it may increase the risks faced by victims of domestic abuse."

Currently, Michigan law MCL.28.422

is written. This process takes anywhere from three to six months.

Daniel Czarnecki, Fenton Department of Public Works (DPW) director said, "The study looks at many factors and determines if the traffic signal is justified, that it will improve the overall safety and operation of the intersection, and that the signal will not seriously disrupt progressive traffic flow." He added, "They look at things like the

number of accidents and the types of them, intersection configuration, traffic volume, pedestrians, schools and other factors.'

"In evaluating the traffic information, MDOT follows federal and state guidelines called signal warrants that help engineers weigh the impact of a traffic signal on motorists. Eleven warrants

are assessed when studying a location," according to MDOT information. You can find the entire information on the warrants in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Devices (MUTCD) Chapter 4C.

Many people may wonder why a traffic signal isn't just placed when it's requested. According to MDOT, unnecessary traffic signals can result in excessive delays, drivers disobeying signals, or using less convenient routes in an attempt to avoid signals, increased crash frequency (especially rear-end type crashes). Since these are things you want the signal to prevent, it makes sense to take the time to evaluate the situation first.

prohibits individuals from obtaining a license to purchase a pistol if they have received notice of the PPO order and had an opportunity for a hearing. If the judge included in the order that they are prohibited from owning or possessing firearms, then it would affect the firearms they already own.

Selby said, "As a lieutenant, with over 20 years of service, I know very few police officers that have a tolerance or sympathy for subjects that are abusing spouses or those in a dating relationship, myself included." He said this includes male or female and male or females in dating relationships where they are residents or former residents of the same household.

"Access to a firearm in these situations can go beyond dangerous and elevate an abusive encounter into a homicide with a firearm," said Selby.

According to an FBI Supplementary Homicide Report, "In 2000, in homicides where the weapon was known, 50 percent(1,342 of 2,701) of female homicide victims were killed with a firearm. Of those female firearm homicides, 1,009 women

(75 percent) were killed with a handgun."

"Over the past 20 years, I have seen spouses kill spouses with knives, automobiles and their bare hands as well as with stolen firearms. The bottom line is that under this bill, the judge must explicitly check the box or explicitly prohibit the individual from possessing or purchasing a gun. No longer will it be an automatic,' Selby concluded.

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Pregnancy and the law (Part II) The relevant facts of the Peggy Young v United Parcel Service case are as follows.

The plaintiff (Young) was a driver for the defendant (UPS) in 2006. Among the requirements of the job was the ability to 'lift, lower, push, pull, leverage and manipulate items weighing up to 70 pounds that were not oddly shaped.'

In 2006, she became pregnant. Her doctor put her on restrictions including not lifting more than 20 pounds for the first 20 weeks of her pregnancy. UPS told her that she could not return to work with these restrictions even for light duty work. At the time, UPS offered light duty assignments (on a temporary or permanent basis) only to (1) employees who were injured on the job; (2) employees who were eligible for accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA); and (3) drivers who had lost their Department of Transportation (DOT) certifications because of a failed medical exam, a lost driver's license or involvement in a motor vehicle accident.

UPS did not offer such accommodations to employees with pregnancy limitations.

The legal issue before the Supreme Court is whether the Pregnancy Discrimination Act (PDA) was violated by UPS not providing Young with the work accommodations that they provided for nonpregnant employees.

Four federal appeals courts have found that such treatment of a pregnant employee does not violate the PDA while two appeals courts have indicated that it may be a violation.

In her appeal, Young argued that her condition was protected and what UPS did was illegal. UPS argued that their policy on light duty assignments was 'pregnancy blind' as the people in the eligible category could be either men or women and the PDA does not give special protection for pregnant employees under the facts of the case.

Additionally it argued that the ADA has subsequently been amended to broaden the definition of disability, which could give additional protections to people such as Young in the future.

Finally, UPS indicated it has now changed its policy on pregnant workers to allow an accommodation for light duty work.

The final decision will be made before the Supreme Court term ends.



**BREAK-INS IN ARGENTINE** Argentine Township police are asking residents in the areas of Bird and Smith roads to be on the lookout for suspicious activity. Police took two breaking and entering complaints on Saturday, Jan.17. Items taken were a 50-inch TV and jewelry. Argentine police are asking that if you see anything suspicious to call 911.





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#### 9-VOLT **Continued from Front Page**

common in every household. Lucius said, "Fires started by household batteries are more common than you'd think." They power toys and many other battery operated devices. Ironically enough, one of the most common items in the home that uses a 9-volt battery is your smoke detector.

The main reason that 9-volt batteries are the most dangerous household battery is that the positive and negative posts are close together. If a metal object touches the two posts of a 9-volt battery, it can cause a short circuit. This can make enough heat to start a fire, according to the National Fire Protection Association. Even weak batteries may have enough charge to cause a fire.

Lucius warned about proper storage and disposal of batteries, including the 9-volt. Fires can start in the trash when 9-volt batteries are thrown away with other metal items. They can also start when 9-volt batteries are stored in a drawer near other batteries and metal office supplies, like paperclips. Any metal made item that touches both posts on the 9-volt can potentially start a fire.

Your best bet when it comes to proper storage of your household batteries is to keep them in their original packaging until you are ready to use them. When it's time to throw them out, do not put them in the trash where they can come into contact with other metal items. Instead, take them in on hazardous waste day, or contact your local trash and recycling centers to find out where they can be taken for proper disposal.

#### **STORING TIPS:**

 Keep batteries in original packaging until you are ready to use them. If loose, keep the posts covered with masking, duct, or electrical tape. Prevent the posts from coming in contact with metal objects

- Keep them somewhere safe where they won't be tossed around.
- Store batteries standing up.

9-volt batteries should not be stored

loose in a drawer. Do not store them in containers with

other batteries Source: nfpa.org

#### **DISPOSAL TIPS:**

 9-volt batteries should not be thrown away with trash. They can come in contact with other batteries or pieces of metal.

• 9-volt batteries can be taken to a collection site for household hazardous waste.

 Cover the positive and negative posts with masking, duct, or electrical tape before getting rid of batteries. Some states do not allow any type of battery to be disposed of with trash.

Check with your city or town for the best way to

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**By Tim Jagielo** tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

What is an upload/ download?

First off, content viewed online is stored on something called a "server." A server is like the hard drive in your computer storing information, like photos and text. Servers are owned and operated by the company that hosts the website, or email service like hotmail, yahoo!, or AOL. When you download something from a website, or as an email attachment, you're having the digital information copied from that server to your computer's hard drive.

When you upload something, a copy of the information from your computer is being held on those servers operated by the email service you're using, for the other person you sent the email to.

Uploading and downloading both take time, depending on how big the file is, and how fast your Internet uploads and downloads.



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The Scion display feels more like a futuristic arcade, or city scene, matching with the style of the brand. Displays ran between \$1.5 and \$20 million.

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Auto show spokesperson

having the

Super Bowl

**Kyle Chura** 

#### AUTO SHOW Continued from Page 3

The auto show is really an international event, with all kinds of people all doing the same thing — walking around, taking photos inside, and next to their favorite new cars. While

it's easy to spot out-of-state plates, and many fly in from outside the U.S. to attend, folks from the tri-county area only have about an hour drive. It takes a lot of energy to

explore everything there, and there's also a little more glamour than most of us

experience in our daily lives. Brands can create the atmosphere surrounding their

vehicles whether classy, club or sporty. Kyle Chura, a spokes person for the auto show, said that in 2014, 803,451 attended the show. This year it will generate \$400 million in economic activity. "That is like having the Super

Bowl every year," he said via email.

As always, there's a combination of display vehicles that can be explored up close, while others are pristine, sitting on slowly rotating platforms, with specialists, also up on display, there to answer questions.

Downstairs things are a little more down home, with motorcycles, and super heavy duty U.S. Army excavating equipment.

The most "buzzy" display was the Ford performance area, where more crowds gathered around the new Ford GT supercar than anything else.

Jeep's display for the 2015 Renegade was their newest offering, and Chevy's all-electric Bolt subcompact concept was theirs. They also had their brand new Chevy Colorado.

Chura said that displays can cost anywhere from \$1.5 million to \$20 million, which isn't hard to believe looking at the impressive lights, graphics and platforms.

#### HOT LINE CONTINUED

A STUDY WAS recently completed at the University of California by two economists that shows that every time the minimum wage goes up it lessens jobs for people between the ages of 16 and 24. It also negatively affects small businesses all across the country, many that are hanging on by a thread. The Democrats just don't get this.

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report describes some bills of interest introduced during the first week.

#### Senate Bill 1 and House Bill 4001: Repeal "prevailing wage" law

Introduced by Sen. Arlan Meekhof (R) and Rep. Amanda Price (R), respectively, to repeal the state "prevailing wage" law, which prohibits awarding government contracts to contractors who submit the lowest bid unless the contractor pays "prevailing wages," which are based on union-submitted pay scales that tend to be above the market rate. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

#### House Bill 4006: Mandate emergency cell phone user location disclosures

Introduced by Rep. Kurt Heise (R), to require cell phone companies to disclose call location information when requested by law enforcement because the information is needed in an emergency situation that involves the risk of death or injury. The bill would grant legal immunity to cell phone companies for making the disclosures. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

#### House Bill 4012: Require local zoning to let residents grow some farm products

Introduced by Rep. Tim Kelly (R), to establish that under local zoning ordinances property zoned as residential may be used by a resident to grow farm products and animals for personal use and some "de minimis" sales. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

#### House Bill 4014: Restrict schools from collecting personal and "biometric" student data

Introduced by Rep. Tim Kelly (R), to prohibit public schools from collecting or using student "biometric" or other specified data, including data from a behavior-response measuring "biofeedback" or facial recognition device. The bill also bans schools administering tests that ask students about their own or family members' socioeconomic status; place of birth; political affiliations or beliefs; religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs; income; or any other data about the student's relationships, health, behaviors, attitudes, or beliefs, unless approved in writing by a parent or legal guardian. Referred to committee, no further action at this time



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#### SUCCESS

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record of 13.8 million in 2004, followed by years in a recession which forced millions of Americans to postpone buying a new car or truck. Last year was another strong year, which laid the foundation for record sales this year.

An improving economy, strong leasing programs, exciting new products, in-car connectivity and low gas prices are helping to drive this trend toward a record year.

"Low gas prices have helped customers to be less dependent on buying a car or truck just for its fuel efficiency," said Matt Lasco of Lasco Ford.

Low interest rates also allow consumers to pay more for the trucks and cars they're buying, with longer loan terms and an average monthly payment averaging \$457, according to J.D. Power. Onethird of all auto loans for new vehicles are for a term length of six years. The strength of this year's auto sales is also in the thrill of new products and features.

"Everyone is getting excited about the 2016 Buick Cascade, a two-door convertible debuting at the auto show," said Lisa Consiglio, new car sales manager at Randy Wise Buick GMC in Fenton. "Buicks are now attracting a whole new younger crowd."

Here's what's new this year at area dealerships:



**LASCO FORD** Getting the most buzz at the auto **show:** the Ford GT, with a twin-turbocharged 3.5-liter EcoBoost V-6 capable of over 600-hp. Our biggest

Matt Lasco

sellers this year: a three-way tie between the Fusion, the Escape and the F-150. The F-150 is the most exciting vehicle we've had in a decade. It's been completely re-done from top to bottom. The customer feedback is incredible!

Sales forecast this year: 175 new cars per month, compared to 161 new cars per month in 2014.

Matt Lasco, vice president

**RANDY WISE** 

**Getting the most** 

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Buick Cascade, a

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Lisa Consiglio

ible offered in the U.S. in more than two decades.

Most exciting new vehicles: GMC Canyon, a smaller mid-size truck and the Yukon XL, a full-size SUV with all new styling and seating up to eight.

Our biggest sellers: Terrains and Yukons. Everybody needs a truck!

Sales forecast for the year: expecting a huge increase with the improvement of lease programs and low gas prices.

— Lisa Consiglio, new car sales manager



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The Perez family from Troy including Deanna, and Manny with son (also Manny), 3, check out the Chevy Bolt concept vehicle on Saturday at the NAIAS.



coming out in late

ogy and fuel economy. Most exciting new vehicles: The all-

new design of the Dodge Charger and the Chrysler 300.

Our biggest seller: Jeep Cherokee and Ram 1500 were our highest-volume vehicles in 2014 and will likely be this year, too.

Sales forecast for this year: We're up over 200 vehicles in 2014 and this year, we're expecting to sell 1,000 new cars. Nick Golson, general sales manager

#### **VIC CANEVER CHEVROLET**

Most exciting new vehicle: The all-new Colorado. It's pretty sharp and there is a lot of interest in that

Our biggest seller: The new Silverado.

steady rise in Silverado sales. The lower gas prices are making a big difference in truck sales, allowing a truck to fit in many families' budgets.

Sales forecast for this year: We're planning on a 10 to 15 percent increase in sales. The local economy seems to be really taking off. Last year was a great year for us, and we see it growing even more. We've also noticed a big increase in business purchases.

What Chevy vehicles are getting the most buzz at the Detroit Auto Show? The Colorado, the all-new Bolt (all electric car, gets up to 200 miles on a charge), and the Corvette always gets lots of attention!

— Matt Stevens, general sales



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#### SNOWMAN

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for taking an idea that he had in his heart and taking action and having the confidence to come up with a plan and have it be successful," said Brizendine. "It is an honor to teach in a place that values learning in this way."

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Max's idea originated after he watched a movie about a boy who wanted to build as many snowmen as he could. Max came up with a plan to build the world's tallest snowman. He also made ribbons for those who would help him.

Though it's nowhere near the tallest snowman ever built, which is 122 feet tall, Max and about 25 helpers worked together for about two hours on Saturday to build the 12-foot snowman.

Brizendine said the learning will continue as Max's class will research other tall snowmen built in Fenton. The class will also predict when the snowman will melt. "The learning never ends," said Brizendine. "I love it."



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Peggy Flemming did. She won five straight U.S. titles during her skating

## Fenton's Dean headed to Siena Heights

**INSIDE SPORTS** 

**KATEY CAIRNDUFF** Tigers fall to Flushing in

battle of first-place teams. See Page 11

Senior excited to begin softball career with Saints

**By David Troppens** dtroppens@tctimes.com Paige Dean didn't

think she performed that well when she went to a softball camp at Siena Heights awhile back.

Apparently Siena Heights didn't agree with Dean's assessment.

The Fenton senior recently signed to continue her softball career as a Saint starting with the 2015-16 academic season.

"It was super exciting. I'm a college athlete and that's crazy. That's something I've always wanted to do," Dean said. "At first I was unsure if I had the time for it, plus I wasn't sure if I was good enough. I went to some camps. ... First I went to the Siena Heights camp and I didn't think I did well. ... But not too much longer after that (Siena Heights) coach Laura (Klutsarits) called. I didn't think I had a chance and it ended up I did."

Dean also looked at Alma College and Madonna College. "I really liked how Siena felt," Dean said. "Everything felt relaxed, happy and positive. ... Coach Laura is awesome. I like her coaching style. She doesn't yell much. She's intense, but not too intense and that's what I wanted. That's the style I have had in high school and in travel. I've had coaches

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ports

PAIGE

DEAN

Photo by: David Troppens

For coverage of Tuesday's prep basketball games, go to tctimes.com.

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL BRIEFS**

**Bronchos edge Clio** Holly outscored Clio 17-5 in the fourth quarter, earning

a 42-37 victory against the Mustangs on Friday. Holly trailed 32-25 entering

the fourth quarter, but scored 17 points in the final eight minutes.

Kaitlyn Smith led Holly with 21 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two steals. Paige Reid chipped in eight points and six rebounds. Brooke Jackman netted six points and eight rebounds. **Dragons limit Linden** 

## in third quarter, 42-35

Linden (2-4, 4-6) scored just two third-quarter points, resulting in the loss.

Taylor Smith paced the Eagles with 17 points, while Sterling DeGayner netted eight points. Megan Kenney chipped in six points.

#### LF's offense struggles vs. Railroaders, 48-28 The Blue Devils were

outscored 17-2 in the second quarter, resulting in the loss.

Hannah Garty and Sierra Arroyo led the Blue Devils (2-7) with six points each. Autumn Beardsley and Sydney Sheyachich each had five points. Beardsley also had eight rebounds.

## **Tigers place fourth at county**

Fenton posts three state-qualifying efforts

#### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Sometimes a score sheet doesn't completely tell the truth.

Entering the Genesee County Swimming and Diving Championships, the Fenton Tigers wanted to place second, realizing that Grand Blanc's depth was too great to overcome.

However, when the meet ended, the Fenton varsity boys swim team placed only fourth. The defending Metro League champions also finished behind Swartz Creek/Flushing, who edged the Tigers by 22 points. But when Fenton coach Brad Jones did some extra investigating, he wasn't upset with the results. In fact, he was downright pleased.

Fenton finished the county meet with one county champion and three individual state-qualifying times, resulting in the fourthplace finish. Also, when Jones took Grand Blanc and Powers out of the meet's equation, he found out if it was a Metro meet, the Tigers would've fared just fine. It took Grand Blanc's elite status to drop the Tigers' biggest





strength — it's depth — farther down to deeper lower-scoring or non-scoring positions. When the Metro teams face off at the end of the season, that won't happen, meaning the Tigers still feel good about their chances of repeating as Metro champs.

"We finished really well. Peo-

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I MARK BOLEN (Above) Fenton's Zac Miceli posted two state-qualifying times at the Genesee County Swimming and Diving Championships, taking second in the 200 individual medley (2:06.76) and fourth in the 100 butterfly (56.07). Meanwhile, Fenton's only county champion was Austin Landis (left) in the 100 freestyle with a time of 50.99 seconds.

ple will see we finished fourth and say, 'Oh my God' and think there is concern if we are the Metro favorites, but it's not a big concern. Four other schools were there. That sort of diluted where we'd be and changed our position. We swam what I considered See TIGERS on 12

## **Holly boys** remain on top

Squad crushes Clio Mustangs, 80-65

#### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com Holly's Jake Daniels scored a three-pointer just two seconds into the Bronchos' contest with Clio on Friday night.

The Bronchos' offense never slowed down after that bucket, cruising to an 80-65 Metro League victory, keeping the Holly varsity boys basketball team undefeated (7-0, 7-2) in Metro play.

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**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** MARK BOLEN

Hollv's Parker Rowse (right) fights for a ball in the Bronchos' 80-65 win against Clio.

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## Early play costs Tigers down stretch vs. Flushing

#### By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

**Fenton** — Tim Olszewski was a frustrated coach Friday after Fenton's boys basketball game against the Flushing Raiders.

His team trailed for most of the night at home against Flushing, but still had a chance to win during the final 23 seconds.

With the Tigers trailing 44-42, Fenton guard Dillon Gardner attempted a driving shot but missed, enabling the Raiders to leave with the 44-42 victory.

Just moments earlier, Gardner gave the Tigers the lead on a driving layup. He was fouled on the play and he converted the free throw. Fenton led 42-41 with 45.1 seconds left at the moment. However, just seven seconds later, the Raiders responded when Nick Donley netted a three-pointer of his own, putting the Raiders up by two. Fenton had two chances to either tie or take the lead, but each ended in a driving layup that wasn't converted.

But Olszewski wasn't frustrated with the end-game play. He was upset with the other 31 minutes of the contest, which set up needing the late-game heroics.

"We simply didn't execute what we were trying to do offensively and it came back and bit us in the butt," Olszewski said. "You have to understand the game and accomplish what we are trying to accomplish. You have to execute. You have to give them credit. We go up by one and they come down and hit a big three. If that doesn't go in, we secure the rebound and the game has a different outcome. But they hit the shots when they needed to and that's a lot of credit to them."

Flushing opened the contest with a deliberate halfcourt style. It helped the Raiders keep the score low early, but it never allowed anyone to blow the game open either. Both teams had just nine possessions in the opening quarter, resulting in a 5-4 Flushing lead after the period. From there, the game remained in a halfcourt nature, but not quite as deliberate. However, the Tigers, who are typically more uptempo, never got a flow going during the entire game.

The Tigers trailed by as many as 14-9 in the second quarter after a layup by Flushing's Absalon Johnson. However, the Tigers went on an 8-2 run and took the lead back at 17-16 after two converted free throws by Gardner. Flushing's Logan Plude converted two free throws late in the half, giving the Raiders an 18-17 halftime lead.

The Tigers (4-2, 4-3) trailed most of the second half. The Flushing lead grew to as many

as 30-24, but Fenton's Ross Ebert scored four straight points on a nifty eight-foot hook shot and on two free throws, cutting the gap to 30-28 entering the fourth period. Flushing's two-point lead held for each of Fenton's first five offensive possessions of the fourth quarter. Fenton went 0-for-5 from the field and turned the ball over twice during that span. Flushing finally opened the fourth-quarter scoring with a conventional putback three-point play by Danny Taylor, putting Flushing up 33-28 with 4:44 left.

Fenton's offense finally woke up after that, putting together five straight possessions of at least one point, but Flushing responded by netting two buckets and a free throw, making sure the Raiders remained in control. That control appeared in jeopardy when Fenton's Beau LePage hit a three-pointer, tying the game at 39-all with 2:06 left. About 1:15 later, Gardner hit his conventional three-point play, giving Fenton its final lead at 42-41, but the lead only lasted seven seconds. Eventually, Fenton left its home court with a frustrating loss.

"I told the boys it was not a good loss, but let's not make it a wasted loss," Olszewski said. "Let's learn from it and get ready for next week. If we don't learn



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Fenton's Dillon Gardner (center) tries to defend a Flushing player during the Tigers' 44-42 loss on Friday.

anything from it, then it's a wasted game."

Gardner ended with 11 points, while Ebert had eight points, seven rebounds and two blocks. LePage had eight points and three assists.

#### Lake Fenton 78, Durand 44

The Blue Devils' Jalen Miller scored a game-high 24 points and also grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds, leading the Blue Devils GAC Red victory.

Lake Fenton (3-2, 5-3) outscored Durand 41-16 during the middle two periods. Chris Bell had a strong game as well, scoring 19 points and dishing off a contest-best five assists. Jordan Bond, Spencer Foerster and Jake Zielinski netted eight points each.

#### Swartz Creek 64, Linden 44

The Dragons outscored Linden 37-18 in the second half, resulting in the Eagles' eighth loss in as many games this season.

Linden was paced by Tyler Hoeberling's 13 points, while Kevin Hoeberling netted 11 points. Trent Strang chipped in seven points.

## Lady Tigers lose battle of first-place teams vs. Flushing

#### By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Fenton** — The Flushing girls varsity basketball team came into Friday night's

contest with the Fenton Tigers undefeated. The Tigers found out why the Lady Raiders (10-0) were undefeated. The Raiders used a strong defensive effort to spark a 51-30 victory in a battle of first-place teams at Fenton High School on Friday.

The Tigers committed 27 turnovers and managed to make just 11 field goals, eventually resulting in the Raiders' victory. Many of the Tigers' top offensive guns struggled throughout the night. Emma Evo put together seven points in the first half, but was held to just two points in the second half, and those two points only cut Flushing's lead to 43-28 with 4:30 left in the game when she hit it. Sarah Cummings followed with eight points.

"We didn't do some of the things we wanted to do. We got away from what we wanted to do a little bit," Fenton varsity coach Becki Moore said. "They are a good team. We knew that going in. We knew they were athletic and going to pres-

HOLLY

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Daniels scored the first bucket off a spot-up trey just two seconds after the opening tip. He ended up scoring 11 points in the opening quarter, leading Holly to a 29-19 lead after one period. Kyle Woodruff also had seven points in sure us. When we took care of the things we talked about, we were right there. When we got away from the things that we talked about, it was a different situation. But those things happen. You have to learn from it and move on."

Fenton's final lead of the game came at 10-9 on a putback hoop from Carly Granger with 6:58 left in the first half. From there Flushing went on a 14-7 run to take a 23-17 lead into halftime.

The Raiders blew the game open in the third quarter. Fenton cut the gap to 23-19 on an eight-foot bucket by Cummings, but Flushing followed that hoop with seven straight points. A conventional three-point play by Lauren Newman with 3:52 left in the third quarter gave Flushing its first double-digit lead at 30-19. Before the quarter was up, Fenton trailed 36-24. Fenton began the fourth quarter with three straight turnovers. A three-pointer by Flushing's Carson Wilson upped the Raiders' lead to 41-24 with 6:40 left, effectively icing the contest.

Granger and Evo led Fenton with five rebounds each, while Cummings had four.

#### the first half.

Daniels finished with a game-high 21 points, while Woodruff had 16. Josh Simms scored 15 points, while Adam Tooley had six points and six rebounds. Parker Rowse had 13 assists and four steals. Scott Maki had eight points, all coming in the fourth quarter.





**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I DAVID TROPPENS Fenton's Paige Dean makes a catch while playing third base last year. Dean will be continuing her softball career at Siena Heights University during the 2015-16 academic school year.

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**Continued from Page 10** who push you to do well and are intense in the right ways. When she called to make me an offer, we talked on the phone an hour-and-a-half about the team. I'm excited to play for her."

Dean will enter Siena Heights primarily as a utility player who may also pitch. That may come as a bit of a shock for those who have followed Dean's career as a Fenton softball fan, considering her position as the Tigers' top starting pitcher last year and this upcoming season. Last year Dean posted a whopping 20-2 record along with an earned run average of 2.30. She allowed just 113 hits and 38 walks while striking out 87 batters. However, Dean has also played infield, and started as an infielder earlier in her career with her travel career. But just like as during her varsity career Dean eventually worked herself as the No. 1 pitcher for the Tigers, it has happened during her travel seasons as well.

"Paige has given up her normal position — third base — to be our starting pitcher," Fenton varsity softball coach Stefanie Roberts said. "She puts the team first, always."

"Pitching has been a love-hate thing for me," Dean said. "I didn't think I'd ever be pitching in high school let alone may be pitching at Siena, too. Pitching is now very important to me. It's a role I've kind of taken on. At the beginning of my high school career I enjoyed the infield. But I knew the role I had to do for us to succeed, so I worked hard on my pitching. I've learned if I work on this and do my job, we can make it far. ... We can do a lot of things."



The Tigers did a lot of things with Dean being the No. 1 hurler, including capturing a Flint Metro League crown. The squad also won a Division 1 district crown.

When Dean has been given a chance to perform offensively with Fenton, she's done well. She batted .339 last season, while posting a .429 slugging percentage and a .393 on-base percentage.

#### More about the Saints

The Saints are an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) school and are typically about a .500 program. Last year the squad went 20-21. Two seasons ago the team was 19-23 and three years ago the Saints went 27-28-1. One real positive about playing with Siena Heights is the fact the program has a JV team. So if Dean breaks into the varsity position immediately she'll play. However, as is the case with many young players, it sometimes takes time to break into a starting position. With a JV team, Dean will get playing time on one of the two teams next season. Dean says players can bounce from the JV and varsity teams regularly.

"With two different teams, I can play a lot more," Dean said. "I'm excited about that. I'll have to work hard to get a starting spot."

Dean is excited to get on campus next fall. She already knows a few of the girls on the team from past experiences.

"Everyone on the team is so nice, very relaxed and laid back," Dean said. "Camps are so much fun, you can tell everyone is having a good time and love teaching. I'm excited."

#### TIGERS

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was pretty good. If we take out all the other schools except the Metro, we would've won by 75 points. Our secondtier kids would've counted and that's our depth. We aren't taking the Metro League lightly. But I'm not overly concerned."

The Tigers two top performers were Austin Landis and Zac Miceli. Landis captured the team's only county championship, winning the 100 freestyle (50.99). He also qualified for the state meet in the 100 backstroke with a second-place performance time of 57.86 seconds. Meanwhile, Miceli recorded two state-qualifying times. He took second in the 200 individual medley (2:06.76) and fourth in the 100 butterfly (56.07). Miceli and Landis also teamed with Kyle Banner and Michael Fabatz to place second in the 400 freestyle relay (3:29.73).

"We had some nice swims and some state cuts," Jones said. "It's nice to see them this early in the season."

Four other individuals competed in the finals. Banner also made two individual finals, placing third in the 200 freestyle (1:57.39) and fourth in the 500 freestyle (5:27.20). The other placers were Adam Kildow, fifth in diving (3:14.65); Ian MacPhail-Fausey, seventh in the 200 individual medley (2:19.89) and Fabatz, seventh in the 100 backstroke (1:05.41).

"From an individual swim standpoint, we swam very well. Only a couple of kids didn't have their best events and most of them swam lifetime bests," Jones said. "We wanted the kids to be swimming their fastest ever coming out of Christmas, and that's where they are at."

#### PREP REPORT

#### BOWLING

► Holly at Oakland County Meet: The Holly boys bowed out in the quarterfinals, while the girls were eliminated in the round of 16.

The boys qualified ninth for the elimination rounds, and defeated Troy Athens 338-329 in the round of 16. However, the Bronchos lost to South Lyon in the quarterfinal 374-299.

Matt Harrison rolled a 604 three-game series for Holly, while Matt Rakowski rolled a 600. Albert Lewellen had a 568.

The Holly girls qualified 12th and lost to Lake Orion in the round of 16 by a 334-203 score.

Audrey Currier led the Lady Bronchos with a 560 series, while Hannah Babon rolled a 532 series. **COMPETITIVE CHEER** 

#### COMPETITIVE CHEER

▶ Flint Metro Meet #1: The Fenton Tigers led area squads at the meet by placing fifth with a total score of 667.14. Linden placed seventh (659.72) and Holly took eighth (628.70).

Fenton's scores were 207.6 in round one, 196.04 in round two and 263.5 in round three. The Linden girls recorded scores of 211.8 in the first round, 193.62 in the second round and 266.3 in the third round. A 12-point penalty kept the Eagles from placing as high as fifth. Holly was in sixth after a 212.0 score in round one. However, the Bronchos posted a 167.80

in round two and a 248.9 in round 3. ► Holly at Bedford Invitational: The Bronchos placed second in their division with a three-round combined score of 591.46. The squad posted a 184.7 first round and followed it with a 148.06 in the second round and a

258.7 in the third round.
 Linden at Clio Invitational: The Eagles placed third at the event with a total team score of 611.26. Linden recorded a first-roud score of 195.6 and a second round score of 158.16. The Eagles ended the day with a round three score of 257.5. The Linden Middle School team also competed and finished their two rounds with a score of 333.90.
 WRESTLING

► Lake Fenton at Brandon Team Tournament: The Blue Devils placed second at, going 4-1. The squad lost to Brandon in the finals, but beat Waterford Mott, Farmington Hills Harrison, Orchard Lake

St. Mary and Flat Rock prior to the finals. Hunter Corcoran, Tristen Nevadomski, Devan Melick and Trent Hillger all went 5-0 at the tourney.

Linden at Chelsea Invitational: The Eagles went 2-3 at the event, defeating Northville and Farmington. Luke Zimmerman, Patrick Kerr and Austin McNeill finished with perfect 5-0 records, while Jaylin Steedman and Cade Dickson went 4-1. GYMNASTICS

► Linden/Fenton/Lake Fenton at Jeanne Caruss Memorial Invitational: The area co-op gymnastics team took eighth out of 18 teams with a team score of 132.825.

Blake Hutchings led the squad with a seventh-place finish in the all-around, placing seventh on the bars and the beam. Miranda Stephens took seventh on bars, while Jessica Richert took ninth on the floor. **HOCKEY** 

Metro League Griffins 3, Dearborn Heights Crestwood 1: The Griffins, a co-op hockey team with students from Linden and Fenton, got two goals and an assist from Brendan Buerkel to earn the victory. Connor Phillips also scored and had an assists. Brandon Dianer had two assists. Adam Clamb

Diener had two assists. Adam Glomb was the winning goalie, making many fine saves. At one time, the Griffins had to kill a five-minute major penalty and did so without allowing a goal. ► KBH United 11, Grand Rapids 4: The Kearsley/Brandon/Holly co-op squad got seven goals from Shawn

squad got seven goals from Shawn Larsen, leading them to the victory. Scott Brauher had two goals and two assists, while Nate Flanagan and Evan Flood had a goal and two assists each. DEADLINES: SUNDAY PAPER: Display Ads: Wednesday 3 p.m. – Line Ads: Noon Thursday – WEDNESDAY PAPER: Display Ads: Monday 3 p.m. – Line Ads: Noon Tuesday

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**Dorothy "Irene"** Raby

1940-2015 Dorothy "Irene" Raby - age 74, of Holly, died Thursday, January 15, 2015. Memorial ser-



Home, Holly, with Pastor Rich Williams officiating. Visitation will be from 12-2 PM before the service on Friday. Mrs. Raby was born in Holly on July 5, 1940 the daughter of Edward and Helen (Goings) Bailey. She was a member of the Heritage Baptist Church of Fenton. She enjoyed playing bingo. Surviving are 2 sons, Duane (Tammy) Bailey of Holly and Buddy (Megan) Raby of Ortonville; grandson, A.J. Bailey; sister, Sue Moore of Holly; brother, Jerry Bailey of Pontiac; dear friend, Carolyn Pringle of Holly; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Buck Raby; and brothers, Mike, Chuck, Ron, and Butch Bailey. Memorial donations may be made to Reverence Hospice. www. dryerfuneralhomeholly. com.

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#### **Jeanette Katherine McCready** 1921-2015

Jeanette Katherine Mc-Cready - age 93, of Fenton, died January 16, 2015. Funeral



services will be held 11 AM Thursday, Januarv 22, 2015 at Our Savior

Lutheran Church, 13667 W. Highland Rd., Hartland. Pastor Christopher Thoma will officiate. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held 1-4 and 6-8 PM Wednesday at Sharp Funeral Homes. Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to Our Savior Lutheran Church. Jeanette was born February 27, 1921 in Watertown, WI, the daughter of Arthur and Meta Louise (Ferge) Schultz. She was married to Harold McCready who preceded her in death in 1977. Mrs. McCready was employed by VG's for 18 years. She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Hartland, where she taught Sunday school. Surviving are: children, Wayne (Shirley) McCready of Troy, Kevin McCready of Mt. Morris; grandchildren, Thomas (Michelle) Williams, Karen (Leigh) Irwin, Melissa McCready, Michelle (Mike) Slater and Michael McCready; great-grandchildren, Ryan, Šamuel, Kayla, Jordan, Ryleigh and Gavin. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Jordyce Williams; brothers, Kenneth and Raymond Schultz. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A personal matter takes an interesting turn. The question is, do you want to follow the new path or take time out to reconsider the change? Think this through before deciding.

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## HOROSCOPES LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Use that Arian charm to help make a difficult workplace transition easier for everyone. News about a long-awaited decision can be confusing. Don't jump to conclusions.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Although you might well be

tempted to be more extravagant than you should be at this time, I'm betting you'll let your sensible Bovine instinct guide you toward moderation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An opportunity for travel could come with some problems regarding travel companions and other matters. So be sure you read all the fine print before you start packing

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Make an effort to complete your usual workplace tasks before volunteering for extra duty. Scrambling to catch up later on could create some resentment among your colleagues.

rethinking your current spending plans. You might want to recheck your budget to see where you can cut back on expenses until the situation improves. VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

A financial matter could have you

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LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Be careful about "experts" who have no solid business background. Instead, seek advice on enhancing your business prospects from bona fide sources with good success records.

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