



Great Lakes National Cemetery: 12,603 wreaths laid at the graves of veterans for Wreaths Across America

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On Saturday, Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township was flooded with supporters of veterans and their families. Every gravesite received a wreath, sponsored by individuals and businesses for the annual Wreaths Across America event. **See more photos on page 8.**

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Engineers hired for Silver Lake Road bridge project

■ New construction over Shiawassee River set to begin in April

By Vera Hogan
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The city's engineering firm, OHM (Orchard, Hiltz and McClimment) of Livonia, will be embarking on another major project this spring.

The Fenton City Council voted Monday to hire OHM, which did the engineering work on the Streetscape project downtown, to oversee the construction of the Silver Lake Road Bridge Reconstruction project.

See BRIDGE on 2

Busiest time of the year for post offices

■ Crunch time is here to ensure presents are delivered by Christmas

By Hannah Ball
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Santa isn't the only person working hard to make sure presents are delivered on time. Post offices and shipping centers experience a significant increase in traffic during the holiday season, ensuring people can send gifts in time for Christmas.

One of the busiest days of the year for shipping is the week before Christmas, often on Monday. This year, it was Dec. 14.

Goin' Postal, which recently relocated to 1219 North LeRoy **See POST OFFICES on 8**



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Fenton Post Office employee Rob Robinson troubleshoots a label-printing kiosk on Monday. The machine went down on one of the busiest days of the year for shipping packages.

Holly only area municipality to show income gain

■ U.S. Census figures show dramatic difference in Fenton between 2009 and 2014

By Vera Hogan
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This is part two of a two-part series, based on a new U.S. Census report highlighting average income levels.

Of all the communities in the Tri-County Times reader area, Holly Village was the only municipality to show an income increase, while the city of Fenton fell the farthest behind on income levels between 2009 and 2014.

According to the latest U.S. **See INCOME on 7**



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Sun, sand and snacks coming to Silver Lake Beach

■ After two years, concession stand will open — again

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Considering the December weather in Michigan so far, it does not seem too far out of reach to talk about Silver Lake Beach,

and the fact that during the 2016 season, the concession stand will be open.

The Fenton City Council voted Monday to award a contract to Jennifer and Tony Book of Fenton, to operate the Snack Shack at Silver Lake Beach.

According to Dan Czarnecki, director **See CONCESSION on 6**

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“If you don't work for the government or GM you are going to have a heart attack when you find out what your new health care coverage will cost. My employer only pays a fixed amount and I pay the rest. I am working for health care, not for a paycheck. Thanks government.”



“The person who said to rely on Snopes for verification of facts needs to do a little more research. Snopes has a reputation for editorializing when it is 'clarifying' email rumors and other questionable facts. Their opinions should be clear and clinical, not tainted with opinion.”



COMMENT OF THE WEEK

“Great advice to take your children to Crossroads Village. There is something for all ages, including the adults. We go every year and have never regretted it.”

BRIDGE**Continued from Front Page**

The cost of their services is not to exceed \$167,500. Although material testing work will be coordinated through OHM, the work will be invoiced directly to the city of Fenton and have not been included in OHM's proposed costs.

OHM's services will include construction staking, construction observation of the proposed work, construction engineering to address and resolve any issues that come up during the work, and documentation of construction activities.

They also will handle all the construction administration and attend pre-construction and progress meetings. OHM will provide monthly construction pay estimates and finalize paperwork at the end of the project.

In August, the Fenton City Council voted unanimously to sign a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to replace the Silver Lake Road bridge over the Shiawassee River.

According to Dan Czarnecki, director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), the bridge replacement project is estimated to cost \$972,900. The city is scheduled to receive \$924,300 in Local Bridge Fund Money from MDOT.

The balance, \$48,600 will be the responsibility of the city to pay.

According to City Manager Lynn Markland, the contract states work is to begin in April 2016. Czarnecki said the project is expected to take two months, but is not sure he believes it will be done that quickly.

"It's either going to start in the spring and be done before the Fourth of July, or it will start after the Fourth of July and be done by fall," Czarnecki said in August.

The project consists of the removal and replacement of the structure, which carries Silver Lake Road over the Shiawassee River, and the reconstruction of the approaches to the structure for approximately 31 feet west and 30 feet east of the structure, and all the necessary related work.

It has not yet been determined where truck traffic will be routed during construction. Officials are considering a new ordinance, which will prohibit truck traffic in downtown Fenton, other than regular deliveries, in order to protect the city's \$4.7 million investment into the Streetscape project. They favor routing truck traffic to Fenway Drive, north to Silver Lake Road. The matter was turned over to the city's traffic engineer, Peter LaMorie of Progressive Engineering for review. His findings

will be discussed at the City Council's Jan. 4, 2016 work session.

Discussions about the condition of bridges in the city of Fenton have been ongoing for a few years. In September 2011, at the recommendation of Czarnecki, Fenton City Council gave its approval to have bridges within the city to be inspected by the city's engineering firm, OHM.

The city of Fenton owns six bridge structures, all of which go over the Shiawassee River. In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration (FHA) and MDOT, five of these bridges are required to be inspected every two years, and the one on Silver Lake Road is required to be inspected annually.

OHM completed the inspections for a sum of \$4,400, after which they submitted their findings to MDOT.

Czarnecki said there were three areas with 3 or 4 ratings (poor) for the Silver Lake Road bridge on the last inspection.

If a bridge fails inspection, the city would need to close it until it could be repaired, said Czarnecki in 2011.

The topic came up again in March 2012, and again in 2013 when it was announced funding from MDOT's Local Bridge Program would come through in 2015.

Lockwood re-elected to National League of Cities Board

Fenton Mayor Pro Tem Patricia Lockwood was recently re-elected to the National League of Cities (NLC) Board of Directors.

Lockwood, a former Michigan State representative, was selected to her second consecutive, two-year term on the NLC board during the organization's annual Congress of Cities and Exposition in Nashville, Tennessee in early November.

The NLC is dedicated to helping city leaders build better communities and is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.

"I am honored that the NLC has selected me to continue my service to this excellent organization," Lockwood said. "In this role I plan to continue to work hard to represent communities in Michigan and throughout the nation."

Lockwood is the only Michigan representative on the 55-member NLC board. She is also a past-president of the Michigan Municipal League Board of Trustees, and remains very active with the League, including currently serving as vice chair of the Michigan Municipal League Foundation.



Pat Lockwood

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BUCK POLE



Rebecca Florida, 15, bagged this 10-point in Fenton Township on Nov. 23. Rebecca is a freshman at Lake Fenton High School.

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GIRLS ARE 'FEARLESSLY FIT' AT AGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Shirley Ciofu with Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation leads a class of about 25 girls at AGS Middle School Monday afternoon. The after-school program is called Fearlessly Fit, and features a new wellness activity each week.

Professional fitness program builds friendships, confidence without sports

By Sally Rummel

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Fenton — The middle school years can be tough ones for kids as they struggle to find their niche physically, emotionally and socially.

Fenton AGS Middle School Counseling Intern, Kim Gruber, saw a need to start a group for girls that would build friendships and self esteem in a community effort, without all the competition of sports. "We wanted to show girls that there

are things they can do to be healthy that aren't team sports," said Gruber.

"Fearlessly Fit for Girls" has become a weekly event every Monday after school, drawing more than 30 girls from sixth, seventh and eighth grades, plus female school staff members. Each event incorporates healthy themes introduced weekly by community businesses and organizations.

Community groups that have met with these students so far include: The Fit Box, Fenton Police Department teaching self-defense tactics, CrimFit mindfulness training, Zumba, World Academy

Karate and the Southern Lakes Parks & Recreation Pilates program.

Gruber welcomes other community groups and businesses to make presentations and interact with the students.

"I know there are community members who would be willing to share their expertise with these girls," said Gruber. "We've had such a huge response from students. It gives them an 'extra push' and shows them there are different ways to be healthy."

Interested groups or businesses can contact Gruber at kgruber@fentonschools.org.

SUMMARY

"Fearlessly Fit for Girls" draws students from Fenton AGS Middle School into a program incorporating health and fitness from experts in the community.

Gruber plans to expand the program in January with a group for boys. "It's especially important at the middle school level," she said.

"We wanted to show girls there are things they can do out in the community that's not all sports."

Kim Gruber
Fenton AGS Middle School
counseling intern

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FROM THE LEFT
NATIONALLY SYNDICATED
Bill Press

Time to dump Trump!

When Donald Trump announced he was running for president last June, the Huffington Post, unlike most of the media, didn't exactly go gaga over him. In fact, as a sign they weren't taking him seriously, HuffPo decided to post all Trump news on their Entertainment page.

Donald Trump's not funny anymore. He's no longer a joke. He's a serious candidate for president, he's leading in the polls, and he's perhaps the most divisive, dangerous, racist candidate in our history.

Trump's not alone, of course. He's standing on a platform of hatred — against minorities, immigrants, women and gays — which the Republican Party has been building for years.

But Trump's by far the worst. His entire campaign is built on hatred. And now against Muslims, all of whom he brands as terrorists and wants to keep out of the country, 'until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on.'

What's going on with Donald Trump? That's not hard to figure out. It's right out of his 1997 playbook, 'The Art of the Deal,' where he recommends: 'If you want to command the stage, make the most daring demands possible and say the most outrageous things possible — and people will pay attention to you.'

What's even more stunning is not what Trump said, but what most of his fellow Republicans refuse to say. Sure, some of them tut-tutted their disagreement with the ban on Muslims.

But then every one of them turned and said they'd still vote for Donald Trump over Hillary Clinton or Bernie Sanders, if Trump were the Republican nominee. What hypocrites!

So why are most of the other Republicans pussy-footing around Trump? Because they fear that if they're too hard on Trump, he might bolt from the Republican Party and run as an Independent, thereby assuring a Democratic victory.

The only way to stop Donald Trump is for the Republican Party to reject him summarily. It's true that what he proposes about Muslims disqualifies him from being president. But those who criticize him, yet say they'll still vote for him, are just as guilty and just as unqualified.

AM I THE only one who sees the white pitbull chained up in the front yard on Owen Road? Can we possibly pass some kind of law that dogs cannot be chained? Rain or shine, hot or freezing, it is outside. It's heartbreaking to have to drive past daily.

AS FOR THE park on Margaret Drive, I took my grandchildren down to the park today in their little red wagon only to find out that it was closed until Monday. It is a private park and they should not be able to destroy it where it's not usable to the people it's intended for.

I LOVE LAKE Fenton. Fourth generation in the same house. There have been a few changes over the years but I wouldn't live anywhere else.

NEED MORE BINS for recycling? Call the toll-free number for Republic Services. Mine was delivered in a few days.

LINDEN SCHOOLS, IF you do not make the changes now, you will see a mass exodus of students as programs will most definitely be cut.

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO Rick Flair the pro wrestler? Don't worry he's alive and well on Margaret Drive. Yes, there has been a Rick Flair sighting.

I WAS REALLY looking forward to ice fishing with my friends this year. Doesn't look like that's going to happen anytime soon.

SAW A FUNNY picture of Donald Trump dressed like Archie Bunker, sitting in his chair next to Edith. The

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people who come up with stuff like that clearly have too much time on their hands.

LOVE HOW EVERY holiday season people go out of their way to feed and give clothes and coats to the needy. Let's try to remember that these same people are out there with the same problems when the holidays are over.

ONLY A COUPLE more weeks until the Spartans play in the Cotton Bowl and we can't wait. What do you serve at a Cotton Bowl party?

IF THIS KEEPS up we're going to have to drag our lawn mowers out again.

THERE ARE TWO people pleased with the performance of our present president. The first is his wife who for the first time was proud to be an American when he was elected. The other one is Jimmy Carter because he will now no longer be dubbed as the worst president of recent times.

I WOULD LIKE to thank the members of Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church for the gift that they give each year to our community in the 'Jesus Walk' that they put on. Great job again this year.

FIFTEEN-MILLION DOLLARS to send Obama, wife, and kids to Christmas vacation. What a crock.

JUST THOUGHT I'D tell you, as an atheist, I don't care if you say Merry Christmas. It's the Christians who keep perpetuating the 'war on Christmas.'

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



FROM THE RIGHT
NATIONALLY SYNDICATED
Cal Thomas

Disorder in Sharia courts

Set aside for a moment the violent incidents associated with people claiming to act under the authority of their Islamic faith and consider instead what passes for normalcy.

Some in Britain would like to elevate the level of wide-scale acceptance of Sharia law, an Islamic legal system predicated on the religious tenets of Islam. A number of Sharia councils operate in the UK. There is a campaign underway to make a UK suburb Britain's Sharia-law zone.

London's Mayor Boris Johnson called the idea of Sharia law in Britain 'absolutely unacceptable.' The Independent newspaper recently published an investigative story revealing a parallel system of Islamic justice, which the writer says condemns many British women to 'marital captivity.'

The Independent, managed to obtain unusual access to secretive Sharia courts. After attending 15 hours of hearings at the Islamic Sharia Council the Birmingham Central Mosque, they reviewed more than a dozen cases.

According to The Independent, some of the findings included:

A case where a woman married to a physically and verbally abusive man is told by a 'laughing' judge: 'Why did you marry such a person?'

A woman 'ready to burst into tears' is sent away without an answer after saying that her husband took out a loan in her name and is denying her a divorce until she gives him 10,000 pounds.

A married couple asking for advice on whether the woman had been religiously divorced from her former husband were told 'the secular divorce counts as nothing.'

The report concluded that most of the Islamic judges 'are not a neutral third party but are always in favor of the man.'

Beyond the mass shootings in America, stabbings on London's tube and Israeli bus stops, there is the larger question of Islam's compatibility with Western values and laws. Will those of us who practice a different faith, including Muslims with a different view of Islam, or those who practice no faith at all, be required to adhere to Sharia law should the Muslim population become a majority? That's what radical Islamists appear to want.

The question is more than academic.

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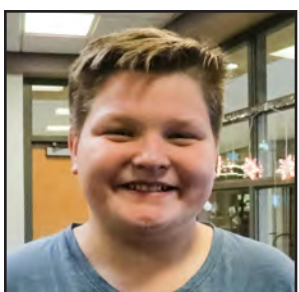
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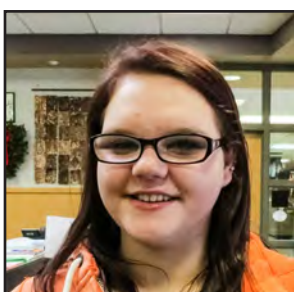
"A four-wheeler. Mine is kind of broken and old and I want something new."

— Sean Hartsell
Seventh grade



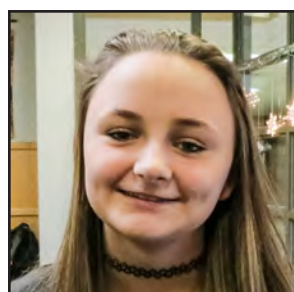
"I've been getting parts of a computer I plan to build. I think that'll be a really interesting thing to do because we're all geeks and love electronics."

— Chase Gibson, Sixth grade



"I want a new phone. The iPhone 6. I want a new upgrade."

— Lacy Fowler
Eighth grade



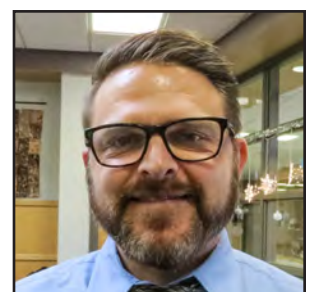
"Probably some food, like Nutella. It's so expensive."

— Heather Wooten
Eighth grade



"I would like a new computer with video editing software. Go-Pro attachments, like a helmet."

— Lillie Kromer
Eighth grade



"I wish that all the A.G.S. staff, students and parents a safe and happy holidays, but a Swagway Hoverboard would be nice, too."

— Eric Rettenmund
Assistant principal



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Employees of Linden schools perform funny acts for students and parents for the Linden Follies, an annual fundraiser for Christmas Express and Angel Tree.

Linden Follies raises nearly \$8,000

■ School employees show their funny side to support local charities

By Hannah Ball

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For the 20th year in a row, the Linden Community Schools' staff and faculty made students and parents laugh hysterically at the annual Linden Follies, raising \$7,900 for local charities.

Organized by the Linden Educational Association, Linden staff and faculty performed 14 comical acts or helped run the show in the Linden auditorium last Thursday.

"It's a very busy night," said Brett Smith, president of the Linden Education Association and Linden Elementary teacher. He said the stress was worth it when the check was given to the two charities, Christmas Express and Angel Tree, on stage after the show. "Everyone gets teary-eyed, which is kind of wonderful," he said.

SUMMARY

■ Linden staff and faculty performed funny acts on stage to the delight of students and parents, raising almost \$8,000 for local charities.

"This is the most we've ever made," he said. Last year they raised around \$5,700 and in 2013, they raised around \$6,000. "All of the money goes back to the community, so that makes it all worth it."

Baldrige said this was the best year ever. "Every year we are reminded again and again how talented and giving our Linden staff is," she said. "We loved having all the schools represented so well."

Acts included Interim Superintendent Russ Ciesielski, Assistant Superintendent Mike Engelter and Business Officer Pam Dickie dressed as elves and performing a skit called "Elf in a Box."

Staff from Argentine Elementary performed the song, "Say Hey (I love you)."

The bus drivers performed for the first time in 20 years and danced to the popular song "Watch Me (Whip/Nae Nae)" by Silento.

Even though Superintendent Ed Koledo is currently serving on active duty, he recorded a message to play at the Follies that everyone loved, Smith said.

Throughout the acts, Smith and Baldrige kept the crowd entertained with banter.

“All of the money goes back to the community, so that makes it all worth it.”

Brett Smith

Linden Elementary teacher, Linden Educational Association president

"I was Ed (Cousin Eddie) from 'Christmas Vacation'," he said, adding that he was a great contrast to Baldrige's polite demeanor.

"The audience always responds very well to Mr. Smith, so it's easy to play off what he comes up with," said Baldrige. "We don't have a script and have no practice, so we just sort of go 'off the cuff'."

Smith has been active in the Follies since 1999 and said it's amazing that the entire staff and faculty can always come together to put on this event.

"The reason that we do this is we care about our community and the community cares about us, too. It's a give and take. They show support by showing up. For all of us to come together, it's something special," he said.

Social News

ENGAGEMENT

Erickson-Lozon

Mark and Linda Erickson of Bealeton, Virginia are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Diana Erickson to Daniel Lozon. Daniel's parents are James Lozon and the late Ann Lozon of Fenton. Diana Erickson of Linden attended Rochester College and is employed in Brighton in business management. Daniel Lozon of Fenton attended Mott Community College and The University of Michigan. He is employed in health care administration and coaches football and wrestling at Lake Fenton schools. The bride and groom will celebrate on December 19, 2015 in Grand Blanc.

The lost art of Christmas cards

■ Many people choose technology over traditional greetings

By Sally Rummel

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What's missing in your mailbox this holiday? With each passing Christmas season, people are finding fewer holiday cards in their home mailboxes and more greetings on social media like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.

But Tyrone Township resident Jennifer Eden doesn't let that stop her from finding the joy in sending out her own traditional Christmas cards.

"I send out about 55 cards to family members — aunts and uncles, parents, grandparents, cousins, neighbors and friends," said Eden. "I wrote them out in October and then sent them out the first of December."

Eden chooses to send out a traditional greeting rather than a photo card, because she likes the idea of sending out a personal message, which she hand writes on each card.

It's a tradition she learned from her mother and grandmother, carrying on the tradition herself now for more than 20 years. "I know a lot of people don't do it anymore, but I wouldn't do it any other way," said Eden, 43. "I always keep the cards we get from year to year, and enjoy getting them out and reading them from time to time."

While Christmas card sales are down from \$2 billion to about \$1.6 billion,

according to the Greeting Card Association, Susan's Hallmark Store in Fenton is still buzzing with customers buying not only boxed cards, but also single cards meant for just the right person. "If you came in here and saw our shelves, you'd be amazed at how many cards we've already sold," said store manager, Wilma Murray. "If Christmas card sales are down, you sure wouldn't know it here. We've been so busy."

The difference between sending a social media message and a personalized Christmas card is the thoughtfulness. It takes time to sign and send out cards, time spent thinking about someone else and the joy your card will bring to their home. It expresses to the recipient that your relationship means something and is worth the extra effort beyond a "like" button on the computer.

A Christmas card expresses the fact that the ties of friendship are still strong and important, even though distance may separate people. For friends who live nearby, a card tells them how much your friendship means to them.

If you haven't sent out Christmas cards yet this season, it's not too late, although time is beginning to run out. You can check out your local Hallmark store or discount store for traditional boxed cards.

Technology also can help with the task. You can easily upload a family photo to wallgreens.com/photo, shutterfly.com or any number

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of the Department of Public Works, the Books approached him with the idea earlier this fall. Not only have the couple been bringing their children to the beach for several years, in the past year, Tony Book has helped teach people about beach volleyball on Thursday nights through Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation.

Jennifer said she and her family have lived in Fenton for many years. The couple's children attend State Road Elementary School and AGS Middle School.

"My kids and I have been going to the beach for years," said Jennifer. "They each have had a handful of change to get a treat and no one is ever there. It's really a shame that no one has kept it up or taken the time to operate the stand."

"We work for ourselves, so it's another side project and I think we'll do really well," she added. "Once the community knows we're there I think we'll do great."

The Books approached the Parks Board at its Dec. 8 meeting to discuss their plan. "Their intent is to run the building while the park is open, probably five days a week, which would include the weekends as well as Tuesday evenings for the ski show and Thursday evenings for volleyball classes," said Czarnecki.

By unanimous vote, the Parks Board agreed to support allowing the Books to operate the Silver Lake Park Snack Shack for concessions at the park during the summer, for a three-year period, beginning May 2016 and ending September 2018.

Jennifer contacted the Genesee County Health Department and was told they would not need a health department license if they plan to only sell prepackaged foods, Czarnecki added. The Books intend to sell only food that is sealed and ready to go. They will also try to have beach items, such as lotions, toys, etc. for sale, he added.

"This will truly be a snack shop with snacky food people want to eat, like apples, bananas, chips, pop, ice cream, popsicles, candy and more," Jennifer said.

The Books will report back to the Parks Board at the end of the first season to discuss the operations and any successes, issues or changes that may be needed for the following year.

"I really hope they do well," Czarnecki said. "The concession stand is a small part of the experience at Silver Lake Park."

Jennifer said she believes the Snack Shack will attract more people to the park and beach.

"We don't want them to have to leave to get something to eat," she said.

“Once the community knows we’re there I think we’ll do great.”

Jennifer Book
New Silver Lake Beach
concession stand operator



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Kettering University Associate Professor Dr. Jim Huggins helps students at Tomek Elementary in Fenton learn to code as part of the international Computer Science Education Week.

Computer coding demystified for Tomek students

■ Kettering associate professor visits elementary school for 'Hour of Code'

Students at Fenton's Tomek-Eastern Elementary School, with the help of Kettering University, were among millions of people around the world to participate in an "Hour of Code" as part of Code.org's annual Computer Science Education Week (CSEdWeek).

Along with participating in a fun activity, the students also found out more about the potential diverse and impactful careers they can pursue through studying Computer Science. Dr. Jim Huggins, associate professor of Computer Science at Kettering University, visited the fourth grade classrooms of Sheila Best, Rosemary Fitzgerald and Yvonne Duncan at Tomek on Dec. 10.

Along with helping students do activities, Huggins shared information about Computer Science education and professional opportunities. Through the Code.org website, students practiced basic

coding through Minecraft, Star Wars or Frozen-themed games meant to be fun and challenging.

"The kids really had fun with the activity," Huggins said. "It was great to see how engaged they were."

The Hour of Code is a global grassroots movement, created with a goal of reaching tens of millions of students in more than 180 countries. The program is a one-hour introduction to Computer Science, designed to demystify code and show that anyone can learn the basic elements.

"I know that my students have been really interested in the Hour of Code website, and they've dug deep into learning how to code through that website," said Best. "I feel like what he did with them today made them realize not only that there's different options for them to move forward with a computer science degree, but also that computer science isn't just about computers, it's not just about the screen, the device, the top product, but it's about solving problems."

Huggins also visited fifth graders at Dieck Elementary in Swartz Creek.

CARDS

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of websites that allow you to design a card with a photo in your greeting.

You can also let Hallmark help by ordering a hybrid greeting card online. For one price, customers can create a card by choosing a design, uploading their own photos and even choosing the day the U.S. Postal Service delivers the card.

Apple introduced Cards, a smartphone application that allows custom-

ers to create and mail hybrid greeting cards directly from their iPhones.

For those who love the experience of shopping for cards, many local stores carry them, although the selection may be getting smaller as Christmas nears. Postal offices in the tri-county area also offer a selection of greeting cards that allow customers to buy, stamp and send them out from the same location.

USPS.com suggests that card senders keep in mind the first-class deadline date of Saturday, Dec. 19 for delivery by Christmas.



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SALLY RUMMEL

Tony Emrick of Rose Township carefully selects another box of cards to send out this Christmas season. She typically sends out about 40 to 50 cards, but may scale back in the future as she and her husband get closer to retirement.

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Lawyers, the holiday dinner, and the true meaning of the holidays

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For those in the Genesee County legal community there is the same sense of excitement but for a reason that everybody may not know about. This reason is the annual Genesee County Bar Association holiday dinner.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of this event, which will be held tomorrow at Flint’s Masonic Temple.

The dinner is funded entirely by contributions from lawyers and legal community members. Everyone literally works side by side, serving food, waiting on tables, bussing the tables and doing everything else that goes with a dinner.

The guests are those who perhaps are a little down on their luck, and who may not have a Christmas dinner other than the one we’re serving, or presents for their children.

Santa Claus will be there in all his magnificence, and each child gets to visit with him, have their picture taken, and receive a candy cane and a present.

There are approximately 1,200 people who attend every year and hundreds of volunteers.

You may be asking yourself do lawyers actually get along with each other in real life? The answer to this is a resounding YES! This has been the case for centuries and to illustrate the point I will simply rely on none other than William Shakespeare who wrote of lawyers in the play ‘The Taming of the Shrew’:

‘Please ye we may contrive this afternoon,
And do as adversaries do in law —
Strive mightily, but eat and drink as friends.’

I think I speak for all Genesee County lawyers when I say this is an example of how we can give back to the community and show the true meaning of the holidays. This event is also one of the many reasons that I am proud to be a lawyer.

INCOME

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Census figures, the average income in the city of Fenton in 2009 was \$57,953, which dropped to \$42,153 in 2014. The poverty rate in 2009 was 7.1, which increased to 15.2 in 2014.

Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland is not worried, however.

“Barring any global or national crisis, I would expect that 2016 should be a good year economically,” he said.

The local economy is pretty much reflective of what is going on nationally, he said.

“Although the economic recovery began in 2009, it has been mostly a recovery without any real wage increases and until the last couple of years not enough jobs have been created,” Markland said.

In the last couple of years, the number of jobs that have been created has significantly increased and the unemployment rate has gone down, he added.

“Younger families and younger people are moving into the community. Generally younger people are early in their careers and as they gain experience usually income increases,” Markland said.

Since the recession ended, many of the Baby Boomers who delayed retirement have started to retire, and as they become eligible for Social Security and use funds from retirement accounts, their income may tend to be less than it was when they

were working, he added.

Although they have less income, their amount of disposable income may stay or be near the same because they may have less household debt, with mortgages paid off, for example.

“Technically, we may be out of a recession, however, the economy is still in recovery and wage growth has lagged behind in this recovery,” said Markland. “As the economy continues to recover, wages should begin to increase.”

“In the last year, locally we have seen an increase in economic activity and interest in development. More people are moving into the community and businesses generally seem to be doing better,” he said.

Linden City is among the communities in the tri-county area that saw a decrease in the median income from \$67,016 in 2009 to \$60,250 in 2014. The city’s poverty rate decreased, however, from 8.4 percent in 2009 to 4.7 percent in 2014.

Linden’s figures are mid-range compared to other communities.

According to Linden Mayor David Lossing, that timeframe was during the national recession and the bankruptcies that were filed by GM and Chrysler.

“We saw tremendous loss of property values in every city in the state, home foreclosures by the banking industries, unemployment levels higher than the country as a whole,” Lossing said. “So

that could contribute to loss of incomes, and the loss of population as well in which those who lost homes, cars, and jobs, moved out of the area and possibly relocated to other states.”

The village of Holly was the only community in the tri-county area to see an increase in median income. In 2009, the income was \$51,789, and in 2014, it was \$56,899, representing a nearly 10 percent increase. Further, Holly’s poverty rate increased slightly from 12.5 percent in 2009 to 13.1 percent in 2014.

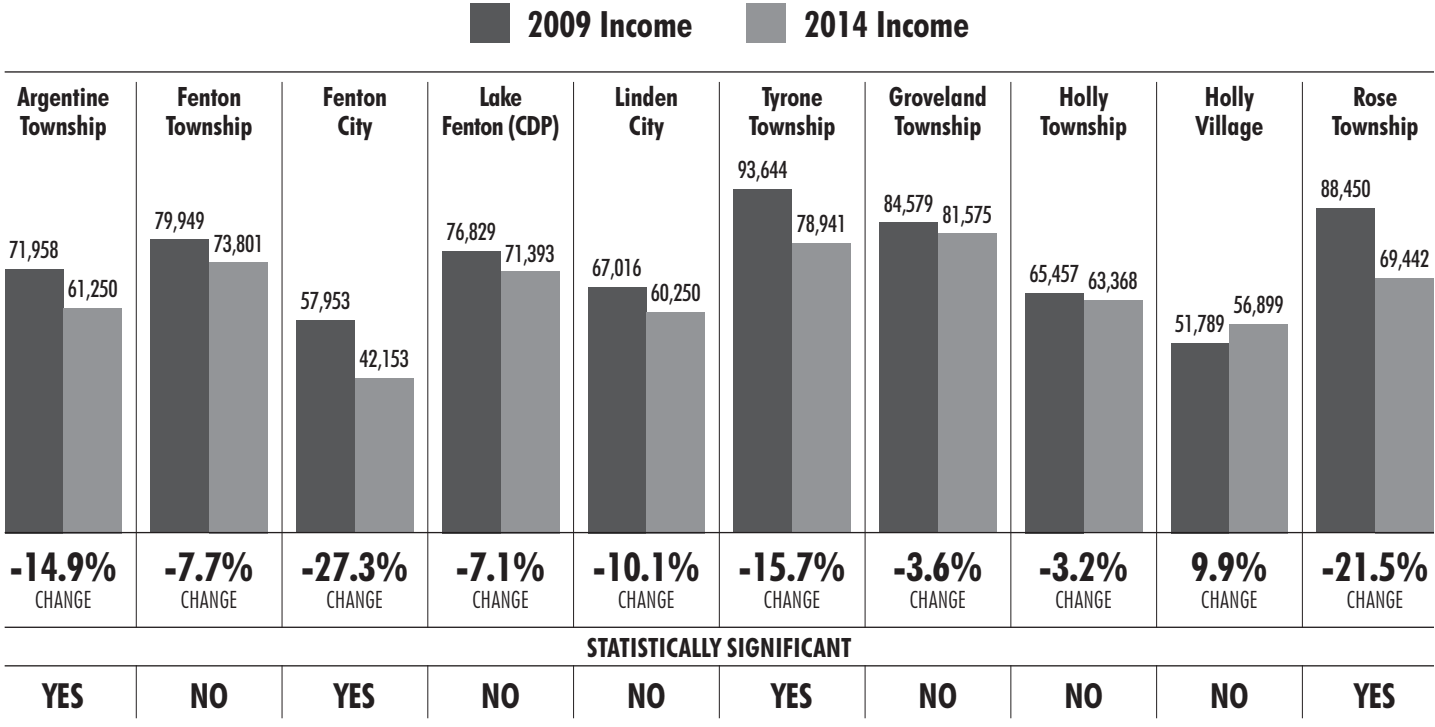
According to Holly Village President Ryan Bladzick, median income is measured individually and by household.

“Since Holly doesn’t have a very large job economy, individual median income is really the product of everywhere else Holly-ites work, so they’re likely buoyed by Oakland County’s prosperity, new union contracts — things that really have nothing to do with Holly itself,” Bladzick said. “The only way Holly factors into that is that this is a place where people making those higher incomes want to live in terms of quality of life, which I think is plausible given the exceptional progress we’ve made in the last five or so years.”

The median income change in communities outside of Genesee County, such as Tyrone Township in Livingston County, and Groveland and Rose townships in Oakland County is minimal. These particular communities have fewer employers and the majority of working residents living there have jobs outside of their home communities in more affluent counties.

“As the economy continues to recover, wages should begin to increase.”

Lynn Markland
Fenton city manager



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Kathy Byers, assistant manager at The UPS Store of Fenton, wraps a large order of China dishes on Monday, as Danielle Agle takes a package back to the truck. Unofficially, Dec. 14 is their busiest day of the year for receiving items to ship.

POST OFFICES

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St., has been prepared for the holiday season. Mike Clabuesch, owner, said the busy shipping season starts in late November for them.

“We really start around just after Thanksgiving because you get Black Friday and then after that it just starts to steadily pick up,” he said.

Along with shipping packages, they have extra work completing holiday orders of printing greeting cards and Christmas cards.

The holiday season doesn’t affect how fast customers receive orders, however. Clabuesch said they expected to ship “literally hundreds” of packages on Dec. 14.

“Last week we weren’t even into the busy part and we were already into having upwards of 90-100 packages on one particular day and it just steadily increases,” he said. During the week of the Dec. 14, they’ll ship hundreds of packages a day.

Customers can track these packages too.

SUMMARY

■ In addition to the many post offices, The UPS Store in Fenton and Goin’ Postal in Fenton are two of the many mailing centers that experience a significant amount of traffic during the holidays.

“You can expect Monday to be the busiest but you never know,” Beare said.

“As far as staffing we have at least three people at the counter at all times, and three registers to make sure the customers are taken care of as quickly as possible,” he said. “We tend not to make them wait too long — usually not more than five minutes. I’m very blessed to have customers who are very happy when they come in.”

He said the last day for normal shipping rates for delivery before Christmas is Friday, Dec. 18.

“We can ship on the 21st but it has to be a three-day select,” he said. “Prices do go up the quicker it gets there. For those procrastinators, we do have options.”

Clabuesch said each year they predict when they’ll be busy, and staff accordingly. It even “gets pretty fun.”

“It’s not as hard as you would think because we prepare for it,” he said.

“I’m very blessed to have customers who are very happy when they come in.”

Les Beare
The UPS Store owner

Small- to medium-sized packages are the most common during this season, but Clabuesch said people will come into the store with a box full of presents, put them on the counter, and say “send them.”

“Since we do the packing here and shipping here, we can do as much or as little as people want,” he said. “Over the years it’s what kind of separates us from some of the other places.”

At The UPS Store in Fenton, customers can receive a guarantee on their packing on shipping so they can receive their money back if something happens to the package, said franchise owner Les Beare.

Customers can also track their packages to watch the progress of their gift.

Christmas shipping has definitely started at The UPS Store.

“This week has been pretty busy. It does ramp up,” he said, adding that last Monday, Dec. 7, they had 25 percent more business than usual, and the following Monday was even busier.

During past holiday seasons, Mondays saw the heaviest traffic.

The United States Postal Service

The USPS is projecting a double-digit increase of packages shipped from Thanksgiving to New Year’s Eve, according to Elizabeth Najdich, communications program specialist for the U.S. Postal Service.

The postal service expected Dec. 14 to be the busiest mailing day of this year, processing approximately 612 million pieces of mail, like cards, letters and packages. They deliver approximately 15.5 billion cards, letters and packages during the holiday season.

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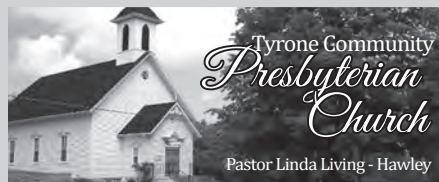
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Andrea Dreucsan of Eastpointe lays a wreath at the gravestone of a veteran on Saturday. “A lot of our friends are here,” she said. In years past, not all graves were covered, she said. This year there were enough for all veterans, and even many of their spouses, whose names are carved into the other side of the stone. “This is wonderful, it really is,” she said. Wreathes Across America is a volunteer, sponsored effort, which is active in all 50 states. (Right) The event brought traffic to a crawl on surrounding roads, making a 2.5-mile drive last an hour.

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BASEBALL

Q Who is the youngest player to hit a home run in a MLB game?

A Tommy Brown hit a home run for the Brooklyn Dodgers on Aug. 20, 1945 at the age of 17 years, eight months and 14 days.

TRI-COUNTY WINTER TOP FIVE

The sports staff is going to try to post the Tri-County Winter Top Five during the sports season. These lists are based on actual results and are not predictions.

1. Holly boys basketball

The team has put together two awful first halves, but remains undefeated. The Bronchos will fix things soon.

2. LFLF gymnastics

The squad is experiencing some injuries right now, but remain undefeated. The Linden, Lake Fenton and Fenton co-op have a home meet on Thursday.

3. Lake Fenton boys basketball

The Blue Devils are undefeated, but have only played one foe — a Durand squad that not much is expected out from. They had a big test against Holly on Tuesday.

4. Metro League Griffins

The Fenton/Linden hockey co-op squad is undefeated in two Metro contests and has only one overtime loss. This should be a fun team to watch this winter.

5 tie. LF & Linden wrestling

These teams will rise. Both have losses but only quality defeats so far this winter. If this was a prediction, Lake Fenton would be No. 1.



Ex-Linden High School athletic director, coach and teacher Claude Cranston died Friday at the age of 95.

Linden legend passes away at 95

■ Cranston impacted everyone he met in his hometown community

By David Troppens

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It seems everyone remembers the first time they met Claude Cranston.

It also seems anyone who talks about the Linden legend also has several stories about Cranston's acts of kindness in the classroom, on an athletic field or anywhere

within the Linden community.

To many in the community, Cranston is their definition of Linden.

The man who made Linden his life-long home and who always tried to make his hometown a better place died on Friday at the age of 95.

"Claude got me involved in a lot of things. He took care of a lot of people. He looked out for them," said former Linden athletic director and coach Peter Maas. "He made my transition (from Southfield to

Linden) easy and comfortable. He was a friend right from the beginning. The last 40-some years he's been a best friend of mine."

Current Linden Athletic Director Cathy North was taught by Cranston and was a student secretary for the legend while she attended Linden High School.

"He took me under his wing from that point on," North said. "He helped put me on the straight and narrow more than once. He just helped me

See **CRANSTON** on 12

Munday sparks Holly past Fenton

■ Bronchos sneak by Tigers 56-47

By David Troppens

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Holly — Parker Munday lied.

And his deception to Holly varsity boys basketball coach Lance Baylis may have sparked the Bronchos' 56-47 victory against area rivals the Fenton Tigers on Friday night at Holly High School.

With the Bronchos struggling to find any offense, Baylis and assistant coach Jason Lambart had to find another scoring option on the bench. They chose Munday, a sophomore who has only played about two minutes of varsity basketball during a blowout on Tuesday. Baylis asked Munday if he was ready to enter the game, and Munday gave him the answer that would put him on the floor.

"I wasn't expecting it, but Jason was like 'Parker are you ready' and I was like 'yeah, I'm ready,'" Munday said.

Maybe he wasn't expecting it, but maybe Munday was more ready than he initially



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Fenton's Ben Hajciar (left) attacks the hoop while Holly's Ian Hodges defends. Holly defeated the Tigers 56-47 on Friday night.

thought. Munday hit a jump shot and then nailed a three-pointer 42 seconds later, upping what was just a 31-30 Holly lead into a 36-30 edge entering the fourth quarter. If that wasn't enough, Munday hit a three-pointer right next to the noisy Fenton student section early in the fourth,

increasing the Bronchos' lead to 41-32. Holly took Munday's offensive run and ran with it, earning the nine-point victory.

"Right now it's just a blur," said Munday, a little shocked that there was five reporters hanging on his every word. "It's unreal. I'm still shaking

See **MUNDAY** on 12

Lady Tigers hold off Bronchos' charge, 48-42

By David Troppens

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Holly — Chloe Idoni doesn't have time for freshman nerves while playing on Fenton's varsity girls basketball team.

After all, she's a veteran to this freshman-playing-on-a-varsity scene already.

Idoni was a starting varsity performer on the Tigers' Metro League and Class A district championship volleyball this fall, so she understands the pressures of varsity ball.

And she dealt with some of those pressures quite well on Friday night. Going to the line with Fenton leading just 45-42 with 26.2 seconds left, Idoni made two free throws, pretty much icing the Tigers' 48-42 road victory against the Holly Bronchos on Friday night. Idoni also scored 13 points and grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds helping guide Fenton to the win.

"I knew I had to make them," Idoni said about the free throws. "I had to make them for my team."

"The team is really nice girls. See **LADY** on 11

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(Above) Holly's Kaitlyn Smith falls on top of a Fenton player during the Tigers' 48-42 victory against the Bronchos on Friday night. (Below) Fenton's Maddie Carr tries to dribble by Holly's Journee Kerner.

LADY

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We've hung out a lot. We work out as a team and we are all friends."

The contest was a pretty good one between two area foes who are expected to be among the key contenders in the Metro League race. The contest remained close throughout but the Tigers typically led. Holly's last lead of the contest came at 15-14 on an 18-foot jumper by Paige Reid with about five minutes left in the opening half. However, another key player in the contest, Madison Shegos, responded with a three-pointer, giving the Tigers a 17-15 lead just seconds later. Fenton's lead grew to as many as 25-17 during the opening half on a baseline jumper by Sarah Cummings, but Holly was able to cut the Tigers' lead to 27-23 by halftime after Becca Fugate capped the half with two converted free throws for Holly.

Fenton (1-3) stretched out the lead in the second half, raising it to as many as 11 late in the third quarter on a Taylor Mowery driving hoop. Fenton still led 45-35 after another Cummings' baseline jumper with 4:21 left in regulation, but the Bronchos put together one run to get back into the contest during the final three minutes. Holly's Kaitlyn Smith hit a driving layup and a three-pointer within 20 seconds of each other, cutting the Fenton gap to 45-40 with 2:02 left. Another 20 seconds later, a Sami Hild layup, closed the gap to 45-42. However, that's as close as the Bronchos got.

"We see what she can do. She plays at a high level during the summer and as you can see she's a good athlete," Fenton coach Becki Moore said about Idoni. "She is starting to come into her own and starting to become comfortable. She made some big free throws and she got some pretty big rebounds too."

Holly coach David Hall liked his team's fight.

"Our girls don't quit. They keep competing and Fenton just shot very well," Hall said. "We had our chances. We kept playing."



Hall said he felt Carr was a key performer for the Tigers, netting 10 points, including two treys.

"Maddie Carr had a great game. She really stepped up for her team," Hall said. "We knew that Chloe Idoni and were difficult to match up on. They are good players. ... So it's kind of picking your poison and their guards played well."

Smith led all scorers with 21 points. She also had four steals. However, no other Broncho scored more than seven points. Cummings led the Tigers with 14 points. She also had 10 rebounds.

**Clio 58,
Linden 48**

The Lady Eagles have had two players go out with concussions in the last week, making the chances of victory at Clio tough.

Linden gave it a whirl, but were outscored by 10 points (17-7) in the third quarter, and ended up losing by that 10-point margin.

"We did well considering we had two starters out with concussions," Linden coach Ben Varner said. "It was one of those fluky things. They were different incidents. One happened on Wednesday and the other happened on Thursday."

Sterling DeGayner had a strong contest, netting 19 points. Bella Blake followed her with 10 points, while Erin Gillespie netted six points.

LF basketball off to a strong start, defeats Railroaders

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team has high hopes for the 2015-16 season.

On Friday, the Blue Devils displayed why expectations are so high, at least a little bit.

The Blue Devils opened the season with a strong effort on both sides of the court, defeating the Durand Railroaders 62-22.

The Blue Devils have a good core of players back from last season's team which finished 7-5 in the Genesee Area Conference Red Division (GAC) and 13-10 overall. The squad also pushed the Go-drich Martians to the final seconds in the district title game before falling just short.

Offensively, the Blue Devils were pretty solid as well. Jalen Miller led the Blue Devils with 14 points and four rebounds, while Jake Zielinski had 12 points and two

steals. Chris Bell dished off six assists and chipped in five rebounds.

Clio 67, Linden 57

The Linden Eagles got off to a strong start against the Mustangs, leading 33-30 at the half.

However, Trent Strang went down with an ankle injury with 2:50 left in the third quarter and the Mustangs responded with a 24-10 run, eventually capturing the victory against the Eagles.

Cole Sarkon had a strong contest, scoring 17 points, grabbing five rebounds and dishing off two assists. Tyler Hoeberling had 11 points, two rebounds, two assists and two steals, while Gavin Lund netted nine points, three rebounds and three steals. Hunter Michael led the team with eight rebounds and also scored six points, while Strange finished with seven points, three rebounds and two assists despite the injury.

Metro League Griffins remain perfect in conference action, defeat KBH United, 6-0

By David Troppens

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The Metro League Griffins keep flying high in conference play this season.

The Fenton/Linden co-op hockey team had five different players score goals and goalie Colin LaVoie had to make just 11 saves, leading the squad to a dominating 6-0 victory against KBH United on Saturday.

The Fenton-Linden co-op had Bobby

Temple score two first-period goals to establish a 2-0 lead. In the second period, Jake Thompson, Tyler Bourassa, Brendan Buerkel and Mitch O'Lewin each scored goals, blowing the game open entering the third period. Buerkel and Dylan Miesch had three assists each.

The squad was strong short-handed, killing off three power plays.

The squad plays L'Anse Creuse North today at Mt. Clemens Ice Arena at 7:30 p.m.

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BOYS BOWLING

► **Clio def. Linden:** The Eagles were led by Bradley Hetes' 170-132-302 two-game series in the loss. The team's best individual game was bowled by Trevor Sundrla had the team's best individual game, rolling a 149.

► **Kearsley def. Holly:** The Bronchos' high series was recorded by Eddie Sanner, who rolled a 200-183-383. The team did well during its baker games, bowling a 187 and then a 188.

► **Swartz Creek def. Fenton:** The Alex Keith led the Tigers by bowling a 203-167-370 series. Austin Mercord also posted a strong 201 second game.

GIRLS BOWLING

► **Clio def. Linden:** Molly Churches led the Eagles with a 114-166-280 series.

► **Kearsley def. Holly:** Madisyn Fultz paced the Lady Bronchos with a 146-157-303 series. Terin Cooley also tied for team-high game honors with a 157 in her first game.

► **Swartz Creek def. Fenton:** Laura Albrant led the Lady Tigers with a 131-180-311 series. The Tigers also had a 169 baker game.

BOYS BASKETBALL

► **Linden JV 42, Clio JV 38:** The Eagles trailed most of the game, but took the lead in the fourth quarter and captured the victory. Nick Koan led Linden with 17 points and four assists, while Aidan McCarthy had nine points. Andrew Burns collected eight points, 11 rebounds and 10 blocks.

► **Linden freshmen 50, Clio 26:** Clio scored just five first-half points against the Eagles' defense, leading Linden to the win.

Travis Klocek led Linden with 14 points, while Hayden Mahakian netted 13 points. Max James had eight points.

CRANSTON

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get focused. ... He was always doing things for other people. He took care of a lot of people without anybody even knowing it."

Cranston was born Feb. 8, 1920 and it was thought he was the oldest life-long Linden resident. He was the Salutatorian of Linden High School Class of 1937, excelling in sports. He was a football, basketball, baseball and track participant while at Linden. The 1937 boys basketball team advanced to the state semifinals with Cranston being a vital starter on the squad.

He graduated from Kalamazoo College and the University of Michigan, playing on the football and track squads while at Kalamazoo College. When World War II began, Cranston wanted to enlist, but a heart murmur kept him from being able to do so. However, the military's loss quickly became Linden's gain. Cranston married Verna L. Wheeler in 1941. The same year he was hired to teach history and be a coach at Linden High School, coaching baseball, basketball and football at the time. His 1941 football team went 6-0 and outscored opponents 118-19. In 1943 he left the school system, but returned in 1955 when he became the head baseball coach and an assistant football coach. He became Linden's athletic director in 1964 and held that role until he retired in 1979.

However, he never "retired" when it came to supporting Linden. Up until this season he was a constant fixture at any Linden football practice or game, while also attending other events. He also was among the first induction class to the Linden Athletic Hall of Fame. The football field is named in Cranston's honor. Linden co-head varsity football coach Denny Hopkins usu-



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This photo is of Claude Cranston in 1974 when he was the athletic director at Linden High School. Cranston died Friday at the age of 95.

ally could rely on a call from Cranston the Saturday after every Linden football game.

"He's quite the individual," Hopkins said. "He especially loved the game of football, that's for sure. That, and baseball. When I was the baseball coach I don't think he missed a game. Up until this year, I don't think he missed a home football game. He'd be at practices. He was always nice to be around. And the kids loved to have him around. If he came they made a point to shake his hand. That says a lot about the man."

But athletics were only a part of Cranston. He was a driving instructor filled with many interesting stories for his students. He was a founding member of the Linden

Sportsmens Club and a charter member of the Linden Kiwanis and Linden Mills Historical Society. Cranston was a life member of the American Trap Shooting Association. Rex Allen learned about Cranston's compassion during his time with the Linden Sportsmen's Club.

"He was my trapshooting mentor, coach and my biggest inspiration," Allen said. "When I was 10 or 11 ... they raffled off a shotgun that I fell in love with. I didn't win the drawing but Claude did. My dad bought it from Claude and gave me the best shotgun he ever owned. My grandson owns it now."

Some feel Cranston helped shape and mold an entire generation of Linden residents.

"I really believe that the older folk and people of Linden are so grounded and have good morals because of being taught and raised by this man," Argentine Township resident Veronica Pheasant said.

Cranston was an outstanding storyteller and a poet. Maas owns a lot of writings Cranston constructed during his life. But, of course, so many other stories are the personal memories the community has of Cranston himself.

"Almost all his stories had a humor side to them," Maas said. "He didn't believe in textbooks or lesson plans. He would teach off the cuff, but they learned. He was a good history teacher and he got his message across. He was special in that way."

Cranston is survived by his daughter Susan Garber, daughter-in-law Rebecca Cranston, sister-in-law Glenna Judson Teed and several nieces and nephews. There will be a memorial celebration open house on Jan. 10 at the Shiawassee Shores Clubhouse in Linden from 1 to 4 p.m. with a sharing time beginning at 2 p.m.

MUNDAY

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from the adrenaline. I was going to catch the ball and shoot. My teammates had me."

"Basically (we went to him) by default. We had nobody who could make a shot," Baylis said. "Jason said we need somebody who can shoot. We looked down the bench and we gave Parker a try. He makes them in practice."

"The key to the game was we held them to two points in the third quarter and Parker Munday stepped up. That was the game in a nutshell. Nothing else to say."

The Tigers (1-1) came out against the two-time Metro League champions looking like they were the returning champs. The Tigers scored the game's first seven points, making it 7-0 on a Ben Hajciar assist on a Chris Gilbert three-pointer and Fenton led the entire first half. Fenton's lead grew to as many as nine, twice. The second time came at 22-13 after a converted free throw by Peyton Coffman with 2:40 left in the half. With Holly netting just 5-of-29 from the field during the first 16 minutes, Fenton went into halftime with a 28-22 lead.

The Bronchos (2-0) used their defense to help forge them back into the game as Fenton only managed two points in the third quarter. Holly scored the quarter's first seven points and took a 29-28 lead when Ian Hodges, who scored 18 points, earned a steal and a driving fastbreak layup. He was fouled and he completed the three-point play, giving Holly its first lead of the game at

29-28 with 4:43 left in the third quarter.

Fenton captured its final lead of the game with 3:13 left when Gilbert scored the Tigers' only points of the period with two free throws, but just less than a minute later, Hodges collected an offensive rebound, was fouled and converted two free throws, giving the Bronchos a 31-30 lead. About 30 seconds later was when Munday started to shine.

"I thought I would get my feet wet," Munday said. "I got some shots. They told me to shoot, so I shot. The first couple of shots didn't go down, but I just kept going. The Fenton crowd got into me and I gave a little back to them. ... I played two minutes, the last two minutes of the game (in Tuesday's opener). It really is a dream come true."

Fenton trailed by as many as 13 in the fourth quarter, but Fenton put together one fierce rally to get back into the contest. A three-pointer by Gilbert, who finished with 19 points, with 54.4 seconds left had Holly's lead cut to 50-44. Then with 32 seconds left a Patrick Conroy trey cut the gap to 52-47, but Holly iced the game with two converted free throws by Kyle Woodruff and a layup by Trevor Bland off a baseball pass from Adam Tooley.

"We played exactly the way we wanted to play," Fenton varsity basketball coach John Gilbert said about the first half. "We could've been up by a couple of more. ... I'm proud of them. They did what I wanted them to do. It is a tough place to play when the crowd gets against you. We came back at the end. We had our chances, but we needed just one more break."

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Marjorie Thibeault 1937-2015

Marjorie Thibeault - age 77, of Holly, formerly of Fenton, died Wednesday, December 9, 2015. Marjorie was born December 16, 1937 in Detroit, the daughter of Morris and Hazel Delmotte. She was a bartender



for Walden's Lounge, the VFW and Eagles clubs for 37 years. She enjoyed playing Bingo and loved pull tabs. She also enjoyed doing puzzles and watching the Detroit Tigers. Marjorie was a member of the Fenton VFW and Fenton Eagles for 20 plus years. She played the guitar and loved to sing karaoke. Marjorie is survived by her children, Theresa (Larry) Oldeck, Joyce (T.J. Dryer) Denham, Pat (Scott) Dotson, Charles Jr. (Nancy) Klein; grandchildren, Jessica, Robby, Kim, Scottie, Joe, Jacquelyn, Amanda, Kristina, Brenda, Mike and Mark; great-grandchildren, Shelby, Anna, Ally, Robby, Stephanie, Kayleen and Jarrett; 10 nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Bobby and Joe; sisters, Dorothy and Marylou. Services will be held 2 PM Saturday, December 19, 2015 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Interment in Gage Cemetery. Family will receive friends from 1 PM until the time of service. Contributions in honor of Marge may be made to Advantage Hospice of Tawas, MI.



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