

“Everything I knew (about having babies) kind of went out the window.”

Ted Nagy
Father and hospice nurse



Fenton couple delivers their child in car

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Sarah Morello and Ted Nagy pause for a photo with son Timothy before an appointment at Fenton Medical Center Thursday.

■ Baby born in vehicle en-route to McLaren Hospital

By Sally Rummel

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Ted Nagy is an RN by profession, but even he wasn't prepared for what happened on Sunday when his fian-

cée, Sarah Morello, gave birth to the couple's second child in the car, en-route to the hospital.

Morello, 24, a 2008 Fenton High
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Bald eagle sightings on the rise

■ Iconic birds apparently returning to tri-county area

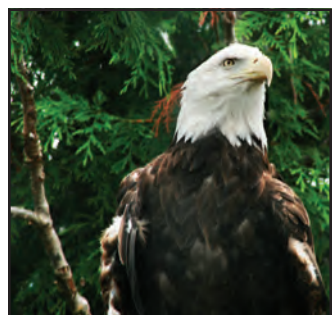
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The bald eagle, America's national bird, might be coming back to Genesee County. Rumors of two possible bald eagle nests in the tri-county area have been circulating.

Mating eagles were spotted between Hogan and Cole roads by Bradley Jacob, chairman of the Shiawassee

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New Channel 7 Action News doctor has Fenton connection



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Dr. Partha Nandi of Sterling Heights has his microphone clipped on by WXYZ lighting director Dennis Cherry on Monday. He'll shoot a three-minute segment for the Southfield-based news organization. "Ask Dr. Nandi," his syndicated show, airs to 85 million households in 80 countries. His wife, and COO of the talkshow, Kali (Koester) Nandi, is a Fenton native. **See story on Page 10A**

'Sometimes all you can do is just cry'

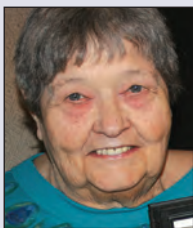
■ Local woman serves veterans who served country

By Vera Hogan

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Viola Ward of Fenton Township is all about the veterans. She comes from a large military family, and is herself a veteran of the Vietnam era. Today, Ward spends the majority of her free time doing what she can to help veterans in need.

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Viola Ward



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The Memorial Day Parade route in Fenton will be different than in years past due to Streetscape.

Memorial Day parades and ceremonies

■ Fenton, Linden, Holly events Monday, Great Lakes National Cemetery ceremony is Sunday

By Vera Hogan

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The cities of Fenton and Linden, and the village of Holly will hold their annual Memorial Day parades and ceremonies Monday.

Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford

Road, Holly will host its Memorial Day ceremony Sunday at 1 p.m.

In Fenton, the parade will begin at 10 a.m. at the Fenton Community Center and travel north to Caroline Street. It will turn left (west) on Caroline Street and pause at the bridge so the ceremonial wreath can be placed in the Shiawassee River. It will then continue west on
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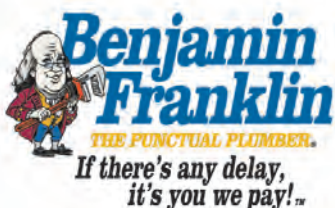
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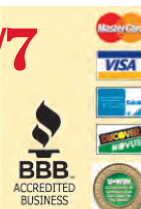
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On May 7, Lou Farhood takes painstaking care shaping, heating, bending and gluing a narrow slat of wood to part of the temporary skeleton form of the next kayak he's building. "I try to pick a kayak more challenging than the one before," he said. It's a new process for him, and he expects his next piece of floating craftsmanship to be finished by this time next year.

Wooden kayaks

Linden man designs 'floating art'

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Lou Farhood, 57, has been building things all of his life, but he never thought that a wooden kayak would be one of them.

When the economy crashed in Michigan, so did the tool and die shop he had owned for years, as well as his expensive airplane-building hobby. He and his wife, Donna, are licensed pilots, and he spent many of his leisure hours building his own plane to fly out of aluminum and steel.

"Everything changed for me," said Farhood of Lin-

den. "I had to reinvent myself, so I went back to school and became a barber."

Farhood yearned for another leisure project to fulfill his empty dreams and changed life.

"I needed to build something less expensive than the plane that cost me \$40,000 to build a few years ago," said Farhood. "A friend of mine was building a kayak and I thought to myself, 'I can do that.'"

He began to spend his evening hours and days off in his basement, pouring over engineering plans from

"To me, this is therapy. I can tune out all the problems of the world."

Lou Farhood



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Several different types of wood make up his Greenland-style kayaks. Western Red Cedar, Alaskan Yellow Cedar, Lacewood from South America, and Peruvian Walnut are some of the types used.

a book rather than spending his hard-earned barbering money on expensive blueprints. He built his own "fish bone" skeleton upon which to mold and glue

See **KAYAKS** on 14A



Which kayak should you buy?

■ Whether fishing, touring, or white-water paddling, there is a kayak style out there for you

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Knowing where you plan to paddle your kayak is the first step in choosing from the different types of kayaks that are available in the market today.

If you're new to kayaking and plan to paddle mostly on flat water on local lakes and river, a recreational kayak will be a good choice. They are affordable and easy to use, offer initial stability and are especially reassuring for novices, according to rei.com.

They aren't as good for open water or wind currents.

Most are 10 to 12 feet long and have a large cockpit for easy access and a wide beam for stability. They don't hold a straight course as well as a touring kayak, and can be a challenge to bail out if flipped.

Often made of polyethylene plastic, they can be heavy to transport and carry.

Cost: Entry-level plastic from \$250 on up to as high as \$1,500. Fiberglass boats will cost from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

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Carry a big stick

If you want to capture the true spirit of Memorial Day, you need only remember the motto of former president Theodore Roosevelt, ‘Speak softly and carry a big stick.’

For most of us, me included, Memorial Day will be celebrated not by revering those who gave their lives in defense of our freedom, but by activities such as barbecuing, beer drinking, boating and baseball. Sadly, for many of our neighbors and fellow citizens, Memorial Day will be about an empty seat at the picnic table and an empty place in their lives.

Undoubtedly, most Americans feel sorrow when they read or hear of the death of one of our young men or women serving their country in the military. But,

I also sense a change in the way many of us perceive this ultimate sacrifice.



These days many tend to view these soldiers as victims, not as human beings who chose freely to serve their country knowing full well that the price they pay may be their lives. By minimizing their sacrifice, we minimize our own guilt at sitting on the sidelines.

I say this because so many of today’s generation simply can’t conceive of making this choice of their own free will. They view our military personnel as being comprised of mostly disadvantaged youth desperate for any opportunity to escape their impoverished life, or militant warmongers whose primary motivation is a thirst for blood. It is incomprehensible to them that someone

would volunteer for the military out of a sense of duty or obligation to their country. Most naively believe that distasteful matters like war can be avoided if we would only listen to the sage voices of Hollywood. Teddy Roosevelt be damned — these are problems that

can be solved with love and understanding, not guns and bombs.

History, and the endless rows of crosses and markers at Arlington, tells us otherwise. They are stark reminders that pure evil is not just surviving, but thriving in our world today. The current American generation’s liberal-pacifist logic on matters of obligation and patriotism doesn’t change the fact that there has always been, and always will be, evil in the world.

Without America’s big stick, the ungrateful, spineless French would not even exist today. Nor would Germany, nor most

of Europe, nor Japan. I often wonder what the 407,316 Americans who died in World War II would think of all the yuppies driving around today in German and Japanese vehicles — vehicles manufactured by countries who openly sneer at the same

big stick policy that saved their @\$\$e\$ in the past.

If America truly wants to avoid building more Arlingtons, the surest way is to heed the advice of Teddy Roosevelt and ‘speak softly and carry a big stick’ — and never, ever forget the past. That big stick is our military — past, present and future.

To the brave men and women serving in our military — and especially to those families with an empty seat at their table — my deepest gratitude to you on this Memorial Day.

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I WOULD LIKE to offer to have my fifth-grade daughter provide free physics and math lessons to the King. Obviously he needs some royal schooling.

IT SEEMS TO me that I am seeing water lines from the street to private homes torn up all over the city of Fenton. Why are all our water lines breaking, am I missing something?

I’VE GOT TO admit when I’m wrong. I said once that Hillary’s ambition and ego far exceeded her ability, so I have to make a correction. Her greed exceeds everything else. She proved that when she was Secretary of State.

MAYBE IT’S ME but it certainly seems like we have hardly had any good weather this spring. I can only recall one day where it has hit 80 degrees. I spend most of my time covering my flowers against frost each night. So is this global cooling?

WAY TO GO George Stephanopoulos for finally admitting to contributing \$75,000 to the Clintons’ foundation. And the regular TV networks wonder why viewers don’t trust them anymore. Can you say conflict of interest?

WHY DOES ANYONE care who contributes money to the Clinton

Foundation? It’s no different than those who contribute to the Red Cross or the KKK. It’s their money and their choice. Worry about your own contributions, not others.

MODERN DAY ELECTRONICS has created a generation that has the attention span of a goldfish.

WHILE LOOKING ON the district’s website, I found some interesting information under IB evaluation. The majority of teachers agree IB is not worth the annual cost; check the data for yourself. The district failed to list the IB association cost under its report. What are they hiding?

SO THE CLINTONS ‘forgot’ to report over

\$26 million in contributions to their organization. If you are stupid enough to vote for these despicably immoral and dishonest people, you are part of the problem.

MR. OBAMA HAS been successful, once again. He has started a Mid-East nuclear arms race. Saudi Arabia, who paid for Pakistan’s nukes, will get some of their own, to counter Iran. Congratulations, ‘O!’

WHAT A SHAME that the Fenton School Board won’t even consider combining the half-day young fives and half-day kindergartners to make a full class. Once again, it’s all about money. The children are just cast aside. Call the school board and let them know that the kids matter.

CITY OF FENTON, you completely FAILED regarding the Seminary. You let an irreplaceable architectural gem slip right through your fingers. Very disappointed in the city leadership. It’s urban renewal all over again.

BUSH WAS TOO loyal to his subordinates, i.e. Rumsfeld, but he listened to professional input. Obama doesn’t listen to professionals, military or intelligence. The U.S. was in Germany for 50-plus years. We cut and ran in Iraq and are doing the same in Afghanistan. View the outcome difference!

YOU CAN THANK President Reagan for what you see as shortcomings in the economy. The trickle down policies sure haven’t hurt the rich, unless getting filthy rich is painful.

I GUESS YOU think everybody but you should take responsibility for their own life. It must be the liberals and Obama’s fault. Don’t forget to blame the poor people too! You’re pathetic. Maybe thinking of and helping someone worse off than you will change your karma.

HEY JOE GRAVES, why are state Republicans trying to attach an appropriation amendment to ‘No Fault’ reform? I guess you don’t care to hear what the people think but are listening very close to the insurance lobby. No Tea for you.

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“My uncle and my mom’s brother were in the Army during World War II.”

— Elaine Dobrowolski
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“My grandfather was in the infantry during WWII.”

— Rob Battani
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“It was my dad and he was in the Army during the Korean War.”

— Beth Roobaert
Roscommon



“Myself, I was in Vietnam in the U.S. Marine Corps.”

— Ruben Padilla
Fenton Township



“My father was in the Army during WWII.”

— Jim Edmonds
Fenton Township

Linden community raises money for 9-year-old stroke survivor



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | COURTESY PHOTO
Seth Hunter, 9, is still struggling with speech and using the right side of his body.

■ Suffers a stroke while watching sister's concert at Linden Elementary

By Hannah Ball

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A 9-year-old Linden boy is in the hospital after suffering a stroke on May 12.

Seth Hunter was attending his sister's Orff concert at Linden Elementary School when he had the stroke, said Robert Pouch, principal of Linden Elementary School, who was also attending the concert.

While in the hospital, doctors discovered he had a temporal parietal lobe stroke. Strokes occur when a blood vessel in the brain is blocked or bursts, according to webmd.com.

"He was watching his sister out in the hallway with another student, being social and typical students," Pouch said. "At one point in time, Seth went to the

floor. That student responded and got the parents and I got called out there, too. He just went to the ground. That's where he first experienced the symptoms."

"It was very low key. Not many people were out in the hallway. The student was the only one who saw," Pouch said. Seth's mother is a nurse, and the parents thought the symptoms were seizure-like. The parents then took him to the hospital.

"It's a situation where we care about all of our kids," Pouch said. "Naturally our hearts melt for that family during that time." He said they have "great" preparation at the school with responding to emergencies.

"This is uncommon to happen at the elementary level," Pouch said.

Seth's family created a Facebook page, "Prayers for Seth Hunter," where they've posted links to the GoFundMe page and pictures of Seth's progress.

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If you'd like to help, you can go to GoFundMe.com and search "Seth Hunter," or you can find it through the "Prayers for Seth Hunter" Facebook page.

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A: Trenna, I would recommend that you have it towed to a repair shop and looked at. Anytime that you are dealing with a steering or suspension noise like this, it could be serious. It could cause you to lose control of the vehicle by not being able to steer it properly causing an accident or injury.

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Local businessman dies suddenly

By Vera Hogan

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The community is mourning the death of Gerald Durocher, who died suddenly on Thursday at the age of 67.

"Gerry was a blessing to those who knew him," said his daughter Nicole Stilson. "He was the foundation of our family who taught us what it means to love fiercely and unconditionally, to work tirelessly, to give ruthlessly, and to forgive completely. He is gone, but will live on through each and every person whose life he touched."

Durocher was the owner of Formspect, Inc. and GD Builders, Inc. in Fenton. He and his wife, Nancy, were very involved with the Silver Lake Ski Club.

"Gerry was the backbone and foundation for our club over the last 25 years," said Sean Affrica, vice president of the Silver Lake Ski Club. "He has been our president,

boat driver, show director and was a really great guy. Without his support our club would not have made it."

Although he retired from the club less than two years ago, Affrica said Durocher and his entire family also supported the club financially, providing boats, additional equipment and more.

"They did it all," he said.

The couple would have celebrated 45 years of marriage this year. They have four children and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 26 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton with Rev. Fr. Dwight Ezop celebrant.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. on Sunday, and 2 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 9 p.m. Monday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton.



Gerry Durocher

“He is gone, but will live on through each and every person whose life he touched.”

Nicole Stilson
daughter

MDEQ report on gas station leak coming soon

■ Linden business owners
await answers and test results

By Hannah Ball

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The gasoline leak report from Beacon and Bridge gas station was given to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) last week, and will be released soon.

The gasoline leak contaminated ground in Linden, and was under investigation from June 2014 to November 2014, reported the Times.

It was confirmed that the leak came from Beacon and Bridge gas station on 110 East Broad St., owned by Quick SaV Food Stores LTD. The gasoline leak was traced to their underground storage tanks.

Kevin Begola, owner of Bridge Street Exchange in Linden at 109 N Bridge Street, told the Times last November that when he purchased the building, he started noticing "alarming" smells.

"As a property and business owner, the liable party should do the right thing for our town and take care of those involved and clean up this mess. My main concern lies with the cleanup efforts within our town as well as crumbling property values due to this situation," Begola had told the Times last November.

The station had to submit an IAR (Initial Assessment Report) within 180 days of confirmation of the leak, according to Marjorie Frisch, of the MDEQ.

In the report, the owner needs to

define "extent of contamination in soil and groundwater and provide corrective actions to deal with all contamination issues."

The store turned the report into the MDEQ last week, said Frisch. The MDEQ will revise the report, make comments, and then the company must revise the report again. Otherwise, the MDEQ will not accept it or make the closing report, said Frisch.

Begola said the slow process is frustrating.

"At this point, I don't think we're gonna have any major revelations. It's gonna be a slow process," Begola said.

"I want to see them do the right thing," he said, mentioning that's what the gas station said at the city commission meeting last November. "I hope they are still gonna do that, take care of the problem. This town's got a lot of things it could use...seeing the Union Block redevelop

would be an amazing thing. I think it's this that is holding all that up."

"I've been learning a lot. It's a complex situation," Begola said.

The Times is working to get a copy of the report.

On May 1, the Times reported that the systems at Beacon and Bridge gas station were upgraded by R. W. Mercer Company, which included refurbished pumps and a siphon line for the two underground gas tanks. The store manager said the upgrade had nothing to do with the leak.

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CONCESSION STAND BREAK-IN

At 1:30 p.m. on May 18, Fenton police responded to the Silver Lake Park to investigate a break-in complaint. A city employee discovered that sometime between May 4 and 18, someone broke a hole through plywood covering a window at the park's concession stand. Entry was made, however, it did not appear that anything was stolen.

WE'RE JUST TALKING, OFFICER

At 3 a.m. on May 17, a Fenton police officer observed a Jeep Cherokee parked at the entrance of AGS Middle School, with the headlights on. The officer drove closer to investigate and saw two occupants. Contact was made with the driver, a 19-year-old Mt. Morris female and an occupant, a 22-year-old Fenton male. The two told the officer they were just talking. After detecting the odor of intoxicants, breath tests were administered. The 19-year-old driver registered a .10 and the 22-year-old passenger blew a .13 on the breathalyzer. The female was arrested for Under 21 Consumption and has a July 13 court date. She and her vehicle were released to her parents. The male was released.

LFA COMPLAINTS

Fenton police received a larceny from auto (LFA) complaint on May 19 from a 60-year-old Fenton resident. The resident, who lives in the 300 block of Third Street reported that sometime overnight someone entered his unlocked Chevrolet Tahoe, parked in his driveway, and stole his radar detector and headphones. Lt. Jason Slater said the police department received two more LFA complaints on Tuesday, one near this man's home, and another from an apartment complex off Torrey Road.

'Little House on the Prairie' star visits Linden second-graders

■Melissa Gilbert comes to Hyatt Elementary School on May 5

By Vera Hogan

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The students in Rosaleigh Johnson's second-grade class have learned many valuable things this year – one of which is how to get things done.

Through their newly learned power of persuasion skills, the kids were able to convince actress Melissa Gilbert, best known for her role as Laura Ingalls in the "Little House on the Prairie" TV series, to visit their classroom.

According to Johnson, her students have been reading the Little House on the Prairie book series by Laura Ingalls Wilder throughout the year.

"One Friday, I showed them the introductory episode, and they loved it," said Johnson. "They really got into it. When Laura's dog Jack died, there were some tears, and when Mary (Laura's sister on the show) went blind."

One day, Johnson told her class, "You know, Ms. Gilbert lives in Howell now. That's not too far from here."

Gilbert and her husband, actor Timothy Busfield, moved to Howell in July of 2013. He is a native of the Lansing area.

During the months of January and February, the second-graders were working on a persuasive writing unit. One student wanted to write a letter to Gilbert, inviting her to the class. Several more students were onboard with that and decided they would write letters, too.

With the assistance of an organization in Howell, the letters were delivered to Gilbert. All of the children put the school's phone number in their letters.

"After spring break, I got a phone call," said Johnson. "It was Ms. Gilbert who said she received a very persuasive

“Their next goal is to write and convince Nellie Oleson to come to the classroom.”

Rosaleigh Johnson
Second-grade teacher
Hyatt Elementary School



Melissa Gilbert, who played Laura Ingalls in the popular television show "Little House on the Prairie" (Sept. 1974 to March 1983), visited the second-grade, Hyatt Elementary School classroom of Rosaleigh Johnson on May 5.

package from my class."

Johnson and Gilbert made the arrangements, and Gilbert spent an hour and a half in her classroom on May 5. Because it was Cinco de Mayo, Gilbert even brought the kids some of her homemade guacamole.

The children asked Gilbert many questions, such as, what did she learn about the past from her experience on Little House on the Prairie? They also wanted to know if she became friends with Nellie Oleson, a rather "not nice" character on the show whose parents owned the mercantile.

Gilbert said she did become friends with Nellie (played by actress Alison Arngrim). She told the class a funny story about an episode where she and Nellie were supposed to knock each other over into the mud. Gilbert said she grabbed a handful of cow manure and shoved it into Nellie's face.

See GILBERT on 15A

Daisy and Josephine

Daisy and Josephine, written by actor and New York Times bestselling author Melissa Gilbert, tells the story of a little girl named Daisy who often travels with her father for his job. She is very shy and gets lonely on these trips, so her father surprises her with an endearingly peculiar puppy named Josephine. It is described as a charming story of unlikely friendship. Daisy and Josephine is intended to delight children, parents, and dog lovers of all ages.

Source: broadwayworld.com

Financial Q&A How much life insurance is enough?

Benjamin Franklin once said, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes." Now that tax time is mostly behind us for the year we should begin to think about our estate planning and overall retirement planning. To determine how much life insurance you need, you should take into consideration who you are protecting: spouse, loved one, or children. Your total insurance needs should be based on providing income for surviving spouse and family members and to cover expenses such as mortgages, debts, and college costs. This will give you the total capital required if something were to happen to you today. Then by subtracting the total of all current savings, investments, and present amount of any employer provided group life insurance this will provide an estimated amount of additional life insurance needed. This is the most basic analysis for determining your life insurance needs. Those looking to use life insurance for the various retirement income tax advantages would benefit from reviewing their current situation with a qualified Certified Financial Planner. Make time for your finances today and **if you have a question please feel free to contact us at** noahmorgan@acornwa.com.

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Academic Achievements



Audrey Renee Glubzinski
Graduated with honors from the University of Michigan Ann Arbor College of Pharmacy and

received her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree on April 25th, 2015. Audrey is a 2007 graduate of Linden High School and earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Michigan Flint in 2011. She has accepted a residency position at the Aleda E Lutz VA Medical Center in Saginaw, MI where she will continue her education and begin her professional career in June.

Audrey is the daughter of Stanley J and Cheryl A Glubzinski of Fenton, MI.



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2015: The longest summer

■ Early Memorial Day and later Labor Day means more summer fun

By Sally Rummel

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With temperatures this week only in the 50s and 60s, it may not seem like “the longest summer,” but this year’s calendar is telling us that it already is.

Memorial Day is always observed on the final Monday in May, which this year is appearing as early as it possibly can, on May 25 – introducing us to the unofficial start of Summer 2015. Every time Memorial Day appears at its earliest designation on May 25, then Labor Day – signaling the end of summer – steps in at its latest possible day, Sept. 7.

That means there are 106 days from one end of summer to the other this year, offering endless possibilities of sunshine, warmth, leisure pursuits, gardening, boating, concerts – you name it, we’ll do it because this year,

we’ll have the time to make the most out of summer.

These lengthy summers basically occur five times every 28 years in a staggered, recurrent sequence, according to a story in The New York Times that appeared in Aug. 2009, the last time an “endless summer” occurred. It also happened in 1998, 1992, 1987 and 1981. Then it was 11 years again, back to 1970.

While tri-county residents haven’t yet experienced summer this year, endless or otherwise, just knowing how long it will stretch out before us can be exhilarating and exciting.

Maybe there will be enough time to plan “just one more trip” up north, or squeeze in another concert or two. Maybe your boat will stay in the lake just a few more glorious days than last year. And maybe the creeping in of cooler fall and winter weather this year will seem like it takes a little longer, as we squeeze out of every bit of fun as this year’s summer goes on and on.

Guest viewpoint

By Pat Lozano
ALA PRESIDENT
(ALA 119 Linden)



Memorial Day

Memorial Day is the day Americans set aside to honor those brave men and women who met tragic ends during times of war. We must use this day to honor their sacrifices, to pray for their families. We must never forget.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit Linden 119 would like to invite all Linden residents and their friends and family to join us in remembrance of our nation’s fallen heroes. We will be assisting our American Legion Post in retiring worn flags next to the Linden Gazebo after the Memorial Day Parade.

The Auxiliary is the world’s largest women’s patriotic service organization. We serve nearly one million veterans every year. Right here in Linden, we continue to help mitigate the challenges our veterans face and deliver upon our mission by organizing multiple events throughout the year to support veterans, their families and their communities.

I invite you to pause today to remember those who have fought for our freedoms.

Members volunteer millions of hours yearly, with a value of nearly \$2 billion. Auxiliary volunteers across the country also step up to honor veterans and military through annual scholarships and with ALA Girls State programs, teaching students to be leaders grounded in patriotism and Americanism. To learn more about the Auxiliary’s mission or to volunteer, donate or join, email AmerianLegionAuxiliary119Linden@AOL.com and visit Facebook ‘American Legion Auxiliary 119Linden’ and ‘like’ us to receive regular updates on what we are doing in our community.

— Pat Lozano, ALA President
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LOOKING BACK at this week IN LOCAL HISTORY

COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

5 years ...

Sunday, May 30, 2010

Middle school namesake Andrew G. Schmidt died Friday. Andrew G. Schmidt, former Fenton school board president for many years, Tyrone Township supervisor and long-time advocate of children, died early Friday (May 28) at the age of 79.

10 years ...

Sunday, May 29, 2005

City manager and dad bike through New York. The city of Fenton just isn’t big enough for City Manager Michael Senyko anymore. Senyko and his father, John Senyko, took on the city of New York earlier this month — on bikes. (Senyko is now chief of staff for Secretary of State Ruth Johnson.)

15 years ...

Sunday, May 28, 2000

Skate park fever heats up. For years, talk about building a skate park for the kids in town has been just that — talk. But the First Assembly of God of Fenton (now The Freedom Center) has taken the “bull by the horns” and is building a facility called Uth4trUth on their West Shiawassee Avenue grounds.

20 years ...

Sunday, May 28, 1995

Argentine Township bank robbed. An armed robber fled with an undetermined amount of money from an Argentine Township bank Wednesday morning. Citizens Bank representatives said the assailant left the bank in a dark-colored vehicle and headed west.

25 years ...

Sunday, May 27, 1990

Jailed. Bad checks by FAN’s owner. The publisher of the Independent was handcuffed and led away to jail last week. Henry Hogan, president of Flint Area Newspapers, was ordered jailed by Genesee County Circuit Court Judge Earl Boradaile for more “rubber check” problems.

30 years ...

Sunday, May 26, 1985

Blanchard visits Fenton. Michigan ambassador Paula Blanchard, wife of Gov. James Blanchard, visited a local sailboat manufacturing business, Nickels & Holman LTD, Friday as part of the 31st annual Michigan Week celebration.

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Timothy Tibor Nagy had an interesting start to his life — being delivered at 3:19 a.m. in a Chevy Cobalt.

BABY

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School graduate, had gone into labor at 2 a.m. and things started to happen really fast. Not due until May 28, the couple wasn't expecting this to happen quite as soon as it did.

Nagy's mom, Claudia Nagy of Fenton Township, rushed over to the couple's apartment in Grand Blanc to take care of their 19-month-old daughter, Mary, arriving at 3 a.m. to a chaotic scene.

"Sarah's water had just broken and she was pretty hysterical," said Claudia. "We finally got them out of the apartment and on their way to the hospital at 3:10 a.m."

It wasn't but a few minutes later that Morello knew she wasn't going to make it to McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint in time to give birth there.

"I was freaking out," said Nagy, who pulled off I-475 at the Bristol Road exit at Morello's insistence, while speeding toward McLaren. He jumped out of the car to call 911 and when he got off the phone, the baby's head was already crowning as Morello gave birth in the passenger seat of the car.

"Everything I knew (about having babies) kind of went out the window," said Nagy, who actually works by day as a traveling hospice nurse. "I just jumped in and helped deliver him. I put him on Sarah's stomach and put my jacket over him. The ambulance and State Police were there in two or three minutes. They're the ones who cut the cord."

Baby Timothy Tibor Nagy took his first ride in an ambulance along with his mother, and they both stayed overnight at McLaren, just like any regular labor and delivery experience. Weighing in at 7 lbs. 14 oz., he even got an "8" on the Apgar Test, which rated him in "good condition" on this newborn evaluation.

Obviously, mother and child were doing just fine and were released Monday, just in time for Morello to take a nursing exam at Mott Community College. "She didn't want to have to postpone the test and she felt good enough to take it," said Ted.

"I feel like I don't really remember going through this," said Morello. "It was definitely painful. When I saw him, that was my sense of relief. I still can't hardly believe it happened. I don't think I'll ever get over it."

Ted, a 2004 graduate of Lake Fenton High School, already rates this as a once-in-a-lifetime event. "It didn't seem real," he said. "It still doesn't. She was in labor with Mary for 14 hours."

STYLE

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Touring kayaks

These are best for traveling long distances in open water, as well as performance in rough conditions.

Touring kayaks are usually 12 to 17 feet long, with hulls shaped to increase lift in waves and rough water. Most have a tracking system, such as a skeg or rudder or a combination of both.

They can be made of plastic or a lightweight and durable composite blend.

Cost: About \$1,000



Sit-on-top kayaks

These are great fun for kids, beginners or swimmers as they are even for stable than sit-in recreational kayaks. With a sealed hull and molded depressions on top for sitting, they are easier to access, whether you're on a dock, shore or in the water.

Sit-on-top kayaks tend to provide a wetter experience than sit-in kayaks, so you'll need to wear a wetsuit or drysuit to protect yourself from cold water.

Cost: From \$100 to \$1,000



Inflatable kayaks

While you might think of these as a toy, they are more sturdy and versatile than at first glance. Inflatable by foot, hand or electric pump, these boats are more buoyant than traditional kayaks. Once deflated, they're easy to transport in a duffel-sized carrying bag.

Inflatables range from 10 to 15 feet long. They are easy to use and can turn on a small radius. However, they take more effort to paddle and are slower and less rugged than a traditional kayak. They are usually made of PVC-coated polyester.

Cost: About \$250 on up



Wooden kayaks

Wooden kayaks are becoming more popular in the kayak market as they set themselves apart from materials from both an aesthetics viewpoint and substance.

In addition to its beauty, a wooden kayak often exceeds the performance of other materials on the market. The sandwiching of lightweight wood with fiberglass and epoxy results in a hull that is rugged yet much lighter than fiberglass alone.

Linden kayak builder Lou Farhood has a saying, "Friends don't let friends kayak in Tupperware." That's his view of the advantages of a wooden boat.

Cost: \$3,000 on up.

Other less commonly used kayaks are specialty boats like whitewater kayaks and fishing kayaks.



Whitewater kayaks

Whitewater kayaks are four to 10 feet long, have a rounded bottom and turn up at the ends for navigating rapids.

Fishing kayaks

Fishing kayaks are made specifically for anglers. They have rod holders, cooler holders and some even have a built-in tackle box. They can be stable enough to stand on for better visibility and casting.



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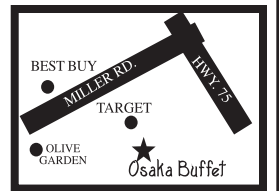
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New Channel 7 Action News doctor has Fenton connection

■ 'Ask Dr. Nandi' now airs in 85 million U.S. homes

By Sally Rummel

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Dr. Partha Nandi isn't a "household name" yet like Dr. Mehmet Oz with "The Doctor Oz Show," but this Detroit area gastroenterologist has already made quite a name for himself — and it's getting bigger.

Married to Fenton native Kali Koester and the son-in-law of Craig and Beth Rockman, Nandi has been hosting his own nationally syndicated medical TV show, "Ask Dr. Nandi," since 2012. Seen in 85 million homes in the U.S. and 80 countries around the world, the Emmy award-winning "Ask Dr. Nandi" has not only captured the interest of millions of fans, but other media outlets as well.

Recently, WXYZ-TV Channel 7 in Detroit named Nandi their Chief Health Editor and gave him an on-the-air medical news segment three days a week on Channel 7 Action News. "Ask Dr. Nandi" now airs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the 5 p.m. newscast.

"Anyone with DISH or Comcast could view 'Ask Dr. Nandi' before, but now with this new show in Detroit, it's a local platform for us," said Kristen Wolosonowich, chief marketing officer for Ask Partha LLC and also a Fenton native. "It's on Channel 6 for Charter

“I try to make medicine meaningful, not sensational. I stick to the facts.”

Dr. Partha Nandi
Chief Health Editor of
WXYZ-TV Channel 7

customers here locally.”

Also working for the company is another Fenton native, Kristi Rohr, senior vice president of business development.

"Ask Dr. Nandi" showcases Nandi's meaningful, not sensational, approach to medical news today, setting him apart from other nationally syndicated shows that border on the sensational.

"I really like what



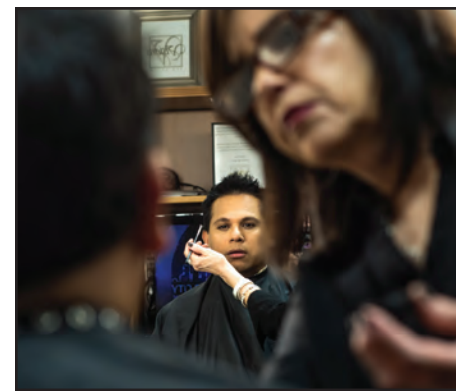
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Dr. Partha Nandi wraps up his segment, alongside anchors Glenda Lewis (left) and Carolyn Clifford. The topic on Monday was a controversial Maryland bill that would provide safe needles for heroin addicts in order to lessen HIV transmission.

Dr. Oz stood for, making medicine more approachable," said Nandi, 45, a practicing physician associated with Beaumont Health Systems. "He (Dr. Oz) has broken down a lot of barriers. My goal is to bring the latest and greatest in health news to people and filter it down so it's useful and understandable. It's very basic things, like eating well and using food as medicine to prevent disease, and having an active lifestyle."

In addition to his TV show and new position at WXYZ-TV, Nandi has been taking his health message, "Be Your Own Health Hero," on the road both nationally and internationally to numerous countries, most recently in Jamaica, his native India and Australia.

Nandi was the keynote speaker at Wayne State University's Spring Commencement on May 7 at Ford Field, and presented a cooking program with Kali at the Women's Expo in Novi earlier this month. She works side-by-side with him as chief operating officer for Ask Partha LLC, while being a full-time mom to daughter Charley, 12, P.J., 3 and Shaan, 1½ at the couple's home in Sterling Heights.



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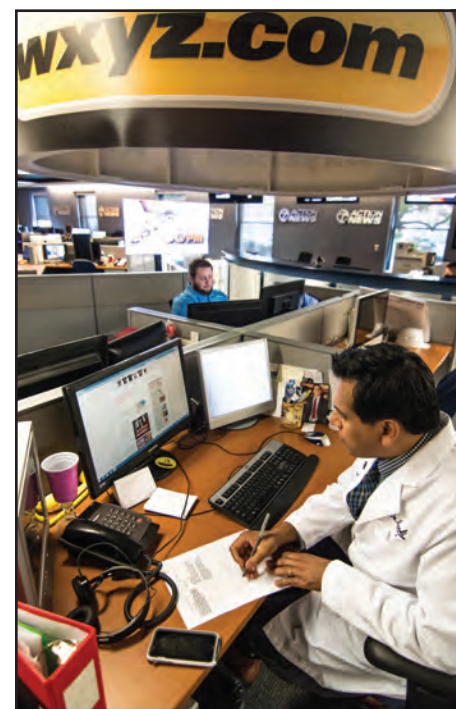
Dr. Nandi is prepared for his segment by makeup artist Susan Cripps. Today's HD cameras and lights require the use of a different type of makeup.

He also appears at many charity functions, medical meetings and on nationally syndicated TV programs including "The Katie Couric Show."

Dave Manney, news director at WXYZ-TV, says feedback about "Ask Dr. Nandi" on Channel 7 Action News has been overwhelmingly positive. "He has a way of connecting with the audience that many people in the medical profession don't have," said Manney. "He's been an established medical presence in the Detroit area for a long time and has a good reputation. Our viewers love the show."

SUMMARY

■ Dr. Partha Nandi's "Ask Dr. Nandi" medical TV show has propelled him to his new position as Chief Health Editor for WXYZ-TV Channel 7 in Detroit, which can be viewed by local residents.



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WXYZ Chief Health Editor Dr. Nandi researches his topic for the segment he'll shoot on Monday.

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VETERANS

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She has been a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary (Curtis-Wolverton Post 3243 in Fenton) for the past 43 years. She has been a member of the American Legion for 20 years.

Ward has served as president of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, and is past president of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary 10th district, which covers a good portion of Michigan. Her daughter, Diana Ward, 49, has also served as president of the local post's Ladies Auxiliary and is the current president of the 10th district. Diana works as a nurse at Genesys Regional Medical Center.

Currently, Ward is the chairman of the Veterans and Family Support group. In that capacity, she does whatever it takes to help veterans in need.

"If they need help with money for food, rent or anything else, I will help them," Ward said. She also sends cards to veterans in VA hospitals and their wives.

Funding for this aid comes from donations, the annual Buddy Poppy sales, and donations received as a result of the funeral dinners prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary members. Those donations go into their relief fund.

Ward's grandfather, Barney Whitney, and father, Gus Peuse, fought with the U.S. Army in World War I. Her husband of 43 years, James Ward, served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War, the Vietnam conflict, the Bay of Pigs Invasion in Cuba, and during the Santo Domingo Civil War, to name a few.

Ward's son, James II, also served in the Navy, and grandson, Adam, 23, served in the Army, completing a tour of duty in Afghanistan.

Ward, now 77, was a "Corps Wave" in the U.S. Navy, working as a nurse from 1962-1964, during the Vietnam conflict. When her husband's first wife passed away, Ward became in the eyes of the military his children's mother. They were 8 and 9 years old at the time.

"Back then, you could not be a female in the military if you had dependents at home," she said. Because she and James had three more children of their own, she did not pursue her nursing career, but became a stay-at-home mom to the five children.

Originally from Richfield, Minnesota, Ward moved to Michigan when she married James, who hailed from Detroit. He died eight years ago. In addition to the five children, Ward now has eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

During her time as a Corps Wave, she worked at Balboa Hospital in San Diego, California. "I saw a lot of guys come through there all beat up," she said. "Sometimes all you can do is just cry."

On the way the military and veterans are viewed today, Ward said, "We were taught when we were little to honor the guys who served on Memorial Day. We placed flowers on graves, went to the big parade, and we saluted."

For those not in the military, saluting



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | VERA HOGAN

Viola Ward, a veteran, 43-year member and past president of the Ladies Auxiliary (Curtis-Wolverton Post 3243) in Fenton, shows off her wedding photo and photo of her late husband, James Ward.

means standing up straight and placing your hand over your heart.

"People don't salute anymore," she added. "We have veterans who don't salute anymore either."

"Kids like to wave the flag, but they

don't know what the flag means," she said. "We are trying to get into the schools and encourage them to say the Pledge of Allegiance again. We always said the Pledge every day when school started."

Ward said she doesn't believe people give enough thought to the military men and women who fought for their freedom.

"Some, especially children, don't understand freedom and how they got it," she said.

"Parents have to help — teachers in school can't teach everything," Ward said. "Children need to learn why we observe Memorial Day."

Ward said she believes that not all, but some young people may be afraid to join the military when they're old enough because they fear fighting terrorism in foreign countries.

"Most of the kids who do go into the service now have had a mother or father who served in the military," Ward said.

Ward said she wants people to know that veterans and active troops have and continue to fight for our freedom.

"It's more important now than ever before," she said. "You hate to see them come back in a casket, but eventually they do come back."

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Farhood has completed three kayaks, and is working on his fourth. So far, each takes 400 hours and about \$700 worth of materials. As large as they are, his kayaks weigh less than 40 pounds.

KAYAKS

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long wooden strips to form the kayak. Then he encapsulated the wood with fiberglass cloth, rendering it totally waterproof.

"You never have to worry about the wood getting wet," said Farhood. "The fiberglass makes the kayak very strong. You aren't going to be able to poke a hole in it by hitting a rock."

The most challenging part of the project is the final finish, sanding and varnishing every detail to give the kayak its gloss and shine.

Farhood is just starting to work on his fourth kayak, built from long strips of fine woods like Western Red Cedar, Alaskan Yellow Cedar, Lace Wood, Peruvian Walnut, to name a few. He designs each with its own inlaid patterns, making each kayak a unique, one-of-a-kind floating piece of art.

With 400 hours spent on each kayak, it's not an assembly-line project that he can easily mass produce. "Each one is different and has its own personality," said

Farhood. "Each kayak is also designed for a specific purpose, like for performance, fishing, for the open water with 10- to 12-foot waves."

Farhood estimates that he uses about \$700 worth of materials to build each kayak. With about 400 hours of time spent on each one, it's not a huge money-making project, unless Farhood gets in the elite group of wooden boat builders in the U.S.

That's why he loaded his truck with three 17-foot each wooden kayaks last week and headed to the biggest wooden boat show in the U.S., the OkoumeFest in Annapolis, Maryland. Hoping to get name recognition from his craft, Farhood did far better than that, bringing home the "Best Kayak" award.

Whether he can ever make a full-time living from kayak building, Farhood has his own personal goals. "I'd rather be busy than sitting around in front of a TV," he said. "I like a feeling of accomplishment. I'm going to just keep making them. I'd like to make 20 before I get old."

SUMMARY

■ Lou Farhood gets his life afloat again by building wooden kayaks in his basement, earning "Best Kayak" last week at the OkoumeFest in Annapolis, Maryland.

PARADES

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Caroline to Adelaide Street and turn left, going south.

The parade will continue on Adelaide to Shiawassee Avenue and turn right, going west again. It will pause at Freedom Park for another brief placing of a ceremonial wreath there. Following that, it will continue west on Shiawassee to Davis Street and turn left and proceed up to Oakwood Cemetery. The Memorial Day program will take place around the memorial statue.

In Holly, the parade will begin at 9 a.m. starting on Saginaw Street in downtown Holly, just east of Maple Street. The pa-

rade will proceed to Maple and turn right (north). It will continue north on Maple to Park Street and turn left (west). It will proceed on Park Street to Lakeside Park and veer right (north) to Lakeside Cemetery, where the Memorial Day ceremony will take place.

In Linden, the parade will begin at 10 a.m., starting at the VFW Hall at 105 Mill St. From there it will proceed south on Bridge Street to East Broad Street and continue directly to Fairview Cemetery, where the ceremony will be held. The unveiling of the "Patriot Wall" will take place prior to the parade, during a short ceremony at 9:30 a.m. on the LaFontaine Union Block in downtown Linden. People may sign the wall after the unveiling.

After the parade, the annual community picnic will be held and Music By the Mill 2015 will kick off the season with a performance by the Jump Street Swing Band at 11 a.m.

SUMMARY

■ Fenton, Linden and Holly will hold their annual Memorial Day parades on Monday. Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly holds its ceremony Sunday.

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Melissa Gilbert, who starred in the TV series “Little House on the Prairie” from 1974 to 1983, reads to the second-graders in Rosaleigh Johnson’s Hyatt Elementary School class on May 5. The children wrote Gilbert invitation letters, which she accepted.

GILBERT

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“The kids thought that was so funny,” Johnson said.
Following their question and answer period, Gilbert read the students her new children’s book, “Daisy and Josephine,” published in 2014 by Simon & Schuster.
“She read it with so much expression,” said Johnson. “Josephine is a French bulldog who spoke French. So when she read Josephine’s words she did it in a French accent.”
Gilbert told the class the book is loosely based on her own childhood. After reading her book, Gilbert gave the teacher and

each of the 26 students in her class an autographed copy of “Daisy and Josephine.”
Gilbert encouraged the students to continue writing and told them they can write any story they want.
“Since her visit, my class has been story writing machines,” said Johnson.
Because of their experience of reading the Little House Books and watching the Little House on the Prairie TV series, Johnson said she has learned that many of the children have asked Santa and the Tooth Fairy for the TV Series DVDs and the book series sets.
“Their next goal is to write and convince Nellie Oleson to come to the classroom,” said Johnson.

EAGLES

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River clean-up group, Keepers of the Shiawassee River.
Hannah Shourd of Linden said a bald eagle lives near the swamp on Thompson Road, right before the U.S. 23 overpass.
These animals are called “bald eagles” not because they’re seemingly bald, but because of their coloring. “Bald” is derived from “piebald” meaning white-headed, according to baldeagleinfo.com. Bald eagles don’t grow a white head and tail feathers until after five years, when they’re considered mature. While immature, they have more brown feathers.
Female bald eagles are significantly bigger than male bald eagles, with a body span of 35 to 37 inches and wingspan of 79 to 90 inches. Male bald eagles have a body span of 30 to 34 inches and a wingspan of 72 to 85 inches. Northern eagles are much larger than southern ones, usually weighing 10 to 14 pounds. Their average lifespan is 15 to 20 years, but it’s possible for bald eagles to live past 30 in the wild.
Bald eagles live around water because they mainly eat fish, which is most likely why they’ve been seen around Fenton, Argentine and Linden.
Argentine Township resident Nick Allen saw a bald eagle about two months ago by Rolston and Seymour roads. He said the eagle was big, with a 6-foot

wingspan. It was “bigger than anything” he’s ever seen, Allen said. The eagle chirped and then flew over his house.
Katerina Conaway, 21, saw a bald eagle on her wedding day March 28, when it flew around their front yard in Linden off Hogan Road. “You could definitely tell it was an eagle because it had a white head,” Conaway said. Her neighbor saw the bird, too.
“It was really big,” she said, adding it was the first time she had seen an eagle in the tri-county area.
Her husband, Trevor, saw an eagle at the corner of Linden and Lahring roads.
“I wouldn’t be surprised if there weren’t more down here we don’t know about,” Conaway said.
The number of eagles in Michigan started decreasing in the early 1900s because of loss of suitable habitat. In the 1950s, the bald eagle population in Michigan was significantly declining. They were on the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states.
Bald eagles are extremely disturbed by humans near their nest — they’ll sometimes abandon it and leave their young, according to michigan.gov.
At least 70 percent of bald eagles must constantly reproduce for the population to remain stable, according to michigan.gov, and 1967 was the worst year because only 38 percent of the bald eagles in Michigan were able to raise one chick.
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“I wouldn’t be surprised if there weren’t more down here we don’t know about.”

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Area girls collect seven league titles at Metro meet

► Linden girls place third at conference event

By David Troppens

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Linden — Alia Frederick has had a busy spring.

For example, on Tuesday, the sophomore soccer player helped the Linden Eagles capture a Metro League title by defeating the Fenton Tigers 5-0.

A day later, she was winning Metro League event titles and helping a relay break a 37-year-old school record.

The Linden Eagles were the top female performers at the Metro League track meet, placing third at the event and capturing two titles. Meanwhile, Fenton took fourth with two event championships and Holly finished fifth with three event crowns.

Frederick, who didn't run track a year ago, placed first in the 300 hurdles (48.0), second in the 100 hurdles (16.33) and teamed with Bella Blank, Madison Piet and Breanna Turnipseed to win the 1,600 relay

with a school-record time of 4:12.52. "It's been a lot of work," Frederick said. "I don't now how much my body likes it, but I have to push through to states and (soccer) districts."

Holly had three individual championships, including the area's only double individual-winner. Emily Alvarado won the discus (110-5) and the shot put (37-7 1/2).

"I've done a lot better than I thought," Alvarado said. "Since last year, I've improved in both the shot and discus."

"I had a personal record in the shot put, so I was happy with that. In the discus I didn't throw what I wanted, but I took first."

The other Holly first-place performer was a freshman, Samantha Tschirhart. She took the top spot in the 800 run with a time of 2:24.98.

Fenton captured two firsts, and Maddie Hall took part in both.

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SAMANTHA TSCHIRHART

The Holly freshman won the 800 meter run at the Metro League meet held at Linden High School on Wednesday.

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LAKE FENTON GOLFERS ADVANCING TO REGIONAL MEET

The Lake Fenton varsity boys golf team shot a 359 team score at the Division 3 district held at The Fortress, earning the squad a spot in regionals.

Powers won the meet with a 323 team score, while Fenton was in fifth, 36 strokes behind. The top six teams in the district qualified for the regional being held at Flint Elks Country Club on Thursday.

Wes Potts played a big role in the Blue Devils qualifying, as he shared medalist honors with Flint Powers' Joe Coriasso by shooting an 18-hole score of 77. Andrew Allor followed Potts with an 88, while Brendan Rickert and Jack Reece Miller each shot 97s.

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Sports physicals for the 2015-16 academic season will be held at Fenton High School on Wednesday and at Linden High School on June 1. Both physical sessions being at 6 p.m. The cost is \$20 a student.

Eagles defend Metro crown

► Strong second half propels Linden to 5-0 victory versus Tigers

By David Troppens

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Linden — Senior Jessie Magalski wasn't in a giving mood. She had one goal during the Linden Eagles' varsity girls soccer game against Fenton for the Metro League title.

"We could not tie it (in regulation)," said the senior noting that if Linden won in a shoot-out both teams would end up sharing the crown. "We had to beat them in regulation. We didn't want to share it. It's being selfish, but whatever."

The Eagles proved downright selfish.

After a scoreless half where the Eagles were unable to take advantage of a strong wind behind their back, Linden turned its game around with the wind in their face during the second half, scoring five second-half goals in a 5-0 victory at Linden High School on Tuesday night.

The win gave the Eagles their second outright Metro League title in a row.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MARK BOLEN

The Linden Eagles celebrate seconds after defeating the Fenton Tigers 5-0 in what ended up being a regular-season game that determined the Metro League title on Tuesday.

"I think in the first half we were a little anxious and jumpy, so our touches were a little off, we were not connecting," senior Grace Walterhouse said. "Then we relaxed and started playing like it was a normal game, and I think we connected well. (The wind being

against us) forced us to play on the ground. In the first half we kept losing it in the air. When we had it on the ground more, we were able to get it past their defense."

And getting past the Fenton defense hasn't been easy this

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Holly girls tennis wins league title

By David Troppens

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Like a long volley, the Flint Metro League girls tennis championship seems to be bouncing back and forth from one side of the court to the other in recent years.

This time it was Holly's turn to shine.

The Bronchos collected four flight championships and had seven of their eight flights make it to the title match, earning Holly the 2015 Metro League crown. Fenton, who were the defending Metro champs, also had seven flights in the finals and captured three titles, but fell two points short of Holly's 14 team points, earning the Bronchos the victory.

Over the last five years the title has bounced between the two rivals. In 2010-11, Holly won its 29th straight Metro League title, but had the Tigers end that run in 2011-12. Holly bounced back to win the 2012-13

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Holly boys track shares league title, takes second at meet

By David Troppens

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Linden — Considering the Holly Bronchos entered the Metro League boys track meet undefeated, giving the squad the inside track to the outright title, it's obvious Holly wanted to end the season as outright champions.

So when the team settled for second place at the league meet held at Linden High School on Wednesday, and were forced to share the title with Flushing, it made for a bittersweet night. Making it even tougher was the fact Holly lost the league meet title by less than a point. Holly had three event champions and posted six other runner-up efforts, resulting in a team score of 134.75, or .5 point behind Kearsley's first-place score of 132.25. Meanwhile, Linden finished fourth (93.5) and Fenton took eighth (35.0) at the meet.

In the final overall standings, the Bronchos and Kearsley tied for first while Linden and Flushing tied for third. The Fenton Tigers tied for sixth.

"It feels good. We are still getting part of the trophy," Holly's Dino Vivanco said. "From the beginning of the year we thought we could do it. We knew we

were a strong team. You have to give props to Kearsley. They had to beat us to be co-champs and that's what they did."

"We knew we had the potential to win it outright," Javon Barr said. "But some things went down the drain today. Things didn't go as planned and we lost points. We knew it was going to be a tough day."

The Bronchos did leave with three league championship events. The 3,200 relay team of Vivanco, Zac Felix, Kurtis Cooley and Blake Staffne won (8:10.87). Meanwhile, Nate Frasier placed first in the 1,600 (4:29.89) and Dakota Thorington was first in the discus (152-6).

The Bronchos were strong in the relays placing in the top two in all but one — the 800 relay which suffered a key disqualification. However, the 400 relay team of Andrew Becker, D'Anthony Austin, Austin Chmura and Jacon Barr (44.30) earned a second as did the 1,600 relay team of Vivanco, Francisco Valdivinos, Cooley and Staffne (3:32.05).

Holly had four other runner-up performances. They were earned by Frasier in the 3,200 (9:46.59), Cooley in the 1,600 (4:30.10), Ryan Beltz in the long

jump (19-11 3/4) and Thorington in the shot put (48-2).

The Bronchos, who have won outright or shared the league title each of the last three seasons, also had two individuals capture third-place performances. They were posted by Vivanco in the 800 (2:03.58) and Barr in the 100 (11.50).

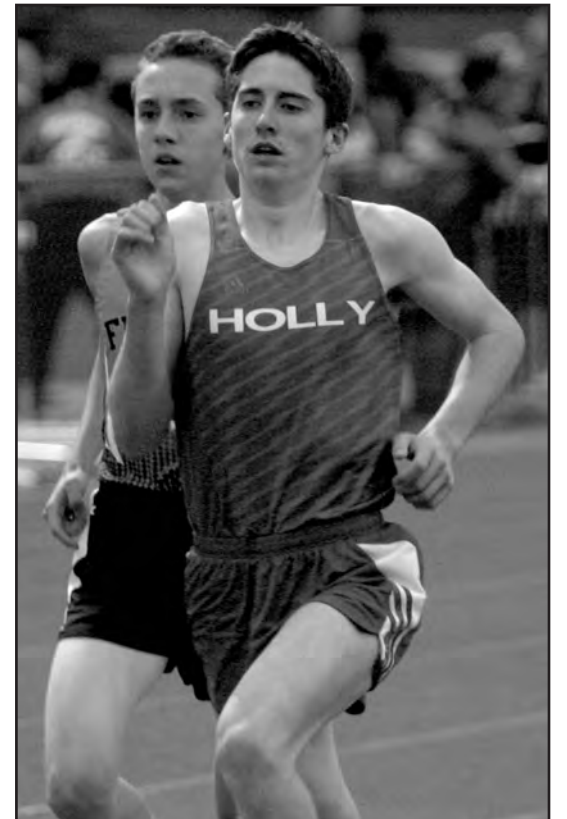
"We have good depth. We are good across the board from sprint events to field events to distance events," Cooley said. "We are pretty strong in every area and that helps us get a lot of points in a lot of events when we go to a meet like this."

Linden finished with two firsts and two seconds. Jacob Cox earned the title of fastest runner in the Metro by winning the 100 (11.27). The Eagles also had the fastest sprint relay, earning first in the 400 relay with the team of Ryan Young, Mike Gold, Cade Dickson and Jacob Cox (44.21).

Linden's runner-up finishes came in field events. Devin Daul placed second in the pole vault (11-6), while Kyle Korman placed second in the discus (129-7).

Fenton had one champion and one runner-up. Jacob Lee won the final indi-

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Holly's Nate Frasier (front) and Fenton's Jacob Lee battle for first in the 3,200 run. Lee took first and Frasier finished in second place.

Blue Devils' bats fall short vs. Goodrich

By David Troppens

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Goodrich — Winning a 16-inning game put the Lake Fenton varsity baseball team within one victory of a co-GAC Red championship.

But the Blue Devils came a couple of hits away from completing the mission.

The Blue Devils (14-10, 9-3) collected seven hits and walked three times, but were able to score just one run in a 2-1 loss to Goodrich at Goodrich High School on Tuesday.

The loss means the Blue Devils will end up a game behind the Montrose Rams, who will finish as at least co-champions. Goodrich could still earn a share by finishing their GAC schedule with two losses.

"The key hits would've been nice, especially when we had runners on second base," Lake Fenton senior Brandon Bacon said. "A slow gap shot would've been the difference in the game."

"We had runners in scoring position, but we couldn't get one across," Lake Fenton coach Brad LaRowe said. "Maybe I should've had us play more small ball than we did. Our lineup was changed around a little bit, but we couldn't get the key hit when we needed it. We had chances all day."

Lake Fenton stranded runners on base in each of the first six innings and only got one run across. It came in the fifth. Trailing 2-0, the Blue Devils cut the gap in half when Zach Harper hit a one-out single, moved to second on a ground out by Bacon and scored on Dakota Holzwarth's RBI-single. Lake Fenton trailed 2-1. Cameron Conover responded with a single, putting runners on second and third, but a line out ended the threat.

Goodrich's offense had its troubles with Lake Fenton pitcher Trevor Wright for the second straight game. Wright tossed 10 innings of shutout relief in the Blue Devils' 5-4 16-inning win on May 14, and was almost as good on Tuesday. He needed only 77 pitches to toss six innings of three-hit, two-walk ball, while striking out four. The only inning Goodrich got to Wright was in

the third inning. With two out, a hit batter, a stolen base and a double by Gavin Farmer scored the game's first run. That hit was followed by a passed ball and then a walk, putting runners on first and third with two out. Goodrich put a double-steal on, and when Lake Fenton tried to set up the cut throw to second, the relay wasn't executed, resulting in the second run.

In the sixth inning Bobby Lynch and Wright had a single with two out, setting up Lake Fenton's final threat. However, a fly out to center ended it. In the seventh, Lake Fenton went out in order against relief pitcher Austin Tangey. Goodrich starting pitcher David St. Aubin threw 101 pitches over six innings and earned the win.

"We had our chances to win a league title and we just couldn't quite get there," LaRowe said. "But I like the direction we are headed. It's been awhile since Lake Fenton has been this close to the top. It was fun, a good little run."

"We had a lot of teamwork. We worked together as a team this year," Bacon said. "Our bats came together



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Lake Fenton catcher Dakota Holzwarth tags out a Goodrich runner at home during Lake Fenton's 2-1 loss to the Martians on Tuesday.

and our pitching was there."

Harper ended the night with three hits. He was the only player on either team to finish with multiple hits.

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Tigers swept, finish second in Metro race

By David Troppens
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Fenton — The Fenton varsity softball team was in first place the entire Metro League season, except for one time — at the end of the last day of the season.

Needing at least a split in a battle of two teams tied for first place entering the final two games of the Metro season, the Tigers were swept by the Brandon Blackhawks, earning Brandon the Metro League title outright. A split of Wednesday's twinbill would've resulted in a shared title. If either team won both games, that squad would be champions. Brandon came out of it with a 3-2 victory in the opener and a 3-1 win in the second at Fenton High School.

The Tigers' potent offense was held to just one hit in the opening game by Katey Hendershott and to four hits in the second contest by Emily Tucker.

"They were good pitchers," said Fenton senior Katey Cairnduff, who had a hit in each game. "I'll give them that. We were definitely not on our game tonight. We definitely could've played better."

"We just didn't bring our 'A' game. We knew we had to come out hitting and didn't."

Fenton had only one lead during the entire doubleheader. That

came in the second game. In the bottom of the first inning, Emma Brant started the threat with a single. She advanced on a ground out and then scored on a ball booted by the Brandon defense off of Cairnduff's bat. Fenton led 1-0.

However, the Blackhawks tied it up in the bottom of the second when Hendershott walked, was bunted to second by Megan Genslak and eventually scored after two wild pitches by Fenton's starting pitcher Meaghan McArdle. The contest was tied at 1-all.

It remained tied until Brandon's sixth. Back-to-back walks to Emma Borowski and Lexi Hendershott set up the threat, and an RBI-single by Elizabeth Walls put Brandon up 2-1. Katey Hendershott followed with an infield single and Genslak plated a runner when her ground ball was booted by the Fenton defense. The Tigers trailed 3-1.

Fenton had one more chance to either tie the score or take the lead in the seventh. Taylor Mowery reached base on an error and an out later Paige Dean singled, putting the game-winning run at the plate. Sabrina Cleis hit an RBI-ground out, cutting the gap to 3-2 and putting the game-tying run at third. However, a strike out



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Fenton's Hayli Byers (middle) tries to make it back to first base during the Tigers' first game against Brandon on Wednesday. Fenton lost both games of the doubleheader.

ended the game.

In the opening game, doubles by Borowski and Katey Hendershott sparked a 2-0 Brandon lead during the top of the first. Fenton answered back with a run of its own. Brenna Hatch walked and eventually scored on a double-steal, cutting the lead to 2-1. However, Fenton could get hardly anything else going against Hendershott on the mound.

Fenton's only hit in the opener was a one-out double in the sixth by Cairnduff, but she was strand-

ed at second. Brandon added another run in the top of the seventh, sparked by Sarah Ward's double, but the run wasn't really needed. The Tigers went out in order in the bottom of the seventh, resulting in the opening game loss.

Fenton (11-3 in the Metro) begins district action at Hartland High School, Saturday at 10 a.m.

"We had an amazing team. We do have an amazing team," Cairnduff said. "We are hoping to win districts. That's our next thing."

HOLLY

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crown, but Fenton won it last year. And now, the championship is back in the Bronchos' court, mainly due to the fact that Holly won four flight championships of six which the two area rivals faced off.

Perhaps the biggest flight championship was provided by Holly's No. 3 doubles squad of Abby Graff and Katelyn Beauregard. Trailing 5-2 in the third set, the pair bounced back to defeat Fenton's Sarah Wakefield and Andrea Praedel 6-4, 4-6, 7-5 to give the Bronchos the final points needed to win the meet and the overall FML title.

In other matches that had the area rivals face off in the finals,

Fenton's Sydney Phipps defeated Holly's Nichole Johnson 6-2, 6-3 at No. 2 singles; Holly's Jenna Pepper defeated Fenton's Katy Kurncz 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 singles; Holly's Sydney Renehan and Paige Reid defeated Fenton's Abby Racher and Sylee Kira 7-6(1), 6-1 at No. 1 doubles; Fenton's Kendra Praedel and Delaney Hudzinski defeated Holly's Lily Kosak and Danielle Sink 5-7, 6-1, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles; Holly's Abby Graff and Katelyn Beauregard defeated Fenton's Sarah Wakefield and Andrea Praedel 6-4, 4-6, 7-5 at No. 3 doubles; and Holly's Michelle Major and Megan Lesperance defeated Fenton's Caitlin Heenan and Ally Barnett 3-6, 6-0, 6-3 at No. 4 doubles.

Fenton had one champion,



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The Holly girls tennis team proudly displays their Metro League trophy after winning the Metro League meet on Tuesday.

Madison Ballard. Ballard captured the Metro's No. 1 singles title for the fourth straight year, defeating Swartz Creek's Maya Campbell 6-1, 6-0 in the finals. Ballard has been completely

dominant in Metro action, never losing a match in tourney or dual play. In her four finals matches at Metro meets, she never allowed an opponent to ever record more than two wins in a set.



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Linden's Savannah Ferrera took third in the 3,200 at the Metro meet on Wednesday.

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Hall won the long jump (17-4 3/4) and also teamed with Hannah Sage, Emily Kinser and Zeinab Torabi to win the 800 relay (1:49.86).

"Maddie Hall winning the long jump was an added bonus," Fenton coach Todd Mills said. "We figured her for third, maybe second. Our sprint relays ran well. Hannah ran very well as our lead off in both relays."

Linden had seven others earn top-three individual performances. They were: Piet, second in the 300 hurdles (49.33) and second in the 100 hurdles (16.34); Turnipseed, third in the 100 hurdles (16.34) and third in the 300 hurdles (49.59); Savannah Ferrera, third in the 3,200 (11:53.61); Alexis Brandt, third in the pole vault (8-0) and Lauren Kotalik, second in the discus (97-1).

Fenton had four other top-three efforts. Tatyana Mitchell took second in the discus (97-1) and in the shot put (34-2 1/2), while Emily Kinser earned a second in the 400 (1:00.77). Jenna Keiser also placed third in the 800 (2:27.37).

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Blue Devils place many at GAC track & field meet

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity girls track team had a few goals they wanted to accomplish this season.

One of them was to finish with more wins in duals. Another was to finish better than last year's fifth-place overall finish in the GAC Red. Another one was accomplished, but that one remains a secret.

Lake Fenton's girls placed eight overall in the 17-team field in the combined GAC

Red/Blue Track and Field championships, while the Lake Fenton boys earned sixth in the 14-team boys field.

"We officially accomplished all three of our team goals," Lake Fenton girls track coach Eric Meyers said. "I am so proud of these girls. We conquered our challenge and grew as track athletes. We will be losing one senior to graduation next season, so I expect us to improve upon our successes from this year. We will be a more

experienced team and I look forward to our leaders rising up to the challenge."

The two Lake Fenton squads came home with one GAC champion, Jaden Kaitshik. The freshman earned his first in the high jump with a leap of 5-8. Finishing just right behind him was his teammate Isaac Golson, who also cleared 5-8, but finished second on the miss tiebreaker.

The Lake Fenton boys had four other individuals earn top-six placings. They were

Jason Baird, fourth in the 100 (11.52); Golson, fifth in the 800 (2:09.85); Mason Rinks, sixth in the discus (119-8) and Jacob Fletcher, sixth in the 3,200 (10:43.68).

The Lake Fenton girls had five individual top-six efforts. Reagan Goupil and Charlotte Irwin had two each. Irwin placed fourth in the high jump (4-6) and sixth in the discus (96-5), while Goupil placed fourth in the 400 (1:07.28) and sixth in the high jump (4-4). Miranda Stephens placed fifth in the pole vault (7-6).

EAGLES

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Metro season. In fact, not a single team had done it. However, the Eagles started controlling the ball more and, eventually, scored. Sophomore Maddie Zayan had two goals, while Gabrielle Freeman, Erica Breitling and Alia Frederick added one each. Before it was over, Linden (6-0-1, 13-2) had peppered five goals into Fenton's net over the final 40 minutes.

"We just played a lot better. A lot of times when you live and die by the long ball and we were ready for that," Linden coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. "We were ready for it in the first half, and when you possess the ball less (by playing thru balls), you'll have less possession and less chances are going to happen."

Conversely, the Eagles ended up with plenty of outstanding chances. The first goal came on a Zayan cross to Freeman, who scored, just 7:04 into the second half. Prior to the goal, Fenton had two corner kick attempts in which the Tigers were threatening to score.

Fenton (6-1, 9-3-2) had another solid chance about five minutes after Linden's goal. Karly Granger crossed a ball to Sophia Crews who attempted a shot saved by Linden keeper Madison Paige. About four minutes later, Jordan Holscher sent a cross to Breitling resulting in Linden's second goal.

Fenton had one more solid chance to score against the Eagles' strong defense with just over 11 minutes left. It came on a corner kick by Brianna Costigan on a cross that hit the wind and curled

toward the Linden net. It was bounced off the crossbar and saved.

Just a few minutes later, Emily Waltrip sent a thru ball to Zayan who scored, making it a 3-0 lead with 9:26 left. Zayan scored again on a Teresa Walterhouse assist with 3:35 left and Katie Wilkowski sent a thru ball to Alia Frederick with 1:37 left, resulting in an open-net goal for Frederick. Linden led 5-0.

"We felt like we had to really get at them," Zayan said.

"We wanted to win. I think we pushed them and we played faster and it worked for us. We were all nervous and tight at the start, but once we settled down, we did great."

The Linden midfield dominated action in the second half. And when pressed, the Eagles were outstanding on the defensive end. Starting defenders Ashley Peck, Elizabeth Walterhouse, Grace Walterhouse and Sam Hawkins helped make Paige's job easier. However, Paige, who has allowed just one goal all season, was strong when needed to be, earning the clean sheet.

"We've only given up nine goals all season and Madison Paige has given up one goal all season. She's been fabulous," Fiebernitz said. "We have the



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Linden's Alia Frederick (center) and Madison Paige (left) battles with Fenton's Ema Evo (right) for the ball in the Eagles' 5-0 victory Tuesday night.

people in the back. We are pretty strong in the back and we can score goals."

Fenton had to leave settling for second place.

"A couple of bounces the other way, it could've been a different game," Fenton coach Matt Sullivan said.

"We know that. We've had it on the other side and had a couple of nice bounces and won it because of it. Tonight, they went for them."

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vidual event of the night by taking first in the 3,200 (9:31.39). Meanwhile, his teammate, Drew Miller, finished second in the high jump (5-10).

The Bronchos captured the title outright last season and were co-champs two seasons ago.

"It's kind of a bittersweet feeling because we wanted to be outright champs, but we also knew Kearsley and Linden coming in were going to be really tough teams," Cooley said. "It's been a pretty tight season all year. We barely beat both teams, so we knew it was going to be a dogfight. We, obviously, wanted to be outright champs, but I guess we are happy with co-champs. We'll take it."

All three schools will have competitors at state track meets on May 30. Holly's and Fenton's competitors will be headed to the D1 event at Rockford High School, while Linden's athletes will be at the D2 meet at Zeeland. Linden's team also competed at the MISCA team state meet on Saturday.

PREP REPORT

SOFTBALL

► **Lake Fenton 12-11, Carman-Ainsworth 2-1:** The Blue Devils' bats pounded out 14 hits in four innings, leading to the 12-2 win in the opening game. Melody Draeger had three hits and three runs scored, while Kalani Lau had two hits and four RBI. Also providing two hits were winning pitcher Kim Roe, Kaitlyn Sparks and McKenzie Wright.

In the nightcap, the Blue Devils had just four hits, but walked nine times to earn the easy win. Draeger had two doubles and three RBI. Sydney Sheyachich stuck out 10 batters, earning the complete-game victory.

► **Linden 10-13, Carman-Ainsworth 7-1:** The Eagles (12-19) collected 26 hits in 11 innings of work in the twinbill sweep. Emily Williams had four hits in the opening contest, while Kim Freitas had two hits and three RBI. Brittney Vargas, Liz Rakowski and Sterling DeGayner had two hits each as well. In the second game Chelsie Cauldwell, Rakowski, Vargas and Freitas had two hits each, while DeGayner and Cauldwell drove in three runs each.

On the mound, Christina Clemons tossed a three-hitter in the second game. Alexa Martin pitched a four-hitter in the first contest.

BASEBALL

► **Fenton 11-11, Brandon 3-2:** Drew Garrison pitched a six-hitter on the mound and had an RBI-single in the opening game, leading the Tigers (9-5, 17-11) to the victory. He struck out 13 batters. Offensively, Matt Acton had three hits and three RBI, while Taylor Lawrence also had three this and two RBI. Chase Coselman and Casey McLaughlin-Smith had two hits each.

In the second game, Zack Kostka and Justin Norris had three hits each. Kostka had two doubles and five RBI to go with his hits. Acton had two hits and Tanner Tallman had an RBI-single.

► **Linden 11-9, Carman-Ainsworth 3-0:** Austin Buerkel, Jake Marshall, Brady Sarkon, Marshael Ryan and Travis Petts each had four hits in the two games, as Linden (21-8) pounded out 28 hits in the twinbill.

In the opener, Tim Sines tossed a six-hitter and struck out six to earn the win. In the nightcap, Lucas Marshall tossed a seven-hitter, striking out four.

► **Saginaw Heritage 11-9, Holly 0-2:** In the opener, Petyon Molzahn collected two of the Bronchos' three hits. In the second contest, Frankie Richmond had both of the Bronchos' hits. Holly is 7-18.

Synopsis of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting May 18, 2015

Call to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Cole

Present: Schmidt, Ciesielski, Hallman and Cole and Graves. Absent: none

Approved: Minutes as printed of Regular Board Meeting April 27, 2015 and of the Closed Session April 27, 2015.

Approved: Budget Amendments.

Approved: Payment of bills as presented.

Authorized: Fire Department promotions of Steven Thompson to Captain and Jeremy Kurtz to Lieutenant 1.

Issued: 4 permits that total \$3,698.60.

Approved: Restitution payment to Dale Hippensteel for damage to property.

Approved: Building permit refund to Joe and Gail Willoughby.

Authorized: Clerk to advertise for bids for demolition of a structure and sale of foreclosed properties.

Accepted: Bid from David L. Stacey for sale of parcel #01-05-300-022 and #01-05-300-023.

Adopted: Resolution 2015-7 Honoring Jim Reid.

Adopted Salary Resolutions 2015-8-11 establishing board member salaries for 2015-2016.

Approved: Third Amendment to Genesee County Phase 11 Regulations Storm Water contract.

Adopted: FOIA Policies, Procedures and Guidelines.

Date set: Budget workshop held on June 8, 2015.

Date set: Annual Meeting held on June 29, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m.

Date set: Budget Hearing held on June 29, 2015 during Annual Meeting.

Accepted: Proposal from GCRC to use 50-50 funds to repair and Chip Seal Knobhill Dr.

Adopted: 2015-2016 Board Meeting scheduled dates.

Authorized: Treasurer to purchase foreclosed properties from Genesee county Treasurer.

Accepted: Bid of \$1,750.00 from Miles Tree Service to remove Trees in Argentine Cemetery.

Authorized: Supervisor to negotiate easement for McCaslin Lake Rd. Bridge.

Authorized: Clerk to amend budget to balance line items.

Adjourned: 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Denise Graves
Argentine Township Clerk

STROKE

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The Linden community has already raised \$12,365 in eight days on a GoFundMe page to help pay for Hunter's medical bills and rehabilitation.

On the GoFundMe page, there have been 191 donations. People can choose to include their name or remain anonymous. The page has been shared 491 times on Facebook, as of press time.

Stephanie Montague, treasurer of the Little League, organized a baseball game fundraiser to help support Hunter. The game will take place June 20. Linden Elementary School has also had multiple fundraisers.

Pouch said the staff and students have been amazing. "Our staff has taken collections and donated," Pouch said.

The school had a popcorn fundraiser and a green shirt fundraiser on the same day, which the students organized. You could pay \$1 to wear a green shirt, because it's Seth's favorite color. Over \$600 was raised that one day.

"Everyone wore green," Pouch said. They're planning a jersey fundraiser when you can pay \$1 to wear a jersey to school. "He really likes sports," Pouch said.

"Our family here at Linden Elementary has really rallied around one of our own to help how we can," Pouch said.

He said the staff "makes sure the other two siblings have food every night." Seth's two sisters, who are in second and fifth grade, are staying with their grandma.

"They're handling it very well," Pouch said. "They're leaders themselves. The two girls have done a great job supporting their brother and being there for him."

"We miss him and care for him greatly and look forward to the day he joins us again with his big smile," Pouch said.

Seth was taken out of an Intensive Care Unit a few days ago and was put into rehabilitation, said Anna Britcher, a close friend of the Hunters. Seth is now going through therapy.

"They're still doing what they can to pinpoint what caused it," Britcher

said. Once doctors understand the cause, they can treat it better and prevent it from happening again.

Britcher said Seth is improving. He's eating more solid foods and starting to put small sentences together again.

"The first couple days he was saying 'OK,'" she said. "He doesn't understand why he's in the hospital."

Britcher said their families grew up together and their sons are the same age. She took her son to the hospital to visit Seth right away.

"Just visiting really helped a lot. His face lights right up. It gave him a good boost," she said.

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Notice is hereby given the Tyrone Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, beginning at 7:30 at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. The purpose for the Public Hearing is:

To receive public comments regarding proposed amendments to Zoning Ordinance #36:

1. Allowing Land Divisions with greater than 4:1 depth to width ratios when special conditions are met consistent with the Michigan Land Division Act;
2. Amendments to Section 21.16 Noise.

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April and Keith Meadows help keep indoor air clean with their local business, Power Vac.



TURKEY TROPHY



Erick Ward, 12, of Linden shot this turkey on May 9. The bird has twin 8½ inch beards and weighs 28 pounds. Erick is a 7th-grader at Linden Middle School.



Tammy Craven, 10, of Fenton and dad Travis Craven show off the turkeys they shot. Tammy's is a 3-beard, weighing 23 pounds. Travis' 2-beard weighed 19 pounds. Tammy attends Holly Academy.



Wyatt Riley, 7, of Byron took his first turkey while hunting with his grandpa in Shiawassee County. His grandpa, Michael DuBois of Linden, said that being able to mentor his grandson on this hunt was priceless.



Sunday, May 24, 2015

EVERYTHING ON **Wheels**

Auto dealers kick off summer with Memorial Day sales

■ Now's a great time to buy a new vehicle with many discounts, easy financing

By Sally Rummel

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In addition to its very important significance honoring fallen soldiers, Memorial Day Weekend is also the traditional kick-off for summer.

With that comes the dream of road trips and vacations, and local auto dealerships are offering special sales this weekend to get people "on the road."

Lasco Ford

Lasco Ford is the only local dealership that will be open both Saturday and Monday of Memorial Day Weekend. "We want to accommodate our customers the best we can," said Jay Lasco. "We've stocked up with used car inventory and currently have almost 400 available, all marked at special Memorial Day sale pricing."

Lasco adds that there are also 400 new Ford vehicles currently in stock. "We're offering exclusive lease deals to our customers. One of the hottest deals is the \$209 down and \$209 a month lease on a brand new Ford Fusion SE. We're offering this to all customers with no need of any special discounts.



2015 Ford Fusion

SUMMARY

■ Local auto dealerships will be offering special Memorial Day weekend pricing. Make sure to check hours before you shop, as many dealerships will have holiday hours.

It requires only approval through Ford credit and includes 36 months at 10,500 miles year. It even includes sales tax."

The only cost not included is title and plate fee, if the customer

does not have a plate to transfer. "These lease specials are some of the best we have ever seen in our history," said Lasco. "We are very excited to be able to offer them over the Memorial Day holiday weekend."

Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram

Memorial Day Weekend at Hall Chrysler will not only be



2016 Jeep Renegade

a destination for car sales this weekend, it's also a place to celebrate the dealership's 10th anniversary.

Saturday events will include breakfast supplied by CRUST in Fenton, followed by a cookout for lunch and free ice cream from Uncle Ray's Dairyland in the afternoon. Hall Chrysler will be closed Monday on Memorial Day.

The biggest sales news at Hall Chrysler for this weekend is that all of their new inventory will be sold through Saturday at or below cost. "We've got one remaining 2014 that you can save up to \$8,500 on," said Sales Manager Nick Golson. "All the rest are 2015 models."

Hall Chrysler is also promoting the new Chrysler 200, and is offering Friend & Family pricing for all cars and trucks this month.

"We've got lease specials as low as \$129 per month on the Chrysler 200, Jeep Patriot and Dodge Dart, all month long," said Golson.

He also invites customers to bring in this Tri-County Times story to get a Bonus Cash Allowance on any trade-in.

Randy Wise Buick GMC

"Spring sales are huge for us," said Lisa Consiglio, sales manager at Randy Wise Buick GMC in Fenton. "People want to replace vehicles to pull boats, trailers, etc. They're also going on vacation and want to have a new vehicle to enjoy this summer. Other families are looking for reliable affordable transportation for a new teen driver."

Randy Wise Buick GMC will be open Saturday (closed Sunday and Monday) with many special sales. "We're having a Demo Sale on 45 vehicles," said Consiglio. "We'll also be offering \$5,000 off select four-door Buick sedans."

Lease specials will be available through Saturday on Enclave, Lacrosse, Verano, Regal, Encore and Terrain.

"These are probably the best leases of the year so far," said Consiglio.

She adds that the following week after Memorial Day will also bring Month-end Blowout Sales.

"SPRING SALES ARE HUGE FOR US. PEOPLE WANT TO REPLACE VEHICLES TO PULL BOATS, TRAILERS, ETC."

LISA CONSIGLIO
SALES MANAGER AT RANDY WISE BUICK GMC

Vic Canever Chevrolet

Vic Canever Chevrolet will be open for big discounts on Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend. "We're open Saturday but will be closed Monday," said Matt Stevens, sales manager. "I think it's important for our employees to enjoy that day off."

Customers will find many great deals on the Chevy Cruz and Silverado right now. "We're offering some of the

best leases we've ever had," said Stevens. "We have a lease pull ahead going on, getting people out of their leases early. It makes sense for most people. We're seeing a lot of people lower their payments."



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Holly is a destination for many motorcycle events during the spring and summer season. This event, Rally @ Battle Alley is a popular annual event.

Bikers rally to events for fun and fundraising

Michigan motorcyclists have hundreds of events to choose from

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When you think of huge motorcycle gatherings in the U.S., the first one to come to mind has to be in Sturgis, South Dakota.

Drawing almost a half a million bikers every year, nothing beats the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally for sheer numbers or notoriety. This year's 75th anniversary of this huge event on Aug. 3-9 has the potential of being one of the largest gatherings of motorcycle enthusiasts of all time, according to information on their website.

Closer to home in the same town's namesake of Sturgis, Michigan, a much smaller version of the huge nationally

known event is the "Little Sturgis," set this year for July 24-26.

Its real name is the 15th Annual Victory Motorcycle Club Great Lakes Regional Meet – a weekend gathering for the local chapters of the Victory Motorcycle Club, with 90 chapters in the U.S.

Motorcycle clubs, rallies and other events are a huge part of the "biking culture" for millions of motorcyclists across the country. They give purpose and destinations to their recreational activity, gathering together for many reasons.

Bike events are especially popular from May through September, with weekends full of activities. A majority of events are fundraisers for special causes, with veterans often being the recipients. There are "blessings of the bikes," charity runs, Friday Bike Nights, classic bike shows, freedom cruises, road tours, etc.

Michigan, with over 530,000 registered riders, has hundreds of bike events. One of the largest is the Gibraltar Trade Center Friday Bike Night in Mt. Clemens every Friday night beginning May 29.

Locally, Linden will be hosting "Linden on Wheels Friday Nights" beginning May 29 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., which will include cars, motorcycles, bikes, tractors, "anything on wheels."

Holly hosts several events, including H.I.M. Biker Day on Sunday, June 14, sponsored by Hogs in Ministry. The event will be held at 8393 E. Holly Rd. beginning at 10:30 a.m. and will include a bike show, games, hog roast, etc.

Monday, June 15 will be "Ride to Work Day" throughout Michigan, a national effort to heighten visibility and promote the benefits of motorcycling.

While other specific events statewide are too numerous to list, there are several online sources that provide all the information, including:

• lets-ride.com
• motorcycle monster.com
• motorcycleroads.com
• motorcycleevents.com
• cyclefish.com



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The Rally @ Battle Alley in Holly is an annual event which has been running for 18 years. It brought about 600 bikes, and 700 visitors for the Sunday event.

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Pedaling his way across Michigan

■ **Patterson**
Elementary principal looking forward to first PALM

By Sally Rummel

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Dennis Inhulsen of Grand Blanc has "rediscovered" cycling for the last 10 years and is taking his hobby to the next level in June, when he participates in Pedal Across Lower Michigan (PALM) for the first time.

Retiring principal from Patterson Elementary School in Holly, Inhulsen, 57, has been training since January for this six-day riding event. He'll be covering close to 300 miles, averaging about 50 per day.



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Dennis Inhulsen of Grand Blanc is training for PALM by riding his bike one to two hours each day.

SUMMARY

■ Pedal Across Lower Michigan (PALM) has been a family-oriented riding event since it was started in 1982. Local resident Dennis Inhulsen will be riding in his first PALM this June when a group of 700 riders kick up their kickstands in Bridgman for the start of the event.

Berrien County. PALM riders typically use paved, less-traveled roads with shoulders, traveling at their own pace while following a marked route. Bike shops accompany the tour and can make repairs in the evening.

Schools along the route serve as overnight stops. Cyclists camp on

one and two hours a day when he can. "I started in January in the basement on my stationary bike," said Inhulsen. "It's easy on the body."

Inhulsen will be joining about 700 other riders June 20-26, starting the trip in Bridgman, in

their grounds and use their facilities for showers and meals. Trucks transport luggage from site to site, and then volunteers unload the trucks. Bikers then find their tent and luggage and set up camp for the night. Nightly meetings go over the next day's route, any detours, problems and points of interest.

"I'm most excited about being with friends and other riders while enjoying the weather," said Inhulsen. "I also like being fit. Cycling is easy on the knees and you can take all day if you choose."

While this is Inhulsen's first PALM, he's done a number of bike trips with friends while camping in Michigan. "It's a great feeling to ride all day and pull into a small town, make camp, eat at a local restaurant and get a good night's sleep. There's no better way to experience the country than on a bike!"

"THERE'S NO BETTER WAY TO EXPERIENCE THE COUNTRY THAN ON A BIKE."

DENNIS INHULSEN
RETIRED PATTERSON ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

Other unique bike events in Michigan

LMB bike tours

The League of Michigan Bicyclists (LMB) hosts four multi-day bike tours in 2015: The Sunrise Bicycle Tour through Michigan's Thunder Bay, June 19-21; the Michigan U.P. Tour from St. Ignace to Sault Ste. Marie and back, July 12-18; the Shoreline West Bicycle Tour, Aug. 2-8 and the Pedal and Paddle Tour in southwest Michigan's River Country, Sept. 18-20.

DALMAC

The Tri-County Bicycle Association's annual four- to five-day ride from Michigan State University in East Lansing to St. Ignace or Sault Ste. Marie. The ride begins the Wednesday or Thursday before Labor Day, depending on which route you're taking.

For scenic routes in Northern Michigan, read:

"Biking Northern Michigan: The Best & Safest Routes in the Lower Peninsula" by Robert Downes, showing 35 cycling routes geared to recreational and avid cyclists.



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The popular DALMAC ride across the Mackinac Bridge takes place every year over Labor Day weekend.



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