Fenton couple delivers their child in car

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

Morello, 24, a 2008 Fenton High School graduate, gave birth to daughter Caroline Morello Nagy just after 12:30 p.m. on a stretch limousine she was riding in while on her way to McLaren Hospital in Flint.

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.

New Channel 7 Action News doctor has Fenton connection

By Hannah Ball
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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.

‘Sometimes all you can do is just cry’

Local woman serves veterans who served country

By Vera Hogan
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The Memorial Day Parade route in Fenton will be different than in years past due to the annual Memorial Day ceremonies Monday.

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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’

By Sally Rummel
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Lou Farhood, 57, has been building things all 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 Linden. “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 evenings and days off in his basement, pouring over engineering plans from his own hobby.

“Me, this is therapy. I can tune out all the problems of the world,” Lou Farhood

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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 rivers, 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.

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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, we 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 every Memorial Day in the fear 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 now. 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 $750 billion 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.

Compiled by Alexei Rose, intern

Who is the veteran in your life?

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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 run 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 apportionment 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.

### WHEN SO FEW
vote, the people get what they deserve.

### See HOT LINE throughout Times
Linden community raises money for 9-year-old stroke survivor

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 still struggling with speech 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 I 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.

See STROKE on 20A

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.
Local businessman dies suddenly

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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 he will live on through each and every person whose life he touched.”

Durocher was the owner of Formspec, 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 Afzica, 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, Afzica 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.

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 owner 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,” Begola said.

Kevin Begola Owner, Bridge Street Exchange

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. Merck 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.
**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 14 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 AOS 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 male told the officer that 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 victim, a female, reported that sometime overnight someone entered her unlocked Chevrolet Tahoe, parked in her driveway, and stole her radar detector and head-phones. Lt. Jason Slater said the police department received two more LFA complaints on Tuesday, one near his home, and another from an apartment complex off Torrey Road.

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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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**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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**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 their 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 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

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**Fenton Village Players Present**

By Vera Hogan

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The Fenton Village Playhouse, presents its 14197 Torrey Road, Fenton 810-750-7700

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**Daisy and Josephine**

Daisy and Josephine, written by actor and New York Times bestsell- ing 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

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

Rosaleigh Johnson
Second-grade teacher
Hyatt Elementary School

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2015: The longest summer

Early Memorial Day and later Labor Day means more summer fun

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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.

Looking Back

IN LOCAL HISTORY

5 years …
Sunday, May 30, 2010
Middle school namesake 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 Uthtri-Lith 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
**Tri-County Times | Tim Jagelio**

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

**BABY**
Continued from Front Page

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 Moreno 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 Moreno’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 Moreno 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 Moreno 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 Moreno. “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.”

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**Touring kayaks**

These are best for traveling long distances in open water, as well as for a couple months of 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 boat 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.
New Channel 7 Action News doctor has Fenton connection

‘Ask Dr. Nandi’ now airs in 85 million U.S. homes

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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 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 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, 19 at the couple’s home in Sterling Heights.

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.

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.”

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.

In addition, WXYZ-Chief Health Editor Dr. Nandi recently presented at the Tri-County Times Expo in Fenton.

Dr. 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.

Dr. Partha Nandi (left) and Katie Klender (2015).
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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 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.”
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.

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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, or 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 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.”

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The parade will continue on Adelaide to Shiawassee Avenue and turn right, going west again. It will proceed on Park Street to Lakeside Park and turn left (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 Park Street to Lakeside Park and veer right (north) to Lakeside Cemetery, where the Memorial Day ceremony will take place.

In **Holly**, the parade will begin at 9 a.m. starting on Saginaw Street in downtown Holly, just east of Maple Street. The parade 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 turn right (north) to Lakeside Cemetery, where the Memorial Day ceremony will take place.

**SUMMARY**

Lou Farhood gets his life about again by building wooden kayaks in his basement, earning “Best Kayak” last week at 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.

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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.

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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. “The kids thought that was so funny,”
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 significant-ly 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.
Bald eagle sightings can be reported on baldeagleinfo.com.
Area girls collect seven league titles at Metro meet

By David Troppens

hree Hollis — 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 (48.00), second in the 100 hurdles (16.33) and teamed with Bella Blank, Madison Piet and Breanna Tumipseed 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 know how much my body likes it, but I have to push through to states and (soccer) districts.”

Holly had three individual champions, 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 discuss.”

“I had a personal record in the shot put, so I was happy with that. I think I didn’t throw what I wanted, but I took first.”

The other Holly first-place performer was a freshman, Samantha Tschihrhart. 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.

“I think in the first half we were a little anxious and jumpy, our touches were a little off, we were not connecting,” senior Grace Walterhouse said.

“We had to relax and start 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 year.

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Blue Devils’ bats fall short vs. Goodrich

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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 win for 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 runner across. It came in the fifth. Trail- ing 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 on, a batter hit 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 gave 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 little good fortune.”

“We had a lot of teamwork. We worked together as a team this year,” Bacon said. “Our bats came together 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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Holly’s girls tennis team proudly displays their Metro League trophy after winning the Metro League meet on Tuesday.

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

Needling 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 Tacker.

“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 McAr- dle. The contest was tied at 1-1.

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 Mor- cery reached base on an error and an out later Paige Deang 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 ended the game. In the opening game, doubles by Borowski and Katey Hender- shott 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 hard-ly 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 stranded 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.”

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Holly’s No. 3 doubles squad of Abby Graff and Kateyn Beauregard.

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.

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Blue Devils many at GAC track & field meet

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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 eighth overall in the 17-team field in the combined GAC.

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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 Fiebienritz 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.”

Eventually, 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 Lin- den’s goal, as Gardner crossed a ball to Sophia Crews who attempted a shot saved by Linden keeper Madison Paige. About four minutes later, Jordan Holshcer sent a cross to Brest result- ing in Fenton’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 Lindem net. It was bounced off the crossbar and saved.

Just a few minutes later, Emily Watrlip sent a thru ball to Zayan who scored, making it a 3-0 lead with 9:26 left. Zayan scored again on a Te- resa Walterhouse assist with 3:35 left and Katie Willkowski 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 Lindem 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 fabu- lous,” Fiebienritz said. “We have the people in the back. We are pretty strong in the back and we can score goals.”

Fenton had to leave settling for sec- ond 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 both the side and had a couple of nice bounces and won it because of it. To- night, they went for them.”

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.
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Approved: Resolution 2015-7 Honoring Jim Reid.
Approved: Resolution 2015-8-11 establishing board member salaries for 2015-2016.
Approved: Third Amendment to Genesee County Phase 11 Regulations Storm Water contract.
Approved: 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.
Approved: Resolution 2015-16 Board Meeting scheduled dates.
Approved: Treasurer to purchase foreclosed properties from Genesee county
Treasurer.
Accepted: Bid of $1,750.00 from Miles Tree Service to remove Trees in Argenten
Cemetery.
Approved: Supervisor to negotiate easement for McCaslin Lake Rd. Bridge.
Approved: 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 support Hunter, the game will take place June 20. Lin-den 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.

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 grandparents.

“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.”

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

“They’re still doing what they can to pinpoint what caused it,” Brichter said. Once doctors understand the cause, they can treat it better and prevent it from happening again.

Brichter 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.”

Brichter 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.

Stroke Symptoms
• Sudden numbness, tingling, or weakness in face, arm, leg, or one side of your body
• Vision suddenly changes
• Trouble speaking
• Sudden confusion
• Sudden problems walking or balancing
• A sudden severe headache
Source: webmd.com

“Why all the household dust?”
For years, Power Vac, Inc. has been improving the community’s health one household at a time. “Did you know that half of all illnesses come directly from dirty indoor air? In fact, our indoor air is up to 90 times more polluted than the air outdoors,” explained Keith Meadows, Power Vac Owner and Opera-tor. “More than 90% of the phone calls I receive are from straight people complaining about dust in their homes. They tell me they will dust the house Friday, but by Sunday it needs to be done again, and they’re not sure where these dust piles are coming from. Let me tell you, you’re not a bad housekeeper. All you need to do is have your ducts cleaned. This simple step will drastically reduce the dust in your household. The reason for the dust is your cold air returns. You see, cold air returns suck in dirty air. Over time it builds up in your ducts until the debris clogs what you would find in your vacuum bag.”

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“Here’s a test. Take a walk down into your basement, and look up at the ceiling for thin sheets of tin nailed between your floor joists. Those are your cold air return lines. Give them a good pounding. Do you see puffs of dust seeping out of the edges? That, my friends, is the reason you have uncontrollable dust problems, and this debris cannot be removed without the help of a professional.”

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April and Keith Meadows help keep indoor air clean with their local business, Power Vac.
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 news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282

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. It requires only approval through Ford credit and includes 36 months at 10,500 miles a year. 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

Memorial Day Weekend at Hall Chrysler will not only be 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.

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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
- motorcyclemonster.com
- motorcycleroads.com
- motorcycleevents.com
- cyclefish.com

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