

The life of Mr. and Mrs. Principal

■Ciesielskis share a glimpse of their lives as spouses and school leaders

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Remember that heart-pounding moment (you didn't do it), when the teacher marched over to your desk, pointed her bony finger in your face, and in that overly stern voice said, "Get down to the principal's office

right now!"

Well, there are two local kids who love going to the principal's office. Not because they're in trouble, it's because going to the principal's office means they get to see Mom and Dad.

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“We triple check our schedules every day.”

Russ Ciesielski
Interim Linden superintendent and Linden High School principal



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Man dies from motorcycle crash injuries

■Hit-and-run driver identified as South Lyon woman

By Sharon Stone
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The motorcycle driver involved in a hit and run crash in Hartland Township on Wednesday, Aug. 12 died from his injuries on Friday, Aug. 14.

Delbert (Bert) Arthur Loomis of Gaines died at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was the operator of the 2014 Harley Davidson motorcycle involved in a two-vehicle crash at 3:30 p.m. on northbound U.S. 23 near Clyde Road.



Delbert (Bert) Arthur Loomis

According to witnesses, a maroon Pontiac Grand Am was braking in the left hand lane to turn into the "authorized vehicle only" turn around. The first two

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Pooch found in dumpster now cruises on motorcycle with adopted dad

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Chase, 20 months, cruises through downtown Fenton Monday morning for a photo on the back of a Harley-Davidson Electra Glide, driven by John Maser of Fenton. Maser adopted Chase after he was found in a dumpster 18 months ago. Chase's matching hat, goggles and vest turns heads and draws smiles wherever he goes. "They just love him, most want to stop him and take pictures," said Maser. "They think he's so cute." See story on page 11. **See video of Chase on the road at tctimes.com.**

Local tragedies lead to changes in laws

■Five-part series will profile grieving families' lobbying efforts

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It was 15 years ago this week that Nicole Powers, 17, a Holly High School senior from Davisburg, attempted to enter her parked car when a pickup truck driven by an 18-year-old Holly male, also a high school senior, drove backward, pinning her between the vehicles.

The accident caused serious injuries to both of her

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“So now, felonious driving does include any areas designated for the parking of motor vehicles.”

Scott Fischer
Former Holly police detective

Downtown Linden wells to be monitored

■DEQ will scrutinize gas levels due to leak

By Hannah Ball
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Environmental engineers for Beacon and Bridge gas station, PM Environmental, will be drilling and placing eight

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“I'm through with yard sales. Most of our stuff is 50 cents and \$1 but people want you to give it to them for nothing. So now, I'm taking it down to Goodwill and you all will pay five to 10 times what I was wanting.”



“It's called fetal tissue because before it's aborted, it's a fetus, not a baby. A baby is something that is born full-term, has all its arms and legs, and hair and everything. That's a baby. Therefore, it's called fetal tissue. Take a biology class.”



tctimes.com COMMENT OF THE WEEK

“You do realize 'pursuit of happiness' and 'all men are created equal' are not found anywhere in the Constitution. That would be the Declaration of Independence. The SCOTUS are not appointed to interpret the Declaration of Independence.”

Is your make-up making you sick?

Chemicals in cosmetics thought to cause cancer are no concern says local doctor

By Hannah Ball

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Looking at the ingredients on the label of your lotion, soaps, nail polish and other beauty products, you might see formaldehyde or formaldehyde-releasing products. Used as a preservative in cosmetics, this colorless and odorless gas has been deemed safe at low levels by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA).

However, many people care more about how long the eye shadow lasts rather than if it causes cancer.

Parabens, for example, replaced formaldehyde decades ago as a preservative, according to besthealthmag.ca. Estee Lauder is in the process of phasing out parabens because of consumer concerns.

Parabens, found in makeup, moisturizers, skin care products, and hair care products are xenoestrogens, which means they mimic estrogen. Parabens have been speculated to cause cancer because they've been found in breast tumors, according to the FDA.

Skin and Vein Dermatologist Michelle Legacy said, "Studies have shown that at very high doses it can be harmful but there's no evidence that they're harmful at current levels in our products. There's no causation between parabens and any side effects."

Estrogen has been known to cause breast cancer and since parabens mimic estrogen, they could possible produce the same result.

However, according to the FDA, the Cosmetic Ingredient Review (CIR) reviewed the safety of the most common parabens and found they were safe in cosmetics at current levels.

Concerns have been raised over long-term exposure.



METRO CREATIVE GRAPHICS

It hasn't been proven that certain chemicals cause cancer, but a few companies are phasing them out because of consumer concern.

Even though it hasn't been definitively proven, companies are taking these chemicals out of their products, possibly because of consumer demand.

"A lot of the children's products are now paraben free," Legacy said, adding that companies could be opting not to use these chemicals because studies could show they're harmful in the future.

"There needs to be enough evidence and well produced studies," she said.

Another chemical, phthalates, which have been known to disrupt the reproductive systems of laboratory animals, are used to make plastics more

flexible and harder to break, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). They are found in

nail polish, hair spray, lotions, soaps, shampoos, and commonly in products containing fragrance.

The FDA found that diethylphthalate (DEP) is the only phthalates now commonly used in cosmetics, and it can be found in products containing fragrance.

Legacy said there isn't good science to back up direct causation that phthalates cause any issues. "A lot of these things are found in just about everything in low levels," Legacy said. "They don't show any bad effects."

According to the FDA, the reproductive issues test animals experienced when exposed to phthalates poses a minimal risk when exposed to humans.

"I generally recommend products that are gentle on the skin, without fragrances because those are a common cause of dermatitis," she said. Fragrance is found in lotions, soaps, and

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Saturday night at the movies

Last movie of season on Holly's Battle Alley

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It's going to be a scary night in downtown Holly when moviegoers wander into Monstropolis to watch Disney's "Monsters, Inc."

The last Battle Alley Movie Night of the season will be held Saturday, Aug. 22. This free community movie will be shown on a 15- by 15-foot screen on historic Battle Alley.

Friends and family are encouraged to bring a blanket and sit up close or bring a chair and sit in the middle of the street. Popcorn and light refreshments will be provided by the Holly Community Coalition for a small fee.

In the event of inclement weather, the movie will be moved to the Karl Richter Community Center's 600-seat auditorium. The center is at 300 East St.

When his schedule permits, Holly Village President Ryan Bladzik takes his sons to see the movies on Battle Alley, the last one being "Big Hero 6" a few weeks ago.

"I think the movies are a great program," said Bladzik. "They're free to the public and family oriented, and it's a great partnership between local civic and non-profits (the Holly Area Community Coalition) and government (the DDA)."

Bladzik said there is always a great turnout. "Definitely more than 100 per movie and everyone seems to like and look forward to them," he added.

According to Andy Potter, Holly's DDA director, the movies start at dusk, right around 8:30 to 9 p.m. and usually go until 11 p.m.

"Depending on the movie, attendance varies between 100 and 250 people," Potter said.

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TURTLES

THE 200-MILLION-YEAR-OLD WONDER

■ From mythology to being fatally struck by cars, turtle population is declining in Michigan

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North America was made on the top of a turtle's back, according to certain mythology. The earth used to be covered in water and animals tried to swim to the bottom to collect dirt. A muskrat succeeded and put the dirt on the turtle's back, which grew into North America.

Now, the turtle population in Michigan is declining mainly because of an increase in the raccoon population.

"There are serious threats to the turtle population in Michigan," Holly Vaughn Wildlife Outreach technician with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) said. The entire turtle population is declining, partly due to roadside mortality. Another problem is people taking the turtles out of environment to keep as pets.

"Keep turtles in the wild," she said.

Loss of wetland habitat, road-killed turtles, and an increased predator population, mostly raccoons, feasting on eggs and young turtles have added to the decrease in the turtle population.

In southeast Michigan, painted turtles, common snapping turtles, spiny softshell turtles and map turtles are the most popular, said Vaughn.

Blanding's turtles, eastern box turtles, and northern wood turtles are also common but are considered a special concern species.

The DNR doesn't track the exact number of turtles, but they know the population is declining because of the increasing population of raccoons.

"The nest survival of turtle is zero in certain locations where we know raccoon population is incredibly high or are illegally released," said Tom Goniea, fish biologist for the DNR. "Their

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TURTLE FACTS

- The main difference between turtles and tortoises is that tortoises live on land and turtles live in the water.
- Turtles arrived on earth about 200 million years ago, the oldest living reptiles on earth.
- A pair of Russian tortoises went to space in 1968. About 10 percent of their body fat was lost, they had more glycogen and iron in their liver tissue, and their spleens changed a little.
- The most fearsome turtle around the world is the alligator snapping turtle. It can grow up to 2.5 feet long, weigh 200 pounds, with powerful jaws, beak, bear-like claws, and a muscular tail.
- They don't always need to breathe while under water. Softshell turtles can absorb oxygen while submerged through the skin or by passing water over the membranes in throat and cloaca, an internal chamber that opens near the base of the tail.
- Chelonian turtles have shells that look like body armor. The shell is made up of 50 different bones, and is an evolutionary modification of the rib cage and vertebral column. The shells also have nerves and a blood supply.
- Helmet shaped shells are better protection against predators, and land turtles have harder shells. Sometimes shells are soft and rubbery instead of hard, which is the case with turtles who live in the water.

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SUMMARY

■ Turtles arrived on earth about 200 million years ago, but due to wetland erosion, roadside mortality, and people keeping wild turtles as pets, the population in Michigan is declining.



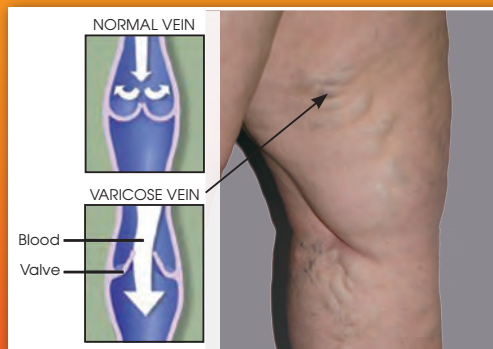
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FROM THE LEFT
NATIONALLY SYNDICATED
Bill Press

Big mistake to target Bernie

There's a very important new movement out there with a very important message. It's called 'Black Lives Matter.' It started a little over a year ago in Ferguson, Missouri, with the killing of unarmed black teenager Michael Brown by a white police officer. It's grown since with the deaths of Walter Scott in North Charleston, Tamir Rice in Cleveland, Samuel DuBose in Cincinnati, Christian Taylor in Arlington, Texas, and others whose names we've never heard of.

Indeed, on the anniversary of Brown's death, the Washington Post reported that 24 unarmed black men had been shot and killed by white police officers so far in 2015: one every nine days.

The 'Black Lives Matter' movement says: We can't accept that record as the new normal. We have to acknowledge that we still have a long way to go.

Their name says it all: black lives do matter. That's the message they want to drill into every politician, especially those running for the highest office in the land. How? By staging protests and interrupting or shutting down campaign events.

So far, so good. It's not their tactics that are wrong. It's their target. Why, out of all the candidates running, did they start out by attacking Bernie Sanders?

Granted, everybody's fair game in politics, including Bernie Sanders, but, seriously, look at the rest of the field. How many times do you hear Jeb Bush, or Ted Cruz, or Donald Trump, or even Ben Carson talk about racial equality? 'Black Lives Matter' gives all the Republicans a pass while targeting Bernie Sanders? This is nuts.

As a white man of Bernie's generation, I'd never pretend to lecture African Americans on how to raise awareness of racial inequality. But I do know something about protests. I've done a lot of protesting in my life. I've marched with Eugene McCarthy, Cesar Chavez, Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton. And Rule Number One about protesting is: You protest people who don't agree with you. You don't waste time protesting people who already do.

'Black Lives Matter' leaders are making a mistake. They should make Bernie Sanders their champion, not their target.

WHY IS IT every time that the cost of a barrel of oil drops down to where it should be forever, all the places start breaking down? It happens every time. So you raise that gas 80 cents again in two days? American people are not blind and stupid. Every single time the price drops suddenly all your plants start breaking down. How obvious can this criminality be.

MACY'S SALES ARE down millions and millions of dollars in part, I believe, because people are refusing to shop there because the store panders to illegal aliens. In the section where Donald Trump's ties used to be is now filled with sombreros and piñatas.

IN A NATIONAL poll, two out of every three Americans believe that our country is on the wrong track. After six and half years, most people feel that Obama has been wrong on immigration, race relations, Obamacare, decreasing the military, the Iran deal, appeasing our enemies and, of course, the economy. In other words, he will go down in history as the worst president ever.

LOVE HIM OR hate him, Donald Trump says what is on the minds of most Americans.

CAN'T HELP BUT remind everyone that almost all of the people who are in favor of abortion are already born.

I'VE BEEN HEARING we're giving Iran more than \$150 billion whether they do the nuclear deal or not? We could give every wounded American who is missing arms and legs probably \$100,000 and it wouldn't come anywhere near that.

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I SEE THE Michigan state legislature had a couple of wonderful family values there. Family destroyers, you mean.

MY PARENTS HAD two children, neither one of them were really planned. At least they were smart enough to stop and not try to overpopulate the world. You should go to Planned Parenthood still.

DON'T YOU THINK it's strange that our elected academic people don't realize that 80 percent of the nation is common folks with common sense, something a great majority of academics don't really understand?

FORGIVE ME FOR laughing at news of the latest affair between two Republican state government officials. It's tragic for the families involved, but that slip up gives me hope that some Republicans are human.

I'M HAVING TROUBLE following this. The Obama administration wants to give Iran \$150 billion if they will sign this deal that we're offering them? That is 10 times greater than the entire budget for the state of Michigan. We don't even get our four prisoners back that Iran is holding.

THE NUMBER ONE movie last weekend was 'Straight out of Compton' about black gangs in Los Angeles called the Crips and the Bloods. One viewer said this was had more nudity and violence than he has seen in a long time. They portray cops as the bad guys and you get to hear rap songs like 'Kill the Cops' and 'F the police.'

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FROM THE RIGHT
NATIONALLY SYNDICATED
Cal Thomas

Another education subsidy

If elected president, Hillary Clinton has promised to spend \$350 billion to make college 'more affordable.' The U.S. already has an \$18 trillion debt (and growing by the day), but Clinton wants to add to it. That's not affordable.

Too many young people are graduating from universities unable to find jobs, or are underemployed. Roughly 8.5 percent of college graduates between the ages of 21 and 24 are unemployed. The unemployment rate for all college grads over the age of 25 is 3.3 percent, which is also still higher than normal. The EPI finds that a total of 16.8 percent of new grads are 'underemployed,' meaning they're either jobless and hunting for work or working part time because they can't find a full-time job.

The problem isn't just at the university level; it's at the jobs level where Obamacare, higher taxes and overregulation have reduced incentives to hire people, or forced many to accept part-time work.

When I entered American University as a freshman in 1960, tuition was \$450 a semester. Today you probably can't get out of the bookstore for that amount. I received no federal subsidies. My father paid for the first year and I paid for the rest.

As University of Colorado law professor Paul F. Campos noted recently in The New York Times, '...over the past 35 years, college tuition at public universities has nearly quadrupled...'

If over the past three decades car prices had gone up as fast as tuition, the average new car would cost more than \$80,000.

No one ought to be 'entitled' to tax money to go to expensive schools like Harvard or Yale, or even public universities. Community colleges and the online universities that offer students flexibility to work and study cost less and provide necessary knowledge, or trade skills for the job market.

Hillary Clinton's proposal is a vote-buying effort that will add one more entitlement to an economy that can't afford it.

If American politicians can't be an example of what living within one's means looks like, how can we expect younger people to embrace a Puritan ethic that served us well before envy, greed and entitlement took over?

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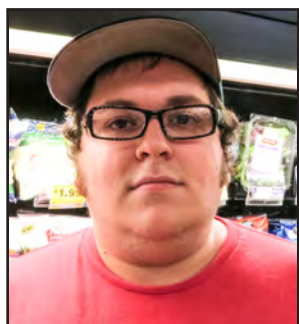
What do you think of Target's decision to remove gender signs for toys and bedding?

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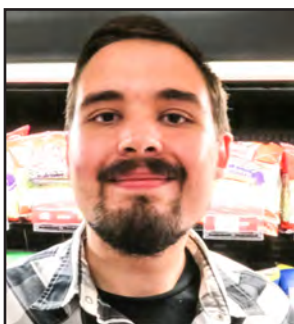
"That's ridiculous. There is a limit to everything to me. They need to get over some things."

— Barbara Wagner
Holly



"It's an all right thing. Boys can play with girls' toys and girls can play with boys' toys."

— Matt Scanlon
Holly



"I don't think kids are worried about gender walls. I think they're more worrying about developing social skills."

— Tom Piascik, Holly



"It's up to the parents to determine if it's a boy or girl toy and if it's something they want their kids to play with."

— Sam Goodsitt, Fenton Twp



"It's kind of strange. It's what we're used to. We're used to seeing it that way."

— Brandon Kacel
Fenton Township



"I don't have a problem with it. I was more of a tomboy growing up. I liked playing with boy toys more."

— Caroline Hyslop, Flint



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Systems are upgraded by R.W. Mercer Company at the Beacon and Bridge gas station in Linden in April. The store manager said the installation had nothing to do with underground gasoline leaks linked to the station last November. The upgrades included refurbished pumps and a siphon line for two of the underground gas tanks.

LINDEN

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monitoring wells in downtown Linden to monitor gasoline levels in the soil due to a gasoline leak last November, according to a press release from the city.

Linden City Manager Paul Zelenak said the locations were approved by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). They will be placed within sidewalks. PM Environmental has not given the city an exact date of when the wells will be installed, but Zelenak said they should be installed before November, when the final report for the leak is due from Beacon and Bridge.

The gas station is responsible for a gasoline leak that took place last November, the Times previously reported. Owners of the gas station, Quick-Sav Food Stores LTD in Flushing, were required to send an initial assessment report to the DEQ within 180 of days of the leak, which reported that an underground tank leaked "due to corrosion present on the riser at the top of the tank," the Times previously reported.

They stopped the leak in April.

The gas station is responsible for mitiga-

tion efforts for the leak, according to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Environmental Protection Agency Act 451 Part 213 Leaking Underground Storage Tanks.

The DEQ will conduct additional testing in downtown Linden to confirm results and get additional information, according to the city of Linden.

The city of Linden has requested the DEQ to provide more information to the public to further explain the mitigation process.

Monitoring well locations

- **100 South Bridge St.,** at the former Linden Chiropractic Center
- Two will be placed on **106 South Bridge St.,** by the sporting goods store south of the traffic light
- **105 North Bridge St.,** at the former Bear Creek Coffee
- **111 South Bridge St.,** at Ciravella's Pizzeria and Bakery
- **119 South Bridge St.,** at the Linden Masonic Temple
- **103 East Broad St.,** a vacant parcel of the former Union Block location
- **132 East Broad St.,** at Linden City Hall



MAKE-UP

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many types of cosmetics and products.

Legacy said fragrances are a common cause of allergic dermatitis, which gives users an itchy rash. She recommends people with sensitive skin should use products that are fragrance free.

Even though studies haven't proven that parabens and phthalates have adverse side effects, many people don't want to take the risk. Reading the ingredient list on a product will help users identify potentially harmful ingredients. The Environmental Working Group (EWG) has a database that lists the harmful ingredients in cosmetics on ewg.org.

Sunscreen causing cancer a myth

Sunscreen causing cancer has been a hot topic lately, Skin and Vein Dermatologist Michelle Legacy said, because some people believe it causes cancer.

"The truth is that the risk of getting skin cancer from not protecting your skin is very real. There is no evidence that sunscreen causes cancer," she said. Two ingredients in sunscreen Legacy recommends people stay away from is oxybenzone and benzophenone.

They cause an allergic reaction called contact dermatitis, which is skin inflammation.

Benzophenone has also been linked to infertility in men, Legacy said, but nothing's been proven.

"It's important to realize that sunscreen does not cause cancer. There's nothing in sunscreen

that has been proven to cause cancer but not wearing sunscreen will cause cancer," she said. Most of her customers who have skin cancer didn't wear sunscreen their entire lives.

"It's well proven that sunburns increase your risk of melanoma significantly," she said. "Damage from ultraviolet light causes mutation in the skin cells that causes melanoma, and melanoma can be very dangerous and deadly."

She recommends wearing SPF protective clothing, avoiding the sun, and using sunscreen with mineral ingredients like titanium and zinc, which are physical blockers commonly used in most children's sunscreen. They block the most ultraviolet rays.

FDA and cosmetics

The FDA regulates cosmetics under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and that Fair Packaging and Label Act. This FD&C Act defines cosmetics as anything applied to the human body meant to cleanse, beautify, promote attractiveness, or alter appearance. The FDA does not preapprove products before the public can buy them, except for products with color additives. The FDA can take action against available products not properly labeled, if they aren't safe under labeled, or customary conditions of use, or if it's adulterated or misbranded.

Companies don't have to share safety information on their products with the FDA, nor does the FDA have the ability to recall harmful products.

The FDA does conduct testing on products for analysis as part of facility inspections, import inspections, and complaints of adverse effects from a product. The Fair Packaging and Label Act requires companies to list the ingredients in their products, but it does not apply to products used only by professionals, like salons.

Source: Federal Drug Administration

Calendar of events

Job fair for veterans

Veterans, active duty military members, guard and reserve members, and military spouses are invited to attend a job fair this **Thursday, Aug. 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at Comerica Park 2100 Woodward Ave, Detroit. This event will be a one-of-a-kind free hiring fair for both employers and job seekers. This University of Phoenix and Livingston International sponsored hiring event is being conducted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, the Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS), the Michigan Committee of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA), the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and other local partners.

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Heidi and Russ Ciesielski pose for a photo at a Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce dinner. She is the principal at AGS Middle School in Fenton. He is the interim superintendent in Linden and the Linden High School principal.

PRINCIPAL

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Mom and Dad, also known as Russ and Heidi Ciesielski, are at the helm of two area schools. Russ is the principal at Linden High School, and Heidi is the principal at AGS Middle School in Fenton.

Their children, students in the Linden Community Schools district, are Maxwell, 11, and Madelyn, 7.

Russ is currently serving as Linden's interim superintendent while Superintendent Ed Koledo is away serving the country in the military. Once Koledo returns, sometime in the fall of 2016, Russ will return to his duties as Linden High School principal.

Russ and Heidi have been married for 15 years. They met while attending Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pennsylvania, where Heidi, the youngest of six girls, is from. Russ is originally from Saranac, Michigan.

"I played college volleyball and was lucky enough to get a scholarship," she said. Russ attended Mercyhurst on a hockey scholarship. Their children are into sports as well, with Maxwell favoring hockey and lacrosse, while Madelyn

enjoys swimming and volleyball.

Prior to Fenton, Heidi was a high school English and journalism teacher in Owosso for 13 years, becoming assistant principal after seven years.

Russ also taught in Owosso, teaching Social Studies at the middle school level.

"We talk school a lot," said Heidi of their home life.

"We try to make it a rule not to talk about it in front of the kids," said Russ.

"We have great conversations because we are able to bounce ideas off each other," she added. "Sometimes our conversations get pretty 'lively,'" Russ said.

"There is not a huge difference in our jobs," said Heidi. "We have our own niches and identities, but we have similar clientele, which are the students and the parents."

Russ said even the two communities of Fenton and Linden are similar.

"He is a very good wealth of information," said Heidi of her husband.

The biggest problem they have is lack of time for each other and their family,

said Russ and Heidi.

"We triple check our schedules every day," Russ said.

Heidi added, "I don't think we could do our jobs if it wasn't for our family."

In their spare time, Russ and Heidi spend as much time with their children as they can, including school activities and sports. In the summer, they enjoy camping and vacationing Up North.

"Our kids are our hobby," said Russ.

Both are pleased that their children don't have an issue with their parents' jobs.

"The kids tolerate it," said Heidi. "They're always at

one school or another."

Both Heidi and Russ said they plan to stick around for a long time.

"We like being around kids," said Heidi.

SUMMARY

■ Husband and wife, Russ and Heidi Ciesielski, share similar careers — he as the principal at Linden High School and she as principal of AGS Middle School in Fenton.

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The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act

As we go through our daily lives we should all remember a very important fact — there are approximately 1.4 million active duty military personnel here in the United States and abroad protecting our freedom and our country.

Hopefully, we all understand that in exchange for protecting us we need to ensure that they should also be protected, not only in military matters but in their civilian capacities as well.

General George Washington once said that 'When we assumed the soldier, we did not lay aside the citizen.'

I don't profess to know all of the details about everything the United States does militarily to keep our personnel protected, but I can tell you that on the civilian side, the law gives specific civil law protections to our military members in the form of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act signed into law Dec. 19, 2003 (SCRA).

This law expanded and improved the former Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act of 1940 (SSCRA).

Generally speaking, both the old and new acts involve the protection of active duty military personnel from a wide variety of civil lawsuit actions and remedies.

Examples of the protections and benefits afforded under SCRA include the areas of credit card obligations, interest rates, general contracts, mortgages, car loans and leases, foreclosures, residential leases and prohibiting an adverse determination by a creditor of a servicemembers creditworthiness based upon the granting by a court of a stay, postponement or suspension of an obligation or liability pursuant to the SCRA. Spouses, dependents and persons subject to the obligations of servicemembers can also be protected.

In simple terms the goal of the SCRA is to temporarily free servicemembers from participation in litigation and to allow them to devote their entire energy to the needs of the nation.

The SCRA applies to any civil, judicial or administrative proceeding in the United States, its territories, and the District of Columbia, including both federal and state courts and administrative agencies.

It is important for servicemembers to know their rights, especially to avoid an inadvertent waiver.

Sir Francis Bacon once wrote 'Knowledge itself is power.' To get full knowledge about the SCRA, I would start at the SCRA Foundation website.

CRASH

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vehicles behind the car were able to avoid hitting it. The third vehicle, a 2014 Harley Davidson operated by Loomis was not able to stop. Delbert laid down the motorcycle prior to impact and was ejected while the motorcycle slid and struck a 2007 Sterling tanker truck.

The roadway was closed for approximately four hours while deputies investigated. Deputies were assisted at the scene by personnel from the Hartland Area Fire Department, Livingston County Ambulance and the Michigan State Police.

The Pontiac Grand Am sought after the crash was located and impounded. The driver was identified as a 22-year-old South Lyon woman. She has been interviewed regarding the case, according to the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

The identity of the at-fault driver who made the illegal turn was made possible by a passing motorist. A 52-year-old Toledo, Ohio man was southbound on U.S. 23 when he witnessed the aftermath of the crash. Believing that the Pontiac may have been involved, he was able to obtain the vehicle's registration information, and pass it

along to the sheriff's office.

According to Undersheriff Michael Murphy, by being observant and taking the time to get involved, the Sheriff's Office Traffic Division will now accurately be able to reconstruct the crash.

Pam Hiatt of Gaines is heartbroken over the loss of her close friend and neighbor. She is also heartbroken for Loomis' wife, Julie. "They truly loved each other," said Hiatt.

"He was such a kind, giving man. He loved helping others and every time we went to the Durand Eagles I looked for him and his wife, Julie. They were friends and neighbors. He will be missed by many people."

Hiatt added that Loomis is also an organ donor.

This fatal crash remains under investigation with the Livingston County Sheriff's Traffic Safety Division and once complete, the report will be sent to the Livingston County Prosecutor's Office for review and possible criminal charges.

Funeral arrangements can be viewed at sharpfuneralhomes.com.

SUMMARY

■ Delbert (Bert) Loomis of Gaines died from injuries he sustained in a motorcycle crash last week in Hartland Township. The sheriff's department will seek charges against the at-fault driver from South Lyon.

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Can you hear me now?

■ Sound system in Fenton Council Chambers to be replaced for \$3,992

By Vera Hogan

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Fenton — No more snap, crackle and pop at Fenton City Council meetings.

Officials voted unanimously Monday to accept a recommendation from City Manager Lynn Markland to purchase a new sound system for council chambers.

"The sound system in the City Council Chambers does not work well and we have had problems with it for several years," Markland said. "The city budgeted some funds in the 2016 fiscal year budget to replace

the system."

The new system will be replaced by Bogner Sound & Music in Flint with some enhanced features for \$3,992. The council budgeted \$5,000 to replace the system.

Equipment to be replaced includes the entire recording/transcription system, installation and training, eight new microphones and microphone bases with push-to-talk/mute switches.

One Bosch 60-watt, 70-volt mixer/amp will replace the "ancient" Bogen unit currently installed, as will two Yorkville two-way 70-volt speakers with mounting brackets.

After voting to replace the system, Councilman David McDermott joked, "Do we get a disco ball with it?"

HOT LINE CONTINUED

PLEASE LOOK UP the word fetus in your dictionary. It is dead fetal tissue that Planned Parenthood passes on for scientific research. There is a big difference between a fetus and baby.

PEOPLE IN THE city of Fenton need to learn how to drive, or at least be more courteous. Driving down Owen Road Monday, two people pulled out of fast food places just a few feet in front of my oncoming car.

I'M AFRAID TO see what happens

when the seminary building is finally destroyed. As long as the grass and weeds have been allowed to grow, the animals are going to scramble for cover in nearby yards and woods.

CRUDE OIL IS down \$40 a barrel, we have an abundance, no supply and demand and was to go down to \$2 a gallon. I don't want to hear it's because of Indiana.




WHY DON'T PEOPLE take 'mission trips' at home, like in Flint or Detroit. Going to third world countries doesn't help anyone here at home. People here need that kind of help, too.




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At 1:21 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 14, a resident stopped by the Fenton police station to report seeing two white males going through cars parked behind the police station. At about 3:15 a.m., a Fenton police officer spotted a male who matched the description of one of the teens entering cars walking on East Street. The male, identified as a 19-year-old Fenton resident, was

highly intoxicated. The officer recovered a cell phone and iPod in his possession that were stolen from vehicles on South Lemen and South Oak. The teen was arrested and lodged until sober at the police station. Lt. Jason Slater said the teen would be charged locally with Under 21 Consumption and disorderly intoxication. Police will also submit the case to the county prosecutor for two felony counts of larceny from auto since electronics were stolen. The second suspect has been identified and police are attempting to make contact with that individual.

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legs that would require several complicated surgeries, police said at the time.

Because the accident took place in the school parking lot, the young man causing the injuries could only be charged with reckless driving, a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$100 and up to 90 days in jail.

Following the accident, then Holly Det. Scott Fischer decided to do something to help stiffen the charges and penalties for this type of situation.

According to Fischer, who today works for the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Court Services Division, said, "The Felonious Driving Statute included only highways, roadways, frozen lakes, streams or ponds but not any area designated for the parking of motor vehicles, which is where this happened, in the high school parking lot.

"Crazy enough, lesser included offenses of reckless and careless driving did include parking areas," he added.

"When I presented the case to the prosecutor's office, I could only get the misdemeanor reckless driving charge which obviously bothered me a lot.

"So I took the language from the reckless and careless charges and incorporated it into the felonious driving charge and sent the packet including the whole

Powers investigation to Ruth Johnson's office," Fischer said.

Johnson, now the Michigan Secretary of State was the state representative serving the Holly area at the time.

"They contacted me, I filled them in and they followed through and got a bill written and passed and voted on," said Fischer. "So now, felonious driving does include any areas designated for the parking of motor vehicles."

House Bill 4813, which Johnson sponsored was signed into law as Public Act 134 of 2001.

"Prior to Johnson's legislation, people who drove recklessly in a parking lot or other area where vehicles normally are could be charged with a felony because the law only mentioned roadways," said Fred Woodhams of the Michigan Department of State Communications Office.

"Johnson's legislation ensured that people who drive recklessly in a parking lot and similar areas can be charged with a felony, especially

when a person is seriously injured," he added.

Efforts to reach Powers, who would be 32 years old today, to see how she's doing have been unsuccessful.

(Read the story of how incest laws were changed as a result of the crimes of Gary Lee Morris, "the ice cream man," in the Aug. 26 Midweek Times.)

HOT LINE CONTINUED

FENTON TOWNSHIP ZONING Board, how can you grant an 18-foot lakefront sight line variance to a Lakeshore Drive property that is 88 by 240 feet deep? Shame on you.

■■■■ **HILLARY SAID THAT** she deleted personal emails from her unauthorized server, thousands of which were emails about doing yoga routines. If she were doing that much yoga, she wouldn't need to wear pantsuits.

■■■■ **THE MONEY BEING** spent on the streetscapes could have been used to restore the seminary. The taxpayers should have a say on what their money is spent on. Projects like these need to be put on the ballot and voted on by the citizens.

■■■■ **I HAVE LIVED** in the Swanee Beach neighborhood for several years and have not seen anyone using the once empty lots as beach shortcuts. The new house will be beautiful. Just on

the wrong size lot. Looks like a safety hazard so close to the road.

■■■■ **WITH GAS PRICES** soaring, it brings to mind what I always say. When gas prices go up, they take the elevator. When gas prices go down, they take the stairs.

■■■■ **FOR THE YOUNG** women driving the grey Cadillac who pulled out in front of me on Owen Road and then proceeded to flip me off, I hope you didn't have your infant in the car and even worse yet, I feel sorry for the child for having a classless mother.

■■■■ **GOD DID NOT** write the Bible? All Scripture is inspired by God 'free thinker' and not by man, as all versions clearly point out. 2 Timothy 3.16.

■■■■ **HILLARY IS HONEST**, open and fair minded? Really? So, facts mean nothing to you and her track record of lies, deceit, and corruption are all just big words you don't understand?



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TRIVIA BOXING

Q What was the name of the professional wrestler Muhammad Ali fought on June 26, 1976?

A His name was Antonio Inoki. Inoki spent most of the fight lying down, kicking Ali's legs.

Holly's Fetzer playing at Olivet College

■ 2015 grad hopes to play in midfield

By David Troppens

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Ann Fetzer was at a college showcase trying to earn the eye of a few schools.

It worked.

The 2015 Holly graduate will be continuing her soccer career at

Olivet College.

"I'm really excited about it," Fetzer said. "I think it's a really good opportunity for me to continue improving as a soccer player and as a person with my team-building skills. I'm really excited about the next four years."

Fetzer, who was one of the senior captains on the Bronchos' 2015 team, said she was looking at other Division 3 schools.

"I was at a college showcase and I put in a recruiting application and they contacted me," Fetzer said.

"They watched me play right before the winter season."

Olivet College is a Division 3 member of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA). The squad finished with a 6-11-3 record overall and a 3-11-2 mark in the MIAA last year. Olivet is opening the season with a new head coach, Kim
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ANN FETZER

Holly 2015 graduate will continue her career at Olivet College.
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Sports

ONLINE EXCLUSIVES

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HUNGRY FOR SOME GRIDIRON ACTION?

The prep football season is right around the corner which means our annual football preview section will be coming out soon — with the Sunday edition to be exact.

Located within the publication will be a preview of each area varsity football teams, a question and answer with a senior member of each football squad and a few other graphics and features. Finally, we'll also include our fall sports schedules for all of the tri-county high school sports teams as well.

Can Fenton football make it five straight league crowns in a row? Can Linden continue its impressive string of playoff appearances? Can the Blue Devils and Holly Bronchos rebound after challenging 2014 football seasons? The beginning answer to some of those questions can be found inside. And all this information will be presented in a convenient and colorful magazine-sized section which will conveniently fit in any players' scrapbook.

Good luck tri-county football teams!

Football is here - sort of

■ Area prep scrimmages are slated for Thursday

By David Troppens

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For those wanting to see a little football a week earlier than the actual opening week of prep football season, you'll get that chance on Thursday.

However, unless you are a Lake Fenton Blue Devils' fan, watching that football will involve some travelling.

The only tri-county varsity football team hosting a scrimmage at home on Thursday is Lake Fenton. The Blue Devils have Clio, Saginaw Swan Valley, Chesaning and Owosso in a five-team event. The scrimmage starts at 6 p.m.

However, the Blue Devils won't all be at home. Lake Fenton's JV and freshman teams will be travelling to Owosso for their scrimmages, starting at 10 a.m.

"We'll get a lot of looks from a lot of different teams," Lake Fenton coach Eric Doyle said.

The Fenton Tigers have had a one-team scrimmage



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Mitchell Arens (center) and the rest of the Lake Fenton varsity football team will be competing in a home scrimmage on Thursday at 6 p.m.

with Midland every season but head coach Jeff Setzke's first, and that tradition won't

be changing this year. This season, the Tigers will travel
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Linden Sportsmens team hits its mark at meet

By David Troppens

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The Linden Sportsmens Club Youth team has a tradition of having solid performances at meets.

The Linden Longshots AIM (standing for academics, integrity and marksmanship) trapshooting team has continued that tradition this summer.

The Longshots recently competed at the 2015 AIM Grand Championships held at the World Shooting Complex in Sparta, Illinois, and came home with a second-place team finish.

"They did well," Linden Sportsmen Club youth coach Dr. Tom Abraham said. "They just kind of put it all together on the same day. They are all good shooters. Typically, during any of the competitions, someone is going to have a bad day, but no one
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Fenton's Kevin Lack (left) returns this fall. The Fenton Tigers travel to Midland for a scrimmage on Thursday.

FOOTBALL

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to Midland for their scrimmages. The freshmen and JV teams will go at 4 p.m., while the varsity teams will compete at 6 p.m. Initially, the scrimmages were scheduled for today, but the date had to be changed due to scheduling conflicts.

"We think it's a good scrimmage and it helps both teams best prepare for their first games," Setzke said.

Linden's football program won't have to travel terribly far. The Eagles are heading to Brighton High School for

scrimmages. All three levels will start at 10 a.m.

Finally, Holly will be heading south on I-75 for its varsity and JV scrimmages to Notre Dame Prep. The varsity will play at 4 p.m., while the JV is competing at 6 p.m. The Holly freshmen will have their scrimmage at 11 a.m. at Lakeland High School on Thursday.

Three teams — Fenton hosts Davison, Linden at DeWitt and Holly at Berkley — open a week later on Aug. 27. About 24 hours later, Lake Fenton opens its season at Freeland on Aug. 28.

FETZER

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McGowan. She replaces Hans Morgan, who was the head coach since 2000. During his tenure, the team only enjoyed two winning seasons, with the last one coming in 2010.

Fetzer, who was a first-team member of the 2015 Tri-County squad and also a first-team All-Metro selection, played in the midfield for the Bronchos. She expects she'll play a similar position while with the Lady Comets. She is interested in studying environmental science.

"I'm hoping to play at center-mid," Fetzer said.

"I was talking to the coach and I may also play forward or even play defense. But, I'll take what I can get when I get there."

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPEMS

Holly graduate Ann Fetzer looks to move the ball upfield during a game last spring. Fetzer is continuing her soccer career at Olivet College.



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The Linden Longshots are (from left starting with the front row) coach Dr. Tom Abraham, Christian Scott, Chad Purzycki, Tom Kemp, Spencer Bundy, Joe Haiss, Jacob Jankowski, coach Pat Kelley, Max Ostapchuk, Zack Jobe and Parker Bundy.

TEAM

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had one. They all did very well."

The squad placed second in the Junior Gold Class C competition, finishing with a team score of 922 targets hit out of 1,000. The winning team — Bama Clay Busters — won with a 936 targets hit. Third place hit 906.

Each shooter attempted to shoot 200 clay targets during the meet. Spencer Bundy was the team's top marksman, hitting 193 targets. He was followed by Collin Wuestnick's 190 targets, Chad Purzycki's 184 targets, Thomas Kemp's 180 targets and Jacob Jankowski's 175 targets, resulting in the 922 total.

The squad had a second team of five compete at the meet, posting a team total of 747. Those competitors and their scores were Parker Bundy (185), Christian Scott (166), Max Ostapchuk (158), Zack Jobe (152) and Joseph Haiss (86). Both teams consist of mostly Fenton High School students in their teens. The exceptions are Wuestnick and Purzycki who are Fenton graduates, and Jankowski who is a senior at Byron Area High School.

Most of the competitors on the second team are competitors newer to the sport of trapshooting. The teams were created through many competitions and practices throughout the season.

"My philosophy is you earn your spot through practice. I tell them at the beginning there are no favorites. Aver-

ages are all that matter," Abraham said. "The five kids with the highest average made the first team and the next five were on the second team."

This season the team has had about 15 practices with the totals taken from each to create the teams.

The competitors also took part in other competitions at the meet. Individually, Bundy placed second in the .22 handgun challenge, fourth in the .22 bolt challenge and tied for seventh in the main singles individual event while Kemp finished third in the .22 bolt action challenge and fifth in the three-gun challenge.

The team also competed at the Michigan State AIM Championships earlier in the summer and placed third at the meet.

Abraham said trap shooting is a great sport for the children.

"They learn all sorts of lessons," Abraham said. "They cannot walk on the range without going through all the safety issues. They learn to work as a group. They learn they can't always be perfect. Unlike a lot of sports you may have a bad day, ... and for a kid that's hard to accept. They can be shooting well and competing well and then all of a sudden do awful. But once they've been shooting for a year or two, they understand those things happen. They also learn sportsmanship."

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Chase prefers his seat in his carrier attached to the back of John Maser's Harley-Davidson motorcycle than the dumpster he was rescued from.

Motorcycle Puppy

■All decked out in his hat and goggles, Chase is 'b-b-b-bad to the bone'

By Hannah Ball
hball@tctimes.com

John Maser has an unusual traveling companion when he rides his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Chase is a 20-month-old puppy that loves riding on the back of the bike. Maser found him when he was five weeks old in a dumpster in Flint during the middle of winter. "We went over to the dumpster and he was in a garbage bag," he said.

Now, Chase wears a Harley-Davidson hat, goggles, and a harness that reads, "Bad to the bone" while riding.

"Instead of staying home and whining, he knows he can go out on the back of the bike," Maser said.



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Chase wears a Harley-Davidson hat, goggles, and a harness that reads "bad to the bone" while riding.

TURTLES

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ability to reproduce is severely limited due to an overabundance of ground predators."

Raccoons will destroy turtles nests and kill the eggs. Opossums and skunks also prey on turtles, but their population sizes aren't as high.

The DNR tracks how long it takes raccoons to destroy a turtle's nest.

"If a nest is successful at hatching eggs, those turtles have a 43 percent chance of surviving year one," he said.

"Turtles are vulnerable in early stages, which is why they live as long as they do."

A turtle's chance of survival increases with age. These slow-moving creatures can live for a few decades, even up to 70 years old. They mature and age slower than mammals.

Vaughn said it's not always easy to tell the age of a turtle. In some turtle species, with every year a ring is added, called annuli, to their scutes, which is the small section that make the top of the shell. Turtles do this each year during winter.

"You can count the rings in one individual scute to tell how old the turtle is," Vaughn said. "As the turtle ages, the rings become less distinct, so with older turtles it is more difficult to tell how old they are."

Adult turtles are mainly threatened by

"As the turtle ages, the rings become less distinct."

— Holly Vaughn
Department of Natural Resources

humans. They're killed on the road or taken as pets, Gonica said. They're also threatened by wetland degradation and road mortality.

Seeing turtles crossing the road is common, but it's not always best to move it. "Leave the adults alone. If you see one cross the road, don't put it in the car and drive it 10 miles across the road and release it. It's done just fine for 15 to 20 years," Gonica said.

"If you do move it, make sure to just put it on the side of the road and keep the turtle going in the direction it was originally going," Vaughn said.

PROTECTION

- All turtles, except for snapping turtles, are protected from commercial harvest by the Department of Natural Resources. Wood, spotted, eastern box, and Blanding's turtles are completely protected.

Source: Department of Natural Resources

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- A turtle's shell is made of two parts. The upper portion, or carapace, is formed from the flat dermal bones covered by broad scales. It's connected to the backbone and ribs. The lower shell, the plastron, includes abdominal ribs and portions of the shoulder girdle, according to the DNR.

Source: animalplanet.com and DNR

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CONSERVATIVES AND LIBERALS have criticized each other over the past months. This is good. We should remember that our symbol of freedom, the bald eagle, needs both a left wing and right wing in order to fly. Likewise, our country needs both wings to preserve our freedom.

A BIG 'THANK YOU' to Mrs. Kraemer and Mrs. Widdis at Patterson Elementary in Holly for organizing our Summer Blast program all summer. The students were able to keep learning all summer long and to have fun with their families and the staff. Way to go!

LINDEN EAGLES FOOTBALL coaches play favorites to the rich parents. News flash — there is talent in other kids that don't live on the lakes or have money.

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Cleata Jean Rennie

1929-2015

Cleata Jean Rennie - age 86, of Fenton, died August 14, 2015. Funeral services will be held 12 PM Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Burial will be in Mancelona Cemetery. Visitation was held 5-8 PM Tuesday. Those desiring may make contributions to Treehouse Humane Society, Chicago, IL. Cleata was born July 2, 1929 in Detroit the daughter of Harold Henry and Arlene Marie (Wood) Gravel. She was an R.N. working for F.O.H and Munson Hospitals retiring in 1991 with 30 years of service. She was a volunteer at F.O.H, and enjoyed reading, crocheting, and knitting. She loved spending time with her grandsons and her cats. She is survived by her grandsons, Corey (Carrie) Rennie and Allic Rennie; step granddaughter, Ashley Romine; cousins, Sharon Fowler, Laurel Glover, Jerry (Geri) Shuart; special friend, Gini Raby of Fenton. She was preceded in death by her parents; 2 sons, Jeffery and Hugh "Scott" Rennie. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Jacquelyn Mary Putnam

1933-2015

Jacquelyn Mary Putnam - age 81, of Fenton, died Saturday, August 15, 2015 at Caretel Inns of Linden. Funeral services will be held 4 PM Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be held 11 - 4 PM Wednesday at the funeral home. Mrs. Putnam was born November 15, 1933 in



Green Bay, WI, the daughter of John P. and Oda Z. (Smith) Wilson. She married James H. Putnam on August 14, 1954 and he preceded her in death on March 13, 2006. Surviving are three sons, Jeffrey W. (Christine) Putnam of Birch Run, Christopher J. (Theresa) Putnam of TX, Patrick J. (Kelly) Putnam of Swartz Creek; six grandchildren, Alicia, Michael, Andrew (Christina Hill), Jenny, Ashley, and James; one great-grandchild, Raelyn; two sisters and one brother. Her parents and husband preceded her in death. The family extends a special thank you to the Cupal family, the Peraino family and the staff of Caretel Inns of Linden for their special care and support. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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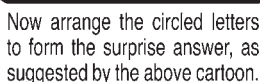
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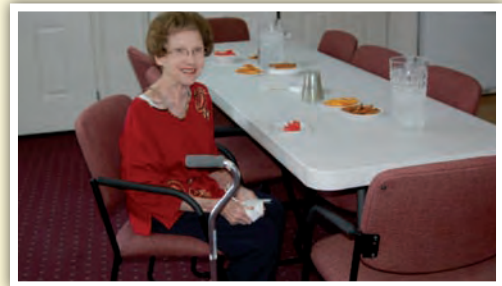
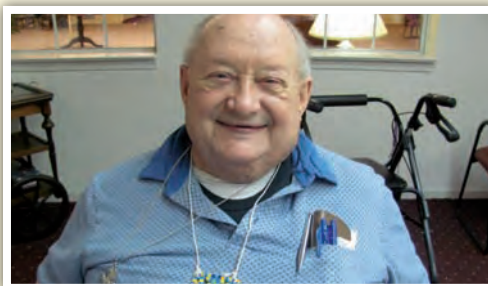


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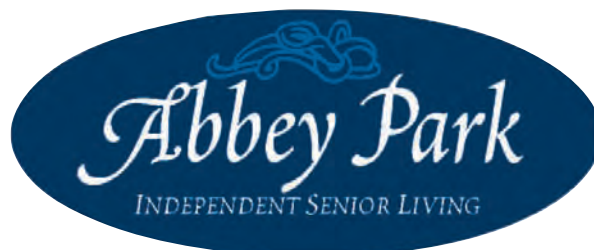
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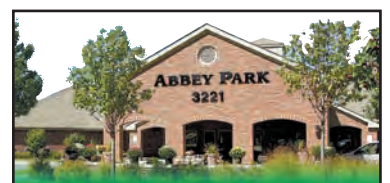


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