

New superintendent interviews set for next week

■ Fenton school board to interview six candidates

By Vera Hogan

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Fenton school officials hope to have a permanent superintendent in place by July 1.

In March, the board hired the Michigan Association of School

Boards (MASB) to assist with the search.

MASB sought community input last month on the leadership style and characteristics they would like to see in their

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SUMMARY

■ The Fenton Board of Education will meet during a public work-session on Thursday, May 5, to complete interview questions and select six candidates from a pool of 25 applicants. Actual interviews will take place May 10 and 11.

Fenton superintendent interview schedule

- Three interviews on **Tuesday, May 10**, at 6, 7 and 8 p.m.
- Three interviews on **Wednesday, May 11**, at 6, 7 and 8 p.m.
- Interviews will be held at the **Fenton Area Public Schools administration building**, 3100 Owen Road, Fenton. Interviews will take place during a regular school board meeting open to the public.



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Flower season begins with Mother's Day Weekend

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Flint man arrested after police chase

At 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, a brief police chase through Fenton city streets ended with a 21-year-old Flint man crashing his silver Dodge Intrepid into a utility pole on Silver Lake Road near U.S. 23.

Consumers Energy and the Genesee County Road Commission were called to repair the traffic light, which fell to the ground.

Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro said a patrol officer attempted to pull over the car after observing a traffic violation.

Rather than stopping, the driver kept going. At one point, the officer lost view of the car. Shortly after that, the car crashed into the pole. The entrapped driver was injured and transported to Genesys Health Park in Grand

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Linden High School students dance and sing to "679" by Ft. Wap at their prom Saturday night at Signature Chop House in Flushing. The cool, rainy weather kept the teens crammed inside the venue, instead of using the outdoor seating and patio areas. This past weekend kicked off prom season in the tri-county area. See more photos at tctimes.com.

Byron man charged with bank robbery

■ Suspect captured after attempting to flee on bicycle

Jeffrey Wayne Robinson, 42, of Byron has been charged with bank robbery.

At approximately 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 27, an unknown suspect, later identified as Robinson, allegedly robbed



Jeffrey Wayne Robinson

the Chase bank in Byron.

Robinson reportedly fled the scene on bicycle.

The Shiawassee County Sheriff's Office responded to the bank to investigate.

Due to information learned during the sheriff's investigation, the White Lake Police

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Fenton man scammed out of \$500

■ Police warn of IRS phone scam

By Sharon Stone

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A 50-year-old Fenton man is out \$500 after falling victim to a phone scam.

Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said the man reported to police that he received a phone call at approximately

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- Holly Area Schools (\$2,000) for mentally impaired individuals
- St. Louis Center (\$3,500), which provides residential, family living and learning environment for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of children
- Elmer Knopf Learning Center (\$1,600) for Special Olympics
- Elmer Knopf Learning Center (\$1,500) parent advocate for individuals with mental impairments
- Bishop Boyea Fund (\$1,200) financial support of Catholic ministries for

individuals with mental impairments

- Genesee County Association for Mentally Challenged Individuals (\$1,800)
- Penrickton Center, Taylor, Michigan (\$1,500), to assist blind children in development
- Giving Tree (\$1,500) community gardening for individuals with disabilities
- 9 District (\$1,400) special education
- Shiawassee Community Foundation (\$1,500) therapeutic horse camp for children
- National Alliance for Mentally challenged (\$1,121.74) mental health education

The total dollars donated were \$18,621.74. These organizations were invited to a Knights of Columbus meeting to accept their donation checks, and enjoy food and beverages.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IS MAY 5

The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to

pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. A gathering is planned for downtown Fenton at 12 p.m. (noon) at the gazebo.

HOT RODS, HOT DOGS, AND HOT PINK!

The Youth Group at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hartland Township is once again holding a traditional "sock hop" dance for families, on **Saturday, May 21, from 4 to 7 p.m.** The sock hop will be held in the school gym and feature music, dancing, games, and a photo booth. Beverages, popcorn and ice cream will be provided at no charge. Costumes from the '50s are highly encouraged. This year there will also be a classic car show during the event. There is no entry fee. Tony's Dogs of Howell will be on location selling hot dogs and Polish sausages. For more information, call the church at (248) 887-4300 or visit www.oursaviorhartland.org. The church is at 13667 West Highland Rd. (M-59), three miles east of U.S. 23 in Hartland Township.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THE AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION?

The deadline to register to vote in the August Primary Election is **Tuesday, July 5**. Absentee ballot requests for the August Primary Election must be received by July 30. The Primary Election is on Tuesday, Aug. 5. To register to vote, you must be all of the following: a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by Election Day, a resident of Michigan, and a resident of the city or township where you are applying to register to vote. If you want to check to see if you are registered, visit www.Michigan.gov/vote. You may obtain the voter application at one of the following: your local Secretary of State branch office, your local county, city, or township clerk's office, offices of several state agencies, like the Department of Human Services, the Department of Community Health, and the Department of Labor and Economic Growth, military recruitment centers, voter registration drives and www.Michigan.gov/sos.

Tri-county fundraisers

PANCAKE DINNER

A pancake dinner will be held in the lower level of the Fenton Township Civic Community Center on **Wednesday, May 4 from 5 to 8 p.m.** This dinner is a fundraiser to raise money for carbon monoxide awareness after the deaths of the six Quasarano family members this past February.

ROBBERY

Continued from Front Page

Department was contacted and White Lake police apprehended Robinson in White Lake later that evening.

Robinson faces up to life in prison if convicted. He was arraigned on a charge of bank robbery Thursday in Shiawassee County 66th District Court. The judge ordered a bond of \$250,000 cash/surety and scheduled a preliminary examination for May 17.



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Mabel Laura Render

1946-2016

Mabel Laura Render - age 70, of Fenton, died Saturday, April 30, 2016. Services will be held 12 PM Thursday, May 5, 2016 at First Presbyterian Church of Fenton, 503 S. Leroy St. Fenton. Pastor Robbie Carnes officiating. Visitation will be held at the church Thursday from 11 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to First Presbyterian Church of Fenton. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Patricia A. McKay

1941-2016

Patricia A. McKay - age 74, of Holly, died Sunday, May 1, 2016. Funeral services will be held at 1 PM Thursday, May 5, 2016 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Pastor Dale Kesler officiating. Visitation will be from 2-9 PM Wednesday, May 4, 2016. Committal services will be held at 10 AM Monday, May 9, 2016 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Mrs. McKay was born in LaPorte, IN on July 9, 1941 to Paul and Ruth (Barker) Liles. She enjoyed doing many crafts, especially knitting, crocheting, painting, and ceramics. She was a member of the Fifty-niners of Holly High School. Surviving are her husband, Gerald; four children, Terry (Marjorie) McKay, Daniel (Carrie) McKay, Melody McKay, and Melissa McKay; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters, David Donigan, Paula Alber, Kathy Sweet, Mike Donigan, Cheri Rex, and Megan Donigan. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Sondra and Linda; brother, Paul; and great-grandson, James Michael McKay. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society. **www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com.**

James Francis Nagel

1935-2016

James Francis Nagel - age 80, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday,



December 3, 2015 at his home in Sandusky, Michigan. He was born on May 24,

1935 in Detroit, to Leo and Marion (Conklin) Nagel. James grew up in Detroit, and spent his summers on family farms in Howell and Hartland Michigan. He graduated from Catholic Central High School in Detroit, in 1953. After high school he attended college at the University of Detroit in Detroit, where he received a degree in commerce & finance. At that time he began work for General Motors and retired in 1992 after 35 years of dedicated service. James married Sharon Sabourin on November 18, 1961 in Royal Oak. They were happily married for 21 years. James and Sally Knowles spent a happy life together for nearly 18 years in Marlette, Michigan. James and Mary Ann Emeigh spent nearly 15 years together in Sandusky, where she cared for him during his later years, and were happily married. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends. James was preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Marion (Conklin) Nagel, and his sister, Donna Wall. James is survived by his spouse, Mary Ann Emeigh of Sandusky; his sons and daughter, William, Eric, Marion, Martin (Sheila), and Matthew (Heather); his brother and sisters Robert Nagel (Zita), Joanne Nagy, Jane Griffin (Wayne); his grandchildren Tyler, Alexander, Olivia, Vincent, Joseph, Heather, Dakota, Cecilia, Kaisa, Ava, Lewis; his great-grandchild Ayden; and his nieces and nephews and many other relatives. A memorial service will be held at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 6481 Faussett Rd, Howell, Michigan at 1 PM, May 8, 2016. Burial will follow at St. Augustine Cemetery. The family will be greeting friends and relatives at St. Augustine Church following the funeral mass and burial. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made to charitable organizations of your choice. Condolences may be left on James Francis Nagel's online guest book at <http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com>.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★ ★
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Answer in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
Temper your typical Aries urge to charge into a situation and demand answers. Instead, let the Lamb's gentler self emerge to deal with a problem that requires delicacy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
You are aware of what's going on, so continue to stand by your earlier decision, no matter how persuasive the counter-arguments might be. Money pressures will soon ease.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
By all means, have fun and enjoy your newly expanded social life. But don't forget that some people are depending on you to keep promises that are very important to them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
You need to wait patiently for an answer to a workplace problem and not push for a decision. Remember: Time is on your side. A financial matter needs closer attention.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
You now have information that can influence that decision you planned to make. But the clever Cat will consult a trusted friend or family member before making a major move.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Good news: You're finding that more doors are opening for you to show what you can do, and you don't even have to knock very hard to get the attention you're seeking.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Your gift for creating order out of chaos will help you deal with a sudden rush of responsibilities that would threaten someone less able to balance his or her priorities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Congratulations. Your energy levels are coming right back up to normal — just in time to help you tackle some worthwhile challenges and make some important choices.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
The sage Sagittarian should demand a full explanation of inconsistencies that might be cropping up in what had seemed to be a straightforward deal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
A conflict between obligations to family and to the job can create stressful problems. Best advice: Balance your dual priorities so that one doesn't outweigh the other.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Don't guess, speculate or gossip about that so-called mystery situation at the workplace. Bide your time. An explanation will be forthcoming very soon.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)
Boredom might be creeping in and causing you to lose interest in a repeat project. Deal with it by flipping over your usual routine and finding a new way to do an old task.

WEDNESDAY JUMBLE

JUMBLE

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

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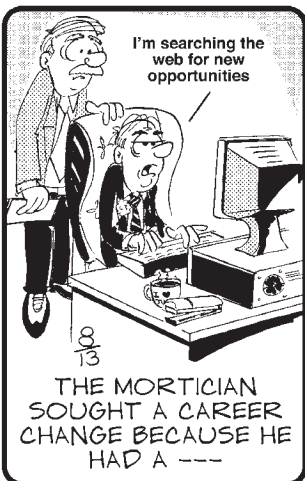
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Answer: -

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Mike Argiron and Jeff Knurek



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

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

KING
FEATURES

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- 3 "A mouse!"
- 4 Algonquian tribe
- 5 Small anchor

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DVD RELEASES

JOY

JOY is the wild story of a family across four generations centered on the girl who becomes the woman who founds a business dynasty and becomes a matriarch in her own right. Betrayal, treachery, the loss of innocence and the scars of love, pave the road in this intense emotional and human comedy about becoming a true boss of family and enterprise facing a world of unforgiving commerce. Allies become adversaries and adversaries become allies, both inside and outside the family, as Joy's inner life and fierce imagination carry her through the storm she faces.

PG-13, 2 hr. 4 min.

57% liked it

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THE CHOICE

When feisty medical student Gabby Holland moves in next door to perennial ladies' man Travis Shaw, it sends them both on a romantic journey neither ever dreamed possible. After a whirlwind courtship, Gabby and Travis wed and build a family together, making every decision hand-in-hand until one of them is forced to make the most important choice of their life alone. A poignant and life-affirming celebration of love, marriage and family that explores the most heart-wrenching question of all: how far would you go to keep the hope of love alive?

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Steve Mathews, co-owner of Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Tyrone Township, stands in his 10,000-square-foot greenhouse on Monday. He guesses they sell more than 600 different plants, which they planted in late February. They are entering their busy season, with Mother's Day this weekend followed by Father's Day in June.



Flower season begins with *Mother's Day Weekend*

■ Use local greenhouses for best blooms and helpful knowledge

By Sally Rummel

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Mother's Day, this Sunday, May 8, is the official kick-off to the flower season in Michigan, with local greenhouses gearing up for this busy weekend.

"It's going to be huge," said Kathy Mathews of Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Tyrone Township.

"After so many cool, cloudy days this spring, people are ready to get out in their yards and enjoy warmer weather."

The exciting aspect of this season for gardeners is that there's always something new in floral color or variety, usually introduced on Mother's Day Weekend.

Doug Doemer, who has been heading

the greenhouse operations at Gerych's in Fenton for more than three decades, will be showcasing new petunia varieties, including Calibrachoa, also known as million bells or mini-petunias. "They're really small flowers in delicate yellows and whites," said Doemer.

He is also pleased with this year's Wave Petunias, which have bigger blooms than ever. Other varieties offer other color and trailing options for baskets and planting. "Our Surfinias are more of a European petunia with very good trailers," said Doemer. "They're also self-cleaning, so they don't require the maintenance of regular petunias."

"We've also got about 500 ornamental grass varieties, plus lots of hanging baskets, combo baskets and combo pots, including our 'confetti' pots filled with mixed plants" added Doemer.

Hanging baskets and combo planters will be the top sellers for Mother's Day, especially since Michigan's fickle spring weather doesn't allow for ground planting until later in the month.

"You've got to be patient with this weather," said Doemer. "May 10 is as early as you'd want to hang any baskets

out. Flowers don't like anything under 50 degrees."

The official gardening and planting kick-off in Michigan is Memorial Day Weekend, May 28-30.

"We're known for our huge hanging baskets," said Kyle Savage, greenhouse grower at Heavenly Scent Herb Farm. "I'm pretty excited about our 'bubblegum baskets,' covered in light pink flowers with Creeping Charlie that will trail 12 feet by summer."

Bountiful hydrangeas in a rainbow of colors from pastels to lime green and soft white, dahlias with blooms spanning 6 inches and scented geraniums, known more for their foliage and scent, are just a few of the special floral surprises awaiting visitors.

Moss baskets with succulents and flowing annuals, plus specially designed moss high-heeled shoes, purses and tea

cups filled with pansies and violets make whimsical, fun gifts.

Of course, Heavenly Scent's Herb House is a specialty of this greenhouse, offering herbs that can be used for cooking, drying, potpourris and decorating.

"We do some combo pots for herbs, but many herbs have different growing requirements, so we do more variety pots with a single herb," said Savage.

Zaiser Gardens (pronounced "Zi-zer") in Gaines, has been operated by Marc and Tracy Zaiser for 20 years.

"This time of year, I pretty much live at the greenhouse," said Tracy, who has been working day and night creating planter

containers and baskets for Mother's Day Weekend. "Some of our customers bring Mom with them, and let her pick out what she'd like."

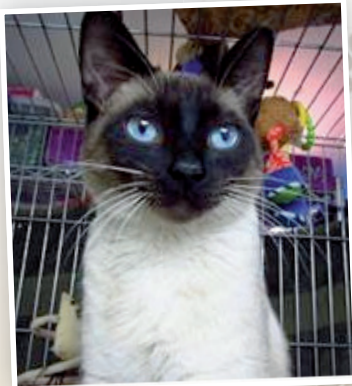
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"I can take time to help people. I'll ask them about their garden's growing conditions. Most people aren't as knowledgeable about plants and flowers. They just want something pretty."

Tracy Zaiser
Horticulturalist and owner
of Zaiser Gardens

MEET Gatsby

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If I Were King...

Memories of Mom?

Wonderful memories of my mom? Sorry, I don't have many. I'm not even sure when she died. Oh, I know the chronological date, but that's just the day she happened to stop breathing.

My mom actually died long before that. I don't remember the exact date I first realized something was wrong with her but I do remember the exact day. Mom called me for directions to a doctor's office she had visited dozens of times in the past. After several failed attempts to direct her via familiar landmarks — landmarks she had known all her life — I became annoyed and said, 'For cripes sake Mom, you're not listening. Pay attention.'



FOSTER CHILDS

I've regretted those words ever since. Because what I didn't know that day was that at some time in the not-too-distant past, a ruthless disease had begun weaving a deadly barrier across my mom's mind — initially a light veneer, it soon become as thick and impenetrable as the concrete walls of a fallout shelter.

Alzheimers disease was creeping into my mom's brain.

It bothers me when I hear people refer to Alzheimers as 'old-timers' disease — because it's not. Mom was not even 60 years old when she became afflicted. Barely 66 when she took her last breath, she spent six years in a mental black hole that became deeper and darker with each passing day.

You want Mother's Day memories? Let me share a few with you:

- The former winner of the Fall Festival pie-baking contest proudly showing me a freshly baked apple pie made with raw, unpeeled apples and the paper liner still attached to the burnt, store-bought crust.
- Sobbing in my arms during one of her brief, but cruelly lucid, moments of comprehension wondering what was happening to her.
- Staring vacantly at a grandchild she

had doted on a mere 12 months ago.

- Walking to my car in a daze after visiting her, realizing my own mother no longer recognized me.
- Sitting quietly for hours, watching her as she lay comatose during a round-the-clock death vigil with family members.

There's more but I think you get the idea. You see, one of the cruelest facets of Alzheimers is its ability to rob the victim's family of cherished memories. Slowly and efficiently, over the long years, this disease somehow managed to replace the wonderful maternal memories of a lifetime with the painfully vivid recollections of her awful last few years.

I am not angry at losing my mom — it's the natural order of things to bury your parents. But I am angry at being deprived of my memories of her.

Some of you reading these words will lose your mom in the next hour, the next day or the next week. And I can tell you from firsthand experience that it will leave a hole in your life that will never be filled.

Mothers are God's most precious and under-appreciated gift. If I were king, every day would be Mother's Day. And I'd give anything I possess if I could tell my mom — just one more time — how much she means to me.

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Schizophrenia

Dear editor,

The 'King's' use of schizophrenia as a subject for humor shows his ignorance of the nature of mental illness and insensitivity to individuals living with the disorder. Such attempts at humor perpetuate outdated stereotypes and promote stigma against the persons living with disorders and their families. Many people living with schizophrenia receive successful medical treatment and have productive lives. To suggest they don't know who they are is insulting. Foster Childs should apologize to the folks hurt by his thoughtless attempt at humor. He might be enlightened by how many prominent people have openly acknowledged their disorder and become advocates for more education and understanding. Go to www.nami.org for information.

Ramona Deese,
Past President, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Genesee County

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THE WHITE TREES planted in the downtown Dibbleville area are pretty. The smell on the other hand, not too pleasant. Take a sniff as you pass by.

THE DDA WAS formed to spend our tax dollars. Since the DDA functions as a branch of government, all meetings should be announced and open to the public. The DDA is spending our tax money; we need a voice in the decisions.

MARINE CORPS AIRCRAFT ready to fly on any given day have plummeted in the last seven years. Obama's budget plan.

IT'S SPRING AND yes there's been a Rick Flair sighting on Margaret Drive. Woo hoo.

IN A RECENT article it said the reason for high sewer rates in Fenton Township was because of leaders not maintaining the lines for decades. Now we have to pay interest on bonds instead of using the money on repairs. It's time for a change unless you like paying for someone else's mistake.

THE THINGS THAT were lost in your '80s culture wars were morality, personal responsibility and self-respect, nothing to do with unisex bathrooms.

HILLARY? I'VE SENT in a couple of Hot lines asking what she has actually done and the silence from the left is truly deafening.

OUR FIRST PRESIDENT was elected in the late 1700s. Women were not even allowed to vote until the 1920s. Now we have a lady running for president and fighting for equal pay and other women's issues. Go Hillary.

WHAT'S IT GOING to take to get people to stop throwing trash out of their car windows? Cannot imagine what type of person thinks this is acceptable.

THANK YOU TCTIMES. Heller is such a nice addition to the paper. I personally don't care for Mr. Childs and therefore I chose not to read his articles. Please keep Mr. Heller.

TO THE LADY who was on Bennett Lake Road on Friday afternoon around 4 p.m. Why couldn't you have stopped for the family of geese? You killed one of their goslings.

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If you could pay your mom for everything she does in a week, how much would you pay her?

Question asked at West Shore Elementary School

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

street talk



"\$50, because she always cleans around the house."

Hudson Husted
First grade



"\$100. She helps clean up. She makes dinner."

Chloe Schramm
First grade



"I would pay her \$500. She cleans my room and painted my wall. She cleans dishes and makes my bed."

Audrey Hiler
Kindergarten



"\$6,000. She cleans the house and she makes dinner sometimes."

Brody Townsend
Kindergarten



"\$2 because I don't want to spend all my money. She works and cleans."

Alec Zelek
Second grade

Police&Fire report

TEEN STRUCK BY VEHICLE ON OWEN ROAD

At 4:10 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, The Genesee County Sheriff's Office and EMS responded to a pedestrian vs. vehicle crash on Owen Road at Jennings Road in Fenton Township. A black Ford Explorer struck a 15-year-old male, who suffered a fractured wrist and was bleeding from the head. Sgt. Rudy Gomez said neither alcohol nor speed were a factor in the collision. No charges are being sought against the driver, a 44-year-old Fenton woman.

CHASE

Continued from Front Page

Blanc Township. Aro said the driver was admitted in stable condition. Alcohol is not suspected in the chase and crash, and the driver was wearing his seatbelt. Michigan State Police is handling the crash report because a Fenton police officer was involved and Fenton police continue to investigate. Charges are pending. Listen to an audio of chase and police response at tctimes.com.

FLOWER SEASON

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Horticulturalists with degrees from Michigan State University, the Zaisers are also proud of the patio boxes that Marc handcrafts himself, with stained glass collegiate logos or hummingbirds. "You can get plants anywhere, but not the planters like these," said Tracy.

She says what is true about doing business with most reputable local greenhouses. "I can take time to help people," said Tracy. "I'll ask them about their garden's growing conditions. I can help design a flower box or garden for them. Most people aren't as knowledgeable about plants and flowers. They just want something pretty."

Fenton Township hires new attorney

■ Flint lawyer takes over in wake of Dick Cooley's retirement

By Hannah Ball

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Fenton Twp. — In a unanimous vote, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees voted to hire a new attorney at its meeting Monday.

Jack Belzer will take the place of retiring attorney Richard Cooley.

Belzer runs his own firm in Flint and has been an attorney for 43 years. He's been the attorney for Mundy Township for 25 years and said he's done a lot of government and municipal work.

"Thanks very much. I'm looking forward to this. It's quite an honor, thank you," he told the board.

Clerk Robert Krug, Treasurer John Tucker, and Supervisor Bonnie Mathis interviewed seven candidates for the position after Cooley announced his retirement in February.

"It was a hard thing to do because they were all qualified," Mathis said. "It is the loss of Mr. Cooley that is not good."

SUMMARY

■ The Fenton Township Board unanimously approved the recommendation to hire Jack Belzer, a Flint attorney, after current attorney Richard Cooley announced his retirement.



Jack Belzer

Belzer will start at the next township meeting on May 16 at an hourly rate of \$125.

Belzer will serve as attorney at Mundy Township and Fenton Township.

In other news

The board also unanimously voted to reappoint planning commission member David Cypher for three years. Cypher began serving on the commission when he filled a vacant position a year and a half ago.

“I’m looking forward to this. It’s quite an honor, thank you.”

Jack Belzer

New Fenton Township attorney



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

A \$3,000 grant that improves the Parks and Recreation plan includes an amendment to build a non-motorized pathway in the new Fenton Township park on Thompson Road.

Fenton Township receives \$3,000 grant

■ Will help cover costs of a non-motorized path in new park

By Hannah Ball

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Fenton Twp. — A pathway for non-motorized travel will be built in the new Fenton Township park thanks to a \$3,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Flint.

In a unanimous vote, the Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved an amendment to the Parks and Recreation Plan to include the pathway at

the April 18 meeting for the new park on Thompson Road just east of Wiggins Road.

Rowe Professional Services developed the original plan in 2014 and submitted a proposal to complete the amendment process.

Clerk Robert Krug said the money could not be used for the dog park portion, and that it is meant to improve the plan. This plan could let the township apply for grant funds to continue the development of the park.



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Run for the Roses

■ The Kentucky Derby will take place Saturday, May 7

By Vera Hogan

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The “most exciting two minutes in sports” is coming up this Saturday, May, with the 142nd running of the Kentucky Derby, at Churchill Downs, Kentucky.

The Kentucky Derby is a 1.25 mile race for 3-year-old thoroughbred horses.

The Kentucky Derby draws an average of 150,000 visitors each year.

Here is some need-to-know Kentucky Derby lingo:

The **Mint Julep** is the official drink of the Kentucky Derby. Each year, about 120,000 mint juleps are consumed at Churchill Downs.

It is an iced drink consisting of bourbon, mint, and a sweet syrup and is traditionally served in a commemorative Kentucky Derby glass. During Derby season, they are available throughout Louisville and, of course, at the track.

Burgoo is a thick, meaty stew that is the traditional meal of the Kentucky Derby. Burgoo is typically three types of meat along with corn, okra and lima beans. It is one of the traditional foods of Louisville.

Millionaire's Row is the premium seating area that houses all of the rich and famous Kentucky Derby guests during the races. Think rock stars and royalty. The service for this clientele is superior and not accessible to the public.

Triple Crown is a series of three races, the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes

in Maryland, and the Belmont Stakes in New York, that is run annually by a group of thoroughbred horses. American Pharoah won the triple crown (all three races) in 2015. Prior to that, there wasn't a triple crown winner since Affirmed in 1978.

The **Derby Hat Parade** takes place inside of Churchill Downs and refers to the sea of stylish and elegant hats worn by women and men alike during the Kentucky Derby.

Hats, which are believed to bring lucky bets, range from glamorous and pricey to humorous and timely.

Kentucky Derby Festival — The annual two-week series of events held in Louisville beginning with **Thunder Over Louisville** and leading up to the Kentucky Derby. Featured activities include hot air balloon festivals, marathons, art fairs, and parades.

The infield, the flat, grassy area inside of the track, is best known for hosting the largest **Kentucky Derby party**. While it is at the track, the track is only visible to a few at this huge event.

The **fastest horse** in Derby history was **Secretariat**, who in 1973 finished the 1¼ mile distance race with of a time of 1:59.40. Only two other horses in Derby history have crossed the finish line in under two minutes, according to ESPN.

Each year, **more than 400 red roses are used** in the rose blanket draped around the winner of the Derby. In 1925, a columnist dubbed the Kentucky Derby the “Run for the Roses,” according to KentuckyDerby.com.

Sources: Louisville.about.com



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The Derby will take place Saturday, May 7.

This year's Derby

► The Derby will take place Saturday, May 7 and will be televised by NBC. Coverage starts at 4 p.m. and runs until 7:30 p.m.

The Kentucky Derby post time is scheduled for 6:34 p.m.

In addition, the post position draw will be held May 4 from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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IRS SCAM

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3 p.m. on April 29 from an unknown woman claiming to be with the IRS.

The man told police that the female caller informed him that the IRS had filed a lawsuit against him. She told him that he was in default and that he owed the IRS \$500. She told him that a warrant had been issued for his arrest and that his driver's license would be suspended and his house would be repossessed if he did not pay the \$500 immediately.

While staying on the phone with the female caller, the Fenton man drove to a local pharmacy and purchased an iTunes gift card and put \$500 on it, as instructed. He then gave the woman the code on the card so that the money could be transferred.

After telling a neighbor about the incident, the man realized he had been scammed out of \$500 and went to police.

Slater said that several other Fenton residents called police Tuesday, reporting similar threats by a fake IRS representative. All of them said the caller had a foreign accent.

The case remains under investigation. Slater added that he called the telephone number back that called the Fenton man, but the number was no longer in operation. It was most likely a throwaway phone.

Police warn everyone about scams and never to give money to anyone who calls them on the phone.

The best way to stop smoking

The Surgeon General says 90 percent of smokers start between the ages of 12 and 19. They start for reasons of defiance.

Rigidly over-controlled teens get sick of being told what to do and take a stand. They do this by adopting one or more of six defiant behaviors they're told never to do — smoking, drinking, drugs, sex, crime and overeating.

Medical professionals, as wonderful as they are, just don't get it. Telling smokers to stop doing the very thing they started doing to prove no one can tell them what

to do doesn't work. The more they feel pressured, the more they'll subconsciously dig in their heels.

According to published reports, going cold turkey has a 3.5 percent success rate, the patch/gum has a 7 percent success rate and Chantex has a 14 percent success rate. Nationally, four sessions of hypnosis has a 74 percent success rate.

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Bad moms, evil moms

■ Some were notorious, torturous killers

By Vera Hogan

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Any mother who has had one or more 15 year olds move through the family ranks has heard these words — “I hate *chu* Mom!”

There are a variety of reasons for it, all of which are of critical importance to a 15-year-old.

Fortunately, the “Mom hate” days are usually few and far between, and go by quickly as the teens get older and begin to realize that Mom wasn’t such a meanie or dumbbell after all.

Throughout history, however, there have been moms who have earned the reputation of being terrible mothers. From the downright creepy to pure evil, they include:

Katherine Knight

Katherine Knight is probably among the worst. She is an Australian mother, who killed her live-in boyfriend, cut off his head and made a soup out of it. She then baked his buttocks and served the meal to his adult children.

On Feb. 29, 2000, Police found John Price’s head in a warm pot, stewed with potatoes, cabbage and zucchini. Dangling from a nail in an archway was Price’s skin, which had been so skillfully removed from his body that only a few shards of flesh were missing from the toes, fingertips and chest. The skinless torso, arms and legs, were on the floor.

Examiners later found 37 stab wounds, but it was impossible to tell if there had been more because so little was left of his neck.

Two dishes containing a stew of baked vegetables mixed with chunks of the dead man’s buttocks had been placed on the kitchen table. Under each dish was a paper towel, makeshift dinner place cards with the names of two of the victim’s adult children.

For five stormy years, they were together, on and off, until Knight ended an argument with a knife. Price got a restraining order to keep her away from him and his two children from a previous marriage.

Before leaving work on Feb. 29, 2000, he told friends that if he was not at work the next morning, it was probably because Knight had murdered him. He failed to show up.

Police found his corpse — skinned, beheaded and partially roasted — later that day.

Knight is serving a life without possibility of parole — hopefully not working in the prison kitchen.

Marie Noe

Marie Noe killed eight of her 10 children before pleading guilty in 1999 to their deaths. Noe smothered the eight infants, one after another, over a 19-year



Marie Noe

span, ending in 1968. If not for her own hands, Noe would today be surrounded by grandchildren. Instead, she lives alone with her cat, Blackie.

Mary Ann Cotton

After getting married in 1852, Mary Ann Cotton spent the rest of her life moving around England having children and then poisoning them with arsenic for the insurance money until she was hanged for her crimes.

Though she did murder all 12 of her children with poison, this 19th Century nurse, dressmaker also killed all four of her husbands, two lovers, plus two other people — all for their insurance money.

Arsenic was her murder weapon of choice. She racked up a body count of 21 before Scotland Yard finally caught up with her. She was hanged on March 24, 1873.

Donnie Barker

Donnie Barker was better known as Ma Barker, and sometimes as Kate Barker. She was the mother of several criminals who ran the Barker gang during the “public enemy era,” when the exploits of gangs of criminals in the U.S. Midwest gripped the American people and press. She traveled with her sons during their criminal careers.

After Barker was killed during a shoot-out with the FBI, she gained a reputation as a ruthless crime matriarch who controlled and organized her sons’ crimes. J. Edgar Hoover described her as “the most vicious, dangerous and resourceful criminal brain of the last decade.”

Bad, but not as bad

Although they weren’t killers, a few other well-known moms would not be candidates for the June Cleaver Award.

They include screen legend **Joan Crawford**, whose daughter, Christina Crawford, chronicled life with the Hollywood star in her book, “Mommy Dearest.”

Crawford’s daughter accused her of adopting children for publicity purposes, having countless affairs with men (and women) and forcing her kids to call them “uncle,” and generally being an unbalanced, abusive alcoholic. Picture perfect, she was not.

Tan Mom, whose real name is **Patricia Krentcil**, made headlines in recent years



Mary Ann Cotton



Ma Barker

after reportedly taking her 5-year-old daughter into a tanning booth. New Jersey law bans children younger than 14 from using tanning salons.

Honey Boo Boo’s (Alana Thompson) mother, **Mama June Shannon**. While some thought Honey Boo Boo was very funny, her mom was less than humorous. Pumping your 6-year-old full of Red Bull and Mountain Dew and parading her around on a stage in a belly shirt was just wrong in so many ways.

Thompson and her family originally rose to fame on TLC’s reality series “Toddlers & Tiaras.” The show mainly revolves around Honey Boo Boo and Mama June and their family’s adventures in the southern town of McIntyre, Georgia.

On Oct. 24, 2014, TLC canceled the series after four seasons after reports alleged that Mama June was romantically involved with a registered sex offender.

Sources: mydailynews.com, philly.com, dailymail.co.uk, usmagazine.com.



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Movie star Joan Crawford’s “not so nice” motherhood style was the subject of a book “Mommy Dearest,” written by her adopted daughter Christina Crawford.

INTERVIEWS

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next superintendent. They had until April 8 to complete an online survey, which was used as part of building the candidate profile and will be used during the interview process.

According to Board of Education President Drew Shapiro, approximately 25 applications were received. On Thursday, May 5, the board will meet during a workshop to complete the list of interview questions they intend to ask.

“We also will be selecting six candidates to interview,” Shapiro said.

Actual interviews are scheduled to take place on Tuesday, May 10, at 6, 7 and 8 p.m., and on Wednesday, May 11, at 6, 7 and 8 p.m. Interviews will take place during regular school board meetings, open to the public.

Second interviews are scheduled to take place during a Tuesday, May 17 school board meeting.

Once final selections are made, visitations to the candidate’s home school district will be scheduled. A decision will then be made and a contract offered.

Doug Busch, the executive director of finance and personnel, has been serving as interim superintendent since last summer (2015), after former Superintendent Tim Jalkanen resigned.

Busch has been performing both jobs since that time. Though he had been considering applying for the permanent position, he revealed this week that he will not.

“I decided not to apply for the position and am looking forward to working with whoever is selected as the next superintendent,” Busch said.

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JUST WANTED TO say thanks to The State Bank and the nice people who work there for giving my grandson an American flag. He loves it.

ON BEHALF OF the Honor Guard from VFW Post 3243 in Fenton, I would like to thank the person who bought our lunch at Villagers Restaurant in Holly on Friday, April 29. Your generosity and good will are greatly appreciated.

APRIL 20, TRI-COUNTY Times reports man tries to lure student into his car. That is the guy we don't want in the women's bathroom. It's all about keeping the kids safe from predators.

A HOT LINER wrote that the Constitution says that we are supposed to all be treated equally. Wrong. It is under Communism that everybody is supposed to be treated equally. This always ends up with equal poverty for all, except elite party members.

HOLLY VILLAGE IDIOTS A road diet? Everywhere in Oakland County they are increasing lanes but we do the opposite. Nice job. Way to cluster up the only north-south avenue. So when the mail trucks, school buses, and emergency vehicles pass, where are we supposed to go? Most businesses disagreed with this plan.

'CHARTER SPECTRUM' (FANCY name), please allow me to block more than 20 numbers. A bazillion with one click would be about right.

CONGRATULATIONS, MRS. SOLGAT. My daughter loves you and music is her favorite part of the week. Thank you for making it so much fun for our kids. Also, thank you Lake Fenton schools for giving music education back to our little ones.

HOLLY ROAD DIET proponents, so basically you already had a left-turn lane from downtown to Grange Hall, so now you created a year round bike lane. Good plan. Haven't seen many bikes out and about in winter.

TO THE SIMPLETON who said 'what's wrong with free education?' You do realize that nothing is free, right? Do you think professors are going to teach for free? No, I don't think so. Who do you think is going to pay for 'free education?' Here's a hint — taxpayers.

IT'S FRIDAY AFTERNOON and the OCRC is already out working on the 'road diet' project in Holly. Seeing that the project was approved on Tuesday evening either the road commission is extremely slow and available on a moment's notice or this work was scheduled long before the motion was even passed.

THEY COULDN'T WORK on Silver Lake Road last summer when the entire town of Fenton was torn up? So now those businesses are going to suffer another year? How pathetic.

IT SEEMS APPARENT that Vek's is not leaving any time soon. The DDA should generate revenues by renting the house on Shiawassee instead of spending \$20,000 to tear it down. In truth, Vek's may never sell to the city. So much for the DDA's plans.

SO, THE CITY agrees to a land swap so CRUST can stay downtown and expand, yet multiple businesses expressed interest in the home/business on Shiawassee and they won't allow it. They would rather let Hicks leave the city and Sweet Variations move from the area. Shame on you Fenton.

Last minute Mother's Day gift ideas



Jewelry, accessories, and a spa day are all great gifts

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Did you wait until the last minute to buy your mom something for Mother's Day? Don't fret. You have options.

Nicole McCurdy, owner, of **Eclectic**, said this is the week most people shop in her store for Mother's Day gifts. She said the most popular gift is jewelry.

Many patrons buy from the brand Alex and Ani, which has silver, gold and rose gold pieces. Some pieces start under \$30 and they're made in the U.S., which makes the brand an affordable option, McCurdy said.

The brand Brighton, which offers handbags and jewelry, is also popular for Mother's Day gifts. "They did a full jewelry line," she said.

Handbags are the second most popular item.

"We have other gift items like candles, but jewelry is the number one thing followed by handbags," she said. Personally, she said, "I'm always a sucker for shoes. Just something kind of different."

The store is open through Mother's Day to give last-minute shoppers an opportunity to buy something.

"Moms get the day to themselves and come shopping," she said. "I don't think you can go wrong. You look at what each individual mom is like and get something specific to her."

At **French Flamingo** in Holly, owner Sandra Kleven said, "We have lots of summer scarves, we have some different jewelry, sun hats. They can wear them for Derby Day, too. The Kentucky Derby is the day before Mother's Day."

Kleven personally prefers scarves or earrings, and said a good gift depends on the mother. "We have a good selection of jewelry. We have necklaces, bracelets, all

kinds of jewelry," she said.

At **Elements Day Spain** Holly, daughters plan a whole afternoon of leisure time for their mothers.

"Our biggest thing we do here at Elements Day Spa is that we sell gift cards. You can purchase them here at the spa or online," said owner Jenny Stilwell.

She added that daughters and daughters-in-law will book appointments for their mom or mother-in-law and they spend time at the spa getting manicures, pedicures, and facials.

Manicures start at \$30 and pedicures start at \$45.

"They have a really good time. They spend time hanging out here and then they have lunch in town and they do shopping. It's a nice mother-daughter date for sure," Stilwell said.

At **Serendipity Day Spa** in Linden, while patrons can purchase any of the hair care, facial, or normal products for a great Mother's Day gift, the store is offering Mother's Day deals.

Director Lisa Malinowski said, "Right now we have our Mother's Day gift card special. If you purchase \$100 worth of gift cards you get a \$20 bonus gift card for free," she said. This special runs until May 7.

They're also offering Mother's Day pedicures throughout the entire month of May. For \$60, you can buy your mom one of two pedicures that come with a drink.

Malinowski said gift cards for services like pedicures and massages are the most popular.

Moms can have the chamomile and sandalwood pedicure with chamomile lemonade, or a grapefruit pedicure that comes with a grapefruit mimosa.

Other Mother's Day gift ideas include sandals, essential oils, specialty wine from their wine bar, Himalayan salts that purify the air, and Moroccan Oil hair care products, which are 15 percent off the entire month.

Redken hair care products are also buy one get one free.

Malinowski said the Dermalogica line also makes great Mother's Day gifts.

"They have really nice facial and body products," she said.

At **La Petite Maison**, owner Linda Joliet said one customer bought French table linens for her mother, her mother-in-law, and herself.

Joliet said gifts like silk arrangements to place on French table linen make wonderful gifts. "Things that add spring to your house," she said.

SUMMARY

■ You still have options if you want to get your mother something special for Mother's Day, which is this Sunday.

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V-E Day

As I grow older and watch and listen to those around me and in the world generally, I have found that the words of the noted philosopher George Santayana 'those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it' seemingly ring true time and time again.

By the same token, I can't help but also remember a quote by humorist Kurt Vonnegut who said in response 'I've got news for Mr. Santayana: We're doomed to repeat the past no matter what. That's what it is to be alive.' It is hard to argue with either of these statements and there is more than a kernel of truth in each.

In a perfect world we wouldn't have wars and crime and other problems too numerous to mention. Unfortunately we do.

I think that when we look back on history, there are important lessons to learn and as former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill once said 'a nation

that forgets its past has no future.'

I sincerely hope that we as a nation haven't forgotten our past, both good and bad, and I also hope that the lessons of history are never forgotten.

For example, an important day in history to be remembered and celebrated is this coming Sunday, which is V-E Day.

It is possible that some may not know what the initials 'VE' stand for and for those I will simply say that the answer is 'Victory in Europe.'

Specifically, I am referring to the Allies acceptance of Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender of its armed forces thus ending the second world war in Europe on May 8, 1945.

Historically, the importance of this day and the accompanying joy can never be underestimated and we have a national treasure in our area, which allows all of us to have a full perspective as to the gravity of this and other wars.

I would suggest for those who are able, a visit to our Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly for an object lesson as to the consequences of war. The veterans buried there are a vivid reminder of what it means to make the ultimate sacrifice. May they rest in peace.



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Senate Bill 564: Criminalize selling aborted fetuses or body parts

To make it a crime to receive a financial benefit or any type of compensation for transferring or selling an embryo, fetus or neonate, including organs, tissues or cells, if this was obtained as the result of an elective abortion.

Passed 26 to 10 in the Senate

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

House Bill 4187: Authorize jail for vandalizing road signs, lights, etc.

To authorize criminal penalties of up to 93 days in jail and a \$500 fine for vandalizing or removing a traffic control device, light post, sign, etc. on a road or highway. For a third or subsequent offense, the penalty would be one year in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Passed 36 to 0 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	☒ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	☒ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	☒ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	☒ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	☒ YES

Senate Bill 761: Remove obsolete provisions from state school code

To repeal an obsolete 1974 law dealing with education for gifted and academically talented students. This is one of a number of bills repealing obsolete laws or reporting requirements, most of which passed unanimously. This one was opposed by six Democrat senators.

Passed 30 to 6 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	☒ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	☒ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	☒ YES
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Times Sports

Lacrosse programs progressing at their own pace

■ Second-year Fenton/Linden squad defeats first-season Holly/Brandon team

By David Troppens

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Fenton — Madeleine Albrecht remembers the days when she, along with teammate Kelly Kemp, would beg for a Fenton girls lacrosse program.

Now, in the program's second season, it's obvious that girls lacrosse is here to stay within the Fenton and Linden community. The Fenton/Linden co-op squad is in its second season and consistently shows signs of improving from match-to-match.

"We've learned a lot," Albrecht said. "Everyone has learned so much. We've learned different plays that help us score goals. We've improved so much."

And now Holly and Brandon are in the same spot that the Fenton/Linden team was in a year ago. The Holly/Brandon co-op squad is just four games into their existence, with 17 enthusiastic performers in the program. Just like the Fenton/Linden Heat a year ago, there's not a ton of lacrosse experience on the team. According to head coach Kristen Lupro there's one person with lacrosse experience to be exact. However, the battle is being won at those schools as well, as it seems the team is learning the game and enjoying it.

The two young programs clashed at Fenton High School on Monday and the Heat's added year of experience certainly played a huge role in the game as the Heat won a 22-0 verdict.

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Holly/Brandon's Alexis Farewell (left) battles with Fenton/Linden's Morgan White for possession during the Fenton/Linden co-op program's victory on Monday.

"They are learning every day," Lupro said about her team. "They are getting better every day. I had one that played before, so all of them are brand new. None of them had ever held a stick before."

"I think they are doing good. I enjoy watching them."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Fenton's Jacob Lee won the 1,600-run at the Brighton Bulldog Invitational on Saturday.

Fenton, LF track perform well at Brighton Invitational

By David Troppens

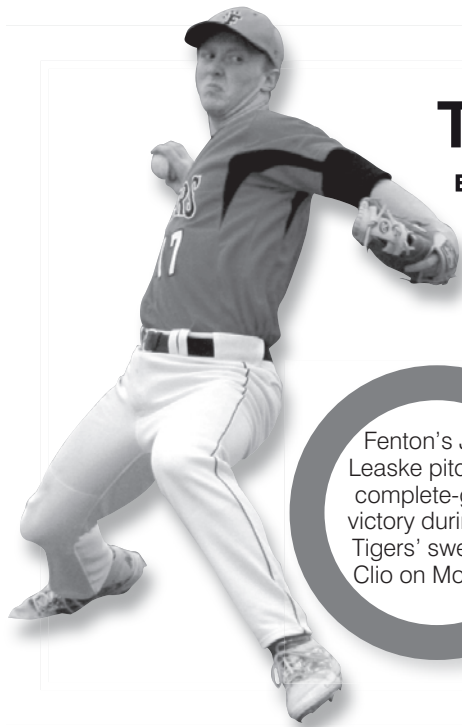
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The Fenton varsity track programs had a solid day at the Brighton Bulldog Invitational, qualifying 10 individuals for top-eight performances.

The Lake Fenton varsity boys track team had a respectable showing as well, getting four individuals to earn top-eight performances.

The area's only first-place finisher was Fenton's Jacob Lee.

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Fenton's John Leaske pitched a complete-game victory during the Tigers' sweep of Clio on Monday.

Tigers' pitchers spark twinbill sweep

By David Troppens

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Fenton — The Fenton varsity baseball team earned a doubleheader sweep in the ways one would've expected to win during the Ty Cobb dead-ball era of baseball.

The Tigers pitched well and manufactured just enough runs, earning a 2-1, 1-0 twinbill sweep against the Clio Mustangs on Monday.

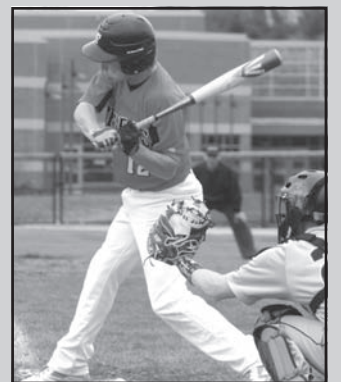
In the opening game, three sacrifices helped lead to both Fenton runs while John Leaske's arm on the mound kept

the Clio bats quiet.

Tied at 1-all, the Tigers scored the winning run in the bottom of the fifth. Troy Smigielski singled and reached second on an error. He was sacrificed to second by Blake Garrison and then plated by another sacrifice, a suicide squeeze by Taylor Lawrence.

"You have to get it down no matter what," Lawrence said about the suicide squeeze bunt. "Once I got the sign I knew I had to get it down the line and get it as close to the line as possible so they had no chance of fielding it. The baserunner did a good job of getting down and reading the ball."

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Fenton's Brock Henson drove in a run in the Tigers' doubleheader sweep of Clio on Monday.

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sports **briefs****HOLLY BASEBALL SWEPT BY BRIGHTON BULLDOGS**

► Holly lost a thrilling second game 4-3 in eight innings but lost the opener 14-0.

In the second contest the Bronchos took a 3-0 lead in the opening half of the first inning. A Luke Copley sacrifice fly and an RBI-single by Peyton Bilbia plated two of the three runs. However, Brighton scored single runs in the second, fourth, sixth and eighth innings to win the game. An RBI-double with one out in the eighth ended the contest.

In the first game Holly struggled with only Chet Wyant reaching base when he was hit by a pitch. Brighton scored its 14 runs off of nine hits, seven walks and a hit batter.

LAKE FENTON SOFTBALL COMPETES IN STARS TOURNAMENT

► Lake Fenton defeated Davison 16-8 but lost to Birmingham Seaholm 10-7 and Utica 12-2 in its other two games at the weekend tourney.

In the victory against Davison, Sydney Sheyachich drove in six runs with three hits. Her biggest safety was a three-run home run in the third inning. Olivia Tanner had four hits, drove in two and scored three runs while Allison Petts had three hits, scored four runs and drove in two runs. Hali Byers had two hits and scored two runs. Sheyachich pitched four innings on the mound and recorded the victory.

Lake Fenton had 13 hits in the loss to Seaholm. Tanner hit a two-run home run while Erin Ezell and Byers had three hits each.

In the loss against Utica, eight different Lake Fenton batters had one hit. Sidney Conn and Byers had doubles.

HOLLY GOLFERS PLACE THIRD AT WALLED LAKE INVITATIONAL

► Mitch Smith shot an 82 to lead the Bronchos at Bay Pointe Golf Course. The squad finished with a third-place team score of 332. Luke Harrington shot an 83 while Kyle VanBoemel carded an 84.

HOLLY BASEBALL FALLS TO FLUSHING

► Holly dropped a pair of games against Flushing.

The Bronchos had just three hits in a 7-1 loss in the opener Jared Halteman hit an RBI-single to lead the offense.

The Bronchos lost the second contest 16-6. Luke Copley had a big game, collecting three hits, including one being a double. Clay DeVries provided two hits and two runs scored while D.J. Tennis had a two-run double.

COX LEADS LINDEN TRACK AT MSU

► Jacob Cox finished second in the 100 (11.32) and third in the 200 (22.93) at a meet held at Michigan State. He also teamed with Bailey Davis, Nolan McDonald and Cade Dickson to place fourth in the 400 relay and the 800 relay. Ray Ballard placed fourth in the discus (129-9) and seventh in the shot put (43-3).

HOLLY GOLFERS LOSE TIGHT MATCH VS. FLUSHING, 162-164

► Kyle VanBoemel and Evan Vergith shot 40s for Holly, but the squad still lost to Flushing 162-164. David Mathews shot a 41 while Alex Mazzone carded a 43.

HOLLY SOFTBALL SWEPT BY FLUSHING

► The Bronchos lost both games of a twinbill 7-3 and 10-8.

In the opener Lilly Raymer led the offense with an RBI-double. Katie Dewey tossed three shutout innings.

In the second game, Michelle Konarzewski and Hannah Landwerlen had two hits each.

Linden's win streak snapped 11 games; Eagles split with Clarkston

By David Troppens

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It was inevitable.

Even at the prep level it's almost impossible to go through a baseball season undefeated.

But for 11 games that's what the Linden varsity baseball team was — a perfect 11-0.

That string came to an end on Saturday at Central Michigan University's Theunissen Stadium against Davison.

The Eagles lost the opening game of the twinbill when Clarkston captured a 6-5 victory, but Linden bounced back to win the nightcap 4-1.

In the first game the Eagles (12-1) took a 5-1 lead after a five-run surge in the top of the second inning. Cole Sarkon walked and Brendan Buerkel hit a bunt single, setting up the rally Jamon Link reached base on a sacrifice that was booted, plating Sarkon. A Jakub Gagne single plated a second run and an out later Kevin Bates walked. Aaron Sarkon reached base on an error, scoring another run, and Chris Kitch followed with a two-run single. Linden led 5-1.

However, Clarkston steadily closed



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Linden's Jamon Link bunts at a pitch in a recent contest. The Eagles split with Clarkston on Saturday.

in on Linden's lead, scoring one run in the second and third innings and then two more in the fifth, tying the game at 5-all.

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Fenton's Bri Costigan scored a goal and an assist in the Tigers' 4-0 victory against Kearsley on Monday.

Tigers in first in Metro, defeat Kearsley 4-0

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The Fenton varsity girls soccer team suffered a few losses during the early portion of the season, but the Tigers seem to be hitting midseason stride lately.

The Tigers posted a pair of recent strong victories, defeating Powers 3-1 on Friday and then defeating Kearsley 4-0 on Monday.

Against Kearsley, Fenton scored two goals in both halves, cruising to the victory. Bri Costigan and Sophie Crews scored in the first half while Chloe Foor and Emma Flannery provided goals in the second half. Foor, Mikaela Dallas, Costigan and Kellie Farren had assists.

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► Bronchos post second straight Metro victory, 6-2

The Holly Bronchos had their share of tough foes during the preseason.

Now the squad is starting to reap the rewards from that tough schedule.

The Bronchos captured their second straight Metro League victory on Monday, crushing the Clio Mustangs 6-2.

Holly's offense started fast as Kristin Hansel sent a free kick to Madison Brack who buried the shot into the net just 44 seconds into the game.

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