

# Two apply for Fenton's interim superintendent job

■ Board office executive director and high school principal have applied

By Vera Hogan

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Monday was the deadline for those interested in applying for the interim superintendent position in Fenton Area Public Schools.

Two applicants will be interviewed at the July 13 Board of Education meeting. According to Board President Drew Shapiro, Dr. Doug Busch, executive director of personnel  
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“When we get to the point of hiring a permanent superintendent, a more formal search will take place...”

Drew Shapiro

Fenton school board president



## Mild, not wild, Fourth of July celebration on Lake Fenton



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“I love being out there seeing all the American flags,” said Derek Springer of Fenton. “I feel so lucky to live in the greatest country on earth. It’s awesome to see everyone celebrating it.” Springer stood on top of his pontoon for a photo on July 4, at the popular party at The Point on Lake Fenton. The party has a raucous reputation, but property owner Bill Clark said the crowd has been mild versus wild. Three Genesee County Sheriff’s deputies were on hand, and a private security company checked names at the entrance of Clark’s property.

### Kmart closing? ‘It’s not true’

By Sally Rummel

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Kmart has been closing stores throughout the U.S. and in neighboring communities, but the Kmart in Fenton isn’t one of them.

That’s the word from local store manager Marie Susalla,

who has been squelching rumors about the store since she became manager three years ago.

“It’s not true,” she said. “I haven’t heard anything about closing from corporate. I’ve been at this store for three

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“If everyone keeps shopping here, we aren’t going to close.”

Marie Susalla  
Store manager of  
Fenton Kmart

### No major incidents over holiday weekend

■ Noise complaints, thefts, alcohol, drugs keep police busy at steady pace

By Sharon Stone  
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Residents in the tri-county area could not have asked for better weather to celebrate Independence Day and all of the Fourth of

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“I would like to just say, whoever was responsible for the fireworks on Friday night, July 3, they were absolutely beautiful and very enjoyable. Thank you very much.”

“I truly wish Fenton would re-think their fireworks policy — 1 a.m. is simply way too late to be shooting off extremely loud fireworks in a residential area. Kids are trying to sleep and some have to work in the morning.”

“Reading on page four, looking at what the King has to say, that looks pretty hateful as well. I don’t see anything on there that’s positive.”

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OF THE WEEK**

“The worst thing that ever happened to America was Facebook. It’s tearing my family apart. I am so glad I don’t have it. Thank you.”



# Community park on hold for now

## ■ Fenton Township not selected for grant

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Fenton Township was not selected to receive a \$433,100 grant applied for from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund in March of 2014.

Had the grant monies been awarded, the township planned to use the money to create a 34-acre park on Thompson Road, near Wiggins.

"The park is still planned for that property, although without any current funding the project is kind of on the back burner right now," said Tom Broecker,

operations manager and deputy clerk.

The property went into foreclosure in 2010 and turning it into a park was proposed in 2012. The property was part of a 144-home planned subdivision from 2007. But the subdivision never happened because of the economy's downturn. Ownership of the parcel eventually reverted to the township after the taxes on it weren't paid.

Multiple soccer fields, baseball diamonds, a basketball court, playground, splash pad, sledding hill, amphitheater and a walking path were some of the ideas included in the proposed park's site development plan.

When township officials agreed to apply for the grant, some nearby residents expressed concerns about the infrastructure for park roads and

drainage, which were not included in the plans.

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**Tom Broecker**  
Fenton Township operations  
manager/deputy clerk

Had the grant been awarded, Fenton Township would have had to come up with \$133,100 in local funds. Trustee Shaun Shumaker had said the value of the land could be used to meet that local match.

The park was estimated to cost about \$500,000 and would be paid for through donated money and in-kind services from the community. Officials

said no township funds were to be spent on the project.

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## Police&Fire report

### SHOPLIFTER CAUGHT, ARRESTED

At 6 p.m. on June 29, Fenton police responded to a retail fraud complaint in the 3700 block of Owen Road. The loss prevention employee said a male had stolen a Pioneer car stereo. The employee said the man drove away in a silver Chevrolet Impala and provided the license plate number to police. A responding officer spotted the car on Silver Parkway and initiated a traffic stop. Contact was made with the driver, a 20-year-old Mt. Morris resident. The driver denied stealing anything, however, the officer saw the \$150 Pioneer car stereo that was reported stolen in plain view on the back seat of the car. The driver was arrested and transported to the police station for processing.

### FENTON MAN'S TRAILER, LAWN EQUIPMENT STOLEN

At 9:40 a.m. on June 29, Fenton police responded to a home on Wood Street to investigate a theft. The 55-year-old victim told police he had parked his 12-foot, white enclosed cargo trailer in his driveway the previous night but noticed it was missing in the morning. He said he was home the entire time and did not hear or see anything suspicious. Inside the trailer were two Exmark zero-turn lawnmowers, two RedMax blowers and several trimmers. Value of the equipment is \$2,700 and the trailer is \$4,500. The victim provided the VIN of the trailer to police on June 30. Police Chief Rick Aro said a state trooper in Shiawassee County reported an abandoned trailer on Cronk Road near Byron prior to the trailer's VIN being entered into the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN). After the trooper learned that the trailer he saw earlier might be the one reported stolen, he returned to the trailer, which was still parked along the road. All of the maintenance equipment had been stolen from the trailer. The trooper had the trailer towed for safekeeping. The case remains under investigation.

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Fenton's July 4th parade took a different route this year due to the downtown Streetscape project. The parade traveled Shiawassee Avenue and Adelaide Street instead. The Fenton Freedom Festival was unaffected by the construction, using every bit of the lawn behind the Fenton Community and Cultural Center for activities. These included the Rubber Duck Regatta, crafts for sale, music and, of course, barbecued chicken. **See more photos and fireworks video online at [tctimes.com](http://tctimes.com)**



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**Bill Press**

### Time to bury the death penalty

For tradition, ritual, dignity and decorum, there's nothing like the United States Supreme Court. And, believe me, it wasn't easy. I could walk into the Oval Office with less difficulty.

Even with a ticket, you have to go through seven security checks, and be admonished twice about not talking or showing any sign of support or opposition before being escorted into the courtroom.

But, once inside the court any hopes the court was beginning to lean left were dashed the moment Justice Samuel Alito read the panel's 5-4 ruling on the death penalty.

This case stemmed from a 2014 incident in Oklahoma's death chamber when a condemned prisoner suddenly began to rise from the gurney to which he was strapped. In response, four death penalty inmates sued the state of Oklahoma, contending that the Eighth Amendment of the Constitution bans cruel and unusual punishment. Their case made it all the way to the nation's highest court.

Writing for five conservative justices, Alito denied the prisoners' petition. Alito had no sooner sat back in his chair than Justice Sonia Sotomayor leapt to her microphone with a scathing dissent joined by all four progressives on the court.

But it was Justice Stephen Breyer who sounded the loudest trumpet of the day. Breyer chastised the court for not going far enough. It's not enough to consider the legality of lethal injection, they argued. There's a bigger fish to fry.

In a powerful 46-page dissent, complete with charts and maps, Breyer and Ginsburg laid forth all the problems with administration of capital punishment today. Its application is highly uneven, and varies according to race, income, gender, and what state the crime is committed in. And it's subject to long delays. The average wait between sentencing and actual execution is 18 years, at great cost to taxpayers.

For all these reasons, Breyer and Ginsburg concluded, it's the court's duty to decide a more basic question: 'whether the death penalty violates the Constitution.'

And, of course, they're right. We long ago consigned the electric chair to history. It's time to put the death penalty there, too.

**FOR ALL THE** money you've paid your high-priced attorney to try and steal the park on Margaret Drive, you could have bought a huge house anywhere else on the lake. You reap what you sow.

**NOW THAT WE** have the Marriage Equality Act, a man is marrying his second wife in Montana. Lawyers are already saying these laws will not be able to be enforced. Another man is marrying his son. Now that we've totally redefined what marriage is, anything goes.

**LET'S TAKE DOWN** the Confederate flag and raise the rainbow? The Confederate flag is a part of the nation's history. Because one little insane jerk goes ballistic on a church, now every country in the world has to tear down the flag. What if he was supporting the American flag, would we tear them down?

**TRUMP TELLS THE** truth. Are you afraid of the truth? We need a president that is for us, the people, and for the people. Happy July Fourth! God bless America.

**I CAN'T BELIEVE** how another parent could brainwash a child, but I guess if the money's involved, then that's everything to that child.

**WILL THE STREETSCAPE** people please clean up the flowerpots in front of the restaurant. They need flowers, not weeds.

**FENTON TOWNSHIP, SHAME** on you. My trash hasn't been picked up. My wife and I are both handicapped. It's been five days before we got our new cans, and they expect us to dig all the

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trash out and now I got a can sitting out there that they won't pick up.

**I WOULD PAY** \$10 more per month for the Tri-County Times if they would print a weekly TV guide. Thank you.

**WOULD SOME OF** you conservatives who hate liberals, please define exactly what you think a liberal is? I need to know so I can avoid making you kind people angry with me.

**I WOULD LIKE** to comment on Street Talk about Donald Trump. America is a country, not a business. You run it differently. There are things that have to be done for a country that businesses don't have to worry about.

**THIS IS ABOUT** the fireworks, about the three-day usage. Not 12 months, three days and that sounds like illegal ones and I know the Fenton police are about sick of it.

**I'M CURIOUS IF** there are any chickens in town. My neighbor's have some and I'm in the city.

**I'M SITTING HERE** reading Welcome to the New America by the King and I think he bugged my house because I've been saying the same thing for I don't know how long. I'm glad someone had the nerve to publish what is really actually happening. I totally agree with his last statement.

**IF GAY PEOPLE** want to be in parades, that's OK. But to disgrace the American flag with stars and rainbow stripes is not being American.

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FROM THE RIGHT  
NATIONALLY SYNDICATED

**Cal Thomas**

### The Pope, the globe and the facts

The media and the secular left have a love-hate relationship with the Roman Catholic Church and its popes. When the pope takes positions with which they agree, they applaud him, but when he takes positions with which they disagree, they either ignore or criticize him.

Such is the case with Pope Francis' encyclical on 'climate change.' The Washington Post gave it editorial praise, stating in a front-page headline that it 'poses a dilemma for 2016 GOP hopefuls.' Since Francis included abortion along with 'climate change' in his argument that the environment and life at all stages has value and is in need of protection, one might ask why the secular left and media don't think that's a problem for Democratic presidential hopefuls?

Pope Francis accepts as a matter of scientific doctrine that the Earth is warming and that humans are responsible for it. Yet near the end of the encyclical, he confesses that 'the Church does not presume to settle scientific questions or to replace politics.' Which is it?

Marc Morano responded on [climatepot.com](http://climatepot.com):

The Pope is clearly endorsing a specific UN political climate treaty and essentially declaring he is on a mission from God to support a UN climate treaty. The UN claimed in 1982 and 1989 we had reached environmental tipping points.

Let's not forget some of the many embarrassingly wrong predictions that have been made about global warming. An ABC News special in 2008 predicted New York City would be underwater by this year and that gasoline would cost \$9 a gallon and milk \$13 a gallon because of 'global warming.' In the 1960s and '70s, media giants such as Newsweek, Time, Life and National Geographic were convinced the globe was cooling and we were in danger of a 'new Ice Age.'

In his encyclical, Francis calls for 'an honest and open debate so that particular interests or ideologies will not prejudice the common good.'

I'm for that, but Francis has already reached his conclusion without debate. In doing so, he has joined disciples of the environmental cult.

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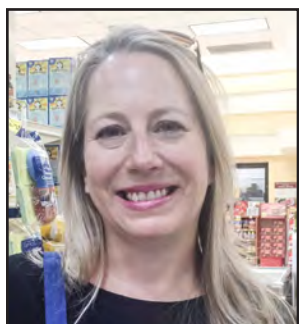
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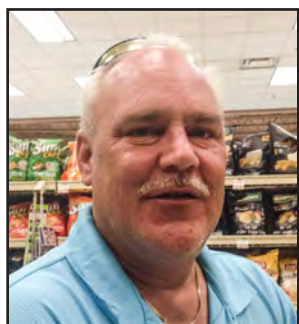
## Do you believe in horoscopes?

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"I somewhat believe. I believe that there is a pull on emotions with the lunar cycles but I think that they are generic."

— Jill Dean, Fenton Township



"Absolutely. If I look at it, my horoscope falls in place with my life most of the time."

— Rob Kurzawa  
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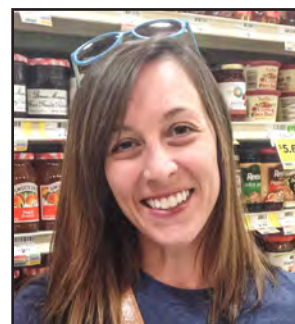
"No, because it is against my religion."

— Shirley Book  
Fenton



"No, because I believe that you make your own fate."

— Sandra DeWitt  
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"Yes because mine covers mine to a T."

— Shannon Hojna  
Holly



"Not really, because they are never right for me."

— Gloria Glennie  
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ArtWalk isn't just art for sale — there is also music, and live art being produced on the street.

## Fenton ArtWalk celebrates fifth year

■ Downtown to be filled with arts, culture, music and more

The fifth annual Fenton ArtWalk will be held on Saturday, July 11, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in downtown Fenton. The Lakes Area Visual Artists return to show artwork and host family activities by the river at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center (FCCC) on LeRoy Street.

There also will be art competitions and an opening reception on Friday, July 10, from 7 to 9 p.m. at FCCC to kick off the event.

Music will be offered by Triplicity Piano Trio, and light refreshments will be available while strolling the exhibit and meeting the artists the night before the big day.

The Fenton ArtWalk offers another way to experience downtown shopping, dining and entertainment. Visitors will be able to vote for their favorite merchant window décor on the city of Fenton's Facebook page. They also can vote for their top picks for Artsy Hat Prize, Fine Art Exhibit, and Billmeier Camera Photo Contest at the FCCC.

Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation and Fenton Community & Cultural Center will host family activities by the river.

Fenton's Jack R. Winegarten Library will open its doors to ArtWalk again this

year, and invites kids of all ages to create a duct tape craft.

The Fenton United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church will also host artists.

ArtWalk will run from The Laundry at the corner of Shiawassee and Adelaide in Dibbleville, north on LeRoy to the Biggby Coffee and Kimberly Kay Furniture near The Fenton Hotel.

Merchants and businesses throughout the downtown and surrounding areas will be offering special activities for visitors of all ages.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to stop by the information booth in front of Fenton City Hall and pick up a map to help navigate downtown Fenton and experience it to the fullest.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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### WHERE AND WHEN

Fenton ArtWalk 2015 will be held Saturday, July 11, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in downtown Fenton. Admission and entertainment are free. It will take place after the 14th annual Bastille Day Race, hosted by The Laundry, from 7:45 to 10 a.m.

## News briefs

### Deadline for seminary demolition bids extended

Because bidders had additional questions, the deadline to receive bids to demolish the seminary at High Street and State Road in Fenton has been extended a second time, to July 14, according to Assistant City Manager Mike Burns. The city didn't get any takers the first time bid proposals were sent out, resulting in an extension until June 30. The decision to tear down the 147-year-old structure was made earlier this spring. Because the 10,000-square-foot building, built in 1868, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1983, city officials decided earlier this year to ask the experts to determine whether the building could be restored, or if it should be demolished. The seminary sustained significant damage during a rainstorm with high winds in November 2013. The subsequent harsh winters of 2013-2015 resulted in further destruction of the deteriorating building, which is now in near ruins. The structure has collapsed completely on the east side, and rooms on all three floors are exposed. The engineering study resulted in a recommendation to demolish the building, salvaging as much of the ornate items and materials that can be repurposed as possible.

## Notes of thanks

### 'Fire it up for our veterans'

We have completed the fundraiser and the kitchen stoves. We began this fundraiser in October 2014. We formed a committee of the VFW Post, the Ladies Auxiliary and the Men's Auxiliary. We took right off and began receiving donations, and suggestions. We grew fast and did a lot of hard work. We wanted new stoves and ovens for the kitchen as that is where we do our work to earn funds to do our programs to aid and assist our Veterans, their families, our communities and our members. We continued on with a raffle, and auctions. We received money donations, and great items for the auction from people and businesses. We ordered the new 10-burner stove, double ovens and one fryer on March 30. We were so excited to be able to do this and follow up with the installation. With our cleaning crew, the kitchen has never looked so good. We passed our inspection on June 4, and could hardly wait to begin cooking again. We can't thank everyone enough for all of the donations, time, and assistance to complete the entire process. Fish Fry will begin again on August 14, so come on in and check out our new kitchen.

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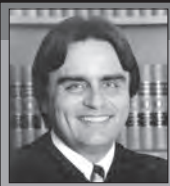


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### The new DNA law

It is a well-known fact that all of us have certain distinguishable characteristics that set us apart from almost everyone else in the world.

For example, it has long been said we all have unique fingerprints and this has never been scientifically disproved. This is true even for identical twins. Of course, there is a human element involved with matching fingerprints although this has been helped greatly by the use of national fingerprint databanks and computers.

So too with the uniqueness of our deoxyribonucleic acid or DNA. Without getting overly technical, DNA is the so-called biological instruction that each of us is given to allow us to grow, survive and reproduce. It is found in all living organisms. The 'packaged' form of DNA is called a chromosome and is described in visual terms as being two stranded in the shape of a twisted ladder. A much more detailed description of DNA is available at the National Institute of Health National Human Genome Research Institute web site.

Since all of us have unique DNA (with the possible exception of identical twins), DNA matching or exclusion has become one of the most recognized tools in solving crimes whenever identification is an issue.

Since 1994, Michigan has had the 'DNA Identification Profile System Act' and the collection of DNA samples for those convicted of certain crimes has been an invaluable databank resource both on the state and national levels.

The success of DNA analysis has now led to a new law effective July 1, 2015, which provides that individuals arrested for any felony, or if a juvenile an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult, must provide a DNA sample to law enforcement unless there is already one on file with the Michigan State Police. Certain misdemeanor convictions continue to require a DNA sample. There are other new provisions, which I won't detail here.

One final note on identical twins, a newly developed test at the Eurofins Laboratory in Ebersberg Germany may be able to determine DNA differences in identical twins. We will have to wait and see if this test is accepted by the courts.

# Mosquitoes be gone

■ Fenton City budgets \$40,000 annually for spraying

By Hannah Ball

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Mosquitoes are a summer menace, but Linden, Fenton Township, and Fenton City pay for a mosquito control program through Advanced Pest Management (APM), located in Flint.

Many Fenton residents already know about the mosquito spraying service, where an APM crew will come at night and fog the yard. Although, concerns have been raised about the safety of the product.

This Biomist 4+4 ULV (ultra-low volume) is 4-percent permethrin and used to kill adult mosquitoes.

"It's permethrin based, which is the same product that we use to get rid of fleas on dogs," said owner of APM, Tamara Seago. A higher percent of permethrin is found in medicine to get rid of lice for humans. APM uses about 1-3 ounces of Biomist to one acre.

"If you take a shot glass and fill it half full, that would be the amount of active ingredient that would get sprayed in a football field," Seago said. "The chemical hangs in the air, then comes down, and

kills the mosquitoes as they're flying."

The Biomist is toxic to aquatic organisms, like fish and vertebrates.

"It's very toxic to bees," she said. However, she added that one local farmer has them spray through the middle of his farm, around many bees, and the product hasn't harmed them.

APM advises keeping children away from these products, but it's unlikely contact will happen.

"What we do with the permethrin, you're not going to have a kid exposed to it," Seago said, adding that residents usually close the windows before APM sprays. "We don't spray that close to the house. Typically, it won't go in the windows."

There must be 2,000 milligrams per kilogram on skin for it to be toxic, and 5,000 milligrams for oral toxicity. According to the APM website, it's not likely to cause injury.

Seago said they use a New Jersey Light Trap to count the amount of female mosquitoes stuck to it before they determine what to do on a property.

The weather has to be above 55 degrees Fahrenheit, winds below 10 mph, and no rain for the company to spray.

**See MOSQUITOES on 11**

**“What we do with the permethrin, you’re not going to have a kid exposed to it.”**

**Tamara Seago**  
Advanced Pest Management owner

## SUPERINTENDENT

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and finance, and Mark Suchowski, long-time Fenton High School principal have applied for the interim position.

"We only sought internal applicants at this time," said Shapiro. "When we get to the point of hiring a permanent superintendent, a more formal search will take place and we will expect more applicants."

The search for a new interim superintendent began after former Superintendent Tim Jalkanen asked the Board of Education, at its June 22 meeting, not to renew his contract, which was set to expire in June 2016.

Jalkanen denied having been asked to resign. "No, I'm leaving voluntarily. My family and I will be pursuing other options," he said. "I live in Troy and still have two children in high school. I want to pursue other opportunities. I am, after all, still a young man."

The vote to accept the superintendent's resignation was approved, with Lynn Hopper casting the lone dissenting vote.

"Actually to me that whole vote was a vote just to be voting," Hopper said on June 24. "If someone resigns or wants to leave, there's nothing anybody can really do whether you say 'yes' or 'no.'"

"I basically said 'no' because I like the gentleman and think he was doing a good job for us," Hopper added.

Jalkanen has been seeking other opportunities for the past few months. He has been among the top contenders, interviewing for superintendent positions in the Avondale, East Detroit, Hazel Park, Romeo and Waterford school districts.

Hopper said the Fenton board knew of Jalkanen's plans to leave.

"He has been keeping us posted that he has been interviewing," he said. "He loves Fenton and loves everything about Fenton. But he wants to be closer to his family and his twin boys, and not have to drive as far as he's driving."

Shapiro said the board expects to name the person to take over that interim position by July 20.

# MICHIGAN VOTES

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### House Bill 4615: Increase gas and diesel tax

To increase gasoline and diesel fuel tax rates to 34 cents per gallon over two years, up from 19 cents and 15 cents respectively. With sales tax this would give Michigan the nation's second highest gas tax. The bill would also tax "alternative fuels" burned by vehicles at comparable levels. The Lieutenant Governor broke the tie with a "yes" vote.

### Passed 19 to 19 in the Senate

Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Dist. 14): ☒ NO  
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15): ☒ YES  
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22): ☒ NO  
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27): ☒ NO  
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32): ☒ YES

### Senate Bill 414: Earmark some income tax revenue to road repairs

To earmark \$350 million from state income tax collections to road repairs next year, and \$700 million in subsequent years. The bill also proposes a scheme to potentially roll back future income tax rates if money deposited into the "general fund" - not total state tax collections - grows faster than inflation. Note that the legislature controls the amount of these deposits, so any future rate reductions would essentially be at the discretion of each legislature, as under current law.

### Passed 27 to 11 in the Senate

Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Dist. 14): ☒ YES  
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15): ☒ YES  
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22): ☒ YES  
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27): ☒ NO  
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32): ☒ YES

### House Bill 4612: Road funding package - hybrid and electric car surtax

To impose an annual vehicle registration surtax of \$30 on gas-electric hybrid-drive cars, and \$100 on pure electric (battery) cars. Other bills in this package would tax "alternative" fuels at rates comparable to gasoline and diesel taxes.

### Passed 21 to 17 in the Senate

Sen. Dave Robertson (R-Dist. 14): ☒ NO  
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15): ☒ YES  
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22): ☒ NO  
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27): ☒ NO  
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32): ☒ YES



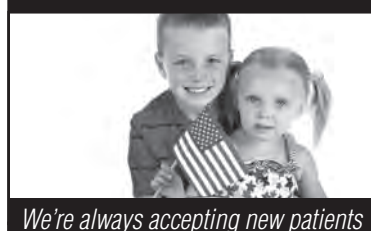
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## Garden tour explores tri-county area

■ Proceeds go to community businesses that promote gardening education

By Hannah Ball

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The Open Gate Garden Club's Summer Garden Tour takes place Sunday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in rain or shine.

This is their 18th summer garden tour, and features gardens in Linden, Holly and Fenton. Attendees will be able to ask master gardeners questions, as well as enter a raffle to win a garden bench.

Proceeds from this tour go to community projects and businesses that promote education in community gardening, said Esther Littmann, publicity chair.

"This is our major fundraiser," she said. "We do this because we do contribute to the community and to various places that ask for help. There's a lot of money for beatification. The money is spent on education."

For the tours, there are usually seven gardens chosen by the two chairwomen.

"The two chairwoman will drive by somebody's house and see someone's beautiful garden. They might try to get in touch with that person. Our standards are high and we want to make sure our visitors have the best possible



gardens available in our community," Littman said.

### SUMMARY

■ The Open Gate Garden Club's Summer Garden Tour on July 12 will feature seven local gardens.

The best part of the tour is the inspiration. "People get ideas for their garden. You're always inspired by something that's beautiful and well-maintained, even though you may not be able to do it at your own home," she said.

There are around 130 members, and most help on the tour. "People are really artists," she said. "You're not just seeing a bunch of flowers, but you're always seeing a beautiful way of displaying them."

Tickets, with maps of gardens on tour, are \$8 if purchased from a member. On the day of tour, they sell for \$10 from the Fenton Historical Society on LeRoy Street. Children 12 years of age and younger get in free with an adult. More information can be found on [opengategardenclubgardentour.com](http://opengategardenclubgardentour.com).

Tickets are also coupons for various businesses like The Laundry, Sweet Variations and Uncle Ray's Dairyland.

## INCIDENTS

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July festivities. Sunshine and temperatures hovering in the 80s made for the perfect backdrop to outdoor fun.

Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said, "all in all, it was not too bad," when describing any incidents police responded to over the weekend. A larceny from one of the fireworks tents on Silver Parkway and a driver arrested for operating a vehicle while under the influence of drugs highlighted their weekend.

At 2:56 a.m. on July 4, Fenton police responded to a fireworks tent in front of VG's on Silver Parkway when a caller reported seeing three subjects running from the tent carrying something. The individuals got into a dark colored Monte Carlo.

As an officer approached the area, they observed three white males near another fireworks tent. After the males entered a dark colored Monte Carlo, the officer initiated a traffic stop.

Initially, the driver, a 16-year-old male from Byron and the passenger, a 17-year-old male from Fowlerville denied taking anything. The officer, however, saw two large fireworks bundles in plain view on the backseat of the car, among other fireworks items.

Suspecting the teens had been drinking, a breathalyzer was administered. The 16-year-old registered a .03 and the 17-year-old registered a .20 on the breath test. Both were transported to the police station. Slater said they admitted to taking the fireworks items. The teens also identified a third individual, however, information on that person was unavailable.

The car was impounded. The 16-year-old was released, pending a petition in to probate court for possession of stolen property and consumption of alcohol.

The 17-year-old was lodged at the police station until he was sober. He was released and faces charges of possession of stolen property, consumption of alcohol and contributing to the delinquency

of a minor. He has an Aug. 31 court date.

At approximately midnight of July 4, an off-duty police officer spotted a possible drunk driver and requested an on-duty officer respond. The officer located the vehicle and arrested a 41-year-old Grand Blanc man for driving under the influence of drugs.

Slater said the police department had its fair share of noise and fireworks complaints, even while the Fenton Freedom Festival fireworks were taking place. Officers stopped several people from lighting fireworks in the parking lots along Silver Parkway. This is all private property and it is illegal for anyone to set off fireworks, without permission from owners.

Slater said those violating this law were cooperative once officers told them this was illegal. They reminded numerous people that even though they bought fireworks in the parking lots, they would need to set them off at their own home.

Holly Police Chief Michael Story said there were no critical incidents over the Fourth. "We responded to several dispatched noise complaints (fireworks) during the three-day holiday period," he said.

Story added that a 40-year-old Ortonville woman was cited for marijuana possession within Holly Village fireworks venue by a bike officer. She was issued a court appearance ticket.

Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said it was relatively quiet in Linden. "On the 4th, we backed up the parks at Clover Beach on a fight call but it was broken up by the time we arrived, and a couple of fireworks calls that checked OK," he said.

Undersheriff Chris Swanson of the Genesee County Sheriff's Department said the crowds on The Point were as expected. "We had our full complement of deputies on site, on the water and land. We had only one arrest, a 19-year-old for MIP and Disorderly," he said. The teen was from Fenton and was released on an appearance ticket the next day.

Swanson added, otherwise it was quiet including the rest of Fenton Township.

## KMART

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years and people have been talking about it for three years."

Instead of talking about the possibility of the store closing, Susalla encourages shoppers to come in and shop. "If everyone keeps shopping here, we aren't going to close," she said. "We've got really loyal customers and we appreciate them."

Kmart has a long tradition in Michigan, including the Fenton area. This national discount chain opened its first store in Michigan in Garden City in 1962. Open since the late 1970s where the north end VG's Grocery stands today, the Fenton

Kmart moved to Silver Parkway in 1995, the new plaza's first major retailer.

Kmart continues to operate 57 stores in Michigan and 1,077 stores nationwide, under Sears Holdings Corporation, which operates both Sears and Kmart stores. The two retailers merged in 2005 after Kmart purchased Sears, Roebuck and Co.

The latest round of Kmart closures saw the demise of nearby stores in Grand Blanc, Flint, Burton, Waterford and White Lake Township in 2014.

"As of right now, we're staying open," said Susalla. "In fact, we're even hiring in Fenton. We employ 60 people."

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# Buerkel finishes as our baseball MVP for third straight year

■ Versatile senior leads squad with his arm this year

By David Troppens

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Over the last four years, Austin Buerkel has had to experience his share of ups and downs during his athletic career.

Most of the downs have had to do with injuries. Yet, with each down it seems Linden's star pitcher/centerfielder has always been able to come back from those issues

and thrive.

Buerkel's senior season was no exception. Despite having to nurse a knee injury throughout portions of his final year, the 2015 graduate found a way to not only be productive, but found a way to be the Linden Eagles' most important player.

Known in the past for his strong bat and great baserunning speed, Buerkel was able to maintain those standards despite some nagging issues, and found a way to become an even better pitcher, helping lead the Eagles to their third straight Division 2 district title and Greater Flint Tournament championship in a row. He also helped this year's team capture 31 victories, making Buerkel's pick as our 2015 Tri-County Baseball Most

Valuable Player a relatively easy decision.

Buerkel was outstanding on the mound, starting 14 of Linden's 42 games, and posting an 8-4 record in those contests. He struck out 82 batters in just 79 2/3 innings of work. He also allowed just 45 hits and walked only nine, helping create a ridiculously low 0.803 WHIP (walks and hits allowed per an inning) and a 1.14 earned run average, all team-bests for the Eagles.

"Toward the end of (my junior year) I figured out getting ahead of the count See **BUERKEL on 10**

**AUSTIN BUERKEL**  
Photo by: Mark Bolen



**INSIDE SPORTS**

**LAKE FENTON GIRLS SOCCER**

Where did the Blue Devils finish in our poll?  
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**Sports**

**DID YOU KNOW?** ▶ The last time the Detroit Tigers played in back-to-back World Series was in 1934 and 1935.

## HOLLY GRADUATE CAPTURES FRANK SYRON TOURNEY

Eric Dove knows how it feels to win the Frank Syron Memorial Tournament.

The 2002 Holly graduate won the title in 2013.

But now he knows how it feels to be a two-time champion. Dove, 31, captured the Syron Memorial, held at Pontiac Country Club, for the second time in three years, winning the event by one stroke.

Dove's 72-70-69-211 edged out John Quigley's three-day 54-hole total of 212 by a stroke. It was a tight tournament, as there were eight golfers within four strokes of the lead. Dove entered the final day in a three-way tie for second with Jason May and Bill Zylstra. Quigley led entering the final day.

Dove took the lead for good with a birdie on the par-three 17th hole and then earned a par on the 18th hole to earn the tourney victory. Quigley had a birdie chance to tie Dove, but missed his putt.

Dove won the tourney two years ago by five strokes, posting a three-day total of 209.

## Fall sports continue their Top 16 dominance

■ Linden XC teams are included in this portion of the TC poll

By David Troppens

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It's always interesting to see how the annual Tri-County Top 16 poll are distributed in a variety of ways. By sport, by sex, by season and by school are just a few ways the sports staff likes to break down the list.

We'll do it strictly out of curiosity. Never in the seven years has a team been added because we wanted to add another team from a certain school on the list. We've never added a squad because the sport that team plays is more popular. We've never eliminated one due to it not being popular.

This season two schools share the same number of squads on the list. Fenton and Linden each put five among the top 16, while Holly had four. Lake Fenton had just two. Some of that is understandable considering the Blue Devils have less sports teams than a school like Fenton.

In terms of seasons, the fall season dominates the top 16, containing half of the squads on



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the list. Again, some of that is to be expected because there are so many fall sports teams. However, all of that success can't be explained away like that, either. Over the last 10 years or so, it seems the fall sports teams always have strong sports seasons.

Now back to our list.

**No. 8 - Linden boys cross country:** For many teams, earning a spot in the elite eight would be a reason to celebrate. But for the Linden boys XC squad, this ranking represents the SECOND-LOWEST positioning the Eagles have experienced in the

See **TOP 16 on 10**



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(Top photo) The Linden varsity girls and boys cross country teams celebrate trophies at an invitational last fall. The Linden girls finished No. 7 in our 2014-15 Tri-County Top 16 Poll, while the boys were No. 8. (Immediately above) Holly's boys basketball district title season earned them No. 5 in our survey.



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**BUERKEL**

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was one of the most important things you can do,” Buerkel said. “I’m not going to overpower kids when we get to regionals throwing 82 and 83 miles an hour. Getting ahead of the count is the most important thing. ... Establishing the first-pitch strike is extremely important. I think the most I walked in a game was two guys.”

“He definitely played with a great deal of confidence and he took that to the mound and the plate with him,” Linden varsity coach and Austin Buerkel’s dad, Steve Buerkel said. “He didn’t walk a lot of hitters. He pitched to his strengths. You can’t underestimate your strengths as a pitcher.

“Maybe the thing I think about when I think about Austin is he is a big-game pitcher. He was our No. 1 this year and last year. When there was a big game, he got the ball and always did a great job. ... He pitched in every

big game we’ve had and we’ve won a lot of big championships the last few years.”

At the plate, Buerkel remained strong in the lead-off position. He led Linden regulars with a .364 batting average, a .444 on-base percentage and a .455 slugging percentage. He collected 40 hits, converting eight of them to doubles. He also walked 13 times and scored 26 runs, despite missing a handful of games due to the minor injuries.

But manager Buerkel says the numbers don’t tell the complete story.

“I’m most proud of how he approached the game every day,” Buerkel said. “He came to practice all off-season. Not even from a dad’s perspective, but from a coach’s perspective I was impressed the way he led. He was a leader by example and it started on January 1 every year. He’d get those kids together. There’s a fine line what I can do in the offseason, but I never had to worry about that because of this

group of seniors and Austin. He got the group together in the winter.”

Austin said playing with Linden made the experience memorable. He enjoyed the bond he had with his teammates.

“I think playing with the guys made it a lot easier,” Buerkel said. “Everybody played their hearts out.

“My career was extremely special. To put it in perspective, a lady asked me about a week ago if she should put her kid in travel baseball or should he get in the Linden seventh- and eighth-grade program. I told her the competitive level at sev-

enth- or eighth-grade may be a little bit better, but nothing is going to make up for the friendships you and your teammates are going to make for the rest of your life. Some will be your long-time friends. I think that has impacted me the most.”

Buerkel is headed to Northwood University in the fall to continue his baseball career. He says his love for baseball remains strong.

“I love competing every day and I love every aspect of the game. Whether it is you against the ball, you against the hitter or the pitcher, there’s always something to be won,” Buerkel said.

During his Eagles’ career, Buerkel found himself doing more than his share of winning.



**Linden’s Austin Buerkel**

**All Tri-County Baseball Team**

Here is a list of the players that made our All Tri-County Baseball Team as selected by the sports staff.

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR:**

Austin Buerkel, Linden outfielder/pitcher  
Buerkel won the honor for a third time. He had an 8-4 record with a 1.14 earned run average and batted .364 at the plate.

**REST OF FIRST TEAM**

**Pitchers**

Brandon Bacon ..... Lake Fenton  
John Leaske ..... Fenton  
Austin Buerkel ..... Linden

**Outfielders**

Zack Kostka ..... Fenton  
Travis Petts ..... Linden  
Jared Smith ..... Lake Fenton

**School**

**Catcher**

Matt Acton ..... Fenton

**Infielders**

Drew Garrison ..... Fenton  
Thomas Messenger ..... Lake Fenton  
Jake Marshall (2nd team All-State) ..... Linden  
Chase Coleman ..... Fenton  
Trevor Wright ..... Lake Fenton

**School**

**School**

**[ Buerkel’s Stats ]**

Linden senior Austin Buerkel is our Baseball Player of the Year. Listed below are some of his stats from the 2015 season.

**OFFENSE**

- Batted .364 with an on-base percentage of .444 and a slugging percentage of .455.
- Finished the season with eight doubles and 26 runs scored.
- Had an OPS of .899.

**PITCHING**

- Posted an 8-4 record.
- Struck out 82 batters in 79 2/3 innings of work.
- Had an earned-run average of 1.14, while posting a WHIP of 0.83.

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**TOP 16**

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seven seasons we’ve released this Top 16 poll. Wow, now that’s impressive.

One of only three teams to make the poll all seven years, the Eagles capped the season by placing an outstanding seventh at the D2 state meet. It was an outstanding ending to a season that, in a lot of ways, the Eagles were under the radar.

Linden didn’t win the Metro League. In fact, the Eagles didn’t even finish second. They were third behind Metro champs Holly and runner-up Clio. Even during the postseason the Eagles didn’t look like their lofty selves, managing to qualify for the state meet by four points at the regional meet. But when it came to performing at Michigan International Speedway, the Eagles showed their true colors and placed seventh.

**No. 7 - Linden girls cross country:** The 2013-14 champs of our Top 16 poll had another strong showing this school year, placing sixth.

Adding Flushing to the Metro meant it was going to be tough for the Eagles to become a three-time Metro champion, but Linden gave it a good try, before bowing out in a very respectable second-place position.

The squad followed the Metro season by completely dominating their D2 regional meet, winning the title by 41 points. At the state meet, the squad also had a strong showing, placing 10th out of 28 teams.

**No. 6 - Lake Fenton girls soccer:** The Lake Fenton girls soccer team is one of the consistent teams of our spring sports season in the tri-county

area, capturing five straight outright Genesee Area Conference regular-season titles and five straight GAC tourney titles as well.

This season, the Blue Devils were as dominant in GAC play as ever, earning another undefeated league season. They finished with a 17-6-1 record overall and captured a district title by defeating Williamston 1-0 in the D3 district championship game at Durand.

The Blue Devils always run into Powers during the state tournament, and did once again this year. The Blue Devils lost to Powers 3-0, making it the fifth straight season Lake Fenton’s tourney run ended at the hands of the Chargers. It’s a tough path to advance year in and year out.

**No. 5 - Holly boys basketball:** The winter’s top team is our fifth-place team in the top 16. And the Bronchos earned that spot by posting what may be their best Class A boys basketball season in school history. Led by a strong senior class, the Bronchos finished the Metro season undefeated and ended the regular season 18-2. But while those numbers were impressive, it was in the postseason where Holly improved their credentials.

Holly captured its first Class A district title in school history, and won its first district title at any class since 1982, beating Grand Blanc in the district championship contest.

Holly hosted the regional after that and posted a strong victory against Plymouth, earning a spot in the regional title game. While there, the Bronchos lost a heartbreaking contest to Walled Lake Central by two points.



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## Ann Arbor and the Thumb

By Yvonne Stegall

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## Part four of an eight-part series

Michigan offers a ton of fun things to do during the summer. From fun in the great outdoors to numerous festivals of all kinds and all lengths, there's never a lack of activities.

If you're ready to stray from the Fenton area and check out some other great parts of Michigan, you may want to head south to Ann Arbor or north to Huron County, and the thumb of Michigan.

## Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor is a college town, home to the University of Michigan. It offers a lot of great culture, and even some great museums, and it's a quick 40-minute drive south.

One of the best museums to check out is the Museum of Art, at the university. They currently have a World War I poster exhibit.

Another fun thing to do this weekend in Ann Arbor is the Rolling Sculpture Car Show on Friday, July 10. This is the 21st annual show and it runs from 2 to 10 p.m. You'll surely enjoy all of the exotic, classic and antique cars. Make sure to take your camera.

## The Thumb

The Thumb area may seem like the end of the world to some people, but many others call it home. While it's an area full of small towns and many farms, it's also an area rich in culture and full of many yearly festivals.

First, if you want to spend some time in the great outdoors, the Thumb offers many parks, including Sleeper State Park,



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which is only a two-hour drive from the Fenton area, about 104 miles away between Caseville and Port Austin.

One of the best outdoor things to do in the Thumb is to kayak or canoe to Turpin Rock, in Lake Huron, and enjoy this beautiful natural wonder.

The Thumb is also full of great festivals. This weekend, starting Thursday and running through Sunday, is the Maritime Festival in Michigan. It's a

great time to enjoy the water, food and music, and you can take a trip to the Harbor Beach Lighthouse for a tour.

In August, Caseville has the Cheeseburger festival, which is full of food and Jimmy Buffett tunes. Cheeseburger in Caseville is a 10-day fest, with a huge parade that attracts thousands of people on that Wednesday.

## SUMMARY

■ A trip to the south will take you to the cultural mecca of Ann Arbor. Head north to the Thumb area for the great outdoors and some great festivals!

## MOSQUITOES

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APM prefers to spray mostly at dusk because mosquitoes go into a feeding frenzy around that time.

The company offers three types of methods to rid a yard of the insects: barrier application, larvicide, and adulticide.

With a barrier application, they apply a cyfluthrin-based product, Tempo Ultra WSP, to foliage and grass around a building.

## SUMMARY

■ Fenton City, Fenton Township and Linden offer safe mosquito spraying services through Advanced Pest Management (APM), which serves 19 townships and counties, as well as individual homeowners.

With larvicide, APM uses VectoBac or Sustain MBG. Crushed up corncob, or Bti, (*Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *israeliensis*) is found in VectoBac and kills mosquito larvae.

It's applied mainly during floodwater season in spring to wetlands. It's toxic to mosquitoes, black flies, and closely related species, but not harmful to any other aquatic life.

Residents can call (877) 276-4714 anytime of the day to report a mosquito annoyance and have APM do adulticiding. Fenton Township and Linden also pay for a barrier application, but Fenton City does not. For barrier application, spraying one half acre costs around \$50 for an individual house, and the cost increases from there.

## FENTON CITY/APM

The APM budget for Fenton City this year is \$40,000 because last year they went over \$1,200 with a budget of \$39,100. This covers larvicide, New Jersey Light Traps, and adulticiding.

"If it's really bad, a really rainy season, we may have to do additional spraying," said Fenton City Councilwoman Pat Lockwood. Residents can choose not to have their house sprayed by alerting city hall and being put on a list. "There are some people who have allergies and other reasons they don't want their house sprayed," she said. "The majority of the residents are very happy. We have a high concentration of mosquitoes. You can't ever sit outside. A lot of people appreciate the spraying."

## MOSQUITOES

• Mosquitoes usually live two weeks to six months and need a water source to survive, which is why they're found in abundance by lakes, streams and rivers.

• The itchy, red bump is an allergic reaction to the mosquito's saliva.

• There are more than 3,000 types of mosquitoes, but only one type, *Anopheles* Mosquitoes, are vectors for malaria. *Anopheles* Mosquitoes, as well as other types, can also carry filariasis and encephalitis.

• Only female mosquitoes suck blood, and they do it to create eggs. They inject two tubes into the skin while sucking blood: one that injects an enzyme to prevent blood clots, and another to suck the blood.

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## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**WHAT A SHAME** that more people don't stand up and support our flag when it goes by, and our veterans.

■■■■  
**GUY THINKS THE** liberals are the ones full of hate and it's the righties who have got it right. Maybe you ought to read comment of the week about The Supreme Court. That sounds pretty hateful to me.

■■■■  
**TO THE PEOPLE** who own horses and poultry, you set off rockets and fireworks. You're not even thinking of them. Your IQ is zero. Thank you.

■■■■  
**IT'S BEEN 18** months since we started

negotiations with Iran. A happy thought is in another 18 months, maybe we'll have some leaders who know what they're doing. I do use the word plural, leaders, not just one.

■■■■  
**THE KING'S COLUMN**, July 5, was the best ever. America is not the land of the brave and the free anymore. There is no one to look up to. God save the King.

■■■■  
**THANK YOU, MR.** Trump, for standing up against the illegal immigrants who are crossing our borders every day. These immigrants are crossing and going into the hospitals and getting free medical care. They don't pay taxes, they're stealing jobs, and many of them are criminals.





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**VET TO VET**  
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mercy towards me and mine.  
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prayer for 3 consecutive days.  
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granted, even if it appears  
difficult. This prayer must be  
published immediately after  
the favor is granted, without  
mentioning the favor.  
Only your initials should  
appear at the bottom. **MJP**



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**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
CITY OF FENTON  
GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON  
DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE REQUESTS  
TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 for the purpose of considering the variance request for Niles Industrial at 201 S. Alloy Drive, Tax ID #53-34-526-024. A variance is being sought from Section 36-2.01(f), Accessory buildings, structures, and uses, of the zoning ordinance to allow an accessory structure to be located in a required front yard (corner lot) when the ordinance requires that it be located in a rear or side yard. The property is located at the northeast corner of S. Alloy Drive and Copper Avenue, and is zoned IND, Industrial, where accessory storage buildings associated with manufacturing operations are permitted in that District.

The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 South Leroy Street. The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed variance requests and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

Copies of the variance requests are available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the project may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Michael Reilly, at 810-629-2261.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON  
SPECIAL LAND USE  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Fenton Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Thursday, July 23, 2015 for the purpose of considering a special land use request to allow for construction of a medical marihuana growing facility at 130 Alloy Drive, Tax ID #53-34-526-032. The property is located on the west side of Alloy Drive, just south of Fenway Circle, and is zoned IND, Industrial, where medical marihuana growing facilities are special land uses.

The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 301 South Leroy Street. The purpose of the public hearing is to describe the proposed special land use request and receive public comment on the proposal. All interested parties are welcome to attend and present their comments.

A copy of the special land use request is available for public inspection at the City of Fenton offices, 301 South Leroy Street, during regular business hours. Written comments concerning the project may be submitted at the above address prior to the hearing and will be made part of the official record. All minutes of meetings are available at the City Clerk's office.

Comments and questions may be directed to the City of Fenton Zoning and Building Administrator, Michael Reilly, at 810-629-2261.

**PLEASE CONTACT THE FENTON CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IF ANY ACCOMMODATIONS ARE NEEDED DUE TO A DISABILITY.**

**City of Linden Zoning Ordinance Amendments**

As follows:

Amend **Section 2.2** by deleting the definition for stealth tower, adding definitions for front, rear and side lot lines, and revising the definitions for church or synagogue, master plan, mural sign, restaurant, sidewalk café and wireless communication facilities; amend **Section 3.5.2** pertaining to preliminary sketch plans; amend **Section 3.5.3** pertaining to preliminary site plans; add a new **Section 3.11** pertaining to amendments; add a new **Section 3.12** pertaining to conditional rezoning; amend **Section 4.4.1** to allow schools and churches as permitted uses and two-family dwellings as a special use; amend **Section 4.4.2** to allow two-family dwellings as a permitted use; amend **Section 4.4.4** to allow churches as a permitted use; amend **Section 4.4.5** pertaining to live/work units; amend **Section 4.4.6** by clarifying language pertaining to multiple-family dwellings and eliminating sidewalk cafes as a special use; amend **Section 5.2** pertaining to accessory buildings and satellite dish requirements; amend **Section 5.5** pertaining to home occupations; amend **Section 5.8** pertaining to temporary uses; amend **Section 6.14** pertaining to wireless communication facilities; amend **Section 8.3** by fixing incorrect cross-references; amend **Section 9.2.2** pertaining to sign illumination; amend **Section 9.2.6** pertaining to exempt signs; amend **Section 9.3.7** pertaining to window signs; amend **Section 9.4** pertaining to ground signs for non-residential uses; amend **Section 9.5** pertaining to wall signs for non-residential uses; amend **Section 9.6.1** pertaining to temporary sign colors; amend **Section 9.7.5** pertaining to mural signs; amend **Section 9.8.2** pertaining to mural signs; amend **Section 10.3.3** pertaining to collective parking; amend **Section 12.4** pertaining to the duties of the Zoning Board of Appeals; and, amend **Section 12.5** pertaining to Zoning Board of Appeals procedures.

Complete copies of the amendments are available at City Hall at 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, MI 48451 during normal office hours.

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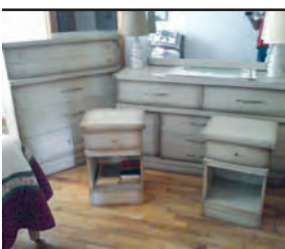
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### Brian Timothy McHugh

1962-2015

Brian Timothy McHugh - age 53, passed from this world on Sunday, July 5, 2015. Gathering will be held 1-8 PM Friday, July 10, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make contributions to the Humane Society of Genesee County. Brian is survived by his mother, Mary and father, Daniel "Dixie"; siblings, Debra (John), Sheree (Geo), Daniel (Alicia) and Robert; godmother, Jenny Lou Colzani; many nieces and nephews who know him as "Uncle Bri." Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



### Kenneth Joseph Brosowski

1943-2015

Kenneth Joseph Brosowski - age 71, of Fenton, died July 5, 2015. Visitation will be held 3-8 PM Wednesday July 8, 2015, with a 7 PM Eagles Club service and a 7:30 PM prayer service at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Burial at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly 12:30 PM Tuesday, July 14, 2015. Kenneth was born in Detroit, Michigan on October 23, 1943, the son of the late Stanley and Wanda (Witek) Brosowski. He married Candy Lovelace in Detroit, Michigan on June 1, 1967. Kenneth served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War from 1962-1965. He retired from the Detroit Fire Department with 25 years of service. Kenneth was a proud and long time member of the Fenton, Curtis-Wolverton post 3243 honor guard. Surviving are: wife Candy Brosowski; daughter Cynthia and husband Aaron Lawrence; grandchildren Gavin and Elizabeth all of Fenton; and sister Rose and husband Robert Knechtel of Grayling. He was also preceded in death by his brothers George and Stanley Brosowski. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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## CITY OF FENTON

### NOTICE REGARDING PETITIONS FOR MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2015 CITY GENERAL ELECTION

Due to a change in Michigan election law, the deadline prescribed in the Charter of the City of Fenton for petitions for the office of mayor or city council no longer applies.

The new deadline to submit completed petitions for the office of mayor or city council in the City of Fenton is Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 4:00 pm. Petitions are deliverable to the City Clerk's Office at 301 South Leroy Street, Fenton, Michigan 48430.

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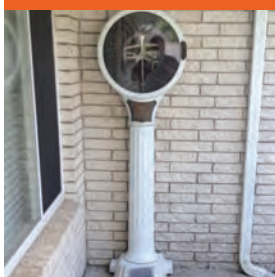
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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HOROSCOPES

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Start-ing something new is always exciting for the adventurous Aries. And here's the good news: This time you might be able to get some assistance in helping you finish what you've started.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Put your daydreaming penchant on hold for now, and face the facts as they are, not as you'd like them to be. Your customary hardheaded approach to "deals," etc., is called for.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Problems beyond your control might delay some of your plans. But things should start to get back to normal by midweek. The weekend could bring an unexpected (but welcome) visitor.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** It's a good time to buckle down and tackle those unfinished tasks so you'll be ready to take on other projects. The week's end could bring an invitation from a most surprising source.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Mixed signals could create a few stressful moments for the Lion. But by midweek, explanations should help ease the ten-sion. The weekend is party time! Share it with someone special.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** This is a good "catching up" week for finishing tasks, calling old friends and maybe reading that book you haven't opened yet or renting that movie you wanted to see again.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Money matters should be worked out, even if it takes time away from a more romantic situation. Better to settle things before feelings turn hard and angry on all sides.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** A job-related problem could turn out to be less troublesome than it seemed at first. Just a few mo-ments of talk 'twixt the parties resolves everything to everyone's satisfaction.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** The Sagittarian Archer takes aim at health and fitness issues this week. Watch your diet, and try to put more exercise time into your typically busy schedule.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** As you continue to focus on a career or job change, it's a good time to look over some of your rarely used skills and see where they can fit into your future workplace plans.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to Feb-ruary 18)** A loved one's health might be worrisome, but there's good news by midweek. Expect people who share your ideas and your goals to try to contact you by the week's end.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A colleague's request that makes the typically perceptive Pisces feel uncomfortable is a request you probably will want to turn down. The weekend favors family get-togethers.

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Marfe

Topice

Envarg



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

Answer: [circled letters]

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

KING FEATURES

ACROSS

- 1 Stashed
- 4 "Kapow!"
- 8 Crooner Jerry
- 12 Cinnabar or galena
- 13 — mater
- 14 Soul singer Redding
- 15 Magnetic coil
- 17 Cry
- 18 Vim
- 19 Lemieux milieu
- 21 Roulette bet
- 22 Grave
- 26 House on an estate
- 29 "Glee" network
- 30 Meadow
- 31 Winged
- 32 Grecian vessel
- 33 Opening day?
- 34 Omega preceder
- 35 Emulate
- 41-Across
- 36 Edison rival
- 37 Excluding all else
- 39 Bro or sis
- 40 Existed
- 41 Ms. Earhart
- 45 Prop for Dr. House
- 48 Grammatical slip
- 50 Culture

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51 Always

52 Jungfrau, for one

53 Band in Boston?

54 Talk back

55 In medias —
- 8 "Wheel of Fortune" purchase

9 Noshed

10 Recline

11 Sixth sense, for short

16 Fielder's woe

20 Courteney of "Cougar Town"

23 "Desire Under the —"

24 Repast

25 Houston acronym

26 Navigator's stack

27 Moreover

28 Hammer's target

29 Saute
- 32 James Joyce masterwork

33 Mediter-ranean three-master

35 Peninsula st.

36 Stopwatches

38 Basins' accessories

39 Comic Soupy

42 Taleteller

43 Gilligan's home

44 Pumps up the volume

45 Upper limit

46 Past

47 Siesta

49 Eggs

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