Study recommends tearing down seminary

■Engineer encourages Fenton City leaders to salvage ornate items

By Vera Hogan

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"I do believe this is the first building I have recommended to be demolished in my 20 years of experience as a structural engineer in the historic preservation field," said Cheryl Early, associate engineer with Fitzpatrick Structural

Engineering, P.C.

On April 14, Early, along with Mike Reilly, the city building and zoning administrator, Brian Black of Grand River Builders and Historic

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'All shook up'

■Tri-county area residents surprised by Saturday earthquake

By Sally Rummel

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If you felt the earth move under your feet on Saturday, May 2, you weren't alone in experiencing the secondstrongest earthquake in Michigan's history.

The epicenter of the 4.2 magnitude earthquake was at Galesburg in Kalamazoo County, where the earthquake struck at 12:23 p.m. at a depth of 3.7 miles beneath

Summary

Saturday's earthquake in Michigan was only the second in recorded history, measurina 4.2 on the Richter scale.

the ground, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

Moderate shaking was experienced in an area just north of Three Rivers to

Vicksburg and Galesburg, while light shaking took place in locations including Kalamazoo, Lansing and Grand Rapids.

See EARTHQUAKE on 2

Cheers for five years: Spring Concert draws 600



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The Fenton Community Orchestra celebrates five years of growth with the community that has helped make the 50-piece orchestra a popular fixture in Fenton. The Friday concert at Fenton High School was free, and the venue was filled to capacity. The Ruby Zima Auditorium seats approximately 550 and aisles were lined with extra seating for spectators. The Fenton High School Jazz Ensemble played after an intermission. See more photos online at tctimes.com.

Meet the Holly Village Council

Members dedicated to making the village the best it can be

By Vera Hogan

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Residents in the village of Holly are fortunate to have a group of dedicated leaders, working together to handle the business of a growing community. If you don't know them, they are:

Ryan Bladzik, president

Ryan Bladzik by profession is a nutrition and wellness coach and consultant. He is an independent AdvoCare distributor and has recently started a non-profit foundation to promote youth running and fitness programs. He is married to Mandy and

See COUNCIL on 7

State's no-fault auto insurance could see changes by Memorial Day

Accident victim shares what it has cost to cover medical bills, other related expenses

By Emily Stocker

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Michigan's no-fault auto insurance could become much different if proposed bills are approved by lawmakers.

Senate bills 248 and 249, if passed, would result in amendments to Michigan's no-fault auto insurance policies. The senate has passed its bill and now the house has a bill under consideration.

All motorists are required to purchase no-fault auto insurance, and when an accident results in



Fenton Memorial Day Parade route changed

New circuit will still allow for placing of memorial wreath

By Vera Hogan

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This year's Memorial Day Parade in Fenton will take place on Monday, May 25. Due to the downtown Streetscape construction project, the route had to be changed.

According to Police Chief Rick Aro, who helped finalize the new details with the help of Curtis-Wolverton VFW Post 3243, the parade will begin at 10 a.m. at the Fenton Community Center.

See **PARADE** on 5



LEI will be like our state government. 'Hey boss, I



stupidly spent all my money on extravagant vacations and big new cars and a vacation

home. I need you to give me more money to make up for my foolishness."

€ Unfortunately, I believe

that the 30-percent voter turnout



prediction will be pretty much right on. wish they could provide demographics of those who do vote because we would

find that our texting, tweeting and facebooking youth are too busy to vote."



LEWhy is there so little coverage of the terrorist attack in Phoenix? A 50-year-old cop shoots and kills two body-armored, Uzi carrying terrorists with his service pistol and the mainstream media ignores it. The media is our enemy as much as the terrorists.



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well as for those that

need it currently. 77

Co-owner of Soteria Home Health Care

Jason Fairless

of Fenton

year to have the

exceeds \$500,000, the fees are then covered by the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association. For this coverage, we all pay \$186 per vehicle.

At the scene of my car accident, I sat in the car for what seemed like forever before someone found me. I knew my injuries were more than a few bumps and bruises, and as a mom, the first

thing that is always on your mind is your children. As soon as I was conscious enough, and handed my phone by the ambulance driver, I emailed my mom telling her where the kids' Halloween costumes were for their parties at school the next day. I certainly wasn't going to make it.

That was the first of many responsibili-

Summary

The Michigan State Senate has passed amendments to Michigan's no-fault auto insurance. If it passes in the house, premiums may go down minimally, but benefits will go down exponentially.

ties I was going to have to hand over, and I had no idea. Before my accident, I hadn't heard of the term 'attendant care.' When you lose your mobility, you learn quickly how little you can do for yourself.

This new bill limits the number of hours of care an injured person can receive in a day in most cases. This is a hot-button issue among the families of those who have been injured, who say they sometimes need multiple people providing around-the-clock care.

I received numerous life-long injuries, and suffer with chronic pain 24/7. To most, \$500,000 sounds like an amount they would never reach, but after countless surgeries, years of physical therapy, tests and doctor visits, it doesn't take long to hit that mark.

I left the hospital after an ER visit, cat scan, MRI, hospital stay, emergency surgery, and, of course, the \$15-a-day television fee at the hospital with a bill totaling close to \$50,000. Then came the

follow-up bills, the radiologist who had read the films, the company contracted to drive the ambulance. The number quickly rose and I wasn't even home yet.

What if you don't have medical insurance? Or your accident causes you to lose your job and therefore lose your medical coverage? Guess who's paying then? Personal injury victims often are forced to apply for Medicaid, and the burden falls to the taxpayers.

The savings they're trying to sell is approximately \$200 over

a two-year period, with no promise of it remaining. That won't even cover a day of your care when you need it.

Health care workers speak out

lan Vedder and Jason Fairless, co-owners of a home health care company in Fenton, contacted Rep. Charles Smiley (D-District 50) regarding their anger and worry for their patients. They quickly received a response back.

Excerpt from Rep. Charles Smiley's letter

"What has become a very frustrating and overused political tactic these past four years under Gov. Snyder, an appropriation was attached to these bills, which makes it referendum proof. It is clear the public does not support this and would likely petition to overturn it if passed, so the bill sponsor added the appropriation for no other reason than to make sure the public could not use their constitutional right to petition their government and overturn a law they disagree with. This is very disappointing. These bills are likely to reach the House floor soon and may reach the Governor's office for a signature by Memorial Day or sooner. Please take a moment to contact Gov. Snyder at your earliest convenience to express your concerns with him and to remind him of his veto power.'

Charles Smiley,
 State Representative

EARTHQUAKE

Continued from Front Page

The tri-county area experienced just a slight movement for a few seconds, rattling dishes at some homes, but mostly started and stopped with little notice.

"The dining room cupboard shook enough that the dishes rattled," said Bev Tippett, a resident in the city of Fenton. "I thought it was a strong wind gust because I had a door open, but it wasn't windy outside. An earthquake never entered my mind until I saw the stories on Facebook," she said.

Social media made light of Michigan's earthquake with comical references to "re-building." For some, that was the only indication of what had taken place on Saturday.

Saturday's seismic activity was second only to the 4.6 magnitude earthquake that took place in the same area of Michigan in August 1947, according to the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS).

While they have not yet pinpointed a cause for Saturday's quake, the USGS has indicated it was a natural occurrence and

not the result of fracking or wastewater injection. The USGS believes it may point to previously undiscovered faults in the state, which may call for general hazard planning in the future, as well as more targeted planning for oil and gas production.

According to the USGS, the area where Saturday's earthquake took place has only a 6 to 10 percent chance of any seismic activity in the next 10 years for the southernmost part of Michigan, running from the Kalamazoo area east to the shores of Lake Erie. By comparison, the USGS seismic hazard map for California puts that probability for many parts of the coast at greater than 80 percent.

Local insurance agency owner Linda Hathaway of Brad Hoffman Insurance said Monday that they haven't gotten any calls for claims or for people wanting to add an endorsement for earthquake coverage to their policy.

"I'm just grateful that we have no damage to our community, especially in light of the horrific earthquake devastation in Nepal," she said.



Holly and Rose townships hold spring clean-up events

Rose Township will hold its event May 16



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Spring is in full swing and local residents are taking steps to help clean up and beautify their homes, roadsides and communities.

ROSE TOWNSHIP

Rose Township will hold its annual cleanup on Saturday, May 16, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Residents and township organizations are encouraged to participate in the cleanup of the roadsides. Dumpsters will be located in the Rose Township Park, located on the northwest corner of Milford and West Rose Center roads.

Refuse to be disposed of must be transported to the dumpsters. There will be no roadside pickup.

No commercial dumping will be allowed and Rose Township Constable Emile Bair will be on duty to verify residence or property ownership. Fire department personnel will be there to assist with loading materials into the dumpsters.

Propane tanks will be accepted. No barrels, gas or fuel oil tanks, stumps, brush or concrete will be accepted. Paint cans must be empty or filled with sand



(Above) Republic Services workers Chris Robinson, at left, and Ed Rose clear the back of Timm Smith's truck Saturday morning, for Holly Township's annual clean-up day. Held at the NOCFA headquarters, residents verified their addresses and were able to dispose of many large items for free. More than 30 tons of junk were disposed of. Rose Township's clean-up day is May 16. (Left) Rick Coxon runs the compactor. (Below) Ed Rose unties a tarp covering the back of a truck.

or cat litter. Each household will be permitted four car tires; additional tires will be accepted at a price of \$4 per tire and \$25 per tire for tractor or large truck tires.

Bags for cleaning roadsides will be available at the Rose Township offices, 9080 Mason Street until Thursday, May 14 and at the cleanup day location.

Rose Township's regular daily recycling is lo-

cated in the rear of the Township Office's parking lot. **HOLLY**

TOWNSHIP

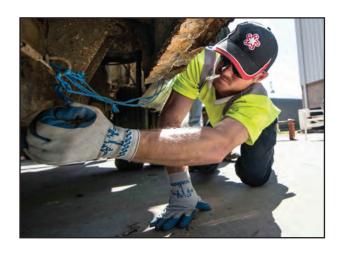
The spring cleanup for Holly Township was held on Saturday. Residents were allowed to remove refuse from their properties and recycle household materials by taking them to the North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) station on Grange Hall Road.

There was no roadside pickup, but dumpsters and garbage trucks were located in the fire hall parking lot. Residents were encouraged to bring their refuse and large item trash, such as old couches, furniture, appliances to be disposed of

properly.

Items not accepted included yard waste such as tree stumps or brush, nor would they accept concrete. Paint cans were required to be empty and filled with sand or kitty litter. Tires were accepted for a fee of \$2 for a regular tire, and \$5 for each tractor tire.

See CLEAN-UP





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FROM THE LEFT **NATIONALLY SYNDICATED**

Clinton cash: no smoking gun

Her enemies finally found it. Forget Benghazi, emails, Vince Foster, or Whitewater. This is the scandal that will bring Hillary down. And you have to admit, it does sound pretty sleazy when you first hear about ... 'Clinton Cash!'

On one hand, here is former President Bill Clinton, raking in millions of dollars from foreign governments and corporations for his charitable foundation. On the other hand, there's his wife, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton making sweetheart deals with those very same governments and corporations on behalf of the United States.

How tacky can you get? It's all spelled out in Peter Schweizer's new book, 'Clinton Cash.'

The most serious of Schweizer's accusations centers around a complicated uranium deal in which the Russian atomic energy agency Rosatom was able to take over a Canadian company and become one of the leading uranium producers in the world. During the time she served as secretary of state, the head of that Canadian company also made donations totaling \$2.35 million to the Clinton Foundation.

Now, even if I want to believe the worst about Hillary, knowing that any link between Bill's activities and her role as secretary of state is 'unknown' and being told that conflicts 'may' occur but not necessarily 'did' occur, does not exactly build a strong case against her.

Having conducted its own investigation, Time Magazine concluded: 'The suggestion of outside influence over U.S. decision-making is based on little evidence. ... A former State Department official who participated in the deal's approval told Time that Clinton did not weigh in on the uranium sale one way or the other.'

Granted, it's legitimate to raise questions about the Clinton Foundation's fundraising activities. Why were foreign corporations and governments showering the former president with such massive windfalls of cash when Hillary was secretary of state? Schweizer's good at raising questions and making wild assumptions, but he fails to back them up with any evidence.

In the end, this foreign cash scandal is nothing but an instant replay of Benghazi: lots of wild allegations about Hillary, but no proof of wrongdoing.

PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL, SOCIAL-

IST, Communist, Nazi why do they keep changing what they call themselves? Whatever they call themselves, they all stand for oppressive government. Under these names, they promise everything but deliver poverty and death. Nearly 100 million people have died under these forms of government.

TO ALL THE perform-

ers at the Lake Fenton Talent Show - what a great job! It is fascinating to live in a community with so much talent. Thank you for a great show.

I FEEL SAD for the people who have to work the frontlines of Charter Communications. Such a poorly run company and these people are the ones who get hurt the most.

I GET IT, when you want laws to protect your beliefs and have the right wing media create an imaginary war to reinforce your brainwashing then you are justified to force your views on

ALL THE MONEY and inconvenience to make downtown Fenton/Dibbleville area more shopping friendly for what?

EAGLE UPDATE. THERE are not one but two baby eagles in the Linden nest. They have been named Ernie and Ester.

I SEE THE Clintons have received another \$100 million from another country. You cannot trust them to do what's right for this country. What favors will they bestow when it's time to pay the piper? They think they are above the law. The law is for us commoners.

All submissions, if approved for publication, must be 50 words or less and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Tir-County Times. We receive the right to add the same and the same transfer to the property of the same transfer to the property of the same transfer to the same transfer transfer to the same transfer transf

PROPOSAL 1 IS DOA! No new taxes. Now man up legislature. Go back to the budget and switch some social engineering programs to civil engineering programs. Fix the roads.

TO THE PERSON saying Joe Graves should vote along party lines. That is the problem with politics. Our representatives should vote on behalf and for what is best for their constituents.

Are you saying that Joe Graves should not listen to his constituents even though they might be a Democrat?

HOLLY HAS THOSE ugly trash cans, yes brown or black would have been better. I'm in my late 50s, and it's too hard to put them out at the curb in the snow. There's no place to put them in your yard and they are very ugly yard

DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES REMAIN hopeful - they should be happy all that tax money is being spent to improve the roads and sidewalks around their businesses. Only 5 percent of Fenton business is done in downtown, but in the meantime, 95 percent of tax money

ITHINK IT'S good that the state has finally made schools show their financial statements and maybe they won't be in so much debt if they have good overseers watching over them.

is spent there.

SHAME ON YOU, King. To compare the tragedy of Flight 9525 to Obama's presidency was sickening.

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FROM THE RIGHT **NATIONALLY SYNDICATED**

Until the court do we part

In 2½ hours of oral arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court Tuesday, Justice Anthony Kennedy asked the right question: whether it is appropriate for the Court to discard a definition of marriage that 'has been with us for millennia,' adding, 'it's very difficult for the court to say, 'Oh, well, we know better."

Kennedy, who is regarded as the swing vote on this and many other controversial issues, may not answer his own question the way proponents of traditional marriage wish, but the question is not rhetorical. Should this court, or any court, re-define and force the states to accept a new definition of marriage that will not only affect samesex couples, but open the door to other petitioners, for example, polygamists, who wish to 'marry' more than one

If 'equality' and 'fairness' are the new standard, one might as well have no standard at all because such emotional appeals could justify any relationship or form of behavior.

Only two years ago, in the case of 'U.S. v. Windsor,' which argued whether the IRS could give federal tax benefits to all legally married homosexuals, regardless of state law, Justice Kennedy warned it was wrong for courts to 'put a thumb on the scales and influence a state's decision as to shape its own marriage laws.' And now, this court could do precisely that.

That is precisely what the advocates for same-sex marriage want, just as the pro-abortion movement wanted the same court 42 years ago, in 'Roe v. Wade,' to discard state laws protecting the unborn. That 1973 decision continues to stir controversy and should be a lesson to the court not to make a similar mistake with marriage.

If people worship pleasure and material things, they are more likely to get leaders who give them what they want instead of what they need to hold society together.

A verse from the Book of Judges seems to define America in 2015, as we sink deeper into a moral and cultural morass: 'In those days Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit.' (Judges 21:25)

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Where were you Saturday when the earthquake hit Michigan? Streettalk

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"I was driving my car between my store in Fenton and Grand Blanc (Biggby Coffee). I didn't feel it."

– Kris Kildea, Williamston



"I was in my family room when it shook one end of the room, rattling the brass vases on the bookshelf."

— Vera Hogan, Fenton



"I was at the M-15 Garage Sale. It was further east so I felt nothing, but I have friends who felt it in Holly."

Diane Jennings, Holly



"I was sitting at home watching TV. It was almost like a big wind shaking the house zoom, and it was gone."

— Ron Ofiara, Fenton



"I was working on a roof and didn't feel it. My wife was in Fenton and she saw the handles on the dresser move."

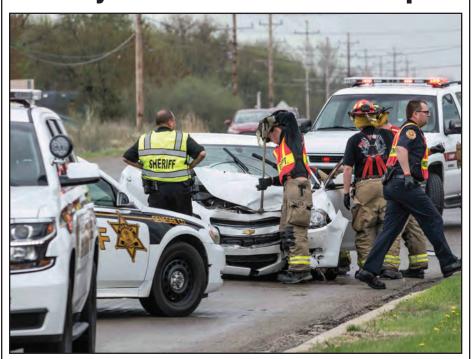
— Larry Bobowski, Fenton



"I was out doing garage sales and didn't feel it, but my kids told me about it.'

> Shirley Norberg Fenton

Monday crash sends two to hospital



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As a precaution, one adult and one 5-year-old girl were transported to Genesys hospital following a two-vehicle crash at Torrey and Thompson roads in Fenton Township Monday morning. Fenton Township Fire Department and the Genesee County Sheriff's Department responded.

PARADE

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The parade will then proceed north on LeRoy Street to Caroline. It will turn left (west) on Caroline to the Shiawassee River bridge, where the wreath will be placed in the river. In past years the wreath was placed in the river at Millpond Park by city hall.

Once the wreath has been placed in the river, the parade will continue west to Adelaide and turn south (left) to Shiawassee Avenue. It will turn right (west) on Shiawassee Avenue and proceed to

Freedom Park

where a short

wreath laying

ceremony will

take place. The parade

will continue

west to Davis

Street, turn

left and pro-

ceed up the hill

(south) to Oak-

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tery where the

memorial cer-

emony will be

conducted.

As in the past, we will work with the VFW to ensure a safe and successful event for the citizens of Fenton. 77

Rick Aro
Fenton police chief



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO

The Memorial Day Parade will not proceed down Shiawassee Avenue in Dibbleville as in past years. It will pick up Shiawassee at Adelaide Street instead.

"As in the past, we will work with the VFW to ensure a safe and successful event for the citizens of Fenton," said Aro.

Aro will present this plan to the Fenton City Council for its approval at the Monday, May 11 regular meeting. He will inform council members that he does not anticipate additional staffing requirements and recommend their approval.



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Ed Rose tosses steel rods into the back of the garbage compactor. Clean-up days are fast-paced and potentially dangerous to workers with all the flying materials.

CLEAN-UP

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During these annual cleanup days, residents are required to provide identification to verify residency.

Residents also were encouraged to participate in the cleanup of Holly Township roads.

According to Rose Township Clerk Debbie Miller, Republic Services is the company that handles their annual cleanup and ongoing

HOT LINE CONTINUED

CONCERNING GARBAGE CANS,

interview the city council as to where we

are supposed to store them in a single

garage. Most people store their bikes,

grill, a lawnmower, summer furniture

and work bench there.

recycling services.

Unlike the city of Fenton, for example, the residents in Rose Township have their choice of waste haulers. "I believe we have seven of them operating in the com-

munity, including Republic," Miller said. "It's the residents' choice, they do all that."

In the event, residents cannot or are unable to hold items for the annual cleanup, most waste haulers will schedule a pickup for a fee, according to Miller.

Summary

Annual cleanups in local townships provide residents with an opportunity to get rid of large unwanted items.

GOV. SNYDER DOESN'T use the governor's residence. He's been commuting from Ann Arbor for the last six years. Most state legislators drive to and from Lansing. In the last six years, they've never once pursued to make the roads safer after driving on them? What changed?

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The old Baptist Ministers Home at the corner of High Street and State Road may soon be demolished because of its obvious, deteriorating condition. Much of the damage was brought on by harsh storms in recent years.

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saved. 77

Brian Black

Historic Restoration Consulting Group

unfortunate

old building

could not be

SEMINARY

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Restoration Consulting Group, Dan Czarnecki, the Department of Public Works director, and others from the city met at the seminary at 309 West High St., to determine its ultimate fate.

Because the 10,000-square-foot build-

ing, built in 1868, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1983, city officials decided earlier this year to ask the experts to determine whether the building could be restored, or if it should be demolished.

Once privately owned by Penny Crane, who tried unsuccessfully for many years to secure the funds to renovate the building, it was ultimately lost to taxes and is now the property of the city of Fenton.

The seminary sustained significant damage during a rainstorm with high winds in November 2013. The subsequent harsh winters of 2013-2015 resulted in further destruction of the deteriorating

Summary

►The Fenton Seminary, often referred to over the years as the **Baptist Ministers** Home, may soon be demolished at the recommendation of an engineering group hired to conduct a study on its condition and salvageability.

building, which is now in near ruins. The structure has collapsed completely on the east side, and rooms on all three floors are eerily exposed.

"I'm saddened that the building was not well maintained, and perhaps altered enough to cause

the collapse," Early said in her findings. "It was a significant building for the community, and the property as a whole has a lot of potential for many adaptive reuses."

Early said the cornerstone is still in place.

"Please use this cornerstone as a marker for the history of the structure and the people who traveled through the building over its nearly 150-year life," she added in her findings.

Early recommends that city leaders document details of the building to the best of their ability and demolish it as soon as possible to prevent any safety concerns to any "curious souls" who may obtain access to the property.

"I recommend contacting a salvaging company to see if any of the ornate details at the roof dormers, the finished stone or the lumber could be salvaged for other purposes or uses," Early said.

Black also recommends demolition as the extensive repairs needed, including replacing the entire foundation, would be

a waste of time and money. He. too, said there are salvageable elements that could be used or sold.

"I can think of only one other time I have recommended demolition, and it was also for inadequate foundations," Black said. "It is unfortunate that this beautiful old building could not be saved."

The engineering report was a topic of discussion at the Fenton City Council's Monday night work session. The Coun-

cil will be charged with the task of voting to demolish the historic structure built in 1868 at an upcoming regular meeting.

Fenton Seminary history

The Fenton Seminary was built in 1868 to house an institution of higher learning and a "feeder" school for Kalamazoo College. A feeder school is a school from which students go to a bigger school when they are older. By 1875, the Fenton Seminary faced financial difficulties, being indebted to several creditors for approximately \$3,000. The indebtedness was covered as members of the Lafayette Avenue Baptist Church and other Detroit congregations raised enough money to keep it open. In August 1886, the trustees of Fenton Seminary concluded it was impossible to continue the school successfully and decided to offer the building and grounds to the Baptist Ministers Aid Society. The offer was accepted and for many years later, the building was referred to by locals as the "Baptist Ministers Home." The building was used for other purposes over the years, including a home for retired ministers and later a nursing home before it closed in 1967, and later purchased by private citizens.



The 50th anniversary of the Michigan Court of Appeals

In 1834, Michigan's governor was Steven T. Mason who believed that it was time for Michigan to become a state. One thing led to another and in 1837, Michigan was declared a state having previously been a part of the Northwest Territories.

One of the most vital and fundamental parts of achieving statehood is having a state constitution and Michigan's was authored and adopted in 1835. As is the case today, the Constitution provided for three branches of government — legislative, executive and judicial. As to the judicial branch, the Michigan Supreme Court was created and was initially comprised of three justices.

Since this original Constitution was enacted, Michigan has had three subsequent Constitutions in 1850, 1908, and 1963. The 1963 Constitution is what guides us today.

There were a number of reasons that Michigan voters approved the latest Constitution including an expansion of individual rights and tax and funding reforms.

Additionally, a new court was created, which was called the Michigan Court of Appeals in conjunction with a new provision in the Declaration of Rights section, which provided that in every criminal prosecution, the accused shall have an appeal of right. The new court was instrumental in ensuring that this directive was followed.

The Court initially had nine judges who were elected in 1964 to start their terms of office on January 1, 1965.

The Court heard its first cases in January 1965 and the number of judgeships has steadily increased over the years as the case volume has also increased. In 1993, the authorized judgeships increased to 28. However since there has been a recent decrease in filings, that number was reduced to 24 in 2012 to be achieved through attrition.

The judges sit statewide but are elected from four separate state districts. The Court of Appeals is one of the busiest intermediate appellate courts in the country.

This year marks its 50th anniversary and last month a special exhibit was opened at the Michigan Historical Center to mark this occasion.

The Court has had a most distinguished history and visitors are welcome to the exhibit.

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Ryan Bladzik, president

they have three young sons.
"I ran for the Village

Council to foster a progressive and prosperous culture of leadership in Holly," Bladzik said. "I want our community to continue to work toward having the highest quality of life for all of its residents and positive experiences for our guests.

"I want to see the community capitalize on its natural and economic resources, including its historic downtown," Bladzik said. "I want to see Holly maintain its 'small town' feel while we still develop the things that our society values in a community."

Chris Rankin, council member



Chris Rankin works as the warranty administrator at Erhard BMW in Bloomfield Hills. He and his wife Beverly have been married since 2007. He has a teenage stepdaughter.

"My motivation to serve on council began with a disagreement with a neighbor about his bow and arrow practice in his back yard, in the direction of my house," Rankin said. "When I found that there was no ordinance prohibiting the use of bows and arrows within the village limits, I attended a council meeting to request that it be added.

He was subsequently asked to be a part of the then bi-annual meeting of the Charter and Ordinance Committee, which is now a standing committee of the council. "I became chair of that committee," Rankin said.

"My goal for Holly is to be a part of making it more of a place that people are proud to call their home, where there are well-attended events and activities downtown and at the Community Center, a beautiful community and parks and a safe environment for all," Rankin said.

Dave Cruickshank, council member



Dave Cruickshank works as the Team Leader of Estimating Parts Research at MOTOR Information Systems in Troy. He and his wife have been married for 11 years and

have two daughters.

Cruickshank said he was always interested in public service, and in 2013, was appointed to the Planning Commission. Serving on the council, he said, seemed like the next logical step.

"Growth in a small town simply doesn't happen until businesses begin open, or decide to expand," said Cruckshank. "We have a lot of both going on in Holly now, it's an exciting time. My dream is to see it grow, but keep the small town atmosphere. I am excited to be a part of a small village that is taking sustainable, long term growth seriously."

Suzanne Heiple, council member



Suzanne Heiple is a financial counselor at St. Joseph Mercy Oakland hospital. She has been married to David for 15 years and share three children and five grandchildren.

"Everyone should have the opportunity to have a voice and a front-row seat and deeper involvement in the decisions

within their own community," Heiple said. "It kind of reminds me of jury duty. I have always wanted to serve and have never been called. This helps fulfill that desire because I feel like I was finally called and I get to participate. There is so much going on downtown, midtown, uptown, all around development and improvements. It's fun to be a part of that."

Heiple cites the continued progress on the new Karl Richter Community Center as both a goal and dream come true.

Bob Kleven, council member



Bob Kleven owns French Flamingo in downtown Holly, with his wife, Sandra, a former member of the Holly Village Council. He has a 34-year-old daughter and

twin granddaughters.

"My first job was as a Helicopter Crew Chief in the U.S. Army from 1968 to 1974," he said.

"After being a shopkeeper for two years, I have found out how difficult and yet how rewarding it can be," he added. "Since having my shop I have gotten to know and talk with many of the citizens of the village of Holly," Kleven said.

"One thing that always came out was the perception of cronyism and corruption running rampant in the village administration and I noticed the red flags myself. My feeling is that government not only has to be honest but that they have to give the perception of being honest, otherwise you lose the citizens' trust. Our priority is to make Holly a great place to visit and live."

Debbie Musgrave, council member



Debbie Musgrave works as an accounts payable and shipping person for one of the largest flagpole companies in the U.S. located in Holly. She has been married for 35 years. She and her

husband have four sons and three grandsons.

"Several reasons motivated me to run for a seat on the Holly Village Council," Musgrave said. "First and foremost, I enjoy serving my community. I have been involved in politics for the past 15 years and love being able to help advance communities into the future. After having lived in Holly for a couple of years and being a small business owner in the downtown area and resident, I saw a need for quite a few changes.

"My goals for Holly are to continue to have a balanced budget, attracting more potential residents and businesses to our community, and seeing everyone working together to accomplish that goal," she said.

Bob Allsop, council member



Bob Allsop is a retired mechanic, who now works as an antiques dealer, often traveling to do his bidding. He is about to embark on one of his biggest projects of the year, the Holly Car

Show, which he has been coordinating for six years with John Lobo. Allsop and his wife, Lisa, work together on this Wednesday night show during the summer months.

"From the village manager (Jerry Walker) to the police chief (Mike Story) and all the council members, we all work well together," Allsop said. "These are really good people, a great team to work with."

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JOHNSON GETS 19 MONTHS

During his sentencing on Monday, May 4, Gregory Johnson learned he will spend the next 19 months to 10

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no contest to assault with intent to do

judge ordered psychological and sub-

stance abuse counseling, along with

vocational training while incarcerated.

He has been lodged in the Genesee

County Jail in lieu of a \$300,000 bond

great bodily harm

shot his next-door

neighbor on May 26, 2014 following

a dispute. John-

son has to serve

a consecutive

term for felony

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firearm, as well as

pay restitution. The

on April 1. Johnson

TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON

report

Check tctimes.com for polling results



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO

Residents turned out for a one-question ballot — Proposal 1, on Tuesday. At press time, 986 had voted in Fenton's precincts. Check totimes.com for up to date results.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

FOSTER CHILDS SHOULD start taking his Alzheimer's medication. Obviously, he doesn't remember the previous administration when we had one of the largest recessions in recent history. We were taken into two wars. Construction went down the toilet. Didn't help our people when disasters happened.

I'D LIKE TO comment about Linden, where people can park on 'no parking' streets day after day, and they can also park between 2-6 a.m. against the city orders on the four streets that are entering Linden.

I LIVE IN Argentine Township. I pay \$225 for garbage. Pay the price like everyone else does.

INSTEAD OF RAISING the sales tax and raising fuel tax and such, why don't

Michigan legislators shut down the Catastrophic Claims Administration that has \$20 billion in its coffers and fix our roads.

I'M NOT A senior citizen but I lived in Fenton for over 14 years, and had to deal with the inconvenience and cost of garbage tags. I sympathize with those who have to live with the insanity of these tags.

ALL THOSE EXTRA cans will cause a blight problem. People won't be able to put them out of sight.

CONCENSUS IS BASED undeniable facts. Better learn those before it's too late.

OVER 50 PERCENT of the population are women. Women often overlook flaws in other women when it comes to voting. I ask that you consider the ramifications of having another dishonest president lead us. Heck, we may not survive the one we now have.

since his arrest. News briefs

Gregory

Johnson

Back to the Bricks will go on

It was previously reported that the Back to the Bricks event would not be held this year due to the downtown Streetscape construction project. According to Assistant City Manager Mike Burns, the event has been relocated from the downtown to the Fenton High School parking lot. It will be held on Aug. 6, between 4 and 8 p.m.

Committee to hold closed meeting

A closed meeting of the Superintendent Review Committee of the Board of Education has been scheduled to take place at 8 a.m. Thursday, May 7. Dr. Timothy Jalkanen currently serves as the superintendent for Fenton Area Public Schools. It is unknown why the meeting will not be open to the public. The notice of the meeting cites Section 8(h), Attorney/Client Privilege of the Open Meetings Act.

Calendar of Calend

SHRINERS TO HOST VIDALIA ONION SALE

The Fenton Shrine Club will be hosting its Vidalia Onion Sale on Saturday, May 9 and beyond at the Locke's Party Shoppe & Deli parking lot on North LeRoy Street in Fenton. No Sunday sales.



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MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, nonpartisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released on Friday, May 1.

House Bill 4102: "Omnibus" state budget

The House version of the non-education portion of the state government budget for the fiscal year that begins on Oct. 1, 2015. This would appropriate \$37.9 billion, compared to \$37.4 billion originally authorized for the current year. With the education budget included (next bill) the House proposes to spend \$53.7 billion next year, vs. \$53.2 billion for the current year. Passed 59 to 51 in the House Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Twp.)

X YES □ NO

House Bill 4115: "Omnibus" education budget

The House version of the K-12 school aid, community college and university budgets for the fiscal year that begins Oct 1, 2015. This bill would appropriate \$13.906 billion for K-12 public schools, compared to \$13.870 billion this year. It also appropriates \$1.527 billion for state universities, up from \$1.516 billion, and \$392 million for community colleges, up from \$364 million.

Passed 60 to 50 in the House

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)

X YES □ NO

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Twp.)

X YES □ NO

House Bill 4440: Shift some road tax money from corporate subsidies to road projects

To not earmark \$12 million in annual road tax money to the state "Transportation Economic Development Fund" next year, and instead use it for regular road projects. TEDF money is a type of corporate subsidy in which the state pays for access improvements related to a particular investor's or developer's plant or project.

Passed 107 to 3 in the House Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)

X YES □ NO
Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Twp.)
X YES □ NO

House Bill 4364: Increase occupational license fees

To extend for another four years certain "temporary" increases in plumbers' license fees. This and several other fee increases passed by House this week were proposed by Gov. Rick Snyder as part of his annual budget recommendation.

Passed 96 to 14 in the House Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)

X YES □ NO
Rep. Joe Graves (R-Argentine Twp.)
X YES □ NO



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Tigers' offense sparks 4-0 win vs. Kearsley Hornets

Squad is perfect 3-0 in Flint Metro League

By David Troppens

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Fenton—The Tigers' defense has been strong all season long.

The offense is now starting to pick up the pace.

The Fenton varsity girls soccer team (3-0, 6-1-2) remained perfect in Flint Metro League action, capturing a 4-0 victory against Flint Kearsley on Monday night.

The strong defense has become a trademark, as the Tigers have shut out each of their three Metro foes. However, Monday's offense was a nice change of pace. After scoring just three goals in their first two Metro contests, the Tigers dominated play and scored four against the Hornets, including two by sophomore Eryn Isaacson.

"It's important because when

get more opportunities and get more chances to score goals, Isaacson said about the offensive output. "It feels good,

definitely.'

Chloee Foor scored the team's first goal off a Brianna Costigan assist with 28:46 left in the first half. Just a bit more than two minutes later, Isaac-

you get more shots off, you son had her first goal off an assist from Miranda Campbell.

> "Iwas about 22 yards out, I blasted one and it was a rocket," Isaacson said. "It was probably one of my best shots and it

> > corner."

Any chance of a

Kearsley comeback ended 4:14 into the second half when Emma Evo scored off a Cassandra Perna assist. Finally, with 24:43 left in the game, Isaacson scored on Costigan's second assist of the

Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said being able to move Costigan to a more offensive position has helped improve the offense.

'We had a strong defense with

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CHLOEE FOOR

Scored a goal in the Tigers' 4-0 victory against Kearsley on Monday.



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BLUE DEVILS SWEEP TWO FROM CORUNNA

The Lake Fenton varsity baseball team used some late-inning heroics and a couple of three-run innings to capture a sweep against Corunna on Monday.

Lake Fenton scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth to earn a 3-2 victory in the first game. The Blue Devils scored three runs in the first inning and three more in the fourth to earn a 6-3 win in the second contest.

In the opener, Lake Fenton trailed 2-1 entering the bottom of the sixth, but Nick Mermuys singled and John Fernelius doubled, setting up a rally. Cameron Conover provided a two-run single, earning Lake Fenton a 3-2 lead. Chandler Fournier earned the save by tossing the seventh. John Fernelius earned the victory with 1 2/3 innings of one-run relief. Brandon Bacon started on the mound and struck out nine.

In the second game, Zach Harper and Jared Smith each had two hits, a walk, an RBI and a run scored offensively. Trevor Wright earned the win with 5 2/3 innings of work. Fournier earned the save.

A Tigers' sweep vs. Holly

By David Troppens

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Fenton — There was a time this spring when the Fenton varsity baseball team was 3-7, and any thoughts of a strong season didn't seem very likely.

Things have changed since that start. The Fenton Tigers are now 9-9 overall and enjoy a 5-3 Metro contest record. Life is a bit better with the Tigers these days.

And life got a little better on Wednesday with a 12-1, 16-1 doubleheader sweep against area rivals Holly. The Tigers think a tough weekend at the alwaystough Blissfield Tournament has helped turn the season around.

"We went down to Blissfield and we saw some good teams," said Fenton's Matt Acton. "We saw how they play ball. ... After that we started making the routine plays, started pitching well and hitting well."

"I think that the program has developed an identity," Chase Coselman said. "Everyone has bought into what coach (Shawn Lawrence) is doing and we can see it improving what we do on the field. ... It's exciting to see how far the program has come and how far it's going to go."



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Fenton's Matt Acton (right) slides safely into third base under the tag provided by Holly's Frankie Richmond. Fenton won both games of Monday's doubleheader.

In the opener, the Tigers scored nine runs in the third, helping spark the 12-1 victory. A two-run triple by Drew Garrison, a tworun double by Taylor Lawrence and a two-run single by Acton were the big blows of the stanza.

For the game, Acton, Zack Kostka, John Leaske, Coselman and Garrison had two hits each. Sean Degnan drove in Holly's run with an RBI-single.

On the mound, Leaske pitched a four-hitter, striking out six during the five-inning contest.

The second game was over after Fenton sent 15 batters to the plate during an 11-run second inning. Acton and Garrison had two hits

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Eagles capture seconds at **Stockbridge**

By David Troppens

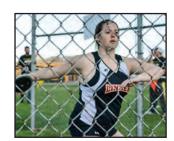
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It was perfect weather and darn near perfect results for the Linden track and field program at the Stockbridge Invitational on Friday night.

Both Linden varsity track squads came home with a plethora of personal bests as each placed second at the

The Linden girls finished with three firsts and 14 performances within the top five, while the Linden boys

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Jessica Daul placed first in the shot put and fourth in the discus at the Stockbridge Invitational.



Holly boys track takes third at Bay City Western Invitational

By David Troppens

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The Holly varsity boys track team is in first place in the Metro entering this week.

The Bronchos showed why on Friday, taking third at the 14-team Bay City Western Invitational.

The Holly boys earned two firsts and five individual top-five performances as well. The distance relays posted the firsts. The 3,200 relay team of Kurtis Cooley, Zac Felix, Dino Vivanco and Blake Staffne (8:01.41) were runner-up performers as was the 1,600 relay team of Vivanco, Francisco Valdovinos, Cooley and Staffne (3:32.14).

The 800 relay team of Javon Barr, Andrew Becker, D'Anthony Austin and Austin Chmura also finished second (1:32.50).

Individually, the Holly boys had two seconds. Barr was the runner-up in the 100 (11.57), while Staffne took second in the 400 (2:01.23). The other top-five individual placers for the boys were: Austin Chmura, fifth in the 100 (11.70); Cooley, third in the 1,600 (4:31.70); Nate Frasier, fourth in the 3,200 (9:36.94); and Austin, fifth in the long jump (19-7 1/4).

The Holly girls also competed and had six top-five performances

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LF faces top competition at Stars tourney

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity softball team likes to take on anyone who will play them.

And while competing at the Michigan Stars Tournament, the Blue Devils saw their share of quality teams, finishing with a 2-3 record at the event.

During Saturday's opening day, Lake Fenton defeated Flushing 8-2 and Walled Lake Central 3-2, but also lost to Romeo 15-3. On the second day, the Blue Devils fell to Richmond 6-3 and Hartland 5-4.

The Blue Devils' biggest win came against Flushing, easily defeating the Raiders. Lake Fenton scored two runs in the bottom of the first inning, and never trailed. Meanwhile, Kalani Lau was strong on the mound, striking out eight batters in seven innings to earn the win. Lau also led the offense with two hits (triple) and three RBI. Melody Draeger had two hits and two RBI, while Erin Ezell had two hits.

The 3-2 victory against Central was due to a three-run fourth by the Blue Devils. Kaitlyn Sparks had a two-run single and Sidney Conn followed with an RBI-single, giving the Blue Devils the 3-2 victory. Kim Roe was the winning pitcher, allowing just six hits, while striking out eight. She also provided two hits offensively.

The Blue Devils struggled against Romeo, losing 15-2. Romeo had 11 hits with two of them being home runs.

During the second day of the tourney, Hartland scored two runs in top of



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I MARK BOLEN

Lake Fenton's Kim Roe struck out 45 batters in 20 innings of work at the Michigan Stars Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

the sixth to tie Lake Fenton and then scored a run in the sixth to earn the 5-4 victory. Roe was strong on the mound, allowing just five hits, while striking out 10. Roe also had two hits (double) and two RBI, while Draeger provided

Richmond's bats provided 11 hits in the 6-3 victory against the Blue Devils. Sheyachich drove in two of Lake Fenton's three runs, while Roe had two hits and an RBI. Emily Angus and Ezell had two hits as well.

"The competition we faced on Saturday and Sunday was very good," Lake Fenton coach Amos Rinks said.

"Our encounter with Romeo was unfortunate in that Sydney Sheyachich was not at her best. ... Kim Roe had 45 strike outs and six walks in 20 innings of work. She has been outstanding from the circle this year."



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PREP REPORT

SOFTBALL

▶ Fenton 5-13, Clio 3-1: Fenton trailed 2-0, but scored five seventhinning runs to lead the Tigers to the 5-3 win. Emma Brant had a two-run single to tie the game up, while Katey Cairnduff had a three-run double. Paige Dean earned the victory on the mound during the first game.

In the second contest, the Tigers had a seven-run fifth inning and won 13-1 in six innings. Taylor Mowery and Myla Wolosonovich had home runs, while Cairnduff (double) had two hits and two RBI. Brant, Sabrina Cleis and Meaghan McArdle had two hits each as well. Logan Carter and Hayli Byers hit a three-run double. McArdle tossed the complete-game victory.

Fenton 13-13, Holly 1-1: The Tigers collected 28 hits and 26 runs in nine innings at the plate in the twinbill. Maddie Carr hit the only home run of the doubleheader, finishing with five hits and five RBI. Brenna Hatch had five hits, five runs scored and three RBI, while Katey Cairnduff had five hits as well.

▶ Lake Fenton 11-10, Corunna 0-0: Sydney Sheyachich tossed a two-hitter and struck out five in the opening game and Kim Roe pitched a five-hitter and struck out five in the second contest. Both games only

went five innings.
Offensively, Erin Ezell had four hits and drove in four runs during the twinbill. Kalani Lau, Roe and Sidney Connhad three hits each.

▶ Kearsley 9-11, Linden 0-9: Sterling DeGayner led the Eagles' offense in the opening game with three hits. In the nightcap, DeGayner had three hits, two RBI and two runs scored, while Molly Churches had three hits and two RBI. Rhannon Morse, Christina Clemons and Cayla Weirenga had two hits each.

BASEBALL

▶ Linden 5-1, Kearsley 0-0: Austin Buerkel tossed a two-hitter and struck out nine in the opening game, while Marshael Ryan (five innings) and Jake Marshall (two innings) combined to toss a five-hitter in the nightcap, resulting in two Eagles' wins.

In the opener, Marshall had four hits and five RBI, sparking the offense. In the nightcap, he broke a scoreless tie by driving in the game's only run with a ground out,in the sixth, plating Trevor Banasiak, who singled.

PREP REPORT

TRACK AND FIELD

▶ Fenton at Golden Triangle Invitational: Maddie Hall led the Tigers' performances by placing second in the long jump, coming close to clearing 18 feet (17-10). Tatyana Mitchell was the only other Fenton girl to earn a top-10 individual finish, taking 10th in the shot put (34-7 3/4). Fenton's top posting by a boy was Jacob Lee taking seventh in the 3,200 (9:23.60).

▶ Lake Fenton at Cavalier Classic: The Lake Fenton girls placed third in the small school division, while the boys placed fourth in the five-team division.

The women were paced by Charlotte Irwin who placed third in the discus (71-4) and the high jump (4-5), and fourth in the long jump (12-4 3/4). Reagan Goupil placed second in the 400 (1:07.50), while earning third in the 100 hurdles (19.49). The other top-four individual performers for the girls were Skyler Martin, fourth in the 800 (2:58.22); Ryana Thomas, fourth in the 100 (14.36) and fourth in the 200 (30.13); Hannah Garty, fourth in the 100 hurdles (20.97) and Renee Shaw fourth in the high jump (4-2)

Shaw, fourth in the high jump (4-2). The Leake Fenton boys had three performers earn two top-four performances individually. Isaac Golson placed second in the high jump (5-9) and fourth in the 400 (55.17); Thomas Mueller, second in the 3,200 (10:50.56) and third in the 1,600 (4:52.42); Jacob Fletcher, third in the 3,200 (11:01.56) and fourth in the 1,600 (4:54.20) and Jaden Zaitshik, third in the high jump (5-6).

BOYS LACROSSE

▶ Linden/Fenton 5, Bay City Central 1: The Linden/Fenton co-op squad earned its first victory of the season, icing the defensive-minded contest with two fourth-quarter goals.

Derek DeLong scored two goals, while Dylan Miesch had a goal and an assist. Luke White and Zack Walsh had a goal each, while Brian Hackney had an assist.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Powers JV 9, Fenton/Linden 3:

Kelly Kemp scored two goals, while Maddy Withers provided one goal. In net, Madeliene Albrecht made nine saves in the first half, while Natalie Miller made seven saves in the second half.

▶ Walled Lake Northern 14, Fenton/Linden 8: Maddy Withers provided four goals for the first-year co-op program. Madeliene Albrecht stopped 20 of 34 shots in net.

GIRLS SOCCER

▶ Holly at Goodrich Tournament: The Bronchos (6-6) won their first two games, but lost to Brandon 2-0 in the final. Still, Holly finished in second place. In the opener, Holly got shootout goals from Ann Fetzer, Miranda Amis and Amy Scruggs to earn the 1-0 victory against Goodrich. Holly keeper Michaela Luchow made a

key save during the shootout as well. In Holly's second match, Amy Scruggs scored twice and Victoria Karakuc and Emma Ladd scored once each, leading Holly to a 4-0 victory against Harbor Beach. Sammy Caldwell had two assists.

In the final, Brandon scored with four seconds left in the first half on a corner, and never trailed form that point.

Holly's Fetzer, Luchow and Madison Brack were named to the all-tournament team

SOFTBALL

▶ Kearsley 9-11, Linden 0-9: Sterling DeGayner led the Eagles' offense in the opening game with three hits. In the nightcap, DeGayer had three hits, two RBI and two runs scored, while Molly Churches had three hits and two RBI. Rhannon Morse, Christina Clemons and Cayla Weirenga had two hits each.

EAGLES

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had three firsts as well and had each of its four relays finish within the top two, helping spark the program's performances.

For the boys, Jacob Cox took part in three of the firsts. He teamed with Bailey Davis, Mike Gold and Cade Dickson to win the 400 relay (45.09) and the 800 relay (1:33.87). Individually, he won the 200 (23.47) and even took a second-place finish in the 100 (11.49).

"Friday was a beautiful night for a track meet weather-wise and I think our performances were a result of that weather," Linden boys track coach Nick Douglass said. "Having personal season records in 11 of the 17 events is awesome. Having five lifetime PRs is unbelievable. The relays were clicking well, especially the two sprint relays. Jacob Cox had a great night and was a finalist for athlete of the meet."

The Linden girls also collected three firsts with two coming in individual events. Jessica Daul captured the top spot in the shot put (32-4), while Alia Frederick earned first in the 300 hurdles (48.60). The 1,600 relay team of Taylor Ganger, Maya Gossett, Courtney Davis and Savannah Ferrara also earned a first (10:29.90).

"We also had many season PRs," co-Linden girls track coach Hillary Thorin said. "The girls put out a great effort and their hard work and commitment is starting to really pay off, as you can tell from the results."

The Linden girls had 12 other individual top-five efforts. Alexis Brandt placed second in the pole vault with a personal-record leap of 9-0. Madison Piet had two seconds. She was the runner-up in the 100 hurdles (17.59) and the 300 hurdles (48.85). Korey Thomas also earned a second in the long jump (14-3). Linden's other top-five individual performers were Maya Gossett, fourth in the 800 (2:40.78); Ferrera, third in the 3,200 (12:03.42); Courtney Davis, fifth in the 3,200 (12:13.49); Breyanna Turnipseed, fourth in the 100 hurdles (17.75); Frederick, fifth in the 100 hurdles (18.00); Daul, fourth in the discus

(85-2); and Brooke Ovington, third in the high jump (4-6).

Two relays placed second for the Linden boys. They were the 1,600 relay team of Dawson Blank, Dickson, Bailey Davis, and Devin Daul (3:34.47) and the 3,200 relay team of Mikey Varacalli, Andy Bennett, Nick McDonald and Conor Sproule (8:22.50).

Other individual top-five performers for



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SETH NORMINGTON Linden's Mike Gold (right) hands off the baton to Cade Dickson during the 400 meter relay. Linden won the event with a time of 45.09 seconds.

Linden were: Dickson, third in the 100 (11.62); Blank, fourth in the 400 (52.61); Varacalli, fourth in the 3,200 (10:07.91); Moull, fourth in the 300 hurdles (44.65); Ronnie Gipson, fifth in the 300 hurdles (44.95); Andy Roberts, fourth in the shot (43-10 1/2) and fifth in the discus (120-10); Kyle Korman, fifth in the shot put (41-9 1/2) and Gold, fourth in the high jump (5-6).

SWEEP

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each, while Justin Norris, Coselman and Kostka each drove in two runs.

The game lasted just three innings due to the 15-run mercy rule. The final hit of the game was Acton's fourth of the contest, an RBI-single plating the 16th run when Garrison, who had two doubles in the second game, scored. On the mound, Coselman held Holly to two hits. Holly scored in the first inning when Adam Tooley reached on an error, stole third and scored on Clay DeVries' single.

"We are struggling," Holly coach Benny Jackson said.

"We are not throwing strikes, not playing good defense and are not hitting. Those are the three things in baseball and we aren't doing any of them. They are working hard in practice, but we tense up in the games."

TIGERS'

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Bri back there, but I didn't think it would be as strong without her there as it's been. That has allowed us to move her up and she's getting a lot of assists because of that."

Fenton never lost control of the contest, possessing the ball in the Hornets' side of the field for about 70 percent of the contest. Keeper Abigail Quesnelle earned the clean sheet in net.

The first-place Tigers travel to Clio for another Metro contest today at 4:30 p.m.

Clio 4, Holly 3

Holly trailed 3-0 at one time, but goals by Amy Scruggs, Ann Fetzer and Haley Hild set up a penalty kick shootout for the victory.

The Mustangs made all but one of their PK attempts, while Holly failed to make one, resulting in the tough loss

The Bronchos (6-7) return to action today at 6:45 p.m. with a home game against Flushing.

HOLLY

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individually, including a second. Cierra Smith earned that second in the high jump (5-0). Emily Alvarado had a strong showing, taking third in the discus (106-4) and fifth in the shot put (34-6 1/2). Other strong performers were Maggie Schneider, fifth in the 1,600 (5:31.30); Lauren Hackett, third in the 3,200 (11:31.53); and Samantha Tschirhart, fifth in the 3,200 (11:50.57).



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A copy of the proposed budget is available for inspection at the Village Office, 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, MI during regular office hours. Interested persons are encouraged to attend the meeting. Handicapped persons needing assistance to attend are asked to contact the Village offices at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (248) 634-9571 during regular business hours.

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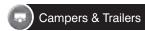
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Danny Eugene Flannery

- age 67, of Linden, died Saturday, May 2, 2015. services will be held May 7, 2015 at Sharp

Obituaries, Funeral

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Danny Eugene Flannery

1948-2015

10:30 AM Thursday, Funeral

Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Rev. Don Neuville officiating. Burial in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation was held at the funeral home Tuesday from 6-9 PM and also will be held Wednesday from 1-4 and 6-9 PM. Those desiring may make contributions to the Linden VEW Robinsons Crane Price Post #4642. Mr. Flannery was born March 21, 1948 in Bernie, MO the son of Harold and Dorothy Mae (Owens) Stobaugh. He was a 1967 graduate of Linden High School. He was a Vietnam veteran serving in the U.S. Army. Mr. Flannery retired from Flint GM V-8 Engine Plant. He was a member of the Linden V.F.W. Robinson Crane Price Post #4642, the U.A.W. Local 659. He was an avid Detroit Lions, Detroit Tigers, and Linden High School Athletics fan; he also was an avid golfer. Surviving are: son, Nicholas and wife Paula Flannery of Linden; daughter, McKenzie and husband Phillip Hyman of Argentine; grandson, Owen Keith Flannery; former wife, Karen Little Flannery of Linden; brother, Tom and wife Sally Stobaugh of Fenton; sister, Minnie and husband James Massey of Bernie, MO; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Curtis Flannery and Keith Stobaugh; and sister, Charlotte Mancour. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at



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Marie E. Mills 1923-2015

Marie E. Mills - age 91, of Holly died Sunday, May 3, 2015. Visitation will be on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at the Dryer Funeral Home from 5-9 PM and Thursday, May 7, 2015 from 1-9 PM with a rosary service at 7 PM. A Mass will be held at St. Rita Church in Holly at 11 AM, with Father David Blazek Celebrant on Friday, May 8, 2015 with burial at Lakeside Cemetery. Marie was born in Holly, MI on May 21, 1923 to the parents of Frances and Lucille (Schubert) McLaughlin. She was preceded in death by her husband Gordon. Marie was the dear mother of: James (Sue) Mills, Gary (Patricia) Mills, the late Timothy (Carol) Mills, Kaye (Don) Welton, Chari (Terry) Beecher, Kelly (Richard) Sherrill, all of Holly. She had 20 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren and one special cousin Mary Lee (McLaughlin) Giordano. Memorial donations can be made to Alzheimer's Association and the Arthritis Foundation. www.drverfuneralhome-

holly.com.

Patricia Ann Weeks 1937-2015 Patricia Ann Weeks - age 77, of Holly, died Friday, May 1, 2015. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Thursday, May 7, 2015 at Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Father David Blazek officiating. Visitation will be from 5-8 PM Wednesday. Ms. Weeks was born in Detroit on December 15, 1937 the daughter of Francis and Ruby (LaDuke) Phalen. Dear mother of Shannon Freid of FL, Stacie (Brian) Darr of Freeland, Shellie (Phillip) Torres of Holly, Shawn (Amy) Weeks of Clarkston; brother Mark (Diane) Phalen, sister Bernadette (Rodney) Fuller; grandmother of Benjamin, Sydney, Jessie, Spencer, Eli, Brode, and the late Justin. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to any local hospice. www.dryerfuneralhome-

holly.com.

Barbara Jean Harrower 1927-2015

Barbara Jean Harrower - age 87, of Holly, died Wednesday, April 29, 2015.



She is survived by her husband Don: daughter Jo (Allen) Ingman, son Scott (Sarah

Seidman) Harrower, and daughter Lori (Bob Leahy) Harrower; 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Visitation was held Tuesday, May 5, 2015 from 5-8 PM and also will be held Wednesday, May 6, 2015 from 12 noon until time of Memorial Service at 2 PM at Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. See full obituary at www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.

Howard Dean Howe

1946-2015

Howard Dean Howe - age 68, of Linden, died Saturday, May 2, 2015. Services were held



4 PM Monday, May 4, 2015 at Sharp **Funeral** Homes. Linden Chapel,

209 E. Broad St, Linden. Pastor David Howe officiated. Howard was born October 1, 1946 in Holly the son of Armond and llene (Sturgis) Howe. He was a 1964 graduate of Grand Blanc High School He married Susan Lynn Rainbolt August 1, 1965 in Fenton. He had resided in Linden since 1966 coming from Fenton/Grand Blanc. Howard retired in 1994 from GM V-8 Engine Plant. He was a member of the U.A.W. local 659. He was also a member of Grace Communion International. Surviving are: his wife, Susan; 2 sons, David and wife Ann Howe of Elkhart, IN and Paul Howe and Bekkah Bidwell of Lapeer; 8 grandchildren, Austin, Branden, Amanda, Ariana, Taggart, Sabastian, William, and Willow; sisters, Vickie and husband Copas Kirk and Nancy and husband Terry Marciniak; brothers, Clifford and wife Judy Howe, Patrick Howe, and Tommy Howe; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Roger and Armand Howe; and sister, Marlena Howe. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.



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Eugene Michael "Gene" Knutson 1947-2015

Eugene Michael "Gene" Knutson - age 68, of Fenton, died surrounded

11:30 AM Wednesday,

Funeral Homes, Fenton

May 6, 2015 at Sharp



by his wife and family, Sunday, May 3, 2015. Funeral Services will be held

Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation was held at the funeral home Tuesday from 4-9 PM, where a V.F.W. Memorial Service was held at 7 PM and also will be held Wednesday from 10:30 AM until the time of service. Those desiring may make contributions to the Eugene M. Knutson Memorial Fund, c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. Gene was born January 20, 1947 in Flint the son of Leonard and Elsa (Dietrich) Knutson. He was a 1965 graduate of Lake Fenton High School. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War serving in the U.S. Marine Corp. Gene married Barbara Ann Svejcara May 25, 1974 in Fenton. He had resided in the Fenton area most of his life. He was a life member of the Fenton V.F.W. Curtis Wolverton Post #3243. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Surviving are: his beloved wife, Barbara; loving daughter, Kimberly Knutson; parents, Leonard and Elsa Knutson, brothers, Larry and wife Carin Knutson of Mt. Vernon, TX and Martin Knutson of Mesquite, TX; sister, Karen and husband Derek Orme of Flushing; brothers-in-law, Jim and wife Linda Svejcara of Florida, Ray and wife Sue Svejcara of Linden, and Joey Svejcara of Flint; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father-in-law and motherin-law, James and Patricia Svejcara. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



William "Bill" **Clayton Westcott,**

William "Bill" Clayton Westcott - age 76, of Holly, died Saturday May 2, 2015. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd. Fenton. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.





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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be a bit shaken by a friend's request. But before the Lamb leaps to conclusions, insist on a full explanation. You still might say no, but at least you'll know what you're saying no to.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Seeing red over those nasty remarks by someone with an ax to grind? Of course you are. So get out there and give your supporters the facts they need to get the truth out

 $GEMINI \ \ \textbf{(May 21 to June 20)} \ A$ changing situation should get you to reassess your vacation plans and make any adjustments as soon as possible. And don't fret -- the change most likely will turn out for the better

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't put off dealing with any negative feelings that might be left over from a recent confrontation. The sooner all is resolved, the sooner you can move forward with fewer complications

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos

redecorate their dens, and that can turn into a good opportunity to strengthen family ties by putting the whole pride to work to make it happen

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Look for the most efficient way to get a job done quickly and well. Taking more time than you need to make it look more challenging is a short-sighted move you might regret later on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Travel remains strong in your aspect. And this time, it could involve someone traveling a great distance to come to see you. Meanwhile, an important matter suddenly could need your attention.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A workplace situation becomes a lot more bothersome than you'd expected. Be careful not to be pulled into all that anger. Look for support among others who also want to avoid trouble.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22

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to December 21) Cheer up, lonely lovers, wherever you are. Just when you thought you'd been deleted from Cupid's database, the chubby cherub proves that's just not so. Congratula-

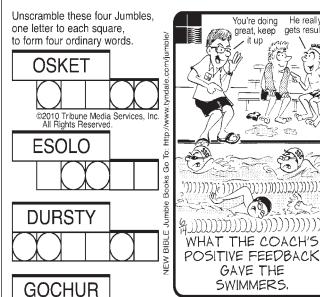
CAPRICORN (December 22

to January 19) A casual relationship could take a more serious turn. Are you ready for it? Your stars say you are. Paired Sea Goats also will find a renewed richness in their relationships

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Meeting a collaborator with new ideas seems to be a dream come true. But for both your sakes, be sure all your legal i's are dotted and t's are crossed before you start working

PISCES (February 19 to March 21) A romantic overture flatters the usually unflappable Fish. But since it's a sincere from-the-heart gesture, go ahead and enjoy it. A minor health problem responds well to treatment

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- 24 Piglet's papa
- 25 Memo acronym
- 26 Protect oneself possumstyle
- 30 Doctrine
- 31 Prognosticators
- 32 Half of XIV
- 33 Fan of Jerry Garcia et al.
- 35 Coop group
- 36 Engrossed
- 37 Fellows
- 38 Poisons
- 41 Jazz style
- 42 Acknowledge
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- 50 Met melody
- 51 Deuce defeater
- 52 Like some humor
- 53 Abound

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- Wet wriggler
- Wild and crazy
- Unctuous
- Alias (Abbr.) Computer

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39 Always

40 Staff

41 Infant

44 Blunder

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35 Jazz fan,

29 Ph.D. hurdle





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