# Parent survey on IB reveals close, mixed results

Majority of those responding say program had no impact

By Vera Hogan

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Fenton Area Public Schools recently conducted a survey to find out what parents think of the education their child is receiving through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program.

According to the district's website, 550 parents responded to the survey. Of those who responded, the majority of them, 343 have a child at AGS Middle School, followed by 293 with children at the high school, 192 at State Road Elementary, 157 at North Road Elementary, See IB on 6

### PARENT COMMENTS

**See page 6** for a sampling of the hundreds of anonymous comments, both for and against IB, by parents responding to the survey.



### Holly man in police standoff remains in jail

Charged with selling marijuana, firearms, aggravated assault

### By Sharon Stone

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The 51-year-old Holly man who had barricaded himself inside his Holly mobile home for several hours last Thursday morning has been charged with five felonies. This came after an investigation by Holly police



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Mark Evans Landback

Oakland County Prosecutor's Office. Holly Police Chief Michael Story said Mark Evans Landback was arraigned at the Oakland County Circuit Court on Saturday His

Court on Saturday. His cash surety bond was set at \$75,000. He will remain at the Oakland County Jail until bonded or arraigned at the 52-2 District Court. Landback has been

See STANDOFF on 8

# Linden's weekly car show off to fast start



Bradley Trimble, 20, chats with Doug Gorton of Fenton Township (left) and Larry Langton of Grand Blanc Township about his 1987 Mazda RX7. He used a kit to install a 280 horsepower Chevy V8, and 400-turbo transmission. *See more photos online at tctimes.com.* 

# Senate votes to ban powdered alcohol, e-cigs for minors State Rep. Joe Graves supports the ban

### By Vera Hogan

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On May 20, the Michigan Senate unanimously approved two pieces of legislation sponsored by Sen. Rick Jones (24th District) to protect children from alcohol and nicotine abuse.

Senate bills 231 and 240 have been sent to the House of Representatives for their consideration. Senate Bill 240 would prohibit the sale, distribution and possession of powdered alcohol to minors.

Jones, the former sheriff of Eaton County, said, "During my time as a sheriff, I saw many young people tragically die due to alcohol poisoning, and See BAN on 7

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### By Tim Jagielo

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**Linden** — "I would have been happy with 20, but we got 57," said organizer Scott Binkley, regarding the municipal lot packed with classic cars.

It's the inaugural "Linden on Wheels" show, and it will happen every Friday in downtown Linden, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., until September 18. It may already need to expand into a nearby lot.

The event is part of the "Grow Linden" campaign, under the guidance of the Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce.

For car enthusiasts, there was a solid variety. A Volkswagen Karmann Ghia and a beefed up Mazda RX7 and a chopped Ford Galaxy shared space in the same lot, and all got equal interest with the steady flow of visitors.

Of course, there were more than 50 other cars, plus food venders and oldies music playing over a sound system located in front of Brinkley's 1962 Ford F-250.

# Lang's Marina to become condos

Fenton Township Board approves rezoning

### By Hannah Ball

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**Fenton Twp.** — The Fenton Township Board of Trustees unanimously voted Monday to approve the zoning plan of condominiums on the site of the old Lang's Marina on Sonora Drive. However, there are still concerns over ownership and maintenance of the road.

See MARINA on 7



#### **CDibbleville is the** most important demographic in our downtown, that's why it is getting a facelift. If you read the Times you would know that Streetscaping downtown is next.



**Get 1 often wonder** what the residents on Elizabeth Street thought about their quiet little street being made into a

duiet little street being made into a one-way parking lot, de-valuing their homes. Did they have any say?" **C** Rather than execute the marathon bomber, they should

throw his sorry (blank) in solitary for the rest of his life. Let him rot there. The family of the child be killed is

the child he killed is living in hell because of him."

# Legislation could help students who default on private loans

Negative credit would be erased if defaulter pays first nine months of payments on time

### **By Hannah Ball**

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Pending legislation proposed earlier this month would allow students to repair negative credit from defaulting on private student loans.

With this Federal Adjustment In Reporting (FAIR) Student Credit Act, students who default on private loans could make on-time payments for nine months and the default would disappear from their credit score.

This rehabilitation already exists for federal loans. Currently, private loaners do not have the ability to remove negative credit information with loan rehabilitations, according to peters.senate.gov.

U.S. Senator Gary Peters introduced this bipartisan legislation with Senator Shelley Moore Capito on May 12.

"The vast majority of student loans are public and already eligible for loan rehabilitation, and it's unfair to deny graduates with private loans the same ability to get back on track after a default," Peters said on peters.senate.gov. The industry average for private student

loans is between 9 and 12 percent, according to alltuitition.com.

Courtney Matlock,

21, a Gaines resident, went to Western Michigan University from 2011 to 2015, getting her degree in textile and apparel studies this past May. She graduated with \$16,000 in private loans from Discover. She will start paying back her loans with a 9 percent interest rate.

She'll have paid \$36,000, more than half of what she borrowed, if she pays off the loan with their plan.

"It's a tad ridiculous that we work so

filt's a tad ridiculous that we work so hard and spend so much to make a living to be drowning in debt the day we start living our adult lives. Courtney Matlock

Western Michigan University graduate

hard and spend so much to make a living to be drowning in debt the day we start living our adult lives," Matlock said, adding that high interest rates hinder students' futures because it "stops so many people from even trying to create a better life for themselves.

Matlock said this new legislation is a small step in the right direction, but the government should be looking to reduce the cost of college altogether rather than making it

OK to default on loans. She now works for Lear Corporation

in Southfield and will start paying off her private loans six months after graduation.

Matlock said the government needs to step in and do something about how much students owe when they graduate, like lowering tuition costs, offering more subsidized loans, or putting a cap on student loan interest rates.

### **DEFAULT RATES**

- The Department of Education calculates the national cohort default rate for U.S. schools every three years.
- Last September the department released numbers for 2011 and calculated the amount of borrowers who started repayment between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011, and recorded who defaulted before September 2013.
- In Michigan, out of 138 schools, 25,082 borrowers are in default and 173,447 are in repayment.
- The 2014 rate is 13.7 for the 2011 year, which decreased from 14.7 in 2010.
- Michigan's rate stayed the same at 14.4 percent, which is one in eight people. That means that one in 14 students who started paying off loans in 2011 is already defaulting.

# News briefs

#### **Fenton Shrine Club Paper Sale**

Members of the Fenton Shrine Club and Elf Khurafeh Shrine Temple are conducting their annual southeastern paper sale on Friday, June 5 and Saturday, June 6. Eugene Reid, chairman of the paper sales event said members will be posted at the intersections of North Road and Adelaide Street in the city of Fenton; Torrey and Thompson roads in Fenton Township; Grange Hall Road and Saginaw Street in Holly; and on Saturday only, the corner of Broad Street and North Bridge Street in Linden. Donations from this event will be used to help with the variety of treatments offered by the Shriner Children's Hospitals.

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### **I-75 POSSIBLE VEHICLE SHOOTING** On Tuesday, June 2 at approximately

3:05 a.m., troopers from the Michigan State Police-Metro Post were dispatched to northbound I-75 between Clintonville and Baldwin Road in Independence Township for a possible shooting at vehicles complaint. The driver said that something hit and shattered their right front passenger window. At 3:25 a.m., a second driver in the same area had something hit and shatter their rear passenger window. At this time it has not been determined what the objects were that struck the vehicles. Evidence techs are currently processing the vehicles and troopers are processing the area to attempt to determine the origin of the items that struck the vehicles. Anyone with information on this incident is asked to call the Metro Post at (248) 584-5740. Investigation is continuing at this time.





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# **VOLUNTEERS HAVE CITY BEAUTIFICATION COVERED**



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I PHOTOS BY TIM JAGIELO

On Saturday, the bulk of the Beautification Committee's spring planting was completed. (Above) Volunteers including Amy and Rex Nance of Fenton planted a variety of flowers in 22 planters and seven flower beds around downtown. The bridge flower boxes will not be utilized until construction moves north of the river.



The project took longer this year, as there were 15 volunteers compared to 33 in 2014, said Chairperson Dawn Overmyer. Here, Angel Torrey-Peterson and Barb Glover of the Fenton VFW fill planters near the Gazebo.





### Hand-washing not a common practice in the 19<sup>th</sup> century

# Even doctors weren't worried about germs

### By Vera Hogan

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It's easy to take for granted the leaps and bounds medical science has made in the last two centuries. But until 1850, no one thought hand-washing was that important. It was that year that a Hungarian obstetrician named Ignaz Semmelweis stood before his peers in Vienna and demanded they start washing their hands.

Today, hand-washing is a no-brainer, something that has been pounded in to people's heads since childhood, and one that they are reminded to practice regularly.

At the very least, it is something we expect our doctors to do. But accord-

ing to Dr. Howard

& HOW TO WASH YOUR HANDS page 8

Markel, a physician and medical historian with the University of Michigan, much of the 19th century was a different story.

Markel said hand-washing was not a common practice, adding that most doctors would have been insulted were the idea suggested to them. This, in an era where doctors would examine cadavers immediately before delivering a baby.

Semmelweis' proposal, however, was poorly timed as germ theory was not really taking off yet. Now considered to be a hero of modern medicine, back then Semmelweis' ideas and prickly personality were far from earning him any friends.

"He was derided," Markel said. "There were many who felt he was not dignified enough to even be called 'Doctor.' He had his share of enemies, and that is a great tragedy. It is a sad tale of how personalities sometimes get in the way of fact."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), keeping hands clean through improved hand hygiene is one of the most important steps See HAND-WASHING on 8





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### **A conservative Republican** that Democrats can love

Bless me Father, for I have sinned. I have a man crush on Rand Paul.

Yes, it's enough to drive me to confession: Every day I find myself agreeing more and more with the libertarian senator from Kentucky. He may be running for president as a Republican, but he says some things that any liberal Democrat like me could support.

Who's the leading champion to shut down NSA's vast phone spying operation? Not some liberal Democrat. It's Rand Paul! With a 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-hour filibuster, he single-handedly blocked last week's Senate effort to extend the Patriot Act, which he calls 'the most unpatriotic of acts.'

On the environment, Paul admits: 'You'll find I'm a tree hugger, literally. I'm a Republican who wants clean air, clean water and the life-extending miracle of electricity. I compost.'

On drug sentencing, Paul channels former Attorney General Eric Holder: 'We should free those who are in jail under the old guidelines. Our prisons are bursting with young men — and women — who are poor or of color.'

One other sign of Paul's willingness to buck the official party line: In December 2014, when President Obama announced plans to restore normal relations with Cuba, Rand Paul stood with Obama, saying the embargo no longer made any sense.

Paul drives fellow Republicans crazy. John McCain has called him a wacko bird.' Gov. Bobby Jindal branded him 'unfit to be commander-in-chief.' And Bill Kristol, influential publisher of The Weekly Standard, grumbled that Paul 'wants to be a liberal Democrat.'

No doubt about it, Rand Paul's a card-carrying Republican conservative. He wants to repeal Obamacare, privatize Medicare, increase the Pentagon budget and slash social spending. He's a climate change denier, and one of 47 Republicans who signed a letter warning the leaders of Iran against making a nuclear deal with President Obama.

Still, Rand Paul is honest enough to say: 'Right now, the Republican brand sucks.' No wonder I have such a man crush on him. But I'd feel a lot less guilty — if only he'd run as a Democrat.

### Compiled by Vera Hogan, staff reporter

### When should you wash your hands? Tomek-Eastern Elementary School kindergartners School kindergartners



— Mikaela Beach, 6



"After you go to the bathroom and before you eat."

— Max Gresock, 6



"Before and after you're done going to the bathroom.'



"When my hands are dirty, and before and after going to the bathroom.'

### lady who found my hus-band's phone on Silver Lake Road and turned it in to the Argentine police. He is grateful that he has it back. REGARDING THE STATEMENT, 'Pot for Potholes.' Yes, fill in

those pesky holes with pot. It may take a lot; so I have to wonder how much that will cost! At least the growers will have some income. That

BIG THANKS TO the

### way, it may be safer for us?

THE MAYOR AND police chief in Fenton should get into a car and tour downtown and anytime they see a car parked legally, but which requires another car to cross the center line to get around it, have 'No Parking' signs installed. Crossing into oncoming traffic, is not good.

IF YOU THINK the Prop-1 vote had any influence on gas price fluctuations, you are clueless. Cost at the pump has to do with global supply, demand, and market speculation over oil. The government can't magically manipulate the price.

FOSTER CHILDS IS a grumpy old man. He likes to talk about America's 'big stick' but maybe he should focus on removing the big stick in his you-know-what.

LAST WINTER, THE open lot next to the beanery was going to be parking for the building. Now, Red Fox Outfitters will need that lot for their parking.

IT WOULD BE nice to have left-turn green arrows on Adelaide. Trying to turn left is torture

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"Before you eat dinner,

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and before lunch and

breakfast."



### **Black lives matter**

'Black lives matter!' was the chant heard at recent demonstrations in cities and towns from Ferguson, Missouri, to Baltimore, Maryland. Yes, they do matter, but apparently not so much to some other blacks. Only when a white police officer shoots does the life of a black man seem to matter.

While Memorial Day weekend featured the traditional parades, barbecues and moments of silence at baseball games for those who gave their lives in wartime to preserve our freedoms, in some of America's biggest cities virtual shooting galleries produced the sort of carnage more likely to be found in the Middle East.

In Baltimore, 32 people were shot. Nine of them died. That brings to 35 the number killed in Baltimore just in May and the month isn't over.

In New York City, eight people were shot and killed.

In Chicago, where murder has become common, 12 people died and 44 were wounded.

Care to take a guess what these three cities have in common? They are all presided over by elected Democratic mayors and majority Democratic city councils.

In New York City, the murder rate reached a record low in 2013. Following the election of liberal Mayor Bill de Blasio, the murder rate jumped 20 percent in the first two months of 2015. Might the reason be de Blasio's order to dramatically curtail the stop-and-frisk program that had sharply reduced the number of murders in minority neighborhoods under former Mayor Michael Bloomberg?

In Baltimore, where Democratic Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake (who is African-American) reportedly ordered Baltimore police to stand down during the recent riots, thus allowing the rioting to continue, police apparently are still obeying that order. Arrests in Baltimore have declined significantly, while incidents of criminal activity, including violent crime, are up.

Maybe what's needed is a Memorial Day for the victims of crime. President Obama says he was elected to 'end wars, not start them.' While he is retreating overseas, he might consider trying to end the war in America's inner cities. And those inner-city voters might benefit from ending their loyalty to a party that has done them little good.

# street talk



"After you go someplace like a store, and schools have germs sometimes."

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Magic 5 performs at a 2014 Concerts in the Park, under the Gazebo next to city hall. The band played '70s rock, like Tom Petty and Wild Cherry. The new season starts this week.

# Fenton Concerts in the Park to start tomorrow night

in the Park begin at

the Fenton Millpond

(next to Fenton City

Hall), from 7 to 8:30

p.m. on Thursday,

June 4.

Free concerts at Millpond Park from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

### By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 A little construction won't stop Fenton

music lovers from heading downtown Thursday nights.

The popular Fenton Concerts in the Park series is set to begin tomorrow night at Millpond Park, next to City Hall, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Scheduled to the first to perform on months, June 4, is Allen Scott, a dynamic Tim McGraw Tribute Artist from the Metro Detroit

area. According to allenastim. com, Allen has been performing his tribute to the multiaward winning performer since 2004. Tim McGraw's, "Don't Take The Girl" made

Allen a devoted country music fan. Allen took his lifelong love of music, his physical likeness to McGraw, his undiscovered vocal talents and turned them into his passion.

On June 11, Eye 96 will perform. According to eye96band.com, Eye96 brings together veteran musicians from East Lansing and the Detroit area. Pat Hudson, Rick Seguin, and Mike Balavitch hail from East Lansing band Any World; Tom and Denise Sutphen of Two Steps Higher are from Farmington Hills; and Jimmy "Da" Gunn from Rochester, joined the band on drums as of January. They have more than 30 years of experience.

On June 18, The Pete "Big Dog" Fetters Band of Detroit will perform. According to bigdogblues.com, this four-piece group plays a good mixture of blues, popular classic rock and Motown. In business for more than 20 years, the band plays at festivals and concerts during the summer months, and casinos and clubs year round.

The Saucecats will finish this month's schedule on June 25. According to saucecats.com, The Saucecats were formed in 2001 by a group of seasoned musicians seeking to play fun, energetic music for all occasions, large or small. The Saucecats boast a large following of all ages and have enter-

tained thousands at some of Michigan's premier festivals and events. The eclectic group features a variety of instruments and all members singing a unique sound. Their musical style centers around New Orleans funk, Zydeco, and Blues, and also blend in Latin and Caribbean numbers.

For information on July's line-up of performers, see the July 1 Midweek edition of the Tri-County Times.



# Cry 'Wolf' for free zoo admission

Detroit Zoo opens wolf sanctuary June 8, offering free admission if your name is 'Wolf'

### **By Sally Rummel**

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If your name is "Wolf" or has a variation of it in your first, middle or last name, you can be a free guest at the Detroit Zoo on Monday, June 8.

That's opening day for the new Cotton Family Wolf Wilderness at the zoo in Royal Oak. A pair of gray wolves will also be introduced to the two-acre habitat that features grassy hills, meadows, trees and a flowing stream.

The free admission will be granted to anyone with valid photo ID that shows "Wolf" in some form in their name, including "Wulff," "Wulfmeier" and "Wolfe," as a few examples.

"Just as we are excited to welcomes wolves back to the Detroit Zoo for the first time in 25 years, we are also happy to welcome human "Wolfs" to enjoy a free day at the zoo on June 8, in celebration of this beautiful new habitat," said Ron Kagan, executive director and CEO of the Detroit Zoological Society in a statement on the zoo's website, detroitzoo.org.

Parking fees, rides, attractions and food are not included with the free admission.

The Detroit Zoo is located at 8450 West 10 Mile Rd., Royal Oak. June hours are daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Regular adult admission is \$14, with \$10 admission for senior 62 and older, children age 2 to 14 and active military with ID. Children under 2 are admitted free.





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# From A-Z....Vitamins and Supplements

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By Yvonne Stegall • news@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 -

Whether you are getting all the vitamins and nutrients you need in your meals each day, it can help to have a guide to what some important nutrients are and how you can get them without taking them in pill form. Sometimes there are reasons that make it important to take a vitamin or supplement in pill form, like illnesses or certain medications that can cause the body to have trouble absorbing certain nutrients. Sometimes there are even supplements that can only be found in pill form and offer you different healing and healthy elements. Here are a few of the different minerals and supplements available that begin with M and N.

### Magnesium

Magnesium is naturally found in your body, mostly in the bones. Taking magnesium, whether through food sources or as a supplement, can help with stomach and digestion issues. It's also good for fighting constipation. If you want to get your magnesium through natural substances look toward foods rich in fiber, like legumes and vegetables.

### Melatonin

Melatonin is naturally produced in your body, but if you need more, it can be synthetically made in a lab. People take melatonin supplements to help them sleep at night, most often. It has also been used for depression and other brain related issues.

### Milk thistle

Milk Thistle is classified as a flowering herb. It's closely related to both daisies and ragweed. Milk thistle is usually taken in the form of a supplement, but may be found in tea as well. It's great for liver health and is often taken by those diagnosed with cirrhosis of the liver.

### Manganese

Manganese can be found in nuts, whole grains, legumes, and your leafy greens. Manganese is good for your bones, so it can be taken for arthritis and osteoporosis.

### Nettle

Nettle, normally known as stinging nettle, is a plant. The roots and more are used for its medicinal properties. Taken as a supplement or drank as a tea, nettle is popular as a natural allergy remedy. It is also useful for urinary tract infections and kidney stones.

### Niacin

Niacin is also known as vitamin B3. Niacin is naturally found in meat and fish. While it can help lower cholesterol and risk of heart disease, you shouldn't take niacin supplements without talking to your doctor first, because of health risks such as liver damage.

Next week you'll learn how awesome Omega-3 Fatty Acids are!

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138 at Tomek-Eastern Elementary, and 104 at the Ellen Street Campus (World of Wonder).

Parents were asked how much of an impact the IB program has had on their child. Of the 546 parents who answered this question, the majority, or 24.18 percent said the program has made no impact, followed by 22.53 percent saying little impact, 19.5 percent saying positive impact and 17.95 indicating a significant positive impact. Eighty-six of the parents who answered this question, or 15.75 percent chose to remain neutral.

Parents were also asked, "Are you proud of the fact that all Fenton students in grades K-10 are part of the IB program?"

Of the 543 parents who chose to answer this question, the results are very close across the board, with the majority, 37.75 percent answered they are not proud. One hundred and ninety two parents, or 35.36 percent, say they are proud. Nearly 27 percent of the parents chose to remain neutral on this question.

The results are very close when it comes to parents admitting if they understand the IB program. Between 27 and 35 percent said they have a very clear understanding, 25 to 31 percent have a clear understanding, 25 to 29 percent said they understand it "somewhat," and 10 to 15 percent said they don't understand it at all.

Parents also were asked to rate the IB experience overall at each level. The majority of parents, 31 to 41 percent, chose to remain neutral about all three levels, Primary Years Program, Middle Years Program, and Diploma Program.

Another question asked was, "If you enrolled your child(ren) in Fenton Area Public Schools since 2008, was our IB program a factor in your decision to enroll in our district?"

Of the 457 parents who answered this question, 285 said it was not a factor, 97 said it was a factor, 56 said they were not aware of the IB program when they moved to the district, and 19 said the existence of the IB program was "somewhat" of a factor in their decision to move here.

Hundreds of parents chose to provide additional comments with their surveys (see sidebar for examples). The parent survey results as well as teacher survey results can be read in their entirety at fenton.k12.mi.us.

### PARENT COMMENTS

The following is a sampling of the hundreds of anonymous comments, both for and against IB, by parents responding to the survey:

"This program was the reason we chose to enroll in our home district rather than a charter school. I want my children to graduate with an IB diploma. Some colleges actually accept an IB Diploma in lieu of having to take freshman year classes. See Wittenberg University for example. In order to keep the program effective, please make sure the teachers have access to the professional development associated with the IB program."

"I am very disappointed in the fact that a program is being credited with my children's wonderful education. It is the people who educate my child that deserve the credit. They were wonderful educators before IB and will continue to be so after IB is gone. The top notch educators and the fabulous Fine Arts Program were why we chose to bring our children to Fenton."



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### The importance of building and maintenance codes

In today's world people have the right to presume that whenever they enter a home or a building of any kind, they will not have the roof fall upon them, a fire break out from faulty electrical wiring or be flooded out from substandard plumbing.

The primary reason that we can expect to be safe from these and other construction and maintenance issues lies in the fact that in Michigan and in the rest of the United States, anytime a structure is built it must conform to the requirements of building codes enacted under the law and which are in place to ensure safe construction.

The importance of proper building construction has a long history dating back to the earliest known building law, which is found in the code of the Babylonian King Hammurabi (1810-1750 BC). He authored 282 separate codes including six separate codes on construction.

Without quoting the entirety of the building code sections, suffice it to say that, proper construction was taken pretty seriously as code number 229 illustrates:

'If a builder has built a house for a man, and has not made his work sound, and the house he built has fallen, and caused the death of its owner, that builder shall be put to death.'

Since Hammurabi's code, civilization has come a long way but the underlying theme remains the same safety first.

Over the years our individual states and local governments have enacted a wide variety of building and property maintenance codes (for after construction maintenance), which have at times been in response to natural and manmade disasters. These include the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and Hurricane Hugo in 1992.

Historically in Michigan, there were different codes depending on the location. That all changed in 1999 when the Michigan legislature enacted the Stille-DeRossett-Hale Single Construction Code Act, which provides for a statewide construction code in all areas except property maintenance. Under Michigan case law, local units of government have the right to enact their own property maintenance codes.

The importance of these laws cannot be overstated. They are meant to ensure the health safety and welfare of us all and time has shown that these laws have achieved their intended purpose.

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Out of the proposed 11 units, three would be lakefront and eight would share lake access. Six of the lots would house attached single family units fronting Ford Street, three would be lakefront on detached single family units on Lake Fenton, and the other two would be nonlakefront detached single family units. The project would realign Sonora Drive, create a new retaining wall, eliminate the public boat launch and upgrade the sewer system.

Fenton Township Supervisor Bonnie Mathis, who was absent from the May 18 meeting, raised concerns over the verbiage of the conditions before the vote. She received clarification from Kevin Cook, civil engineer with CHMP Inc., in Grand Blanc. The firm represents some of the builders and the owners, Khalil Saab and Elizabeth Saab. Mathis was concerned about people having access to their homes during construction, where runoff water would flow, if bigger vehicles will be able to get down the road, and a few other concerns.

"Once you put this in this verbiage, then we, the township, have to abide by it... Don't get me wrong, I want this more than anything," Mathis said. She added that she was concerned about garbage

SUMMARY Of 11 units proposed for the old Lang's Marina on Lake Fenton, three will have lakefront access and the other eight will share lake access.

down the very narrow road when it's difficult for a car to get through. Cook said her

concerns about the verbiage were site-planning issues, not zone-planning

trucks getting

issues. Mathis said she couldn't vote on something without asking questions first. One problem is that ownership of the

private road part of the Lang's Marina units is unknown. "What we're trying to do is establish jurisdiction," Cook said. "Somebody has to own it. Somebody owns it right now but no one knows. The road commission has no idea. As part of this, as a benefit to the township under the PUD (planned unit development), we're going to resolve jurisdictional boundaries and have a dedicated legal description. It will be proper, we just have to work with the township."

Because no one currently knows who owns the private road and the township doesn't own it, snow plows don't remove the snow.

"When these people come down these roads in the winter months, when they hit that private road, it's ice because there's drainage going into the lake," Mathis said. "I'm not against this development. I think it's probably the best thing that's going to happen on this lake."

After her questions were answered, Mathis called for the vote and voted 'yes.'

On May 18, Michael Casler, president of the Lake Fenton Sailing Club and Sonora Drive resident, said the club still needs more information about the project. At Monday night's meeting, he told the board they met with Saab and received the information about the retaining wall, the hill, but still need something in writing so their members can vote on it.

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### BAN

**MIDWEEK TIMES** 

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I am deeply concerned that powdered alcohol will be easily abused by minors -leading to an increase

in loss of life. **1** look forward 'With the Senate's to working on this action to stop this dangerous product from coming

to Michigan, we are being proactive in protecting the safety of our children and all Michigan residents," he said.

Michigan isn't the first state to take action. The states of Alaska, Delaware, Louisiana, South Carolina and Ver-

mont have already banned powdered alcohol. The states of Minnesota, Ohio and New York are considering it.

Senate Bill 231 would prohibit the sale of electronic cigarettes (e-cigs) and nicotine cartridges to minors, as well as ban minors from possessing these objects.

"I am proud the Senate is standing up to keep electronic cigarettes out of the hands of our children," said Jones. "I believe it is irresponsible and dangerous to introduce young children to a culture of smoking. If an adult wants to smoke, that is their decision. This bill is an effort to help protect children across Michigan from e-cigarettes, which can be just as addictive as traditional cigarettes."

Jones' legislation, according to senatorrickjones.com, would treat stores that sell electronic cigarettes or nicotine cartridges to minors the same way as if they sold them tobacco. Minors who possess

these items would be treated the same as if they were in possession of tobacco. "Senate Bill 231 is an important step in ensuring we protect young people

from using tobacco-related products. Michigan should not be one of the few states that allow minors to purchase e-cigarettes," said State Rep. Joe Graves (51st District). "I look forward to working on this legislation with my colleagues to develop a sensible solution that protects minors.

"Similarly, Senate Bill 240 is another com-

mon-sense regulation in protecting the public," Graves added. "Powdered alcohol is marketed toward young people and I have concerns about its availability to minors and the impact it can have on them."

### WHAT IS POWDERED ALCOHOL?

Powdered alcohol, a product called Palcohol, might hit the store shelves later this year, but it won't be available to minors in Michigan if the House of Representatives vote for a bill already unanimously approved by the Senate.

Powdered alcohol is a powder that, when mixed with water, turns into vodka, rum, or another spirit. It is not dehydrated or freeze-dried booze. Instead, tiny bits of liquid alcohol, or more specifically, ethanol, are enclosed in cyclodextrins, which are literally small rings of sugar. When water is added, the sugar dissolves and the alcohol is freed into the drink. Source: cleveland.com

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### **HAND-WASHING**

**Continued from Page 3** we can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others.

Many diseases and conditions are spread by not washing hands with soap and clean, running water. If clean, running water is not readily accessible, as is common in many parts of the world, use soap and available water. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcoholbased hand sanitizer that contains at least 60-percent alcohol to clean hands.

### WHEN HANDS SHOULD BE WASHED

Before, during and after preparing food, and before eating foodBefore and after caring for someone

who is sickBefore and after treating a cut or wound

•After using the toilet

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•After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing

### **OTHER DISGUSTING PRACTICES!**

Today we place high value on personal hygiene but back in the day people could go from cradle to grave without ever immersing themselves in water. Many people believed that bathing was unhealthy and that soaking in water, especially hot water, would let disease (or the devil) enter the body. Even if you did decide to take a bath, you would not even have contemplated taking off your clothes — a habit that remained right through to the end of the 19th century!

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•Lather hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Be sure to lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers and under your nails.

•Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. If you need a timer, hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end two times.

•Rinse your hands well under clean, running water.

•Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

Source: Michiganradio.gov; cdc.gov

#### **STANDOFF** Continued from Front Page

charged with one count of aggravated felonious assault with a gun of a non-family member — a four-year felony, possession of a controlled substance (marijuana) with intent to deliver — a four-year felony, manufacturing of marijuana, and two counts of possession of a firearm in commission of a felony — a two-year felony.

Story said police recovered the weapon used for the alleged assault, a loaded 12-gage shotgun. Additionally, a loaded AR15 rifle, a .22 rifle and a 20-gauge shotgun were taken from the scene, along with a large amount of ammunition for those firearms.

Holly police were first called to Landback's mobile home on Apollo Circle in the Holly Village Mobile Home Park at 3:40 a.m. for a domestic argument.

Landback and his girlfriend reportedly had a verbal argument. She stepped outside the home, with the door closing behind her. She was unsuccessful in getting back inside and walked across the street to a neighbor's home. At that point, Landback walked out onto the porch carrying a long gun, allegedly threatening the neighbor twice. Landback then went back inside his home.

Police knocked on the Landback's door several times, however, he would not open the door. Believing he had a weapon, police backed off, called in support and started securing the area. "He wouldn't answer any of our phone calls," said Story.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team arrived with an armored truck. Story said after the children were gone from the area and heading toward school, the armored vehicle drove up to the front door and was prepared to punch a hole through it to insert gas. This was when Landback exited the home and surrendered.

The police chief said there were firearms and a controlled substance in plain view inside the home.



#### Model A and Model T Car Show

A Model A and Model T Car Show is scheduled for **Sunday, June 7 from 12 to 4 p.m.** It is being hosted by the Durand Union Station – Michigan Railroad History Museum. Cars and trucks, original and restored, 1930 and older are permitted. There will be awards to the Top 25 Best of Show. There is a \$5 registration fee for cars. Motorists should take Russell Street to Ann Arbor Street. Follow Ann Arbor into the Durand Union Station.



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# House Bill 4467: Allow more dangerous prisoners at Baldwin private prison

To allow more dangerous adult prisoners to be held at a privately owned and managed prison whose previous contract with the state to house juvenile prisoners was terminated by Gov. Jennifer Granholm in 2005. Since then the prison has contracted with other states to house their prisoners, although it is closed now.

#### Passed 23 to 14 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist.	14)
🔀 YES	□ NO
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	
	$\Box$ NO
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	
🔀 YES	🗆 NO
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	
□ YES	🗙 NO
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	
🗆 YES	🗙 NO

## House Bill 4364: Increase plumbers' license fees

To extend for another four years "temporary" increases in plumbers' license fees. This and many other fee increases were proposed by Gov. Rick Snyder as part of his annual budget recommendation, and this week the Senate passed a number of them with similar vote tallies.

### Passed 23 to 15 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist.	
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Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	
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Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	
□ YES	🔀 NO
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	
🗆 YES	🗙 NO
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	
🔀 YES	🗆 NO

### House Bill 4041: Ban welfare for persistent truancy

To withhold welfare benefits from a household with children who are persistently truant from school. A truant teenager age 16 and above could be removed from the household by child welfare officials. Passed 26 to 12 in the Senate Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14) 🗙 YES 🗆 NO Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15) X YES  $\Box$  NO Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22) 🗙 YES 🗆 NO Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) X NO □ YES Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) 🗙 YÉS 🗆 NO

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Fenton resident Dan Bates, 64, carded his first hole-in-one of his 40-year golfing career at Tyrone Hills' par-three, 165-yard 11th hole on May 17. He used a 25-degree hybrid and shot a 92 for 18 holes during the round. The ace was witnessed by Mike Stack.

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# Linden baseball wins third straight district

**By David Troppens** dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Goodrich** — It's become a bit of a tradition for the Linden varsity baseball team.

The

Eagles made it three district crowns in as many seasons, earning a 6-1 victory against Flint Powers in the finals of the Goodrich

> Division 2 district on Monday afternoon. The Eagles' tougher contest of the day came in the semifinals where it took eight innings

### CAMERON CONOVER

Photo by: Mark Bolen

for Linden to earn a 2-1 victory against Lake Fenton.

Linden (30-10) continues into regional play on Saturday against Freeland at 10 a.m. The winner of that semifinal game will play in the regional championship contest against either Essexville Garber or Birch Run at about 2 p.m.

"It's really special," said senior Austin Buerkel, who was the winning pitcher in the victory against Powers. "This group of guys, who

**INSIDE SPORTS** 

**STATE TRACK** 

Read about the tri-county track athletes competing at their state meets. See Page 10 we have been with the last three years, has been amazing.

"We've come at it confidently every game. I think we have that level of intensity and confidence in ourselves. We are not cocky, but we think we can do it."

Buerkel came within an out of tossing a no-hitter in the championship game. As it was, he pitched a one-hitter, walking two, hitting one batter and striking out none.

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🕢 ONLINE EXCLUSIVES

> Catch Tuesday night's Fenton regional semifinal results at tctimes.com.

### FENTON SOFTBALL LOSES TO LAKELAND IN DISTRICTS, 8-4

The Fenton varsity softball team trailed once, tied the game when it was resumed on Monday, but then fell behind again, resulting in an 8-4 Division 1 district loss to Lakeland at Hartland High School on Monday.

The game began on Saturday, with Lakeland scoring three runs in the second and one in the third, capturing a 4-0 lead. However, a single run in the fourth cut the margin to 4-1. And when rains suspended the contest in the top of the fifth, Fenton had scored another run and still had the bases loaded with one out. On Monday, when the game resumed, Logan Carter hit a sacrifice fly and Taylor Mowery hit an RBI-single, tying the contest at 4-all. However, Lakeland scored three more runs in the fifth inning, taking the lead for good.

Emma Brant and Mowery had two hits each to lead Fenton's offense. Rianna Koteles hit a two-run home run in the bottom of the fifth to give Lakeland the lead again for good.

# **Devils capture district crown**

Porritt's goal leads LF to regional semis

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Durand** — Kuristin Porritt has never been able to play during the postseason during her Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer career.

Injuries have prevented her from being able to play her freshman and sophomore years. The Blue Devils are herpy

The Blue Devils are happy the junior striker is able to play in the postseason this season.

Porritt scored the game-winning goal on a free kick from about 25 yards out with 15:43 remaining in regulation, leading the Blue Devils to a Division 3 district championship victory against Williamston on Saturday at Durand High School. The win means Lake Fenton will face Flint Powers Catholic in the regional semifinals at Williamston High School today at 7 p.m. The winner of that contest will face either Jackson Lumen Christi or Leslie in Friday's final at 7 p.m.

Porritt's goal was her 30th of the season.

"I kind of wanted to put it in



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I DAVID TROPPENS

The Lake Fenton varsity girls soccer team celebrates seconds after defeating Williamston 1-0 in a district final contest at Durand High School on Wednesday.

the top corner," Porritt said. "It went there, but it went over her head. She guessed it right and it just tipped off her fingers, hit off the crossbar and backed in. It was unbelievable. I was praying my first attempt (earlier in the game) would go in, but she made an amazing save. The second shot went in and I knew that was it. I knew it was the game. I knew we had it."

Porritt was given some words of encouragement before the winning shot.

"I told her this is going to be See DEVILS on 10

### Tigers moving to regionals, defeat Linden

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

When the Fenton varsity girls soccer team lost to Linden 5-0 in what ended up being the Metro League championship game a few weeks ago, Fenton coach Matt Sullivan didn't think the score indicated the true nature of the game. He thought his Tigers could've won if the bounces happened to go his team's way.

On Friday, the bounces did go the Tigers' way as Fenton avenged the Metro See **REGIONALS** on 11



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** KLARI FREDERICK Fenton's Chloee Foor (front) and Linden's Elizabeth Walterhouse battle for a ball in the Tigers' 3-1 victory.



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Linden's Alexa Marsh

swings at a pitch in

the Eagles' 6-0 loss to

softball falls

in title game

vs. Goodrich

Goodrich — The Linden

varsity softball team's quest

for a D2 district title ended at

a district semifinal contest

against Lake Fenton in thrill-

ing fashion by a 6-5 score,

the Eagles' defense and bats

struggled against Goodrich,

resulting in a 6-0 district title

title game convincingly, with

a batter reaching base on an

error and a two-run home

run during the first two plate

appearances of the contest.

Goodrich also scored four

more runs in the third inning

on four singles and two Lin-

Although Linden had

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Two days after winning

**By David Troppens** 

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Goodrich on Monday.

Goodrich.

Linden

TROPPENS

# Fenton's Hall, Holly 3,200 relay bring home All-State honors

### Eagles have strong showing at D2 meet

By David Troppens dtroppens@tctimes.com

The tri-county area had five performers leave the Division 1 state track and field meet with All-State medals on Saturday.

One came in an individual event, while the other came in a relay.

The individual person was Fenton sophomore Maddie Hall.

Hall competed in the long jump at the Division 1 state meet at Rockford High School and placed sixth in the event with a leap of 16-0 1/2. Hall already owns the school record in the long jump.

The other competitors to earn All-State honors were member of Holly's boys 3,200 relay team — Dino Vivanco, Zac Felix, Curtis Cooley and Blake Staffne. The team placed eighth in the event with a school-record time of 7:55.74.

Holly had six other individual performances at Rockford High school. Emily Alvarado was the only one to compete in two individual events. The senior completed her prep career by placing 12th in the discus (105-4) and 18th in the shot put (36-3 1/2).

Dakota Thorington came painfully close to earning all-state honors in the shot put. The senior finished in ninth place with a throw of 145-1. The top eight performers in each event earn All-State recognition.

Staffne also found himself in two events. Along with the state relay team, he performed in the 800 meter run, posting a 23rdplace time of 2:02.74. Dakota

The other Holly performers at the state meet were Javon Barr, 16th in the preliminaries of the 100 dash (11.32); and Nate Frasier, 14th in the 3,200 run

(9:25.30).

Finally, the Fenton Tigers had one more participant at the state meet. It was junior Jacob Lee, who placed 21st in the 3,200 run (9:37.23).

### Linden at Division 2 state meet

The Eagles had many participants compete at the D2 state meet held at Zeeland, with many earning personal-best records.

Perhaps the biggest highlight came in the girls 300 hurdles. Freshman Madison Piet came within one placing of earning All-State honors by earning ninth with a time of 47.08 seconds. Just behind her was sophomore teammate Alia Frederick, who took 10th with a time of 47.14 seconds. The top eight performers in each

event earn All-State recognition. Piet's time was a personal-best.

Frederick's day wasn't done. She also competed in the 100 hurdles, taking 21st place (16.77). Savannah Ferrara completed her Linden prep career in style, earning a personal-best time of 11:45.67 in the 3,200 run. The final Linden female to compete at the state meet was Taylor Ganger, placing 18th in the 1,600

run (5:33.57). The Linden boys had performers in four events. The squad's top perfor-See ALL-STATE

on 11







TRI-COUNTY TIMES I KLARI FREDERICK

(Top) Fenton's Maddie Hall competes in the long jump during a past meet. Hall earned All-State honors at the D1 state meet held at Rockford High School on Saturday. (Above left) Linden's Madison Piet placed ninth in the 300 hurdles, while Linden's 400 relay team (above right) placed 12th. Pictured here is Cade Dickson handing off to Jacob Cox.

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your 30th goal, so you better put it in," senior Kaitlyn Begley said.

Porritt did. From that point on, the Blue Devils held on as Williamston tried to find an equalizer, but to no avail.

Early in the game, the Blue Devils looked like they were going to score a few times, hitting two crossbars and having another situation where a ball was cleared off of Williamston's goal line. However, as the first half continued, Williamston started taking control. Williamston enjoyed most of the possession during the first half, but the defense — led by keeper Emily Moore and defenders Alexis Cash, Mackenzie Rampy, Abbey Rhodes and Julie Craig — kept the opposition from scoring.

"We all had faith in ourselves," Moore said. "We wanted it way more. And we constantly talked to each other and kept encouraging each other. We never gave up. That's a downfall for most teams. They get mad and frustrated with each other. We don't. We just reinforce each other and remain positive." Once halftime came, the Blue Devils took over. Porritt had two good chances before her goal. One came on what was a partial breakaway. With a defender near her, she took a shot, but the ball was saved. And then, about four minutes later, she had a direct kick from about 30 yards which was saved.



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I DAVID TROPPENS Lake Fenton's Alexis Cash dribbles with the ball in the Blue Devils' 1-0 win against Williamston.



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The only run he allowed came in the seventh on an RBI-single by Matt Wiskur.

'It was in the back of my mind," Buerkel admitted about the thoughts of pitching a no-hitter. "I tried to go out there, not knowing. I was throwing strikes and kept pounding the zone. This year I've been rocking a lot of strike outs and I don't think I had a single strike out (today). I was pitching to contact and getting ahead of the count. Those were the biggest keys to my success today."

Meanwhile, the Eagles' offense scored two runs in the third to take the lead for good. Bailey Davis and Buerkel had singles. Jake Marshall had a sacrifice bunt, and Davis scored on Brady Sarkon's sacrifice fly. Marshael Ryan followed with an RBI-single. Linden led 2-0.

The Eagles added four in the top of the seventh. The key shot was a Davis RBIsingle, followed by an RBI-bunt single by Buerkel. Kevin Bates and Brady Sarkon also had singles during the stanza, while Ryan walked with the bases loaded.

In the opener, Linden and Lake Fenton were stuck in a pitchers' duel among the hurlers who competed in the game. It started with Linden's Rvan and Lake Fenton's Brandon Bacon, and it continued with Trevor Wright for Lake Fenton and Marshall for Linden.

The Eagles got the game-winning run in the bottom of the eighth. With two out, Chris Kitch singled, Travis Petts walked and Kevin Bates singled, loading the bases. Banasiak faced a 1-0 pitch and struck it for a game-winning single to center.

I just wanted to hit the ball hard, somewhere," Banasiak said. "It's so special. It's my senior year and I'm not playing college

TRI-COUNTY TIMES I MARK BOLEN

Linden varsity baseball coach Steve Buerkel gets doused by the water bucket just minutes after the Eagles' Division 2 district championship victory against Powers.

ball, so this means a lot to me."

Linden took a 1-0 lead in the third when Marshall and Sarkon walked. Adouble-steal put them on second and third, and Marshall scored on a pitch that bounced in the dirt in front of the plate. He instinctively ran and scored.

"I got a good read on it," Marshall said. "I had the feeling he was going to throw something in the dirt because it was something like an 0-2 count. I was on my toes and got a good jump. ... It worked out."

erts completed his prep career by placing

17th in the shot put (46-1), while Kyle Ko-

boys track and field coach Nick Doug-

lass said. "The kids had fun competing in

that environment. Though I am sure they

would have rather placed a little higher

than they did in their respective events, the

kids have no reason to hang their heads.

Simply competing in that meet says a lot

about your abilities."

"States was a great experience," Linden

rman was 26th in the discus (118-2).

Cameron Conover hit an RBI-single, tying the game at 1-all. Ryan tossed the first 62/3 innings, scattering seven hits and four walks, allowing just the run. Marshall earned the win by tossing

> the final 1 1/3 innings. Bacon pitched four innings of one-run ball, striking out seven. Wright allowed

one run over 3 2/3 innings, striking out six.

Lake Fenton (14-12) scored its run in the

fourth. With one out, Dakota Holzwarth

and Nick Mermuys singled. An out later,

REGIONALS

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League championship loss by defeating Linden 3-1 in the Division 2 Brandon district title game.

"I didn't see many differences at all between the two games," Sullivan said. "The first game's score was not symbolic of what the game could've been. We got the bounces this time and we won."

The win placed the Tigers into the Division 2 regional tournament at Farmington Hills Harrison High School Tuesday against another Metro foe, Clio. To find out Tuesday's results go to tctimes.com.

The Tigers trailed 1-0 after Linden's Alia Frederick scored on a penalty kick with about 11 minutes left in the first half. However, Fenton responded just about a minute later when Brennan Sullivan scored on a free kick from about 35 yards out, tying the contest at 1-all.

"It was huge," Matt Sullivan said about scoring so quickly after Linden's PK goal. "We weren't down after their PK. I thought we responded well."

The Tigers scored the game's only two goals during the second half. The game-winning goal was provided by Chloee Foor off a rebound shot with about 29 minutes left. Carly Granger provided some breathing room about nine minutes later when she scored on a header off a corner kick attempt.

In net, Abbey Quesnelle collected 10 saves, earning the victory against the Tigers' biggest rivals.



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mance came in the 400-meter relay where Ryan Young, Mike Gold, Cade Dickson and Jacob Cox placed 12th with a time of 44.46 seconds. The Eagles also had their 3,200 relay team of Mikey Varacalli, Andy Bennett, Nick McDonald and Conor Sproule compete. They placed 22nd with a time of 8:23.07.

Linden's two other state competitors were senior field performers. Andy Rob-

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seven hits, the Eagles (14-24) never scored in the contest. The best chance came in the sixth when singles by Molly Churches and Liz Rakowski and a walk to Megan Klavitter loaded the bases with two out. However, a strike out ended that threat.

Rakowski and Churches had two hits each to lead Linden's offense.

'We played in a lot of close games and some extra-inning games," Linden coach Gordon Jamison said. "I am hoping that getting into the district final is something to build on for next year. We are losing only one starter to graduation."

The Eagles earned their spot in the district title game by defeating area rivals and GAC Red champions Lake Fenton 6-5 in the district semifinal round on Saturday, before the rains cancelled the rest of the tourney.

Linden trailed 5-3 entering the bottom of the seventh inning, but a one-out walk to Cayla Wierenga was followed by an RBIdouble from Sterling DeGayner. That cut the lead to 5-4. Rhiannon Morse followed with her own run-producing double, tying the contest. Molly Churches followed Morse with a walk-off RBI-single, her second walk-off hit of the season.

The victory was Linden's second win against a conference champion in recent weeks. The Eagles also defeated Metro champions Brandon during the late portion of the regular season.

Wierenga had a double in the opening inning, and scored Linden's first run. Megan Klavitter doubled and scored a run. Morse had the single, plating Klavitter. Alexa Marsh was the winning pitcher, allowing eight hits and two walks. She struck out two.

Lake Fenton's Melody Draeger reached base twice, providing a double, a single and two runs scored. Allison Petts had a tworun triple in the sixth, putting Lake Fenton (27-12) up 5-2 at the time. Erin Ezell had two hits. Kim Roe struck out 10, but allowed seven hits and three walks, taking the loss.

"We didn't capitalize on our scoring opportunities like we normally do, and in turn, Linden was left close enough to win," Lake Fenton coach Amos Rinks said.

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JUNE 4-6TH. THURSDAY/FRIDAY, 8-5P.M., SATURDAY, 8-12P.M. 2473 Shiawassee Ave., The Freedom Center. Huge church wide garage sale. Furniture, electronics, clothing, baby items, etc.





JUNE 4TH, 10-7P.M., JUNE 5TH, 10-2P.M. Council Catholic Women huge rummage sale! St. Johns Activity Center, Adelaide Street. Do Not Miss!



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JUNE 4-6TH, THURSDAY-SATURDAY, 9-3P.M. 1424 St. Lawrence Court.

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JUNE 4-5TH, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 9-6P.M. 11561 Sharp Road. Multi-family sale! Household, electronics, DVD's, appliances, furniture.

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JUNE 4-6TH, 9-4P.M. Linden River Oaks Hollow Subdivision, off Silver Lake Road and River Oaks Boulevard. Neighborhood Garage Sale.



### JUNE 4-6TH,

9A.M. 220 Kathy Circle. Lost our storage! Huge Sale! Too much to list! Furniture, household goods, glassware, baby and child items, tons of motocross (helmets, clothing and more), Honda dirt bike, pocket rockets, mini mx bikes, quad ATV (needs attention) CD's books, paintball gear, and more!



JUNE 5-6TH, FRIDAY, 8-3P.M., SATURDAY, 9-1P.M. 16198 Pine Lake Forest Court.

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### Linden



JUNE 5-7TH, 9-6P.M. 6406 Silver Lake Rd. Infant clothes, furniture, kitchen items and miscellaneous.



#### JUNE, 4-6TH, THURSDAY-SATURDAY, 9-5P.M.

16115 Scenic View Drive. Multi-family yard sale. Furniture, home goods, clothes and lots more. All items clean and working.



JUNE 4-6TH, 9-5P.M. 13179 Old Oaks Drive. Two family downsizing, 45 years of antiques, furniture, housewares, and tools.



JUNE 5-6TH, 8-3P.M. White Lake Rd. west to Chriswood to Longmeadow. Multifamily subdivision sale. Tovs. clothes. household, miscellaneous.



**Paul H. Sharp** 1930-2015 Paul H. Sharp - age 84,

of Linden, died Sunday, May 31, 2015 at Genesys Health Park. Services will be held



June 5, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Pastor John White officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Visitation will be held 2-4 and 6-9 PM Thursday at

the funeral home. Paul was born December 20, 1930 on the family farm in Mundy Twp., the son of Charles Leroy "Roy" and Louisa (Ripley) Sharp. He was a veteran of the Korean War serving in the U.S. Air Force. Paul married Donna Daniel on June 7, 1952 and she preceded him in death on September 18, 2009. He retired from General Motors Truck and Bus in 1979 after 30 years of service. Paul enjoyed woodworking and fishing. He loved his family and is survived by: two sons. Steven (Joni) Sharp of Linden, Dennis Sharp of Gaines; seven grandchildren, Sara, Brent, Cari (Chad), Tiffany (Will), Brandon, Jessica and Courtney; greatgranddaughter, Madison; brother, Dean Sharp; sister-in-law, Annabelle Sharp; several nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Elston Sharp. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com



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Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

# HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Choosing to work with someone you once thought might have been disloyal is a courageous move. The logical next step is to talk things out so there'll be no reason for raising suspicions again.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Take your time making a decision about a personal or work-related relationship. New facts are still coming in, and you'll want to know the full story before you take a definitive step.

#### GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Expect to learn something new about an old problem. This could provide some insight into how the problem began, and why it still defies efforts to find a resolution. Good luck

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An uneasy work-related relationship can be eased with compromises by both sides. The parties might consider putting the agreed-upon changes in writing in case of a future misunderstanding.

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LEO (July 23 to August 22) Oh, you lucky Felines: Your romantic aspects are in absolutely purrfect form. Don't be surprised at how especially attentive the ladies and gentlemen in your life are going to be this week

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Looking to prove yourself in a difficult situation is laudable. But try paying more attention to advice from experienced contacts. It could help you avoid time-wasting missteps.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business decision seems easy enough to make based on what you know. But this week could bring new facts to light, and you might have to do some heavy rethinking

### SCORPIO (October 23 to

November 21) Feeling sure about the steps you expect to take is great. But you may need to share a few dollops of that confidence with those who have some doubts about your plans.

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### SAGITTARIUS (November 22

to December 21) A sense of well-being dominates much of the week. A slightly depressed mood could set in on the weekend. But being with family and friends helps shoo it away.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You appear to be walking your life's path like the sure-footed Goat you are. But someone might feel you could do better. Listen to the advice, but make up your own mind.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With positive signs growing stronger, Aquarians could find themselves facing choices that are each too good to turn down. Best advice: Go for the one you feel most comfortable with.

### PISCES (February 19 to March

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20) Someone you know might need your comfort and wisdom during a particularly difficult period. Your encouraging words help restore self-confidence and rebuild strength.

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