New wells prohibited in Linden indefinitely

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On Monday, the Linden City Council unanimously voted to pass a resolution to approve a moratorium that prohibits Linden residents from digging private wells on their property indefinitely. If their current well fails, they must connect to the city water, if possible.

This moratorium is due to an underground gasoline leak that was detected by the Department of Environmental Quality in downtown Linden in November of 2014. The suspected source is a leak originating from an underground gasoline storage tank belonging to Beacon and Bridge, 110 East Broad St.

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Fenton Board of Ed president seeks higher office

Shapiro running for county commissioner seat

By Vera Hogan
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Drew Shapiro, president of the Fenton Board of Education, has announced his plans to run for Genesee County Commissioner (District 6).

Elected in 2012, Shapiro is nearing the end of his four-year term on the school board.

The sixth district serves residents in the townships of Argentine, Fenton, Grand Blanc and Mumby, and those in the cities of Fenton and Linden.

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Culvert collapses, traffic diverted around Rolston

Road Commission replacing cross tube that connects Loon and Squaw lakes

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A culvert below Rolston Road between Jennings and Four Lakes Avenue in Fenton Township collapsed on Monday. This culvert connects Loon Lake and Squaw Lake. Rolston Road is closed to all through traffic and road closure signs are posted.

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Grammy award-winning musician Peter “Madcat” Ruth performed his brand of blues and folk for 60 guests at the Jack R. Winegarden Library in Fenton on Saturday. Concerts are part of the Genesee District Libraries’ overall $93,000 programming budget.

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We’re not just about books

Danielle Cusson seeks mayor pro tem running for mayor

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Current Linden Councilor/Mayor Pro Tem Danielle Cusson is hoping to win the seat, a two-year term. She has been mayor pro tem for two years. She presides over meetings and participates in certain events when Lossing is absent.

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“I resent the perpetrators.”

The election is Aug. 2.

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The ideas of conflict and rivalry have never been more present in pop culture. With huge blockbusters like "Captain America: Civil War," coming to theaters May 6, and the recently released "Batman v. Superman: Dawn of Justice," the two movies ultimately are pitting the two biggest comic companies, Marvel and DC, against each other.

Comic book fans, and people who have never touched a comic book, are discussing who the victor would be in a Dark Knight vs. Man of Steel match, and an Iron Man vs. Captain America fight.

Loving superheroes as an adult used to prompt teasing, but now thousands flock to comic conventions around the world, dressing up as their favorite heroes and meeting the actors who play them.

Starting in 2012 with Marvel’s “The Avengers,” which made over $623 million, the highest grossing superhero film to date, superhero movies have consistently made millions while remaining a topic of discussion in everyday life.

More recent blockbusters like “Guardians of the Galaxy” made more than $333 million. The R-rated “Deadpool” brought in more than $358 million, and "Avengers: Age of Ultron" made more than $459 million.

The release of "Spiderman" in 2002 featuring Tobey Maguire as fans favorite web-slinging teenager proved to moviemakers that people will pay money to see superhero films, and it was the beginning of a genre.

Continue down the road to infamous Dark Knight Trilogy by Christopher Nolan, which alone made over $534 million, the second-highest grossing superhero movie of all time.

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The next five superhero movies coming out:

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Parents, this one’s for you. While everyone else is wasting ink and air time bemoaning the quality of our presidential candidates, my compass is stuck on the tragic and senseless murder of UT freshman Haruka Weiser. If you have a daughter, and/or a brain, you should read on.

For those who are too busy to read a newspaper or watch the news, here’s the scoop.

Haruka Weiser, 18, from Portland, Oregon, was a freshmen theatre and dance student at the University of Texas in Austin. On Sunday, April 3, at 9:35 pm, she called her roommate to tell her she was leaving to make the 10-minute walk to her dorm through the heart of the busy campus after a theater class. She never arrived there.

Weiser was reported missing Monday morning by her roommates and was found dead Tuesday morning in a creek that runs through UT’s campus.

On Friday, Austin police arrested Meechael Khalil Criner, a black, 17-year-old, homeless drifter and charged him with her murder.

Haruka Weiser, a beautiful, 18-year-old girl, died for the sole reason that the scavenger who attacked her was bigger and stronger than she was. He snuffed out her life on a whim for one simple reason — he could.

We are living in a very violent world that is getting more violent with each passing year. So if you truly love the women in your life — your wife and your daughters — you had better start educating them. Here are a few tips, just for starters:

1) Look them in the eye and tell them, “It could happen to you.” Yes, it’s a downer to instill fear in her, but it’s the truth, and they need to know it.

2) Wherever you go, get in the habit of scrutinizing your environment. Paranoid? Maybe, but I scrutinize every environment that I’m in. Most young adults don’t because, again, it’s a downer. Keep your eyes (and your brain) open.

3) Here’s a toughie: stay off the damn phone and quit texting. When your head is down and you’re not looking around, that’s when you get hit. Haruka’s cell phone had an unfinished text, meaning she was attacked while her head was down and she wasn’t paying attention. Also, when in public take off the earbuds. If you’re being stalked you need all of your senses engaged.

4) Trust no one. And I mean no one. Better to be alive and considered rude than dead and considered nice.

5) Do not go out alone at night. Ever! There’s strength in numbers. Thousands of lions in Africa survive by singling out the one that’s separated from the herd.

6) If you’re feeling ‘something,’ there’s a reason for it. Nature has hardwired us to sense when we’re in danger. Buy Gavin De Becker’s book The Gift Of Fear, and give it to the women in your life.

Lastly, man up and either get your women a CPL class and a gun, or enroll them in a martial arts program. Our women should live and the bad guys should die.

That’s simple.
Michigan residents and businesses asked to ‘take cover’

Statewide tornado drill today, Wednesday, April 13

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Even though it happened nearly nine years ago, the people who lived and worked in Fenton and Holly at the time — it seems like yesterday.

On Aug. 24, 2007, at 5:34 p.m., just as people were arriving home for work, or sitting down to dinner, an F-2 tornado roared through, causing a path of destruction from Fenton to Holly.

Many homes were damaged and some were leveled. In the city of Fenton alone, more than 4,000 trees were destroyed.

About 50 homes in Fenton Township were affected by a May 28, 2013 tornado, also classified as an F-2. Most of the damage was near Jennings Road.

This year already, many states in the south have experienced back-to-back severe storms and tornadoes.

Tornado season has again arrived in Michigan and as most people are aware, it can and does happen here.

Gov. Rick Snyder has declared “Severe Weather Awareness Week,” from April 10-16. As a result, the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division is calling on all Michiganders to take action to prepare by participating in a voluntary statewide tornado drill at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13.

Businesses, organizations, municipalities and individuals are encouraged to be a part of this statewide preparedness activity, but are not required to do so. Nearly all state of Michigan entities will be participating.

“Tornadoes can develop rapidly with little or no warning,” said Capt. Chris Keleniske, deputy state director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and commander of the MSP/EHMSD.

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Tornado terms

TORNADO WATCH means that the conditions are there to produce a tornado in your area.

TORNADO WARNING means that a funnel has been spotted in your area, and you should take cover immediately.

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There are signs that can indicate an approaching tornado, including a dark, often greenish skylage hail, a large, low-lying dark cloud, and a loud roar, similar to a freight train.

Develop a 72-hour emergency supply kit with essential items such as a three-day supply of water and food, a NOAA Weather Radio, important family documents and items that satisfy unique family needs, such as medicines, etc.

Also develop a family plan on how to contact one another in the event of a weather emergency.

In the event of severe weather on April 13, the statewide tornado drill will be rescheduled for 1:30 p.m. EDT on Thursday, April 14.

For more information, visit readygov.org/tornadoes.

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Under our system of justice, there is a time-tested procedure for determining what the ultimate answer is on the meaning of a particular law or legal concept.

Generally speaking, this procedure starts in a trial court when a judge issues a ruling on a legal matter. The ruling is then tested in the crucible of the Appellate Courts until the highest court of either a state or of the United States makes its final decision as to which side was correct in its position.

Once these decisions are made, lower courts are then able to rely on these legal precedents to guide their own future decisions. As legal life would have it, there are times when past decisions of the higher courts are challenged and there are also times (although few in number) when these past decisions are changed.

When deciding whether prior decisions are to be overruled, each state’s Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court uses their own specific rules with Michigan being no exception.

One finds in reviewing these rules that they are all remarkably similar. In Michigan, the starting point is the doctrine of ‘stare decisis,’ which is short for ‘stands by the thing decided and do not disturb the calm.’

In the vast majority of cases, our Supreme Court follows the doctrine and makes its final decisions based upon prior rulings or precedents.

However when the Michigan Supreme Court finds that a case has previously been wrongly decided, it then uses a three-part analysis to decide if it should be overruled or changed as follows: (1) Whether the decision defies practical workability, (2) Whether reliance interests would work an undue hardship if the decision were overturned, and (3) Whether changes in the law or facts no longer justify the decision.

After balancing all the factors, a final decision whether to uphold the prior decision is made.

Our system of justice has always allowed for change and this procedure shows the importance of ensuring that ultimately the correct decision is made.

HOME INVASION ON TREALOUT

The Fenton Police Department is investigating a home invasion, which occurred sometime between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Friday, April 8. Lt. Jason Slater said a 58-year-old woman told police that someone entered her apartment, in the 100 block of Trealout, and stole several grocery items, loose change and several $20 bills. There were no signs of forced entry. When asked, neighbors told police that they did not see or hear anything.

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SUPERHEROES
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The world began to see that this brand of literal vigilantism can be as dramatic, entertaining, and culturally important as non-genre movies.

After all, superheroes are archetypes created by man in response to the world as is.

One of Marvel’s most famous superheroes and icons, Captain America, was created in the 1920s during World War II. He’s seen punching Hitler in the face and defeating the Axis powers on the cover of old comic books, a powerful message for troops and America at the time.

Superman, the caped crusader who impervious to bullets, was created in the 1930s by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster after Siegels father died during a nighttime robbery at his second-hand clothes store, according to telegraph.co.uk.

Gunshots were heard at the time of the incident, and many surmise he created a bulletproof super human who fights for justice in order to cope with the loss.

Superheroes became popular back then because people wanted comfort during dark times, and the popularity has risen once again.

Now, there are more than 30 superhero movies from Marvel, DC, Fox, and Sony, slated to come out from 2016 to 2020, not including “Batman v. Superman.”

Marvel continues the A venger’s storyline, with more films focusing on Thor, Captain America, and others.

DC will show new characters on the big screen from the infamous Justice League, and on the flip side, a few of the most famous DC villains with the release of “Suicide Squad.”

Origins of superheroes

Superman
Clark Kent, AKA Superman, was created in the 1930s weeks after Jerry Siegel’s father was killed in a robbery.

Batman
Bob Kane and Bill Finger are credited with the creation of Bruce Wayne, AKA Batman, in 1939. He was first seen in Detective Comics #27. July 23 is Batman Day.

The Flash
Numerous characters become the fastest man alive, starting with the first Flash in 1966 created by Robert Kanigher.

Wonder Woman
In response to the bloody and violent comics soldiers loved to read during WWII, psychologist William Marston created Princess Diana, a warrior who fought with love as well as strength.

Spiderman
A few people have been the web-slinging vigilante, Spiderman, who was created by Stan Lee and Steve Ditko in the early 1960s.

Iron Man
Stan Lee created Tony Stark, AKA Iron Man, in 1963. The character originated in Vietnam and the story had communist villains and political intrigue.

Captain America
Steve Rogers, America’s favorite soldier, was created in the early 1940s as a symbol of patriotism in response to World War II.

Black Widow
Created by Stan Lee, Natasha Romanova first appeared in Marvel comics in 1964 as an antagonist to Iron Man. She later joined the spy agency S.H.I.E.L.D. and the Avengers.

Fenton's rich history and property is still part of another Shiawassee Avenue location. It was torn down in 1901, with parts of it moved to a home for recovering alcoholics, and ultimately it was given a different use including a museum.

That’s what happened last week with the articles in print and online regarding the building at 106 W. Shiawassee Ave, in Fenton, and the Downtown Development Authority’s (DDA) plans to tear it down to make way for a mixed-use building.

On Friday night, Donna Seger, president of the Fenton Historical Society called me at home and said, “I think we made a mistake...” Donna told me that despite everything we found to confirm that this building was built in 1837 by Judge Daniel LeRoy and William Fenton, which was used as a hotel, tavern and stage coach stop, making it the oldest building in town, the “challenge” prompted them to keep digging into the matter and they found something.

In Ruth Anne Silbar’s book about Fenton history, “A Time To Remember,” published in 1976, Silbar wrote that the original building was partially dismantled a few times. Each time, it was given a different use including a home for recovering alcoholics, and ultimately torn down in 1901, with parts of it moved to another Shiawassee Avenue location.

Having said that, Silbar told me that it’s all hearsay, a journalist. She was the editor of the now defunct newspaper, The Fenton Independent.

Since Silbar would have been too young to have acquired this information first-hand, she had to get it from somewhere—probably the same place we looked, museum and other historical records.

Only we can’t find her source of information, so here we are, not sure whether any part of the building standing there now has any part of the original building still in place, or not.

My own house was built in 1860 and it looks nowhere near what it did when it was built that many years ago. 106 W. Shiawassee the original building, or at least part of it? That’s what we don’t know.

Here’s what we do know.

Even if the building is not original, it is still at least 110 or more years old and part of Dibbleville, the site of Fenton’s rich history. The building has not been condemned and, in fact, has been restored beautifully and could easily be sold for a handsome sum to the people who have already expressed interest.

Mike Burns, the DDA director, who is also the assistant city manager, and City Manager Lynn Markland, have said there is “a developer” interested in that property.
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SHAPIRO
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Incumbent Tony Brown, a Fenton Township resident, holds the seat currently. He is seeking re-election.

Both Republicans, Brown and Shapiro will face off in the Aug. 2 primary election. If no Democratic candidates come forward before the Tuesday, April 19, deadline, the primary election will decide the race.

Shapiro has created a Facebook page called “Drew Shapiro for County Commissioner,” and has received significant support from followers.

A 2006 graduate of Fenton High School, Shapiro graduated from Central Michigan University in 2011. He works as a finance professional, having built his own company while attending college.

Shapiro said he is running for county commissioner in the sixth district because he feels southern Genesee County needs stronger representation at the county level.

The amount of taxes residents in Southern Genesee County pay is disproportionately high for the services they receive.

The sixth district represents 8.9 percent of the county population, but puts in about 14.5 percent of the budgeted funds, Shapiro said.

Shapiro said he would also like to see reduced response times as it relates to law enforcement and other emergency services.

“Response times are very low now but I want to keep it that way so that we can improve funding and maintain our own dispatches in the sixth district,” he said.

“We already have the best response times around and I want to keep it that way.” Shapiro said currently, everyone pays a surcharge on their phone for emergency services. The county redistributes those funds based on population, and Southern Genesee County has a lower population.

“Have already been endorsed by Police Chief Rick Aro in Fenton, and Chief Dan Allen in Argentine Township,” Shapiro said.

Shapiro said he would also like to see public transportation improved in southern Genesee County.

“Somebody’s got to fight for that,” he said. “I really want to be the voice of southern Genesee County. I’m not afraid to be unpopular in Flint. I will be there to serve southern Genesee County.”

Shapiro said the current sixth district commissioner is not doing a bad job, but thinks it’s time the voters have a choice.

“If people recognize the future when they see it,” said Shapiro.
Why virtual bariatric surgery is better

This is the best long term weight loss option

Bariatric surgery seems like the perfect solution. And it might be, if it weren’t for the failure rate. Importantly, according to an NIH study, lap-band surgery only has a 65 percent success rate.

Side effects are the problem. According to Pharmacy Times, approximately 40 percent of bariatric patients develop “Dumping Syndrome.” During or immediately after a meal, patients report nausea, bloating, cramping, diarrhea, dizziness and then vomiting.

Other problems include fecal incontinence. More than a third develop gallstones. Alarming, according to the New York Times, one study calculated suicide rates for patients at five times more than normal.

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But insurance does not cover it. The great news is this: It has a 74 percent success rate.

Dr. Tomlinson, certified in the procedure, believes hypnosis allows clients to do more. With eight problems are psychological. As such, his eight-week program helps clients with the deep-seated issues that keep clients from losing weight.

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About the Genesee District Library

The Genesee District Library (GDL) is dedicated to providing access to technology, information, and various programs to its patrons. In 2016, more than 72,000 visitors and checked out over 112,000 items, an average of 2015 after the GDL invested in modern libraries. Flynn said that in the fall. Another surprising offering is our yoga classes, which are adding to those that we already offer as part of our regular schedule of performances. The GDL system offers concerts, author events, cooking demonstrations, children’s story times, magic shows, crafts, computer and genealogy classes, book sales, and many animal and nature programs, said Flynn via email.

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New-looking Tigers hoping to contend for Metro title again

Fenton girls tennis squad
hoping to rebuild after some key graduation losses

By David Troppens
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Fenton varsity girls tennis coach Gary Ballard has changed the expectations levels when it comes to his squad.

For decades, being in the Metro League meant having to play second fiddle to the Holly Bronchos. For 29 seasons the Lady Bronchos captured the Metro League title, only sharing it with the Fenton Tigers twice during that period.

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However, during the spring of 2012, the Fenton Tigers broke that string, capturing Fenton’s first outright Metro League crown since the 1981-82 school year. And now since the spring of 2012, the Tigers have become Holly’s equal foe, each winning two Metro crowns.

But this season, being a contender may come a bit more difficult. Gone are six graduated seniors who were on flights that either either lost 50 percent of your playing lineup, you are going to have an interesting start.

“We have to see where our players are and figure out where their best positions are going to be. I haven’t really figured out who is going to play where yet, because of the limited court time we’ve had. … I’m cautiously optimistic with the right mix and a strong effort we may be able to compete for the Metro League title. That’s our goal anyway’’

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“Fenton’s Katy Kurnecz is one of Fenton’s returning players from last season’s squad that finished second in the Metro League.”

Area wrestlers thriving at Northern Illinois

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All Scott did this season was qualify for the NCAA Division 1 Individual Wrestling Championships for the second straight season. While there he won four matches, advancing to the round of 12 at Madison Square Gardens. The Holly graduate capped the tourney one victory shy of earning All-American honors.

“Oh yeah, this year was a success,” Scott said. “I was having a shaky year. I had some thing (injuries) in the middle of the sea son, so to go to nationals and to wrestle well against some very good people tells me my hard work is definitely paying off. This year was definitely successful.”

Scott is one of just three tri-county athletes wrestling on the Huskies’ squad. The other two are Hartland graduate Austin Eicher and Shawn’s younger brother Andrew Scott.

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Golf

Gilbert captures all-state honors

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Chris Gilbert didn’t play as much as he would’ve liked during his junior season. However, something happened between his junior and senior season. The Fenton senior worked hard in the gym, added a few more inches to his frame and became more confident on the basketball court. The results? Gilbert was recently named to the Class A Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan’s (BCAM) Best Boys All-State Team. He also recently was named on the Associated Press’ Honorable Mention squad for Class A teams.

“It was an honor to get those honors and kind of surprising,” Gilbert said. “I was able to make first team in the league and it’s nice to see him get this recognition.”

Gilbert, said. “I was able to show what I was able to do this year, which was nice.”

“It was good for him. It was a nice little reward,” Fenton varsity boys basketball coach and Gilbert’s father, John Gilbert, said. “He’s played a lot of basketball in his life and it’s nice to see him get this recognition.”

Gilbert was the unquestioned senior leader in many respects for the Fenton Tigers during the winter. He led the Tigers to a 15.3 points a game average. He did it by hitting 50 percent of his two-point field goals (50-for-100) and by hitting 35 percent of his three-pointers (48-of-135). He also netted 78-of-113 free throws in 21 games.

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By midseason form this week

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If the weather cooperates, the 2016 spring sports season should finally hold its first full legitimate slate of action within the tri-county’s four area teams. Every area team which didn’t compete in an actual event prior to spring break will find themselves on a diamond, a court or field sometime this week.

And we’ll also see our first tri-county battles as well. On Thursday, the Metro League opens baseball and softball conference play, and two of the teams slated to compete are Holly and Linden. The Bronchos will travel to Linden for varsity doubleheaders in both sports.

Those are just a few of the events happening. Go to tctimes.com to see a full list of the varsity contests slated from Wednesday through Friday.
CULVERT
Continued from Front Page
Traffic has been diverted around Rolston Road. Motorists should use La-hring and Ripley roads to avoid the area.
Fenton Township Operations Manager and Deputy Clerk Tom Broecker said the cross tube keeps the lake levels balanced. Squaw will drain into Loon when water levels get too high and vice versa. “It’s been blocked with sediment, but more fills in because the culvert is in such poor shape,” he said, adding that the lakes are getting full.
The commission tried to clean out the tube, but then decided to replace the culvert. The road has been closed because the Genesee County Road Commission has concerns that the road is failing.
Rolston Road from Jennings to Four Lakes Avenue is closed until further notice as the commission works to replace the tube.
“They don’t trust the integrity of the road above it,” Broecker said.
The GCRC is covering the cost maintenance of the repairs.
HOT LINE CONTINUED
WHAT’S THE PLAN Mr. Krug for mainte- nance of the dog park, soccer fields and ball fields. Township Hall needs to add more employees? Why not use the fields at the local schools?

THE DDA SPENT 7s thousands renovating the ‘historic’ 1940s Community Center and Fire Hall yet decides to tear down the oldest structure in town. How can they justify this decision?

WELLS Continued from Front Page
Linden Attorney Charles McKone said, “There are times when the city has to be proactive to protect what you have available in your community and one is a water source. Without protecting the water source, deep wells could contaminate it. Under the circumstances, this is one way to protect the water source until such a time as the matter is resolved by the perpetrator.”

Until the leak has been fully remediated and there’s no chance of contaminating the groundwater, the council plans to keep the moratorium in place. However, not all residents have access to city water.

There are some areas in the north section along Roslton Road, an area on Ripley Road, and a few obscure parcels in the city that do not have access to city water. These situations would be decided on a case by case basis. If someone’s private well fails and they do not have access to city water they need to seek permission from the city manager Paul Zelenak, to drill a new well. Similarly, if someone wants to build on a property that doesn’t have access to city water, the city manager will determine if a property that doesn’t have access to city water.

MAYOR Continued from Front Page
“I do have the support of the council and Mayor Lossing,” she said. After growing up in Livonia, Cusson moved to Linden in 2005, after visiting her family’s cottage on Lobdell Lake numerous times. She served as a council member since 2007.

“We (the council) do work pretty well together,” she said. “I work well with the employees of the city. That is important as well.”

She’s been very active on the park and recreation commision, helping to rename Eagles Wooden Park. She’s also been on the city’s planning committee numerous events like Linden Holiday Happenings, the parades, and the Memorial Day events.

Cusson loves the community and said it’s a great place to raise her kids. She said one of her goals is to “get people into the community and realize what a great place it is to live in.” She said. Cusson obtained her under graduate degree from the University of Michigan, and her law degree from the University of Baltimore.

She’s been an attorney for 19 years and currently works out of Lansing. She worked in construction litigation and general civil litigation at a firm in Detroit, and then started working at the prosecuting office in Ingham County in 2007.

If elected mayor, she said she expects to face the usual financial issues municipalities deal with. They just finished the proposed budget for the next fiscal year.

“We’ve always managed to stay above and keep a good reserve,” she said.

As a council member since 2007, she knows what problems the city faces and what residents need to be worried about.

Cusson said she expects improvements the roads will be a challenge.

She wants to work on the community itself and inspire people to become more active.

“It’s important for my kids to see that people are involved and to make sure that people know there are things you can do to help out,” she said. “It’s important for all of us to take part in where we live.”

Linden City Council

Three four-year seats are up for election in the August Primary. According to the Genesee County Clerk’s website, Councilors卡尔 Bulhubert and Charlotte MacDermaid have submitted their petitions, seeking re-election.

OTHER STORIES

The links between hearing loss and dementia

Scientists who have unmeasured hearing loss may be at an increased risk for developing dementia, a loss of brain function that can affect memory, thinking, language, judgment and behavior. According to a new study from the University of Michigan, unaddressed hearing loss and dementia are linked.

How might hearing loss and dementia be connected? Investigations on the molecular level have shown that hearing loss and dementia share a number of common pathways, including inflammation and oxidative stress.

The article concludes that whatever the cause, early detection and treatment of hearing impairment is paramount to improving patients’ hearing.

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Senate Bill 524: Revise big box store property tax assessments
Introduced by Sen. Tom Casperson (R), to require property tax assessors to reduce assessments on big box retail stores and other retail store property whose real cash value if sold to another owner may be less than its value to the enterprise that currently operates the store as part of a “going concern.” Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 526: Ban Great Lakes aquaculture
Introduced by Sen. Rick Jones (R), to ban fish farms in the Great Lakes and connecting waters. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 527: Impose motorcycle helmet mandate
Introduced by Sen. Rebekah Warren (D), to mandate that motorcycle operators wear a helmet. The bill would re-impose a helmet mandate that was repealed in 2011 after 20 years of lobbying by motorcycle riders. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 535: Make it a crime for ballot petitioners to lie
Introduced by Sen. Curtis Hertel, Jr. (D), to make it a crime for a ballot access petition circulator to misrepresent the contents of a ballot question or recall petition, or whether the circulator is paid or a volunteer. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

Senate Bill 550: Allow state scholarships for religious training
Introduced by Sen. Dale W. Zorn (R), to eliminate a prohibition on allowing students in theology or divinity programs to receive state college scholarships. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Election will be held in precincts of Deerefield Township of the County of Livingston, Michigan on the 3rd day of May, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Eastern Time, for the purpose of voting on the following proposal:

Exhibit B

SUMMARY OF BALLOT PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE NOTICES OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION:

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All polling locations are handicap accessible and are equipped with voting instructions in Braille and Audio.

Deerefield Township Polling Locations:
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Voters are reminded of the identification requirement. You will be asked to present photo ID at the polls, such as a Michigan driver’s license or identification card. Voters may also show the following forms of photo ID. Driver’s license or identification card issued by another state; federal or state government issued photo identification; U.S. passport, military identification card with photo; student identification card with photo from a high school or an accredited institution of higher education; such as a college or university, or a tribal identification card with photo.

Anyone who does not have an acceptable form of photo ID or who is not carrying one can still vote. They will sign a brief form indicating that they are not in possession of a photo ID. Their ballots will be included with all others and will be counted on Election Day.

Applications for absent voter ballots are available for the Linden School Election and may be obtained by contacting Deerefield Township Clerks office.

Questions regarding the Tuesday, May 3, 2016 Linden School Election may be directed to Deerefield Township Clerk’s Office at (517)546-8760 or the Livingston County Clerk’s Office at (517) 546-0500.

Garry Johnston, Deerefield Township Clerk
**OBITUARIES**

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**Stacy Lynn (Metcalfe) Hickey 1970-2016**

Stacy Lynn (Metcalfe) Hickey - age 45, of Holly, died Sunday, April 10, 2016 after a courageous three year battle with ovarian cancer. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Thursday, April 13, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton where a scripture service was held at 6 PM Tuesday. Visitations will also be held 10 AM through the time of Mass Wednesday at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St., Fenton with Fr. Jim Randolph celebrant. Visitations will be held from 5-8 PM and Thursday, April 13, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd. Fenton where a scripture service was held at 6 PM Tuesday. Visitations will also be held 10 AM until the time of Mass Wednesday at the church. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to a charity of their choice. Stacy was born June 2, 1970 in Fenton, the daughter of Robert Clyde and Debra Ann (Dixon) Metcalfe. She was a graduate of Fenton High School and a registered nurse at Genesys Health Systems. Stacy married James L. Hickey on October 10, 2009. She was an outstanding caregiver at work and in all areas of her life, she always put others first. Stacy’s children were her many nieces and nephews that she loved very much. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends. Surviving are husband, James, parents, Robert and Debra Metcalfe; brothers, Sean and Desiree (Deuel) Metcalfe and Scot and Beth (Ford) Metcalfe; mother, Patricia Hickey; and many nieces and nephews. Friends may share an online tribute on the obituary page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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**Lindsay Regan 1957-2016**

Lindsay Regan - age 59, of Boyne City, passed away Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. She was born on January 12, 1957, in Rochester, New York, the daughter of William and Lorraine Kwiecinski Morris. She was a 1975 graduate of Our Lady of Mercy High School of Rochester, NY. She graduated from St. Bonaventure University, New York in 1979 with a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration. She married her husband of 34 years, John Regan, on July 23, 1981. Lindsay loved horses and spent most of her life with her horses, including as a long-time 4-H leader in Genesee County. Lindsay enjoyed spending time with her friends in Northern Michigan and Florida. She was active in various fundraising activities in the communities she lived.

Prior to living in Boyne City, Lindsay resided 23 years in Fenton, Michigan. Lindsay is survived by her husband, John; two daughters, Raina Regan, and Cara Morris, and Michael Shay. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Regan, and Michael Shay. She is survived by her husband, John; two daughters, Raina Regan, and Cara Morris, and Michael Shay.

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**Paul Duff 1929-2016**

Paul Duff - age 87, of Holly, died Saturday, April 9, 2016. Funeral services will be held 11 AM Thursday, April 14, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Pastor Jeff Hartman officiating. Burial in Rose Township Cemetery. Visitations will be held at the funeral home Wednesday, April 13, 2016 from 5-8 PM and Thursday, April 14, 2016 from 10 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Mercy Hospice, 11111 W. Long Lake Road, Troy, MI 48098. Paul was born January 30, 1929 in Vinc, KY the son of Andrew and Lizzie (Stevens) Duff. He married Marcella Edna Graham December 1, 1951 in Holly and she preceded him in death on August 3, 2009. He retired in 1992 from Sterling Garrett as a heavy equipment operator. He enjoyed fishing, gardening, and farming. He is survived by his children, David Duff of Dade City, FL, Lynn Whitefoot of Holly, and Paula and husband Jeffry Hartman of White Lake, 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his parents and great-grandson, Shayne. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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**Lindsay Lynn (Metcalfe) Hickey**

Lindsay Lynn (Metcalfe) Hickey - age 49, of Holly, was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Regan, and Cara Morris, and Michael Shay. She is survived by her husband, John; two daughters, Raina Regan, and Cara Morris, and Michael Shay.

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**HOT LINE**

I AM CURIOUS about the trend of people who are deceased having a public viewing. Is it not possible to beg the community to pay expenses that should have been the responsibility of the deceased and their family? Why should everyone else pick up the tab?

THE DDA CONTINUES to amaze me with its utter disregard for Fenton’s history. Sad.

THE $20,000 THE city is spending to demolish the historical building in Fenton is a sure fire to the potholed streets in Fenton.

DDA — RESTORE and repurpose the house in Diberville. The Firehall and Red Fox Outfitters are wonderful examples of making Fenton unique. Don’t tear down without getting proposals.

EASTER SUNDAY, I saw a middle-aged lady walking her dog at Linden HS/MS campus. Thought aw... until it pooped on a vintage piece. You did not need to snap at her and put her in her place. That is not how you stay in business.

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**MICHIGAN VOTES**

WHAT YOUR LEGISLATORS VOTED ON RECENTLY

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Jason Pellett
**HOROSCOPES**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19)

It isn’t always easy for the rambunctious Aries to give a second thought to their often spur-of-the-moment choices. But aspects favor rechecking a decision before declaring it final.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20)

Information emerges for the business-driven Bovine who feels ready to restart a stalled project. Be prepared to make adjustments as needed at any time during the process.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)

Part of you wants to complete plans for an upcoming event, while your other self wants to see how things develop first. Compromise by moving ahead with your plans while being open to change.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)

An unexpected change in a relationship could open up a problem or could lead to a much-needed and too-long-delayed reassessment of a number of matters. The choice is yours to make.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22)

Time for the Lion to total the plusses and minuses resulting from recent personal and/or professional decisions. See what worked, what didn’t and why, and base your next big move on the results.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to Sept. 22)

The clever Virgo can make persuasion work by presenting a case built on hard facts. Sentiment might touch the heart, but it’s good, solid information that invariably wins the day.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

You usually can win over the most stubborn sceptics on your own. But this time you can benefit from supporters who have been there, done that and are willing to speak up on your behalf.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

You win admiration for your determination to do the right thing. Don’t be distracted from that course, despite the offer of tempting alternatives that might suddenly turn up.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

You still need to maintain control of a dominant situation, a new development emerges, making the task easier and the outcome potentially more rewarding.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

New factors might have a positive effect on a still-pending matter, but only if the information proves to be credible. Trusted colleagues might be able to offer needed advice.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

The week favors moderation, especially if a health problem is involved. Resist the impulse to do more than might be good for you at this time. You can catch up later.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to March 20)

You could feel more than a mite upset by someone or some people who might be creating problems for you. Find out why they won’t change their ways. Their reasons might surprise you.

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**DVD RELEASES**

**THE SPARROWS**

**NESTING**

This faith-friendly release follows the Sparrows, a family trying to stay true to its Christian values in the modern world. Terri Minton stars as matriarch Anna Sparrow and Christopher Atkins plays her loving husband, Mike. Kevin Sorbo also joins the cast as Pastor Dave.

Unrated, 1 hr. 32 min.

(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com) 100%

**ENCOUNTER**

Newlyweds move out to the remote country and settle into an old farm house so the husband can focus on his thesis for film school, but the couple soon learn things are not as quiet and serene as they’d hoped.

R, 1 hr. 25 min.

(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com) 80%
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