Hidden ‘speakeasy’ coming to downtown Fenton

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During the Prohibition era, there were illicit, hidden drinking establishments called “blind pigs” in downtown Fenton. It looks like we are getting another one, only legally this time.

On Monday, the Fenton City Council voted unanimously to approve a liquor license for a speakeasy at 109 Mill St., across from the U.S. Post Office. Aro said the speakeasy will be hidden like it was during the 1920s during Prohibition. There will be nothing out front to indicate there is a drinking establishment inside. He said this is a new national trend.

A Linden woman escaped injury as her home went up in flames Tuesday afternoon. At approximately 3:10 p.m., fire departments from Linden City, Fenton City and the townships of Argentine, Fenton, Gaines and Mundy respond to a home in the 1300 block of Meadow Green Lane in Linden. The cause of the fire is unknown.

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Grandma convicted of first-degree murder

Jury takes less than three hours to deliver verdict

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The Gilford Township grandmother accused of killing her granddaughter’s father by shooting him six times while he sat in his car will never be free again.

Last week, an Isabella County jury convicted Mary Lou Bigford, 52, of first-degree murder.

Majority of construction projects suspended for the holiday weekend

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‘So it goes’ and the aftermath

On occasion, I have mentioned that novelist Kurt Vonnegut had some very insightful things to say about life generally while at the same time injecting humor into his thoughts and writings. Alas Mr. Vonnegut is no longer with us, but his words live on and for today’s column I want to simply reference three words that he used in his novel ‘Slaughterhouse Five’ whenever someone died. These words were ‘so it goes.’

Without getting into an esoteric discussion on the meaning of life, simply put, one interpretation of his words is that one minute you’re here and the next you’re not, and death is inevitable.

Since most of the time this is a column about the law, the follow-up question here is what happens after you die from a legal perspective? I will leave the spiritual results to others far more qualified to speak on the topic.

The answer to the legal question is not a simple one. However, a part of it is that when you die you leave behind what is called an ‘estate.’

Under the law, this estate goes to your heirs. What must initially and very importantly be pointed out is that you have the absolute right to determine, in most cases, who these heirs will be if you have a will and/or a trust.

Dying with a will means you die ‘testate.’ This is from the Latin word ‘testatus,’ which means ‘to testify or to attest before witnesses.’ A valid will is simply a legal document that tells the world how you want your estate to be distributed.

On the other hand, if you die without a will, you die ‘intestate’ and the laws of intestacy apply. The legal significance here is that the Michigan state statute directs how your estate is to be divided and it may well be that it isn’t even close to the way you would have wanted it distributed.

Most people should consider having at least a simple will and contacting an attorney to prepare one or using Michigan’s online statutory will form is a good idea.

Some day, for all of us people will say ‘so it goes.’ We all have the power to decide what happens after that.
It’s just not right!

‘Lefties’ have difficult time with everyday products and activities

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Right-handed people usually have no idea, or give much thought to what the “lefties” (sometimes called “south paws”) in their circle of family and friends go through on a regular basis.

Simple things, like using devices designed for right-handers, is frustrating to left-handed folks, who represent 10 percent of the world’s population.

Take a look at a pair of scissors, or a can opener, or an ice cream scoop, and imagine what it’s like to clumsily use these items right-handed people take for granted on a daily basis.

One Fenton man, who declined to give his name, said he has lived his life reading the numbers on tape measures upside down.

“It’s just something you get used to,” he said.

Swiping a credit or debit card at any store is awkward for a left-hander, who must curl his arm around the entire device to get the card swiped correctly.

See ‘LEFTIES’ on 6

Students raise $1,400 for future bike path

Bike-a-thon enables youngsters to contribute to 16-mile non-motorized path

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Fenton — Saturday was the perfect day for a bike ride, and raising money for bike paths.

A bike-a-thon was held at Fenton High School and it was driven by State Road Elementary students who wanted to get involved in helping fund the Linden, Argentine, Fenton, Fenton Township (LAFF) Trailways project, a system of non-motorized pathways planned to connect communities in the tri-county area.

Students wrote letters to various local businesses asking them for assistance with the event. They also gathered pledges and in the end, raised $1,400 for LAFF. Donations are being accepted until Saturday, May 28.

This trail will not only serve the people who want to use it recreationally to run, walk, cycle and stroll, but also eight different schools along its path, as well as many parks.

See BIKE-A-T HON on 11
If Felix’s black bag

You may recall that Felix the Cat wasn’t a cartoon character in the ’70s—a black cat that carried a little black, doctor-type bag with him wherever he went. Any time Felix encountered a problem or situation, he would reach into his little black bag and pull out some sort of knowledge, or device, to help him solve his dilemma.

The black bag that Felix carried everywhere represented his brain, and the objects he pulled out of it represented the knowledge his brain had gained from his life experiences. Felix made sure he always had plenty of knowledge in his black bag to draw on for problem solving.

It’s most unfortunate that the people who created Felix the Cat aren’t the same people who design today’s high school curriculums. Much of what is taught today, at all education levels, has little practical application in real life.

If I were King, I would require all schools in the kingdom to teach a class that I call—(trumpets please)—LifeSkills. The LifeSkills class would be mandatory for every student and would teach them practical skills that they would be able to utilize throughout their entire life. Skills such as:

**Introductions**—most kids don’t know how to properly introduce someone (including themselves), or what to do when they are introduced to someone else. They also should learn how to remember names and how to shake hands with adults.

**Dancing**—learning how to ask someone to dance, how to properly hold your partner, and the basic concept behind a simple box step would have made sure he always had plenty of knowledge in his black bag to draw on for problem solving.

**Credit Management**—what other skill could have more practical value than learning how to manage your money? Balancing a checkbook, setting a budget, prioritizing payment of bills, credit ratings, interest rates, using credit cards — these are all skills that are absolutely necessary in today’s world.

**Dining Etiquette**—while dining out recently, I watched a young man (wearing a hat no less) place his order before his date did. Someone should have taught him how to order in a restaurant, how to use a napkin properly, the function of differing silverware, general table manners (no hats), and how to calculate a proper tip.

There are dozens of other life skills that could be addressed over the course of a school year, such as Healthcare, Cognitive Thinking, Basic Home Repair, Self-Defense, Time Management, Job Interviewing, and dozens more.

Inviting guest speakers from the community to share their expertise would further enhance the effectiveness of the material presented to students.

If I were King, LifeSkills would be a required class in every school in the kingdom. Because in our current liberal-dominated education environment, many teachers spend way too much time teaching our kids how to be an activist, instead of a scientist.

The result is that Felix’s black bag is becoming emptier with each passing year.

That worries me. It should worry you, too.

**THE DDA AND city council members should all be fired. They certainly aren’t listening to the people.**

**IT IS FOOLISH and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God such men lived.**—George S. Patton

**MY TDODLER SON suggested we beat the crud out of the rooster art on LeRoy Street. I’ve never been so tempted to look the other way on an act of vandalism. I explained that not all art is good, but you can always find someone who will pay $12,000 for it.**

**MR. CHILDS, GET your history correct. ISIS originated in Syria and spread to Iraq because George W. Bush replaced a strong, albeit brutal, government with a weak splintered government. Obama did what he pledged. He got our troops out of Iraq. They never should have been there.**

**FIFTH STREET, LAY off the fireworks. Next time I will call the local police.**

**CAN ANYONE TELL me when they quit teaching cursive writing in the local schools? I could not understand why such a beautiful and expressive form of writing is not taught now. It taught me patience and discipline. It could do the same for students now.**

**DDA DIRECTOR MIKE Burns has the idea that the more tax dollars the DDA receives, the better. In the recent TC Times interview, he stated that the DDA had to actually give taxpayers back some money because of a reduction in some business taxes. He stated that this is a big problem. If he thinks that having to refund taxes is a big problem, he is the wrong guy to be in charge.**

**TEARING DOWN THE Dibbleville house? Hope something goes in that looks nicer than the Cornerstone building.**

**THANK YOU, DREW Shapiro for hosting the wonderful scholarship event.**

**I’M A STAUCH Democrat and I think transgender is a mental illness.**

**THREE LOCAL SCHOOL superintendents report no problems with transgender students using bathrooms in school and the fourth reported a successful local solution. Why then, is there a need for state and federal laws? There is no need.**

See HOT LINE throughout Times

Would you use the 16-mile path that will connect Argentine, Linden, Fenton and Holly? | street talk

“Yeah probably. I would use it for biking. I am not familiar with the path, but I just moved back from California and they have lots of nice bike paths there.”

—Matthias Smith
Fenton Township

“No, I would not use it, but I guess for runners and joggers it would be alright.”

—Dawn Hudson
Linden

“I would probably use it, mainly for biking and to stop and go fishing. It sounds pretty neat”

—Dennis Storms
Argentine Township

“It’s been a few years since I have biked. I used to ride between Fenton and Holly as a kid. I would take my grand kids out on the bike path.”

—Gary Hayden
Fenton Township

“I think it would be a good thing because I have a bike and I walk.”

—Delcie Headaphol
Linden
Argentine cemetery to be sonar mapped

$4,500 project will reveal where people are buried, even identify if male or female

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Argentine Twp. — The Argentine Township Board of Trustees is hoping to find and identify interred people and empty lots at the cemetery using penetrating radar.

Argentine Township Supervisor Bob Cole said, “There are many families, older long-time resident families that want to be buried by their people.”

Cole has met with PJ’s Mapping Service about performing penetrating radar in the oldest section of the cemetery, where there are many unmarked graves dating back to 1838. Some people buried there have no headstone or marker of identification.

He said a man asked to be buried by his mother and father, but they weren’t sure if there was someone buried next to them. He had to be buried a couple rows away.

“As a hometown boy, I felt bad about that. Family is family,” Cole said.

Cole said the cemetery was established in 1838 and is the second oldest cemetery in Genesee County.

“The first person buried there, it kind of still jerks at my heart, was a 2-year-old girl. She died of influenza, which was a big thing in Argentine Township. A lot of people died from the flu,” he said. “We have veterans from seven different wars in the cemetery, all the way back to the War of 1812,” he said.

Cole said in the old days they used wooden tombstones and caskets, and where the ground is hollow, odds are there’s probably somebody buried there.

“We don’t know exactly where,” he said. He’s hoping the mapping, which is basically sonar, will also reveal empty lots.

It will cost approximately $4,500, Cole said. The Township has already paid for half.

PJ’s Mapping Service will do the radar over the summer and will receive results in the winter. The sonar will reveal if the interred person is male or female.

The township will receive two copies of a digital map and a physical map of what the radar detects.

“I am really excited about it,” Cole said. “It’s something we should do for our hometown.”

Police&Fire

ROLLOVER SENDS FENTON TOWNSHIP COUPLE TO HOSPITAL

At 10:20 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, Fenton police and fire responded to a rollover crash, with injuries, on northbound U.S. 23, near Owen Road.

Lt. Jason Slater said a 67-year-old Fenton Township woman was driving a 2007 Saturn car northbound in the slow lane. Her 76-year-old husband was a front seat passenger. A vehicle driven by a 45-year-old Fenton man in the left lane. She overcorrected her steering, striking a GMC pickup truck, driven by a 45-year-old Fenton man.

The collision caused the woman’s car to veer from the road, into the ditch and roll over. She was transported to Hurley hospital in Flint as a precaution. The fire department extricated her husband from the car. He was taken to Hurley, as well, with lacerations to his head. The driver of the pickup truck was not injured. All involved were wearing seatbelts. Traffic was snarled while the scene was cleared.

The woman was cited at fault on the accident report.
**LEFTIES Continued from Page 3**

Coffee mugs with witty writings on the inside rim can only be read upside down by a left-handed. That’s because the handle is on the right side. Even if there’s a funny saying about being left-handed on the side of the mug, the handle is on the left side and the left-handed is the only one who can see the message, facing his own face.

In high school and college, it is a left-hander’s nightmare to walk into a classroom of desks with the small writing area on the right half of the seat.

“I used to use that as the armrest and used my arm to hold my notebook down so it didn’t flip over when I wrote in it,” said the Fenton man.

Speaking of notebooks, one might want to laugh when they see a left-hander trying to write in a spiral notebook or on a yellow legal tablet. It’s an exercise in contortion trying to get around the spiral wire or the top of the tablet.

“Writing happens every time I try to write something, which is why I usually use a pencil,” he added.

Decals on pens are placed so only a right-handed person can read what it says.

Many products are made for both right- and left-handed people, such as baseball gloves, golf clubs, and firearms.

Married couples and other partners in life that are made up of one left-handed and one right-handed, have learned how to get along nicely — as long as the “leftie” stays on the left for everything, including walking, sitting down for a meal, sitting on a plane, the list goes on.

If you’re ambidextrous and can use both hands readily, congratulations, you are among the 1 percent of people in the world who can enjoy the best of both worlds.

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**Drunk Driver Heads Wrong Way On Silver Parkway**

At 1:39 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, a Fenton police officer on patrol on northbound Silver Parkway observed a vehicle traveling southbound in the northbound lanes. Once the vehicle passed the patrol car, the officer turned his car around and attempted to make a traffic stop. The vehicle turned west onto Owen Road, made a U-Turn near Silver Landings to head east on Owen Road. The vehicle stopped and the officer observed the driver hop out and get into the backseat. There was another front seat passenger. Lt. Jason Slater said the driver, a 26-year-old Grand Blanc man, was arrested for fleeing and eluding police and operating a vehicle while intoxicated, second offense. The driver’s license was also suspended and he had multiple arrest warrants. A chemical test at the police station revealed a .16-percent blood alcohol content. He was lodged until sober and he had multiple arrest warrants.

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Some famous ‘lefties’

Despite the difficulties they face in everyday life, it is believed that left-handed people are more creative than their counter parts. That could be evidenced by the list of entertainers and others who are famous lefties. Some of them include:

Robert DeNiro, Angelina Jolie, Prince William, Robert Redford, President Barack Obama, Keane Reeves, Jennifer Seinfeld, Nicole Kidman, Julia Roberts, former President Bill Clinton, Lady Gaga, Bruce Willis, Morgan Freeman, Tom Cruise, and perhaps Winfrey, Jay Leno, Prince Charles, Celine Dion, Bill Gates, the late David Bowie, David Letterman, Jim Carey and many more.

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**Right or left in history**

**Ancient Greeks**

The Ancient Greeks, even such intelligent and rational men as Plato and Aristotle, almost always associated the right with good and the left with evil and criminality. The great philosopher Plato was convinced that the limbs are naturally of equal strength and ability, and that any handedness is culturally imparted. In fact, he went so far as to blame left-handedness on inept mothers and nurses who failed to adequately school their children in the correct way of doing things. Aristotle, on the other hand, believed that a person’s handedness was natural and inherited.

**Ancient Romans**

The influential Ancient Romans were also very pro-right-handedness. According to some, wearing a wedding ring on the third finger of the left hand originated with the Romans, the idea being to fend off evil associated with the left-hand (or, possibly, the widely held belief that that finger was directly connected to the heart by a “love vein”). The modern practice of shaking right hands in greeting dates back to the Roman custom of touching right hands to demonstrate the absence of hidden weapons. Cynics claim that this ritual was positively encouraged by the notoriously paranoid Julius Caesar (who is also widely believed to have been left-handed, although again without evidence).

**Ancient China**

Ancient China had some very different beliefs regarding left and right, particularly as regards the Chinese dichotomy of yin and yang. Yin was associated with femininity, submission, blood and earth, but also with the right side, while yang was associated with masculinity, leadership, light, the sun and, perhaps surprisingly, the left side. Notwithstanding, though, China would go on to become one of the most outspoken protectors of right-handed dominance.

Source: Rightleftwrong.com/history
A second canoe launch coming to Argentine

Initial site plan includes a playground and pavilion

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 Argentine Twp. — A new canoe launch and retrieval site will be coming to Argentine Township.

Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation (SLPR) will build the site on the Shiawassee River off Kolton Road approximately one-half mile west of Hogan Road. The township has talked about leasing the land to SLPR.

This will be Argentine Township’s second canoe launch.

The site, which is approximately 63 acres, will include a pavilion, playground, pathway, parking spots, and the launch site on Shiawassee River.

Argentine Township Supervisor Bob Cole said a portion of residents’ taxes goes to SLPR and this new site will not cost residents any additional money.

“We’re going to get a park that our residents can use and it’s not going to cost us anything,” he said. “Minimal cost. Win, win, win for us.”

Cole said he has been speaking with residents who live on the surrounding land about what could possibly happen.

“Our next step is the Water and Waste Services district subcommittee, which will be in July. That’s when we go over our budgets. At that point in time we will make a recommendation to the Water and Waste Services Advisory Board,” he said.

Then they will take the recommendation to the Genesee County Drain Commissioner, and then the Genesee County Board of Commissioners.

A canoe launch was built on Mc- Caslin Lake Road by the bridge over Shiawassee River in August of 2015.

Residents will be able to launch their canoe upstream and can be picked up downstream with this new site.

Water main replacement process begins

Engineering services to be hired for $720,000 project

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Riggs Street residents may be happy to learn that their water pressure problems may soon be over.

At the Monday night Fenton City Council meeting, officials voted unanimously to start the process of replacing the water main by enlisting the design services of OHM, the city’s engineers, for an amount not to exceed $66,000.

According to Dan Czarnecki, director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland, the Riggs Street water main consists of an old, galvanized pipe with a diameter size that varies from 2 inches down to 1-1/4 inch.

“The homes along this street have issues with low water pressure and restricted flow due to the small sized line feeding about 20 homes,” he said.

Czarnecki said he is proposing to replace this small line with a new 8-inch water main with new water services to each house from the water main to the shut off. New fire hydrants also will be installed.

“We will be looking at the drainage and any other right-of-way issues that need to be addressed at this time,” added Czarnecki.

Replacement of this water line was in the 2015 Water Reliability Study that officials recently reviewed.

“The construction cost for this project is estimated to be $720,000, which includes the engineering portion of the work,” said Czarnecki.

A separate agreement with a geotechnical services company will be needed as the design moves forward to provide necessary information on the existing soils and subgrade.

SPEAKEASY Continued from Front Page

The building will be divided into two businesses with two separate ownerships.

In the front, there is going to be a small take-out taco stand with no alcohol, called “El Topo,” Aro said. El Topo, he added is a Mexican cocktail meaning “the mole.”

In order to get to the speakeasy, patrons will have to enter the taco stand, go to the rear and enter through a hidden door.

Aro said the name of the business is borrowed, in part, from the previous business once located on the property (Fenton Area Resource & Referral), and “had it existed in the ’20s, would have been a cover business to mask the true nature of the business.”

The owners already have state approval for the liquor license, but needed local approval in order to complete the application process.

Aro said the owners and management team have successful businesses in town and are involved in the community and charitable events.

“I believe this business will bring another new and interesting venue to the city of Fenton,” Aro said of his recommendation to approve the liquor license.

Because of its secretive nature, as it was during the days of Prohibition, Hamel and his partners’ official word right now on the “speakeasy” is no comment.

Hamel said they hope to open the taco stand, El Topo, in the fall and will employ at least a dozen people. It will open at 11 a.m. and close at midnight.

“Chef Jody Brunori is real excited about this new venue and will have a fresh take on traditional South American cuisine,” said Hamel.

“It will be primarily take-out with limited sit down dining (no alcohol).”

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Less than 2 pounds at birth, black belt 12 years later

Fenton boy beats odds, complications of being preemie, weighing 1 lb. 12 oz

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When he was born weighing just 1 pound, 12 ounces, Jacob Schulcz was given a 50-percent chance of living.

After three months in the hospital and 12 years later, Jacob clearly tipped the odds in his favor. He received his black belt in karate this past April.

Looking back, Jacob was featured in a Times story on Jan. 24, 2005, when he was 1 year old because of his low birth weight.

His mother, Erin Schulcz of Fenton, gave birth to him after a 26-week pregnancy. Schulcz said she had cramping on Feb. 2, 2004, prompting her to go to the hospital.

“I had no idea anything was wrong,” she said. After doctors couldn’t find a heartbeat, they performed an immediate Cesarean section, or C-section.

“They didn’t have time to do an epidural, they just knocked me out,” she said. No one was allowed to go back in the room with her during the procedure.

“It was terrifying,” she said. “Since I was out I didn’t even know if he even survived, coming out of the anesthesia.”

Jacob was in the hospital for three months and Schulcz visited him every day. He had a 50 percent chance survival rate at this point.

When he was released from the hospital, Jacob was sent home with oxygen, an apnea monitor and five types of medication. Schulcz fed him a high-calorie formula to help him gain weight, and he had to have medication every three hours.

Doctors warned her that preemies, or premature babies, often develop asthma and allergies. “He doesn’t have any allergies or asthma or anything like that,” she said.

Jacob didn’t have any other development issues, and is now a black belt at 12 years old. He began the sport about four years ago when he took a six-week karate class through Southern Lakes Park and Recreation to see if he would like it.

“He just loved it from there,” she said. He joined Fenton karate and studied under Master Anthony Husted in a four-year black belt program. Karate takes up most of his life, she said. He has practice four nights a week and all day Saturday.

He tested to earn his black belt this past February. Schulcz said Jacob was nervous but excited. He passed the test and was officially promoted April 2.

“Jacob was just over the moon,” she said. “It’s a big commitment. They don’t all make it.”

Jacob also enjoys fishing, boating, and riding his four-wheeler. He’s currently in fifth grade at Tomek Elementary, and will start middle school in the fall. “He’s nervous but he’s excited,” she said.

Schulcz said she’d like to thank her parents, Barb and Perry Ryan, for all the support, love, and everything they’ve done for Schulcz and Jacob over the years.

News briefs

PATRIOT WALL TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR OUR TROOPS
The Linden Arts Council will sponsor its second annual Patriot Wall on Memorial Day. The banner across the wall will invite all to write a message of support for our troops serving in the Middle East. The unveiling will be at 9:30 a.m. on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, and is on the Union Block in downtown Linden. The banner will be later be removed and sent to Afghanistan. All are invited to participate in this event.

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‘We don’t say no to anyone’

Fenton teachers spend weekends delivering water to vulnerable Flint residents

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Amy Scott of Fenton knocked on the door of Gretchen Thomas’ home and brought this 51-year-old disabled Flint resident something that no one else had brought for weeks — safe bottled drinking water.

Scott, a social worker by degree and school librarian by profession, also brought a grocery bag filled with rice, bread, cucumbers and other groceries, to tide Thomas over until a friend could do some grocery shopping for her. Thomas has been unable to work for the past two years because of her deteriorating health, which has robbed her of just about everything but her optimistic attitude and smile.

“This is the second time Miss Amy’s been to my house,” said Thomas. “I appreciate it so much. I’m having a hard time getting the Red Cross to come, even though they bring water to my neighbor. I can’t seem to get on the list.”

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Many technology reviewers think 2016 will be one of the most important years for virtual reality.

It’s the first year consumers have access to headsets for virtual reality, also known as immersive multimedia or computer-simulated reality, according to technologyreview.com.

The Consumer Electronics Association estimates virtual reality headset sales will reach $1.2 million this year.

This kind of virtual reality isn’t like “The Matrix.” You don’t pick between a red or blue pill, but you can choose between devices and the medium for virtual reality.

Simple and cheap forms of virtual reality are videos you can find on YouTube of experiences like roller coaster rides. Or you can download a virtual reality app to find more videos and features. For $15, you can purchase a headset from Google called Google Cardboard that makes watching those videos feel more like virtual reality by limiting your vision to only the screen.

With virtual reality apps, you can record immersive videos by standing in one spot, rotating, and capturing video of the entire room you’re in.

This is the cheap option.

Samsung put out the Gear VR, a virtual reality headset that’s compatible with all Galaxy smartphones. It works similar to the Google Cardboard headset. It costs $98.99.

Zach Graves, who has the Gear VR, said “The best thing about it is the portability, where with the Oculus or the HTC Vive you are tied down to a computer.” He added that he can take the headset anywhere and he can use it with his phone.

“The resolution isn’t as good as any VR headset that runs on a PC (personal computer) but the price of $100 is really friendly compared to the PC you’d need to run it and then the $500 plus you’d need to spend on the Oculus/ Vive,” he said.

A more expensive option is the Oculus Rift, which is Oculus’ first big virtual reality headset.

It lets users play their favorite game in virtual reality, watch an immersive movie, and watch videos from destinations around the world, according to oculus.com. It costs $599.

Virtual reality technology could normalize the technology we see in futuristic science-fiction movies.

Nokia is also joining this expensive party with Ozo, a spherical video camera priced around $60,000, according to technologyreview.com. It’s wireless, captures sound and video, and has live broadcasting options, according to ozo. nokia.com. They can be mounted to a stationary post, or can be attached to a droid for aerial footage. Users can see and hear footage captured in every direction.

Virtual reality could not only change videos and consumer content. Experts say it will change the way many people play video games.

According to technologyreview.com, many video game companies are developing games with virtual reality perspectives.

Sony is also developing the PlayStation VR, a virtual reality headset that will be compatible with playstations.

Ubisoft Entertainment, which develops the popular Assassin’s Creed video games, is expected to release Eagle Flight this year, which lets gamers play as an eagle and take flight.

Many other video game companies are making current games compatible with virtual reality. Gamers will be able to play Minecraft in virtual reality with the Rift. This virtual reality technology doesn’t stop at living room products, according to technologyreview.com. A few theme parks, like Canada’s Wonderland, have plans to let users wear virtual reality headsets while on roller coasters.

Some virtual reality options, like the Google Cardboard headset, are cheaper but less immersive than more expensive options.
Tigers end Linden’s perfect Metro dream hopes; Eagles still win league crown

By David Troppens  
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Fenton — The Linden Eagles are no longer undefeated in the Metro League. However, the top-ranked baseball squad in Division 2 remains Metro League champs as well, and did earn a split against the Fenton Tigers.

The Fenton Tigers posted what was probably the most memorable victory of their season when they defeated the Eagles 5-3 in the opening game of Monday’s doubleheader. The win ended Linden’s shot at becoming the first-ever Metro League baseball champion to go undefeated. However, Linden responded in true champion’s form, winning the second contest 5-0.

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FENTON SOCCER WINS THREE GAMES AT BAY CITY WESTERN TOURNAMENT
The contest was tied 0-0 after regulation, but Chloe Foor and Emma Flannery made PK goals during a shootout to lead the Tigers to the shootout win against Bay City Central. In net, Abbey Quesenelle made one save.

Chloe Foor scored two goals and Maddie Woods scored a goal in a 3-0 victory against Sault Ste. Marie. Lauren Murphy, Bri Costigan and Hayley Clark had assists.

FENTON BASEBALL LOSES TWO ONE-RUN GAMES VS. DAVISON
The Tigers lost 3-2 and 6-5 against the Cardinals. In the opening game, Davison scored three runs in the top of the sixth to earn the victory. Chase Colesman pitched well while taking the loss, allowing two earned runs over six innings. John Leaske tossed a shutout seventh. Blake Garrison had three hits while Leaske had two.

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LF BASEBALL SWEPT BY IMLAY CITY
Lake Fenton lost 11-6 and 7-3. In the opener, Brendan Mineau and Bryson Nugent had two hits each. In the nightcap, the Blue Devils had just three hits. Jack Babbitt and Luke Willoughby had doubles.

LINDEN BASEBALL SUFFERS TWO LOSSES AT CLARKSTON TOURNEY
Cranbrook Kingswood scored six runs in the bottom of the fifth to beat Linden 7-4. Chris Kitch led the offense with two hits. Kevin Bates went the distance on the mound, not allowing a single earned run. Linden had four errors. In the second game, Clarkston scored a run in the first and two more in the second, earning the 3-0 win. Linden had just one hit, a single by Jamon Link.

Online Exclusives

Holly baseball splits vs. Brandon

Wins eight-inning thriller in opening game

The Holly Bronchos had to make two late-inning comebacks to defeat the Brandon Blackhawks in Metro League baseball action on Monday.

Trailing 2-0, Holly scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning, tying the game at 2-all. Then, trailing 3-2 entering the bottom of the eighth, the Bronchos scored two more runs, earning a thrilling 4-3 eight-inning victory. Holly lost the first game 5-1.

Holly’s eighth inning began with back-to-back singles by Clay DeVries, Adam Tooley and D.J. Tennis, plating DeVries, and tying the score at 3-all with no out. Luke Copley completed the extra-inning comeback with a walk-off RBI-double.

Fenton, Holly track qualify eight to state

The magic number is eight for the Fenton varsity track programs. The Tigers will be sending participants to the state meet in eight events after a strong showing at the Division 1 regional on Friday.

The Fenton girls recorded five entries to the state meet being held at Hudsonville High School on June 4, while the boys had three.

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THE STORY OF America's quest for freedom is inscribed on her history in the blood of her patriots.” - Randy Vader

I LOVE ART, but $12,000 plus for it, $16,500 to demolish a tax-generating house, and city streets that are appallingly warm in the summer — what is the DDA thinking? Or are they?

FLOWERS LOOK GOOD, grass, too. Birds are lovely. The traffic speeding on Fifth Street is not.

ANOTHER DIBBLEVILLE HOUSE to be demolished, Sweet Variations relegated to a strip mall, and ugly blue garbage carts are just the latest examples of our myopic ‘leaders.’ The DDA should be forced to visit Battle Alley in Holly to see how balanced development is done correctly.

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• Make sure your car is ready for the road by getting a trip inspection. Check all fluids, make sure hoses and belts are in good condition and confirm your tire pressure and alignment. AAA expects to rescue 350,000 motorists this weekend, primarily for dead batteries, flat tires and lockouts.

• Get the best price on gas. To make sure you’re getting the best deal when you’re on the road, download the GasBuddy app to your smartphone. It will point you to the lowest-priced pumps in your area.

• Try to leave at off-peak times. Do what you can to avoid travel on Friday night or Monday night of this holiday weekend. The hours you save sitting in your car may be worth a slight delay in travel, if you decide to leave early Saturday morning instead of traveling Friday evening, for example.

• Use a driving app like Waze to stay on top of what is happening on the road, including traffic conditions, live-routing and maps, navigation, alerts about road hazards, even notifications when a Facebook friend is heading toward the same destination. Best of all, it’s free.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

STILL BELIEVE THE Democrat nomination isn’t rigged? Let me quote Bernie Sanders. ‘The Democratic leadership used its power to prevent a fair and transparent process.’ (17 May 2016, berniesanders.com). All votes for Clinton are votes for the continued corruptions of the government. Anyone but Hillary.

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STILL BELIEVE THE Democrat nomination isn’t rigged? Let me quote Bernie Sanders. ‘The Democratic leadership used its power to prevent a fair and transparent process.’ (17 May 2016, berniesanders.com). All votes for Clinton are votes for the continued corruption of the government. Anyone but Hillary.

THE MODELS for those scrap iron ‘artistic fixers’ downtown must have been some kindergarteners tinkering toy model. They surely don’t fit our city. Thank you.

I’M A FAITHFUL taxpayer in Argentine. I’ve never missed a year, I’ve never been late. I wouldn’t mind paying taxes if we actually got what we were paying for. Where’s the chloride truck? Why does everything we own have to be buried under two inches of dust? I know we paid for it.

I SEE ‘TRUMP’ signs in people’s yards. What a bunch of bigots and prejudiced people. He has made fun of disabled people, put down women, Muslims, Mexicans and anybody that didn’t agree with him.

FENTON’S MOTTO SHOULD be ‘tear it down.’ What’s next? The cemetery? There are old stones there, especially Joseph and Sarah Fenton. Their stones are ancient. Should those be torn down?

I THINK WE can settle this gender thing easily. Put two Port-a-Potties outside with question marks on the doors.

• Check on road construction before you go, by clicking on www.michigan.gov/madrive.

Majority of MDOT construction projects suspended for the holiday weekend

It’s orange barrel season in Michigan, but the Michigan Department of Transportation will be lifting as many travel restrictions as possible during the busy Memorial Day Weekend.

“We do whatever we can to get out of the way so you can enjoy your holiday weekend,” said James Lake, MDOT communications representative.

MDOT is suspending work and lifting traffic restrictions wherever possible from 3 p.m. on Friday, May 27 until 6 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31.

Eighty-six of 123 construction projects statewide will have lane restrictions removed. While motorists will see suspended operations in most MDOT construction zones for the weekend, drivers are advised that equipment and certain traffic configurations, like temporary shifts or shoulder closures, may remain in place.

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MURDER

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murder in the death of Lawrence Howard Jr., 39, of Fenton.

On April 18, 2015, Howard was at the Chase Run Apartments in Mt. Pleasant, waiting to exercise parental visitation rights with his 3-year-old daughter, Siera, when he was murdered by Bigford.

The Isabella County jury deliberated for just over two and a half hours before delivering its verdict. The mandatory prison time for first-degree murder in Michigan is life without possibility of parole.

Chief Judge Paul Chmerelien set Bigford’s sentence for June 8 at 3 p.m.

Bigford claimed she killed Howard because she believed he was sexually molesting his daughter, although that claim was never corroborated by the several members of the medical community and child protective service agencies, both in Ohio and Michigan.

Prosecutor Reisa Hunt-Scully told jurors in her closing statements that Bigford cashed out her pension at a loss the day before the murder, and confessed to shooting Howard in front of his young daughter.

“Larry was a great person and loved his daughter to death,” said Feggans. “She (mother) actually accused him of other things that didn’t get into the papers,” said Feggans. “The mother said he didn’t know why Larry was there that day. Why would a guy drive that far (Fenton to Mt. Pleasant) for no reason.”

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**WEDNESDAY JUMBLE**

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

**ACROSS**
1. Speed-of-
2. Away from-
3. Differently-
4. Island garland-
5. Cambodia neighbor-
6. Price reduction-
7. African herd-
8. Goes in-
9. Old foundation garment-
10. “Gee, ya think?”-
11. Goblet feature-
12. Young Lincoln-
13. “Family Guy” daughter-
14. Burn with steam-
15. “Go away!”-
16. Fix the sound-
17. Sandwich cookie-
18. Chess soldiers-
19. Periodical, for short-
20. Barbie’s companion-
21. Approach-
22. Dinner for Dobbin-
23. Plot-
24. Rhododen-
25. through the woods-
26. Inebriated-
27. Stitch-
28. Offstage areas-
29. Crete-born painter-
30. Sightsseers’ stop-
31. Devil’s purs-
32. Brutus’ being-
33. Snare, for one-
34. “Monty Python” intro-
35. Auntie of-
36. “Two and a Half Men” role-
37. Wagon-
38. Walked-
39. Wrigley-
40. Palm Stark-
41. Director Spike-
42. “SNL” announcer-
43. Like some jacks-
44. Nassau’s islands-
45. America’s uncle-
46. Stare-
47. Place to heal-
48. 1945 conference site-
49. Fellow-
50. Fat-
51. Oklahoma city-
52. Commutations-
53. Sphere-

**DOWN**
1. 29% liked it
2. 70% liked it
3. 75% liked it

**SUDOKU**

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down, and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ★ ★ ★

**HOROSCOPE**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19)
Home conditions still demand attention. Also, keep an open mind about a sudden question of trust involving a close friend. All the facts are not yet in.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20)
With summer just around the corner, travel begins to dominate your sign. Make plans carefully to avoid potential problems in the first half of June.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)
A romantic Libra sets a challenge that your “sensible” side might question, but your idealistic self finds the prospect too intriguing to resist. The choice is yours.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)
Those tense times in your personal life are just about over. Concentrate on reaffirming relationships. Your love of travel opens a surprising new opportunity.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)
The Big Cat usually loves to be in the center of things. But this week it might be wiser to watch and learn from the sidelines. A Pisces wants to make you purr.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
“New” is your watchword this week. Be open to new ideas, both on the job and in your personal life. A romantic Aries or Sagittarian beckons.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Lovers often have to face difficult family decisions. Be sure to get more facts before you act. Be careful not to neglect your health during this trying time.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You still need to support a loved one through a difficult time. Meanwhile, things continue to work out to your benefit in the workplace.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Aspects continue to favor expanding social opportunities. A Gemini reaches out to offer a chance for re-establishing a once-close relationship.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
There’s a potential for misunderstanding in both your job and your personal life. A full explanation of your intentions helps smooth things over.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
You might be feeling restless on the job, but delay making any major moves until all the facts are in. A Scorpio has a surprising revelation.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Your business sense works to your advantage as you sort through the possibilities that are opening up. A Libra is Cupid’s best bet for your romantic prospects.

**DVD RELEASES**

**FINEST HOURS**
This docudrama depicts the incredible true story of a daring Coast Guard rescue operation off of Cape Cod during a ferocious storm in the winter of 1952. When an oil tanker splits in half, trapping its crew aboard the sinking vessel, four brave Guardsmen set out to save them. Craig Gillespie directed this adventure drama, which stars Chris Pine, Ben Foster, and Eric Bana.

**PG-13, 1 hr. 57 min.**

**RISEN**
The first forty days after the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is told through the eyes of an agnostic Roman Centurion charged by Pontius Pilate to investigate rumors of a risen Jewish Messiah and locate the missing deceased body of Jesus of Nazareth in order to subdue an imminent uprising in Jerusalem. During Centurion’s mission, his doubts of such a supernatural occurrence peel away as he encounters the Apostles.

**PG-13, 1 hr. 47 min.**

**RATING**
70% liked it (Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)
75% liked it (Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)

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NOTICE

ROSE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given, that the Rose Township Board of Trustees, will hold a public hearing on the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2017 at the Rose Township Offices, 9080 Mason Street in Rose Township on Wednesday, June 8, 2016, beginning at 7:30 PM, to conduct township business and, in accordance with state law, a Public Hearing on the following:

Proposed Rose Township Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 covering estimated revenues and proposed expenditures

AND

Proposed 2016 Tax Rate for Rose Township

“The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the Proposed Budget will be a subject of this hearing.”

Ten (10) days prior to the hearing, copies of the proposed budget will be available for review during regular office hours at the Clerk’s Office or the Treasurer’s Office, 9080 Mason Street in Rose Township. Office hours are 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Monday through Thursday, except for holidays.

Comments and/or suggestions, written or oral, are encouraged and will be accepted at the Rose Township Clerk’s Office at the above address, until the date and time of the hearing.

The Rose Township board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, to individuals with disabilities. Individuals with disabilities needing assistance to attend the hearing are asked to contact the Rose Township Clerk (248) 634-8701 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing.

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MAY 26-28TH
9-5PM
414 Riverside, 321 Oak.
Furniture, washer, dryer, tools, furniture, crafts, books, collectibles, household, clothing, miscellaneous.

Obituaries

Pamela Louise Riffe
1956-2016
Pamela Louise Riffe - age 59, of Howell, formerly of Fenton, died May 23, 2016. Funeral services will be held 10 AM Friday, May 27, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be held 2-4 & 6-8 PM Thursday, May 26, 2016. Those desiring may make contributions to the family c/o Sharp Funeral Homes. Pamela was born Septem- ber 10, 1956 in Uniontown, PA, the daughter of James and Helen Rice. Surviv- ing are: husband, Daniel; daughters, Danielle Riffe, Jamie (Jim) Dubre, Debbie (Adam) Caten, her grand- children that she lived for, Kylee, Cierra, Johnathion, Addyson and Avery; sister, Patricia Williams; brother, Frank; many nieces and nephews, including Margie Bula. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister and a brother. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

Lena Ovidale Whitten
1927-2016
Lena Ovidale Whitten - age 89, of Flint, died Sun- day, May 22, 2016. Funeral services will be held 12 PM Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at Sharp Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 6063 Fenton Rd., Flint. Pastor Rich Wilke officiating. Burial will follow in Flint Memorial Park, Mt. Morris. Visitation was held 4-8 PM Tuesday, May 24, 2016 and will be held 10 AM until time of service on Wednesday. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. Lena was born on February 15, 1927 in Wayne County, TN, the daughter of the late William J. and Annie C. (Martin) Burns. She married Vernon Whitten on Sep- tember 6, 1942 in Wayne County, TN, they preceded her in death in 1994. Mrs. Whitten enjoyed sewing, making dolls and kitchen towels. She was a devoted Christian, loved the Lord and spending time with her grandchildren. Surviv- ing are: children, Jeannette Waldrop of Flint, Shelia Gil- liard of Flint, Larry (Judy) Whitten of Indian River, Sandra Whitten of Flint; siblings, Dorothy Henderson of AL, Alfred (Martha) Burns of TN, Noland (Linda) Burns TN, Anita (David) West of AL, Preston Burns of FL; numerous grandchildren, many great-grandchildren; several great-grand- children; many nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her granddaughter Lynn; grandson, Coy; great- grandson, William; daugh- ter, Glenda; son, David; sister, Ruth and brother Clifton. Online condolences may be posted on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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In Loving Memory of our beloved son and pal,
Erich Keith Zepf
who passed away 35 years ago today, May 25th 1981

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