

Newcomer chosen to serve on Fenton school board

■ Members interview nine candidates, vote to fill recent vacancy

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Fenton — With continued budget issues looming ahead and the search for a new superintendent just underway, it was important for the Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) Board of Education to choose the best

candidate to fill a recent vacancy on the board.

In fact, each candidate mentioned both the budget issues and superintendent search as being critical challenges facing the
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Keith Reynolds reacts to being appointed the newest Fenton Board of Education member after a run-off vote Monday night. He defeated eight other candidates after two rounds of interviews.



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Fenton couple charged with robbing Gladwin pharmacy

■ Suspected in 25 pharmacy break-ins since 2012

Fenton residents Erin Dennis, 41, and her boyfriend, Christopher Ramirez, 39, were arraigned on Friday, Jan. 29 on charges connected to a pharmacy break-in last November in Gladwin County. A third suspect, also from Fenton, is expected to be charged.

According to the Midland Daily News, the three Fenton residents are suspects in 25 pharmacy break-ins where they allegedly stole schedule two narcotics in Michigan since 2012.

Dennis and Ramirez were arrested on Wednesday, Jan. 27. Dennis posted
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SUMMARY

■ Two Fenton residents have been charged in connection with a pharmacy break-in in Gladwin. A third accomplice is cooperating and is expected to be charged.

Super Bowl is second-highest food consumption day of year



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A large Frito-Lay Super Bowl display greets shoppers in the lobby at VG's on Silver Parkway Monday afternoon.

■ Edged out only by Thanksgiving

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Fenton — On Tuesday morning, multiple food and drink vendors made their deliveries to the loading dock at VG's on Silver Parkway.

Liquor, beer, wine and eventually soft drinks were loaded and shelved. The Super Bowl, according to Assistant Store Director Chris Palmer, is one notch below Thanksgiving for single-day food sales.

Salty snacks, subs, wings, beer and soft drinks all increase significantly, while liquor experiences a smaller uptick. The busiest day for the stores will likely be the day of, or the day before the big game, depending on the weather.

\$20 million embezzlement case could be dismissed

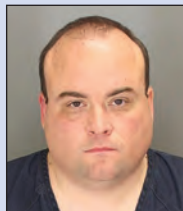
■ In a rare scenario, case could be dismissed if defendant found not competent after 15 months

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Michael LaJoice spent his 37th birthday in the Oakland County Jail on Feb. 1. The Tyrone Township resident, owner of the now closed Chassé Ballroom and Latin Dance Studio in Fenton and former CFO of the Brandon

Clarkston Community Credit Union, is facing 14 counts of embezzlement, each of more than \$1 million.

LaJoice turned himself in to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office on Jan. 6, and admitted to embezzling \$20 million over 12 years from the credit union
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Michael LaJoice

SUMMARY

■ While Michael LaJoice, 37, of Tyrone Township remains lodged at the Oakland County Jail on 14 embezzlement charges his defense attorney continues his own investigation. To proceed with the case, LaJoice must be deemed competent by the Center for Forensic Psychiatry.

Feds jail bank fraud suspect after alleged bond violations

■ Former resident Edward Frank Usewick III, remanded to custody of U.S. federal marshals

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Edward Frank Usewick III, 36, formerly of Fenton Township, was remanded to the custody of U.S. Federal Marshals on Jan. 13 after he violated his bond, twice.

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Edward Usewick III

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“Hey banks and credit card companies, why do you have to ask for my telephone number/account number after I already entered it in using the keypad on my phone? I thought I was supposed to enter that info to ‘better assist me.’”



“If I understand this correctly, the gentleman accused of taking other people's money and then distributing it in the way he saw fit, maybe the only problem is he forgot to run for public office first.”



COMMENT
OF THE WEEK

“Really, now Girl Scout cookies are under fire by the liberals as ‘unhealthy.’ They’re cookies, not tofu. They are for an occasional treat, not a staple of meals. It’s OK to have sex and kill babies but not to sell cookies? Hypocrites.”

SUSPECT

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Usewick, who is currently being held in the Midland County Jail, was free on \$50,000 bond after being charged in Flint's U.S. District Court on Nov. 19, 2015 with 20 counts of federal bank fraud and conspiracy charges.

Count 1 is for attempt and conspiracy to commit fraud, and counts 2-20 are for bank fraud.

One of the conditions of Usewick's bond release was that he was not to commit any criminal acts.

But just under a month later, on Dec. 18, 2015, he was charged with first-degree home invasion, a 20-year felony, and misdemeanor domestic violence that allegedly took place at the Flint Township home of a former girlfriend.

He was released on \$30,000 bond.

On Dec. 23, 2015, Usewick was charged with a misdemeanor count of failing to stop after a property damage accident in Grand Blanc.

He is scheduled for a probable cause conference on the home invasion and domestic violence charges on Feb. 16. On the federal charges, Usewick has a plea hearing scheduled for Feb. 9, a pretrial conference

on March 1, and a jury trial on March 7.

THE FEDERAL CHARGES

Usewick's federal troubles began a few years ago, when he and an unidentified co-conspirator entered into an agreement with the owners of Suski Chevrolet-Buick in Birch Run to operate several used car dealerships around the Flint area using the Suski name.

Two of the five Suski dealerships were located briefly in Fenton on Silver Parkway and Holly on North Holly Road. President Andy Suski announced in January 2014 that he was shutting down his five used car dealerships in the Flint area because of internal problems.

The Suski used car dealerships were allegedly being operated by five limited liability companies registered to Usewick's wife, Cheyenne Usewick. She is not facing any criminal charges in connection to the alleged scheme.

Suski was the license holder for the Suski Used Car lots. According to the indictment, he and a business partner received a payment for each car sold at Suski Used Cars.

Federal prosecutors allege Usewick used the Suski Used Car dealerships to secure a revolving line of credit from Ally Financial. That line of credit was supposed to be used

to purchase vehicles for later re-sale.

Court records show the financing usually involved lenders releasing additional funds to the dealerships once it received a title showing the dealership had purchased a vehicle.

According to the federal indictment, Usewick allegedly began submitting vehicle titles to Ally Financial in September 2013 for cars he claimed to have purchased in exchange for money that was deposited into a bank account operated by Usewick.

Prosecutors say Usewick never actually purchased the vehicles, however, and the titles contained fraudulent title numbers.

Usewick is accused of submitting 19 fraudulent titles for vehicles from September to December 2013.

The Secretary of State decided to take action after receiving some consumer complaints regarding title work. Complaints were filed against all of the Suski Used Car dealerships, except the one in Birch Run.

This is not the first time Usewick has been in trouble for auto-related fraud. In February 2011, he pleaded guilty to six misdemeanor counts of producing fraudulent titles.

He was sentenced to two years of probation and ordered to pay restitution. That case was closed in September 2013.

News briefs

Sewer Bond Refunding for Fenton Township

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees and Tom Traciak of H J. Umbaugh and Associates Certified Public Accountants discussed authorizing a bond refunding for the bond on sanitary sewer upgrades in the township. Traciak said one \$11-million bond issued in 2007 for the sewers will be callable after Sept. 1 of this year. A bond is callable when the issuer has the right to return the investor's principal and cease all interest payments before the bond matures. The township can pay off the remaining \$7,215,000 anytime rather than continuing to make the annual principal and interest rates, according to Tom Broecker, operations manager and deputy clerk of Fenton Township. The rate for the remaining bonds is approximately 4.5 percent on average, Traciak said, and the refund could cut new rates in half. He estimates the township will save \$1 million in interest costs. The money to pay these bonds off will come from issuing new refunding bonds in April, according to Broecker. Interest rates are lower because the stock market is taking a hit and there is a high demand for municipal bonds. Traciak said bond rates won't be increasing anytime soon and that Fenton Township's savings have improved significantly. Bond attorney Steve Mann of Miller Canfield has provided a bond authorizing resolution that sets all the parameters of the bond. The township will close on the refinancing of the bond in the beginning of April. The resolution was unanimously accepted. Trustee Vince Lorraine was absent.

Fenton Area Optimist Club essay contest

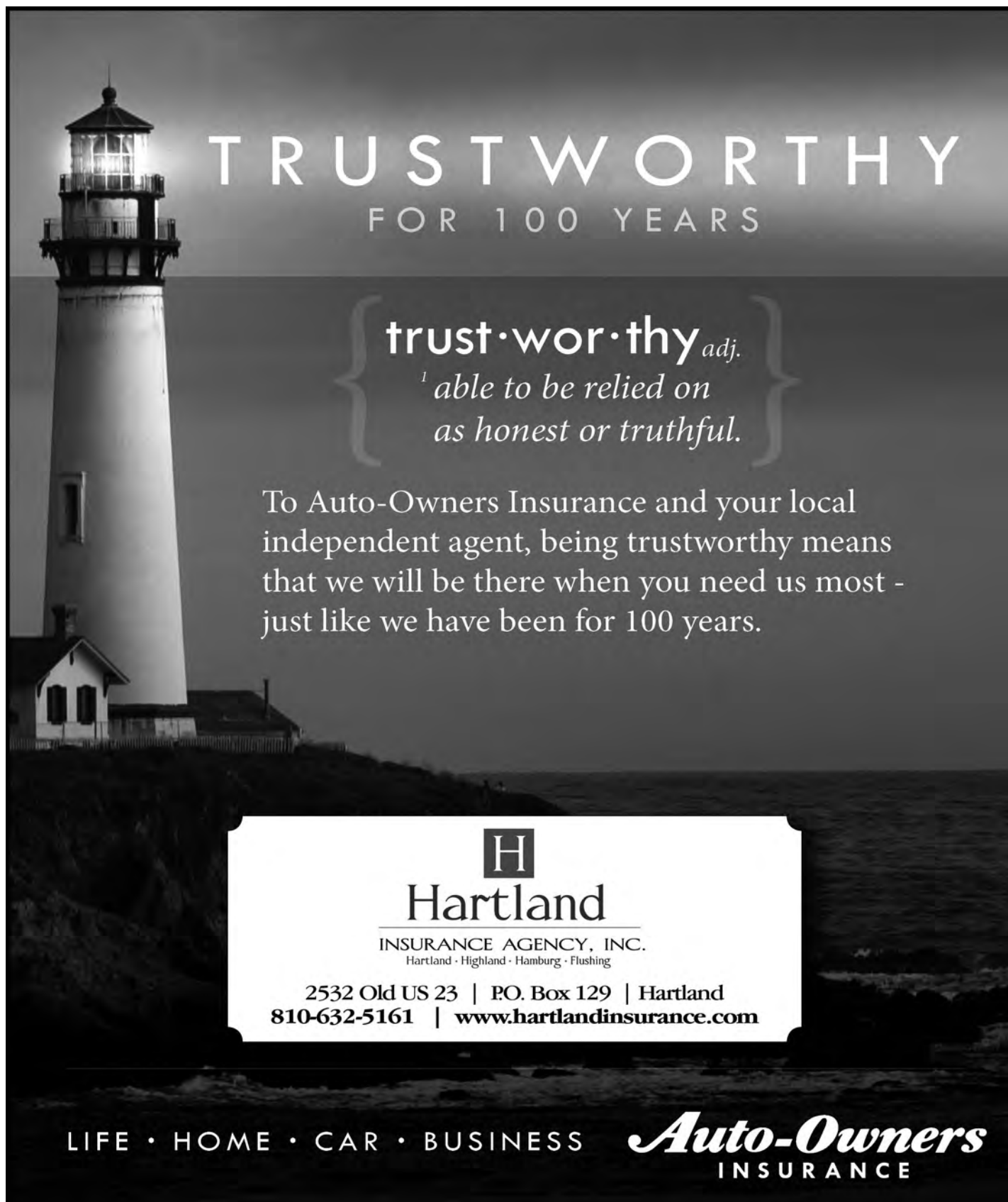
The deadline for the Fenton Area Optimist Club's high school essay contest is right around the corner. Students in Fenton, Lake Fenton, and Linden have the opportunity to win three local prizes of \$75, \$50 or \$25. The first place essay is also submitted to the regional contest where the winner receives a \$2,500 college scholarship. **Essays must be submitted to the high school office by Feb. 12.** The topic this year is "Leading by Example: Fact or Fiction." An entry form and more information is available at each high school office or by contacting Optimist member Chris Simon at (810) 845-0892.

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TRAIN STOPS FOR MECHANICAL ISSUES

For those having difficulty driving through Fenton during the evening hours of Friday, Jan. 29, it might have been due to the CN train stopped on the railroad tracks for approximately two-and-a-half hours. According to Patrick Waldron, a public relations representative for CN Railway, one of the rail cars had a mechanical issue. Crews were brought in to make the repair, to get the train moving again.



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Memberships at local sportsman clubs near max

■ Honing shooting skills a family affair for many

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Some people shoot hoops for sport, and some people just shoot.

Shooting, a popular sport in the tri-county area, has attracted enough people of all ages to meet the maximum number of members allowed at the Linden Sportsmen Club in Fenton Township.

SUMMARY

■ Shooting is a popular sport in the tri-county area and two sportsman clubs in Fenton Township offer an array of shooting options.

One member, Jeff Bundy, enjoys shooting with his kids, who are in the Academics, Integrity, and Marksmanship program. "The kids keep coming back to the club because they enjoy the challenge of shooting competitively and spending time with friends," he said.

Bundy has done trap shooting his entire life and enjoys spending time with his kids.



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Steve Raslich with the Linden Sportsmen Club speaks with students in the outdoor range after firing rounds at targets on Jan. 16.

"It allows us to spend time together as a family sharing in a sport we all enjoy," he said.

Steve Raslich, president of the club, said, "Some do it because the constitution says they can. For others it's just something to do." He added that they attract an array of people from many different

professions, like lawyers, police officers, and factory workers.

The club offers trap shotgun shooting, air rifle shooting, archery, and pistol shooting.

Raslich said they have a competition for very type of discipline they offer.

For shotgun shooting, they offer a competition through the American Trap Association. For pistol shooting, they offer a competition through the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA).

They have numerous rifle competitions, including a Civilian Marksmanship Program.

Raslich said the IDPA is most popular. They practice every week, and on the first Saturday of the month members have a "match."

"It's a fun sport. If we can get more people into it who don't think it's a good thing, they might enjoy it," he said.

Jeff Lane, vice president in charge of marketing at the Fenton Lakes Sports-

men's Club, also in Fenton Township, said many people learn to shoot at the club and it is perfect for people who love the outdoors.

"We have archery, rifle, pistol and shotgun training so we have all four of the typical hunting pieces of equipment," he said.

Some of their most popular courses consist of an archery course where people shoot at targets set up in the woods, the first-step pistol-training course, and the Certified Pistol License (CPL) training.

Archery and rifle programs run through every school year, and they host competitions, such as police pistol combat

and an internal shooting competition "for bragging rights," Lane said.

The club hosts a cowboy action shooting competition where participants dress as cowboys and compete. Lane has been "shooting cowboy" for almost 11 years.

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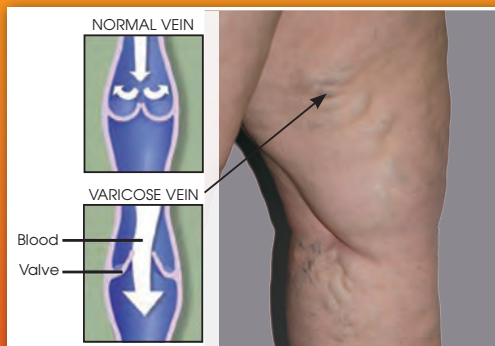
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Len Graves of Swartz Creek fires at a target during the CPL class on Saturday, Jan. 16.

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Battle of the billionaires

Wall Street executives are nervous — not just about the Chinese economy but here at home, and the battle for 2016 looks stacked against them.

On the Democratic side, the senator from Wall Street is losing ground to Wall Street's arch-nemesis, Bernie Sanders. On the Republican side, unguided missile Donald Trump, who promises to raise taxes on millionaires and billionaires, leads the pack. Ted Cruz, no friend of Wall Street either, is close behind.

So several financial titans have been making calls to the only man they believe can save them: Michael Bloomberg. And, as first reported by The New York Times, Bloomberg is flattered.

He's so flattered, in fact — or is it so bored? — he's already dispatched aides to cobble together a strategy on how to run as an independent candidate for president in 2016, in case Trump and Sanders, or Cruz and Sanders, become the major party nominees. And he's indicated he's willing to spend \$1 billion of his own money.

Just what we need in this already wild 2016 campaign: one more candidate!

But actually, the three-term former mayor of New York City has a lot more to offer than most of the other candidates in the race. He's got the money, the desire, the airplane and 12 years of executive experience.

A former member of both parties, he has both conservative and liberal credentials. He's close to Wall Street, but he's also pro-choice, pro-immigration rights, and the leading advocate of gun control. Most people give him high marks as mayor, with the exception of his 'stop and frisk' policy.

Even before making a decision, Bloomberg has already achieved what is probably his primary goal: He has everybody talking about him again, speculating on whether or not he could win or, more likely, which nominee, Democrat or Republican, he would hurt the most. As a moderate to liberal, I believe he'd draw more votes from Sanders and thereby help Trump or Cruz win the grand prize.

Until Bloomberg actually hires a team, puts his money on the line, and makes an announcement, there's no reason we should take him seriously.

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AL GORE'S TIME clock for the earth ended on Jan. 27, 2015. In 2005, Gore said that the earth only had 10 years if we didn't do something about global warming. Well, the only thing that has changed is Gore got richer by scaring Americans. What a fraud.

ONE OF THE seven new taxes enacted Jan. 1 is a 3.5 percent real estate transaction tax. If you sell a home now for \$300,000, you will pay an additional \$10,500, which goes to supporting the Affordable Care Act. If this makes you all warm and fuzzy, you are a true Liberal.

SHAME ON THE mother at the dollar store on Saturday. You leave your two small children, one a baby and the other about 2 in your silver Cadillac while you shop — in the world we live in you do this?

IT BOGGLES MY mind that anyone still supports Hillary Clinton. Most strong

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decisive woman don't lie to the American people. Her experience doesn't mean a hill of beans if it doesn't lead to accomplishments, which are none.

IF TRUMP BECOMES president he'll make Obama look like a genius. Come on Republicans, that is the best you've got?

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A SPECIAL 'THANK you' to the owners of Calabria party store. They went above and beyond to help me when I had a car problem in their parking lot. Linden is really fortunate to have merchants that care about their customers.

WELL, I PUT in for a job transfer out of state. After having my house for 20 years, it will be sold at a loss. But I am getting out while I can, because I surely cannot afford this state and their taxes and fees.

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Cal Thomas

With Iran — it's strictly business

For anyone whose knowledge of history extends beyond the current season of 'Keeping Up with the Kardashians,' the four days of meetings involving Iran's president Hassan Rouhani, European leaders and businesses should remind people we have seen this show before.

Rouhani's state visit, the first by an Iranian president in nearly 20 years, follows the lifting of economic sanctions against Iran, the world's leading supporter of terrorism. Corporate giants and politicians are salivating at the prospect of doing business with a regime led by a man who has referred to Israel as 'an old wound' that 'should be removed.'

There is plenty of money to be made in deals with the devil, but at what cost? In the 1930s when European and American businesses traded with the Nazis, the rationale seemed to be, 'If we don't sell to them, someone else will.' That amoral view contributed to the slaughter of an estimated 11 million people.

Re-visiting this hall of shame ought to at least give corporate and political bodies pause when dealing with a regime that seems perfectly willing to finish the job Hitler and his brownshirts started.

Perhaps not, but like the majority of the German people, it is safe to say that quite a number of corporations ignored what the Nazis were doing so long as they could continue to do business and make a profit.

Will companies signing up to do business with Iran be shamed and perhaps forced by law at a future date to pay reparations to the families of those killed by Islamic terrorists funded by the Iranian regime?

A line from 'The Godfather' seems an appropriate analogy. Just before someone is assassinated he is told, 'Nothing personal, it's strictly business.'

What would be the morally responsible approach to Iran? Because the regime is complicit in the use of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs), which have led to the deaths of American servicemen, the morally responsible thing to do is not to conduct business with Iran.

Given the depths to which human nature appears to have sunk, however, that is unlikely. After all, it's strictly business, right?

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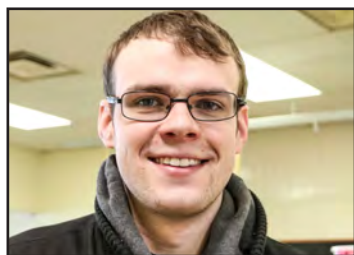
What's your favorite Super Bowl party food?

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"Probably wings with spicy sauce or hot sauce. I usually get wings from Buffalo Wild Wings. Beer."

— Ray Davis
Linden



"Usually some kind of dip like a three-layer dip with cheese, sausage and some kind of salsa. I'd go with beer, Blue Moon."

— Kevin Dargel
Fenton



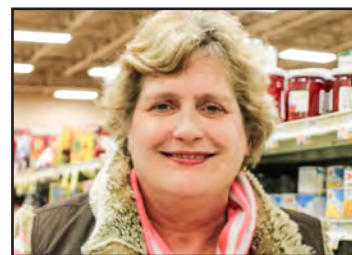
"Wings. Where they're from depends on whose house I'm at. I like barbeque the best. You don't have to worry that it's too hot. Guacamole. Vernors."

— Kimberly Hagler
Linden



"I guess chicken wings. They're good. Usually I get them at Buffalo Wild Wings. I like them plain. I don't really care for the sauces. I'm a Diet Coke drinker."

— Ron Cushman
Fenton Township



"I am into low fat, low sugar. Lots of veggies and fruits, and I watch my sodium intake. I'm trying to stay healthy. I drink water. I like flavored water."

— Karen Sharkey
Linden

Organizers banking on solid ice

■ Fenton's popular Polar Plunge, Lobdell Lake's chili cook off this weekend

By Hannah Ball

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The tri-county area plays host to two on-ice events this Saturday, the Fenton Polar Plunge and the Lobdell Lake Chili Cook Off.

LOBDELL LAKE CHILI COOK OFF

The 15th annual Lobdell Lake Chili Cook Off is this Saturday, Feb. 6. The event, which attracted approximately 2,500 people last year, is normally held on the frozen lake near Clairmont Drive. The location might be moved to a side street due to the warmer weather, according to one of the event organizers, Chip Nowiki.

"As of right now, we're going to hold it on a street unless by some miracle we get some cold weather," he said. "Unfortunately, it's going to be down to the wire."

The event will start at noon. If the weather isn't cold enough, the event will be held on Peninsular Avenue, by Snappers.

Participants in the chili contest sign up the day of the event. Last year, there were approximately 22 entrants and three categories for awards: best chili, people's choice and best booth.

The chili must be cooked at the event.

Nowiki said parking also depends on the weather. He will post updates to the Lobdell Lake Chili Cook Off Facebook page.

The proceeds from the event go to fireworks fund for the Fourth of July celebration.



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In the 2014 Polar Plunge, Rob Kesler takes the leap accompanied by his nephew Joey Riker.

POLAR PLUNGE

The Fenton Polar Plunge, when participants dress in costumes and jump in icy water in the winter to raise money for the Special Olympics, is this Saturday, Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. at the Fenton Moose Lodge, 2245 Sonora Dr.

Registration begins at 11 a.m. at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center at 12060 Mantawauka Dr.

The costume parade starts at 1 p.m. and the plunge begins immediately after, according to firstgiving.com. Teams of people must raise money to participate. The award ceremony and After Splash Bash will begin after the last person has jumped.

Currently, there are 25 teams, 143 supporters, and 438 donations, according to firstgiving.com. Approximately \$23,000 has been raised so far for the Fenton Polar Plunge on firstgiving.com.

“As of right now, we’re going to hold it on a street unless by some miracle we get some cold weather.”

Chip Nowiki

Lobdell Lake Chili Cook Off organizer

Winter Blues Dinner set for Friday

■ Fenton Education Foundation hosts second annual fundraising event

The Fenton Education Foundation will host its second annual Winter Blues Dinner this Friday, Feb. 5 at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center. The fundraiser was created to help sustain grants and provide additional funding to support students, teachers and programs for Fenton Schools. Last year's event raised more than \$9,000.

The evening includes a strolling dinner, live entertainment with local band "Newsmaker" and silent auction tables. Tickets are \$60 and include dinner, drinks and entertainment.

To purchase tickets, visit www.FentonEducationFoundation.org and click on Winter Blues.

This event is a true community effort and is made possible by many local businesses, including the title sponsor, Kaydan Wealth Management. The Hagerman Foundation, Sharp Funeral Homes, Ghassan and Manal Saab Foundation, The State Bank, Rohr Eye and Laser Center, Red Fox, Brant and Associates Real Estate, Vic Canever, Horace



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Local band "Newsmaker" will provide entertainment for this year's Winter Blues Dinner, which is set for this Friday at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center. The event is a fundraiser for the Fenton Education Foundation.

Mann Insurance, Boston's, Mega Coney Island and Women's Integrated Health Care also sponsored this year's event. Several area businesses have also given in-kind donations to help build the silent auction tables.

The Fenton Education Foundation exists for the purpose of supporting and fostering strong academic, athletic and art programs within Fenton Area Public Schools. It allows the community to privately enhance a public school system that makes the community and the Fenton Area Public Schools recognized amongst the top in the state.

News briefs

SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE TO BE CLOSED DURING REMODELING — CUSTOMERS URGED TO DO BUSINESS ONLINE OR AT ALTERNATIVE OFFICES

The Secretary of State's Flint Area SUPER!Center, 5512 Fenton Rd., will be remodeled Feb. 8-13 with new customer-friendly improvements as part of Secretary of State Ruth Johnson's commitment to better serving Genesee County customers. Renovations include a larger lobby, an additional MI-TIME Line kiosk, a new customer-friendly counter design, new carpet and an expanded area for Commercial Driver's License testing. The office is expected to **reopen at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16** — the day after the Presidents Day holiday. ExpressSOS.com offers a convenient alternative for renewing license plates, driver's licenses and state ID cards. Online license plate renewal allows customers to "print-n-go" by printing a copy of their new registration to use until their tabs arrive in the mail. Easy-to-follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. Additional services can be done online as well. Area residents who need Secretary of State services during the remodeling period also may visit the next closest offices. More information about office hours, locations and services can be found at www.michigan.gov/sos.

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SPORTSMAN

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"We push our training because we want people to be safe," Lane said.

One program, Refuse to be a Victim, teaches people how to keep their family and house safe while they're home or on vacation.

You don't even have to use a gun. The club focuses on avoiding potentially dangerous situations.

"If you don't want to use firearms but still want to be safe, there are things you can do here," he said. "The best way to win a fight is to not get in it."

While it's a member-only organization, they offer many public events on the weekends.

"It's for those who like the outdoors or like shooting and want to use our indoor range. If you're interested in firearms we can show you how to use them. We can provide a space," Lane said.

Land-O-Lakes Bowmen and archery club located on 44 acres in Tyrone Township focuses on teaching kids archery with creative programs, according to Bill Hoffman, social media director/webmaster for the club.

One program, 3D archery, takes place one weekend a month where people shoot at targets depicting animals, dinosaurs, aliens, and other fun creatures.

"Any animal that was on Noah's ark, we have," Hoffman said. "Once it's nice out and we start shooting outside, Thursday nights become 3D."

3D archery nights are \$10 for non-members, \$8 for members and \$5 for seniors.

Other programs include a two-day festival in August on the club's campground and a weeklong day camp for



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Mike Allan of Fenton and his son, Josh, replace target sheets Saturday at the Linden Sportsmen Club outdoor range.

young girls. "They do crafts and sing songs, but they also learn fire safety and camping technique and obviously there's archery," Hoffman said.

The club is also hosting a Nerf gun war on June 18 and a zombie night on Sept. 17 where people can shoot at fake zombies. "It's super family oriented," he said. "You show up, bring your Nerf guns."

Weekly programs include two sessions of the youth archery development program on Monday, one for homeschooled students and one for kids attending public school.

It's not a members-only club, so the public can shoot every Thursday night from 7-9 p.m. and every Sunday afternoon from 1-4 p.m. for \$6. For members, it costs \$4.

"Everything we do is open to the public," Hoffman said. "It's a great way to come out and see if the kids like the activity."

The club can provide bows and arrows for smaller body types, like children and women.

MEMBERSHIP

Linden Sportsmen Club: \$90 a year per person and \$45 a year for senior citizens. They have 650 members and there's a waiting list.

Fenton Lakes Sportsmen's Club: A membership costs \$195 a year per household. Members can also do volunteer work to reduce the fee. In 2015, they had 470 members out of a cap of 500. They're currently accepting new members.

SCHOOL BOARD

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district during their interviews Monday evening.

At the end of the school board meeting, board members selected Keith Reynolds to fill the vacancy left by Elizabeth Geib, who resigned effective Jan. 8 as her family is relocating from the Fenton area.

Geib was elected to a four-year term in November 2014. Reynolds will serve Geib's remaining two years in office.

The school board originally had a pool of 10 applicants from which to choose. Early on Monday, one of them dropped out leaving nine to be interviewed. Applicants included Richard Des Jardins, Pamela Dickie, Goldy Fehir, Kristen Harmon, Sarah Martin Fanone, Michael Miceli, Keith Reynolds, Paul Stark and John Austin Taylor.

Each candidate was separately asked three questions. They were asked why they're interested in serving on the board, what challenges they see facing the district, and lastly, what skills they would bring to the board.

The field of the possible nine was then narrowed down to three, Reynolds,

Miceli and Harmon, who faced further questioning, after which Reynolds was selected.

The first vote to select a final candidate yielded a three-way tie between the candidates. The board had to vote again, this time ranking their candidates from first to third.

Reynolds of Fenton is a director of a laboratory at Beaumont Hospital in Dearborn, with a background in Human Resources, finance and managing multi-million dollar budgets. His wife is a teacher at Andrew G. Schmidt Middle School. They have two children at North Road Elementary School.

"I wanted to improve an already phenomenal district," he said. Reynolds reiterated the importance of finding the next superintendent adding, "That's going to lead the school district for the next 10 years, really."

Reynolds was immediately appointed to three committees after the vote. Reynolds will sit on the public relations, buildings and grounds and technology committees.

Staff Reporter Vera Hogan contributed to this story.

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The Safe Drinking Water Act

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What we do know is that both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality are working in Flint with the ultimate goal of having drinking water that is in compliance with the standards contained in the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) of 1974.

For today's column, I want to briefly talk about how we came to the point when this Act was passed.

The law has long recognized the importance of clean water. Historically, the responsibility in this area was left up to the individual states. Not surprisingly, the approaches were not consistent. Over time, as public water systems grew and biological and other contamination increased, steps were taken by the states to address the problem with varying levels of success.

The first national standards for drinking water were established in 1914 by federal legislation, but only applied to common carriers engaged in interstate commerce. These standards were initially limited to bacteriological impurities but thereafter expanded. Although voluntary, these standards were eventually applied to public water supplies by almost all of the states.

In the late 1960s and early 1970s, Congress recognized a need for national environmental protection and safe water and passed in succession the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, The Clean Water Act in 1972, and the 1974 Safe Drinking Water Act.

To underscore the need for these laws, some readers may remember the 1969 Cuyahoga River fire in Cleveland, Ohio when the river literally caught on fire due to pollution. In 1971, there was a public service television commercial in which a Native American is seen paddling a canoe down a litter filled river and eventually lands his canoe. He is then seen shedding a single tear after litter from a passing car is thrown at his feet.

I know it is everyone's hope that Flint's water will soon universally meet the standards of the SDWA.

LAJOICE

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he was employed at for nearly 13 years.

He was arraigned by video on Jan. 8 on 14 counts of embezzlement, which allegedly took place from October 2015 to December 2015. A not guilty plea was made on LaJoice's behalf since he did not yet have a defense attorney.

LaJoice, 36 appeared in court for the first time Wednesday, Jan. 20, at the 52-2 District Court in Oakland County for a probable cause hearing with Judge

Joseph Fabrizio presiding. He appeared attentive during the court proceeding.

“As you can imagine, we have many legal issues going at once. We are dealing with them one at a time.”

Michael Manley
Michael LaJoice's defense attorney

Instead of a probable cause hearing, however, LaJoice's defense attorney Michael Manley requested his client be sent to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry for a competency evaluation.

Manley asked the court to consider sending LaJoice to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry to determine if his client could rationally assist Manley with the case. The evaluation does not necessarily claim mental insanity; Manley previously said it is to ensure that LaJoice understands the charges he faces and he can properly assist his counsels.

Manley was asked about the process to determine competency and what would happen if LaJoice were found incompetent to assist with his case.

Manley said, “If a person is found to be incompetent to stand trial, he/she would receive treatment from the State's Center for Forensic Psychiatry.

“The case would be put on hold until the defendant is found to be competent. In most cases, medication, counseling and other treatments render a defendant competent at some point in time during the process.

“Once a judge determines that a defendant is competent after a hearing, the case proceeds. If after 15 months an

incompetent defendant is not made to be competent after treatment, the case is dismissed. This is rare and is mostly seen in severe cases of mental illness.”

As of Monday afternoon, LaJoice had not been interviewed by The Center for Forensic Psychiatry, according to Manley. The criminal case is on hold until a determination of his competency is made.

Manley said he did receive Notices of Intent to Forfeit Property as it relates to all of LaJoice's real property and bank accounts from the Oakland County Prosecutors Office on Monday.

“As you can imagine, we have many legal issues going at once,” said Manley. “We are dealing with them one at a time.”

With Chassé now closed, numerous members who had paid for dance, Zumba and other classes have worthless paid-for packages that cannot be honored at Chassé. A few local studios have stepped up to honor those packages.

Manley said they receive several calls a day regarding unused memberships and gift cards from the public. “We are referring them to the various local studios that have stepped up to the plate to accommodate the Chassé customers,” said Manley. “Their efforts have been greatly appreciated.”

To protect membership and to ensure uninterrupted access to funds, on Jan. 13, the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services (DIFS) took action to conserve Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union (CBCCU). DIFS Director Patrick M. McPharlin issued an order that placed CBCCU into conservatorship and appointed the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) as the conservator, effective

immediately.

Credit union members and customers of CBCCU with questions about this conservatorship should contact the Clarkston branch office at (248) 625-2923. Members with questions or concerns are asked to call DIFS toll-free hotline at 877-999-6442.

A Go Fund Me account has been created to raise funds for Ashleigh LaJoice's three children. The account is called “Ashleigh's 3 Little Ones” and can be found at www.gofundme.com. It was created on Jan. 16 by Lorna Bell, sister of Ashleigh LaJoice.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

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NARCOTICS

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the required \$10,000 bond. Ramirez remains in jail in lieu of posting his \$250,000 bond.

The Midland Daily News reports that they were both charged with possession of a controlled substance, delivery and manufacturing, possession of burglary tools, breaking and entering, and breaking and entering with burglary tools. Ramirez also faces a charge of safe breaking.

More than 2,000 schedule two pills were recovered during the investigation.

Investigators allege that Dennis and Ramirez broke into a pharmacy after business hours, stole the narcotics and fled in an SUV, driven by the third suspect. Empty pill bottles tossed along M-18 were recovered and are being analyzed.

Michigan State Police and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) assisted with the investigation.

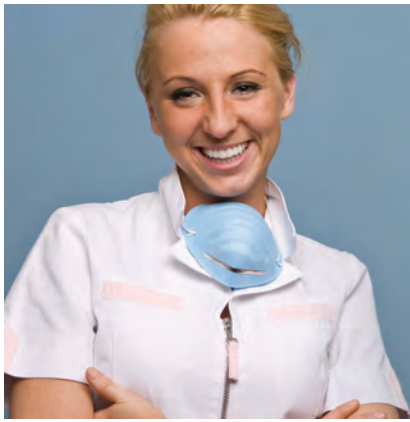
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THE *best & worst foods* FOR YOUR TEETH

■ The secret to healthy teeth for the rest of your life may be in your refrigerator

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You already know you're supposed to brush your teeth twice a day, floss daily, use mouthwash, etc. But you can also help or hurt your oral health by what you eat.

Certain foods can help prevent cavities and tooth decay, keeping plaque at bay, and even freshen your breath. Other foods, usually acidic or sweet foods, cause cavities and may harm the protective enamel on your teeth.

THE BEST FOODS FOR YOUR TEETH:

- **MILK AND EGGS**
These are excellent sources of calcium and vitamin D, which your body requires to strengthen your bones and teeth. You can also get vitamin D from about five to 30 minutes of sun exposure at least twice a week.
- **CHEESE AND YOGURT**
Foods rich in calcium and phosphorus help protect tooth enamel and even help replace minerals in teeth. Low-fat cheese and plain non-fat yogurt are excellent calcium-rich choices. Cheese is especially beneficial because it contains casein, a protein in milk products that

strengthens enamel.

- **MEAT, FISH AND TOFU**
These are loaded with phosphorus, another important mineral that may protect tooth enamel. Homemade broth made from meat bones is a very good source of this essential mineral.
- **BROCCOLI, BOK CHOY AND OTHER DARK, LEAFY VEGETABLES**
These veggies are excellent animal-free ways to get plenty of vitamins and minerals that help your teeth.

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Brush and floss

YOUR WAY TO A HEALTHY SMILE

■ The best products are the ones you will commit to using every day

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When you pick up your toothbrush to brush your teeth twice a day for two minutes each time, don't forget to pick up and use your floss during one of those sessions.

The American Dental Association says it takes both of these techniques to keep your teeth and gums healthy, and free of gingivitis, the early stage of gum disease.

Flossing or brushing — which is better?

The goal of both flossing and brushing is to remove plaque buildup on your teeth, but brushing only removes plaque from the front and back surfaces — flossing gets between the teeth and underneath the gums, where the most destructive microbes live. Toothbrush bristles alone can't clean effectively between the tight spaces of your teeth.

Should you brush or floss first?

According to the ADA, either way is acceptable as long as you do a thorough job. You can't brush your teeth and skip flossing, thinking you've done all you have to do. Using the floss in conjunction with tooth brushing is more effective than brushing alone to reduce plaque and gingivitis.

Should you floss in the morning or the evening?

It's totally up to you, as long as you do it thoroughly once a day.

What are the different types of flossing products?

The ADA says that the best floss is the one that you will use daily. Made from nylon filaments or plastic filaments, floss may be treated with flavoring agents to make flossing more pleasant.

Waxed flosses are meant to glide between the teeth more easily, but there's no difference in effectiveness between waxed or unwaxed floss.

While floss is a flexible strand of material, other tools can also be used to clean between the teeth, including small brushes, wooden or plastic picks, sticks or water flossers.

If you want to be sure of a product's effectiveness, the ADA says you should look for the ADA Seal on the product package. A company earns the ADA Seal for its product by producing scientific evidence that the product is safe and effective in reducing plaque and gingivitis.

What should I look for when buying a new toothbrush?

With so many toothbrush styles in the market, from manual to powered, this personal hygiene item can be a confusing one to buy. Here's what to look for:

- A small-headed soft-bristled brush can best reach all areas of the mouth.
- Choose a handle and bristle style that is most comfortable for you.
- For many people, a powered toothbrush is a good alternative to a manual one. You can check out reviews on goodhousekeeping.com or consumerreports.com.

SUMMARY

■ Flossing and brushing are your two best defenses for good oral health.



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Parents may be unaware of the dental health timeline, or they could be reluctant to bring their children for fear of how their kids will behave — especially if parents are harboring their own apprehensions about the dentist.

The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry recommends that a child go to the dentist by age 1, or within six months of the eruption of his or her first tooth. Yet, according to a survey commissioned by Delta Dental Plans, the average age of a child's first dental visit is 2.6 years.

Parents worried about how their kids will respond to the dentist can take the following steps to acclimate kids to dental visits to make them more comfortable during their appointments now and down the road.

Be a positive role model.

Children frequently learn by example. If they see their parents being diligent about dental care, they're more likely to embrace proper oral hygiene. Bring children to your own dental appointments so they understand the process and become familiar with the type of equipment used.

Stick to the first-tooth milestone.

Take your child to the dentist on or about when his or her first tooth erupts. Early dental visits will get kids used to going to the dentist and prevent minor problems that may lead to more complex dental issues.

Read books about the dentist and role play.

Information can allay kids' fears about the dentist. Read books together about dental visits and act out possible scenarios with your kids. Give kids toy dental health tools and have them practice exams on you and vice-versa.

Be supportive and instill trust.

Avoid telling your child that everything will be OK. If a procedure is needed, this could affect his or her trust in you and make the dental office an even greater source of anxiety. Simply be supportive and offer a hand to squeeze or a hug if your child needs you.

Consider using your dentist.

Some parents like to take their children to a pediatric dentist, but it may not always be necessary. Many family practices cater to patients of all ages, and the familiarity of the office may help make children feel more comfortable. Speak with your dentist about the ages they see.

Steer clear of negative words.

Michael J. Hanna, DMD, a national spokesperson for the AAPD, suggests using positive phrases like "clean, strong, healthy teeth" to make the visit seem fun and positive rather than scary and alarming. Let the office staff come up with their own words to describe processes that won't seem too frightening.

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BEST & WORST

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• CELERY, CARROTS
AND OTHER CRUNCHY VEGGIES

Just like your body requires exercise, your teeth also benefit from a “workout” to stay sharp. Crunchy, firm foods that contain lots of water and require lots of chewing are good for oral health. They stimulate the flow of saliva and can actually scrub tooth surfaces. Saliva also contains enzymes that buffer the acids present in food and clean bits of food out of your mouth’s “nooks and crannies.”

Celery is an excellent dietary choice. Full of water and fibrous strands, it is basically nature’s dental floss.

• ARTIFICIAL SWEETENERS

Whether artificial sweeteners are safe may be up for debate, but most dentists would probably agree that sugar-free gum is better for your teeth than a lollipop or candy.

• APPLES

Apples and other high-fiber fruits can scrub away plaque and freshen your breath.

**THE WORST FOODS
FOR YOUR TEETH:**• LIME, LEMONS, ORANGES
AND GRAPEFRUIT

Because citrus foods are loaded with acid, they are a huge cause of enamel erosion and tooth decay. To minimize

the harm, drink the juice or eat the fruit in one sitting, rather than sipping throughout the day.

• PICKLES

The combination of super-acidic vinegar and sugar that makes pickles so delicious is a recipe for enamel erosion.

• COFFEE

While coffee has many overall health benefits, it’s not a good beverage for your teeth.

The tannic acids in coffee and some teas wear down enamel and can cause your teeth to stain.

• RED WINE

Yes, red wine is good for your heart and cholesterol levels, but the acids in red and white wine wear down the surface of teeth, which is why stains are so common.

• TOMATOES

Because of their acidity, tomatoes are best eaten as part of a meal to reap the health benefits and avoid the dental issues.

• SODA

Everyone knows that soda is bad for you, but the combination of sugar, acids and carbonation make it a “death sentence” for tooth erosion and decay.

• CANDY

The sweet stuff can cause cavities and can get stuck in crevices — a breeding ground for bacteria.

Hard candies and any sugary treats

that linger in your mouth for a long time are worse than treats that are quickly chewed and swallowed.

• DRIED FRUIT

Dried fruit is a “perfect storm” of stickiness and chewiness, which easily get stuck between teeth and can cause plaque to come into contact with the sugar, causing cavities.

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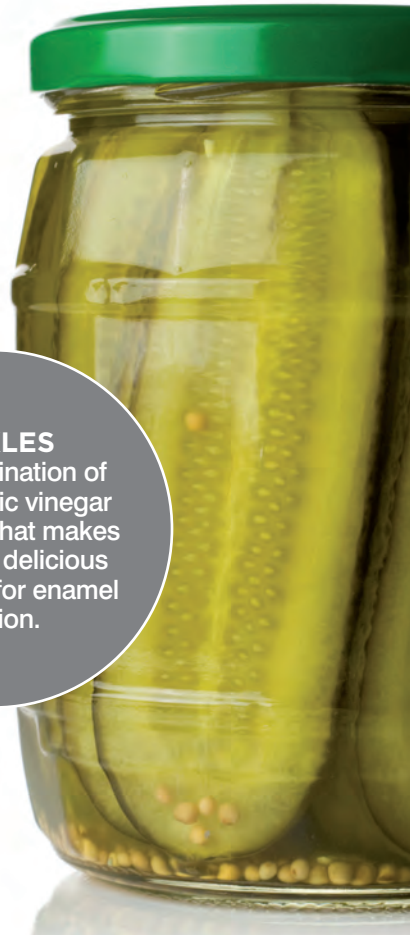

■ What you eat and when you eat it can make a drastic difference in your oral health.

PICKLES

The combination of super-acidic vinegar and sugar that makes pickles so delicious is a recipe for enamel erosion.

**Here are a few easy tips
better oral
health through
nutrition:**

- Eat acidic or sugary foods during a meal rather than snacking on them on their own.
- Although brushing your teeth is generally a good idea, avoid brushing after consuming acidic foods, which soften your enamel.
- Change toothbrush every three months or after illness.
- Use a fluoride toothpaste, which can help repair enamel and reduce the risk of tooth decay and dental erosion.
- Don’t swish acidic drinks around in your mouth, which exposes your teeth to the acids longer than necessary.
- Consider using a straw when drinking coffee, wine or soda, to help protect the enamel.
- Eat healthy snacks like cheese, fruits, yogurt, peanut butter and limit sugary treats.
- Substitute water for sugary sodas and fruit juices.

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Linden basketball programs sweep Clio Mustangs

By David Troppens

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The Linden basketball programs had their biggest night of the season on Friday against Clio.

Linden's girls opened action earning their first victory of the season with a 45-42 verdict, while the Linden boys followed by capturing their first Metro victory with a 53-43 against Clio.

"We finally made some shots tonight which helped big time,"

Linden varsity boys basketball coach Anthony Wright said. "We also outrebounded them 45-23 and didn't allow a lot of second-chance baskets, which has hurt us in the past."

The Eagles (1-7, 2-9) led 40-27 entering the fourth quarter, but Clio cut the gap to 3 with about two minutes remaining. However, Conor Faught made two free throws and Cole Sarkon and Tyler

Hoerberling hit three-pointers, icing the win.

Sarkon had 21 points and five rebounds. Steiert had 13 points, nine rebounds. Hoerberling collected 12 points and six rebounds.

The Linden girls won the night's first game, 45-41. The Eagles outscored Clio 28-16 in the middle two quarters, taking a 39-33 lead into the fourth.

However, Sterling

DeGayner and Bella Blank found themselves in foul trouble. DeGayner eventually fouled out with about four minutes left in the contest and Bridget Adams did as well. However, the Eagles found

a way to hold on. Blank hit two free throws late, raising Linden's lead back to five.

"They played hard, played their guts out and were able to get it done," Linden varsity girls coach Ben Varner said. "We got the monkey off our backs."

DeGayner led the Eagles (1-7, 1-11) with 13 points while creating three steals. Madison Maxheimer had nine points and 10 rebounds.

Erin Gillseppe had seven points while Adams had eight rebounds. Jordan Holscher had four steals.



STERLING DEGAYNER

Scored 13 points in Linden's 45-42 victory against Clio.

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Read about Tuesday night's prep basketball action at tctimes.com.



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Fenton's Chloe Ildoni (center) scored 20 points in the Tigers' 49-45 victory against Holly on Friday.

Lady Tigers hold off Holly

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Fenton — It was a pretty even game when the Fenton Lady Tigers hosted the Bronchos on Friday night.

It was even except for one time — the first quarter.

The Tigers (7-1, 8-4) jumped out to a 14-2 start on the Bronchos and never trailed, resulting in a 49-45 Fenton victory at Fenton High School.

The Bronchos (5-3, 7-6) were never able to get the lead after falling behind, but Holly did manage to tie the contest

See TIGERS on 12

Holly's Baylis posts record win vs. Fenton

■ Victory is 149th for Bronchos' mentor

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Fenton — The Holly varsity boys basketball team has had quite a week.

After suffering two losses a week earlier, the Bronchos (7-1, 9-2) had to bounce back with Metro League contests against first-place Flushing and Fenton.

The Bronchos passed both tests impressively. After beating Flushing by 30 points, the Bronchos made coach Lance Baylis the school's winningest mentor of all time, posting his 149th career victory in a 64-51 verdict at Fenton High School. Baylis surpassed Joe Blakely who won 148 contests from 1982-83 through 1994-95. Baylis began his Holly varsity coaching career during the 2005-06 season. His first hire was assistant Jason Lambart. The duo have been together ever since.

"It's taken a lot of hard work, a lot of time and a lot of effort," Baylis said. "I have the best assistant coach in the state of Michigan. Jason is incredible. ... The community is 100 percent behind me and Jason, the basketball team

and the whole program."

"It's unreal," said Holly's Kyle Woodruff who finished with 18 points. "It's been such great times. One-hundred-forty-nine wins — that's amazing. Lance is a great guy. He deserves it. I'm glad we were able to give it to him."

"It feels great to be recognized every once in a while and we were glad to help him get this," senior Steven Redmond said.

Fenton used a zone defense, and the Bronchos shot right over the top of it. Holly had Steven Redmond, Ian Hodges and Adam Tooley each hit two treys in the opening quarter en route to a 21-12 Holly lead. The Tigers hit on 8-of-10 shots from the field during the second period, cutting Holly's lead to 36-29 by the half.

The Tigers (5-3, 7-4) were as close as 44-38 with 1:22 left in the third period, but a breaking layup by Hodges put Holly up 46-38 entering the fourth quarter.

The Bronchos started the fourth quarter with a 7-2 run. Two converted free throws by Hodges, who finished with 21 points, had Holly up 53-40 after Fenton called a time out with 5:41 left. After the time out, Fenton turned the ball over on four of its next six possessions, helping Holly take a 62-42



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH

Holly's Ian Hodges drives against Fenton's Nick Wyrick in the Bronchos' 64-51 victory against the Tigers on Friday.

lead with 3:40 remaining.

Redmond's defensive work on Fenton's Chris Gilbert was another key. Gilbert was held to three points. Redmond had 12 points.

"We knew that was going to be a key because if he started making shots, everyone would start getting into it," Redmond said.

"We had to shut him down from the start. I take a lot of pride in it because I consider him one of the league's top players. I think I'm underrated, so I felt like I had to shut him down tonight."

Nick Wyrick led Fenton with 14 points while Drew Miller netted 11 points.

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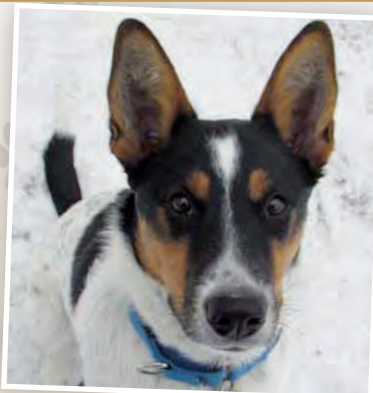


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PREP REPORT

SWIMMING

► **Fenton AGS def. Holly Sherman Middle School:** Fenton posted the best time or score in all 11 events. Logan Harrison won two individual events — the 50 freestyle (28.22) and the 50 butterfly (31.96). Other individuals posting top times for Fenton were: Mallorie Johnson in the 200 freestyle (2:19.20), Joel Diccio in the 100 IM (1:11.47), Graham Funke in diving (83.35), Catherine Avery Haynes in the 100 freestyle (1:09.00), Anthony Barnett in the 50 backstroke (41.16) and Abigail Dolliver in the 50 breaststroke (38.83).

Three relays also won events — they were the 200 medley relay of Barnett, Sara Vacellio, Diccio and Hannah Green (2:47.96); the 200 freestyle relay of Lillie Kromer, Chloe Mallard, Lorin Campbell and Wyatt Williams (2:10.13); and the 400 freestyle relay team of Diccio, Kazmierski, Harrison and Mallorie Johns (4:20.60).

WRESTLING

► **Lake Fenton wins Lapeer Team Tournament:** The Blue Devils defeated Capac, Midland, Flushing, Lapeer and the second-ranked team in D2, DeWitt, 39-24.

During Lake Fenton's win against DeWitt, Devan Melick (135), Trent Hillger (285) and A.J. Geyer (103) earned pinfall wins, while Hunter Corcoran (125) and Jackson Nevadomski (152) recorded a tech fall win. Also earning decision victories were Jared Hatherill (160) and Ryan Franks (215).

► **Holly at Macomb/Oakland Silver Site:** Holly (21-8) went 3-2, defeating Warren Lincoln, Lamphere and Utica. Colton Cleaver (152) went 5-0 with five pinfall wins, while Wyatt Scribner (125) and Mitch Nelson (130) also had 5-0 marks. Jimmy Gray (285) went 4-0 and Collin Dallwitz (215) was 4-1.

Fenton swimmers dominate Holly, 127-43

By David Troppens

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The Fenton varsity boys swim team's pursuit of the Flint Metro League title continued impressively at Holly High School.

The Tigers posted the best time in 10 of the 12 events and swept the top three positions in five individual events en route to an impressive 127-43 victory against the Bronchos.

Zac Miceli was the only Tiger to win two individual events. He won the 200 individual medley (2:06.81) and the 100 butterfly (57.33). Five others won one individual event. They were Michael Fabatz in the 200 freestyle (1:59.50), Jacob Vickers in diving (182.40), Emilio Caballero in the 100 freestyle (57.74), Zac Jump in the

500 freestyle (6:00.93), Kyle Banner in the 100 backstroke (1:02.74) and Noah Sizemore in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.51).

The Tigers opened the meet with the 200 medley relay team of Dean Kramer, Miceli, Banner and Joe Perrera earning a victory (3:54.256). Fenton also posted the best time in the 400 freestyle relay with the team of John Leaske, Perrera, Hunter Smith and Evan Bartow (3:54.26).

The Bronchos took the top spot in two events, and in each case, Blake Kessler had a say in why Holly won that event. Individually, he won the 50 freestyle (25.07) and also teamed with Tanner Graverette, Ryan Prast and Emilio Rodriguez (1:48.54) to win the 200 freestyle.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MARK BOLEN

Fenton's Noah Sizemore won the 100 breaststroke in the Tigers' 127-43 victory against Holly.

Blue Devils' defense sparks 51-29 win vs. Durand

By David Troppens

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The Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team played strong defense all night long, earning a solid victory 51-29 against Durand.

"We had all around contributions from everyone tonight," Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball coach Jake Erway said. "It was a nice win."

"I thought Cam Jackson played great for us, particularly at finding guys within the offense. He finished with four assists. Jake Zielinski, Andrew Foerster and Luke (Willoughby) did a good job setting the tone defensively."

Jalen Miller led the offense with 12

points while Chris Bell finished with nine points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals. Jon Sanders had six points and six rebounds. Zielinski finished with five points and five steals, while Foerster also had five steals.

Girls Basketball

Durand 55, Lake Fenton 39

The Blue Devils (3-10) were outscored 11-5 in the second quarter, enabling Durand to get the victory. The quarter gave Durand a 27-15 lead at the half.

"The tide turned in the second quarter as they exposed our zone more and they patiently attacked," Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball coach Brian VanBuren

said. "Honestly, we didn't stay aggressive, we let a couple of no calls get to us and they kept coming after that. The scoreboard said 12, but our body language didn't make us seem that close."

Lake Fenton played a pretty even second half with the Railroaders, but were unable to get back into the contest. Sydney Sheyachich netted five points in the third quarter, but Lake Fenton was unable to pull any closer than eight in the fourth.

Lake Fenton was led by Autumn Beardsley's eight points and 12 rebounds. She also had three blocks. Sheyachich finished with eight points, seven rebounds, three assists and two steals. Renee Shaw had 11 rebounds.

TIGERS

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one time in the second half. That happened at 35-all when senior Jenna Pepper netted a three-pointer with 7:10 remaining in the contest. However, Fenton responded with a trey by Sarah Cummings. That was followed by layup by Chloe Idoni, putting Fenton right back up 40-35 with 5:30 remaining in the contest.

The Bronchos had cut the gap back to 40-37 with two free throws by Kaitlyn Smith with 4:26, and had possession four different times trailing by that margin. However, Holly missed five shots during those possessions, and Fenton's Cummings hit Idoni with an inbounds pass for a hoop, raising the Fenton edge to 42-37 with 1:35 left.

"They are dangerous," Fenton varsity

girls basketball coach Becki Moore said. "They have a couple of kids that can hit lights out. No lead is safe with them."

"(Chloe Idoni) is taking a lot of attention. Sarah is taking a lot of attention and they feed off of each other. Alexis Brissette had a couple of buckets for us tonight on senior night and Madison Shegos had a couple of key hoops and took care of the ball."

"It was a good game but we dug ourselves in a little bit of a hole," Holly varsity girls basketball coach David Hall said. "I don't know why we didn't get off to a very good start. ... But our girls did a good job keeping their composure and cutting into the leads."

Idoni netted a game-high 20 points. Holly's Smith finished with 19 points. Pepper netted 13 points while Paige Reid finished with nine points.

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Arrangements handled by Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd. Fenton. Gary was born September 27, 1970 to parents Gary James and Vicki Lynn Mitchell in Flint, Michigan. Gary was a 1989 graduate of Lake Fenton High School and studied at Lincoln Tech Institute, East Windsor, Connecticut. He served in the Army National Guard and was previously employed by Caterpillar in Novi, and Jeffboat Shipyard in Jeffersonville, Indiana, the largest shipyard of America. Gary was an avid outdoor enthusiast from a young child living at Lake Fenton all his life. He enjoyed boating, barefoot water skiing, snow skiing, skeet shooting and fishing. The loves of his life were his two sons, Nicholas James and Nolan Jack Mitchell of Swartz Creek. Visitation will be held at 1PM Saturday, February 6, 2016 at South Mundy United Methodist Church, 10018 S. Linden Road, Grand Blanc, 48439, followed by a Celebration of Life Service at 2PM. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make contributions to the Children's Educational Fund. Gary is survived by his sons, Nicholas James and Nolan Jack Mitchell, of Swartz Creek; his loving parents, Gary James and Vicki Lynn Mitchell; Grandmother, Shirley P. Mitchell; aunts; uncles; and cousins. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

St. Valentine's Day magic rules the entire week for romantic Rams and Ewes. Music, which is the food of love, is also strong. The weekend offers news both unexpected and anticipated.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

Your aspects favor the arts — which the Divine Bovine loves, loves, loves. Also, for those looking for romantic love, Cupid is available for requests. After all, his mother, Venus, rules your sign.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Loving commitments continue to grow stronger. Ditto budding relationships. A recent move to help start up a new career-linked direction soon could begin to show signs of progress.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Single Moon Children might be eager to take that proverbial chance on love. But your more serious side will feel better if you take things slowly and give your moonstruck self more time.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

It's a love fest for Leos and Leonas this week. Paired Cats might expect to be purr-fectly in sync. And with matchmaking friends, single Simbas searching for romance shouldn't have too far to look.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

More understanding on both sides can work miracles in restoring ailing relationships to health. Make the first move, and you'll be closer to your much-wanted reunion.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Accept the fact that you are worthy of being loved, and you'll find proof in what is revealed to you over the course of the week. Also accept a compliment offered with great sincerity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Planning to take a new direction in life is exciting. And so is a new awareness of someone's special affection. Expect a slow and mostly steady development of the situation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Although you might still feel you weren't treated quite right in a recent matter, all that will work out in time. Meanwhile, enjoy the week's special qualities and potentials.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Deciding not to give up on a troubling romantic situation helps start the healing process. Expect to find some valuable insight into yourself as things move along.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

The week is filled with positive potentials, but it's up to you to make the right choices. The advice of someone who truly cares for you and your well-being can be priceless.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)

It's a good time to make yourself available to possibilities of the romantic kind. Already paired? Good. In that case, be sure to reassure that special person of your feelings.

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10 Actor Hackman
11 Hit a fly
16 Foot fraction
19 Level
20 Schlep
21 Reason for a tarp
22 Playful water critter
23 Enrages
25 Pinnacle
26 Strayed
27 Portent
28 Gloom
30 Brewer's

oven

- 33 Culpable
34 Gumbo need
36 Capture
37 Danson and Koppel
38 Bar
39 Geometry calculation
40 Use a teaspoon
42 Witnessed
43 "Entourage" role
44 Mess up
45 Rotation duration

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2 Life time?
3 Shone brightly
4 Sternward
5 Kill a bill
6 Inseparable
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Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

VG's
grocery

Big Game Savings!

Ground Fresh
Throughout the Day
**Fresh 80% Lean
Ground Beef**
Value Pack

\$2.49 lb.

with yes

fresh
selections

Fresh, Pork Shoulder
All-Natural
Country Style
Ribs
Bone-In, Value Pack

\$1.49 lb.

with yes

TENDER RIDGE
ANGUS

Beef Loin
Fresh,
All-Natural
T-Bone Steak
Value Pack



\$7.99 lb.

with yes



Ripe,
Ready to Eat
Hass
Avocados
each

10/\$10

with yes



Roma
Tomatoes

99¢ lb.

with yes



Coca-Cola or
Pepsi-Cola
Products
12 pk., 12 oz. cans
or
8 pk., 16.9 oz. or
8 pk., 12 oz. btls.
(plus deposit)

4/\$10.96

When you buy 4
Lesser or Greater
Quantities \$4.99

with yes

Nabisco Snack
Crackers
(6.5 - 8 oz.), Wheat Thins
(5.5 - 9.1 oz.),
Triscuit (7.6 - 9 oz.) or Rice
Thins (3.5 oz.)



\$1.99

with yes

Lay's
Family
Size
Potato Chips
10 - 10.5 oz.



**BUY 1
GET 1
FREE**

with yes

Save \$5 when you buy 5 participating items

Sale Price **\$2.99**
When you buy 5
- \$1

FINAL PRICE

\$1.99

with yes



See
inside ad
for more
items.

**Kraft Shredded,
Chunk or Sliced Cheese**
or Cracker Barrel Chunk (7 - 8 oz.) or
Individually Wrapped Singles (10.7 - 12 oz.)

Sale Price **\$1.99**
When you buy 5
- \$1

FINAL PRICE

99¢

with yes



Kraft Salad Dressing
14 - 16 oz.

DiGiorno
Pizza
(17.2 - 34.2 oz.) or
California Pizza
Kitchen
(12.7 - 16.2 oz.)



2/\$8

When you buy 2
Lesser or Greater
Quantities \$5.00

with yes

Budweiser,
Miller, Labatt,
Coors or
Molson

24 pk., 12 oz. cans
(plus deposit)



\$15.99

with yes

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