

# Second Cornerstone project presented

■ Developers want \$400,000 from the city of Fenton to make the project happen

**By Vera Hogan**  
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**Fenton** — Representatives from the Corlin Group, the company responsible for the construction of the \$4.7 million Cornerstone building at Silver Lake Road and LeRoy Street, gave a pres-

entation for a second building before a joint meeting of the Fenton City Council and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Wednesday night.  
The proposed new \$7.5 million building, which is much like the first one, would be located in front of 111 S. LeRoy St., immediately north of the Fenton United Methodist Church.  
After giving an impressive look at what they have planned, Ghassan Saab **See CORNERSTONE on 7A**

“This is the first time I’ve heard of this and I’m a bit surprised to be honest with you.”  
**Lynn Markland**  
Fenton city manager



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | SUBMITTED PHOTO  
The Corlin Group presented this artist rendering of what their next project may look like. It’s a four-story, mixed-use building to be located in front of 111 S. LeRoy St. in Fenton.

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## ‘You don’t have to live in fear’

■ State police address questions and concerns over murdered jogger

**By Tim Jagielo**  
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**Rose Twp.** — Resident Kay Alvarado lives on Rattalee Lake Road, less than two miles from where Alexandra Brueger, 31, was murdered on July 30.  
“I’ve seen this little girl run for years,” said Alvarado, who has always seen many people running and walking on her street, which connects to Fish Lake Road, where Brueger was shot.  
But today, “Nobody is running, walking,” she said.

**See CONCERNS on 15A**

“I’ve seen this little girl run for years... It’s just unbelievable for this area.”

**Kay Alvarado**  
Rattalee Lake Road resident



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIM JAGIELO  
F/Lt. Michael Shaw answers questions from the audience. The Michigan State Police has received 1,700 tips related to the homicide case.

## Fenton and Linden all revved up



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** | TIM JAGIELO  
Thousands enjoyed Fenton’s Tune-up Car Cruise on Thursday. About 500 cars filled downtown Fenton for one of the busiest evenings of the summer. Downtown Linden also drew thousands to view 420 cars on Wednesday.  
**See more photos on Page 16A**

## Women and girls — reading this could save your life

■ Proven methods to identify and avoid predators

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Women and girls of all ages who think nothing will ever happen to them are wrong — sometimes dead wrong.  
It doesn’t matter if they live in New York City or one of our local small towns, the potential for danger is everywhere.  
**See SAFETY on 17A**

## Lots of surprises during demolition of Shiawassee house

■ Everything of architectural significance being repurposed

**By Vera Hogan**  
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It appears that the fate of 106 W. Shiawassee Ave. and the preservation of its history are in good hands.  
Last week, the painstaking process of deconstructing 106 W. Shiawassee Ave. in Fenton began.  
**See SURPRISES on 14A**



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The crew taking apart 106 W. Shiawassee Ave. in Fenton has removed part of the roof and a significant amount of lumber.

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“Some Hot-liner stated that Donald Trump does not have any of the characteristics required to be a politician. That’s exactly why I’m voting for him.”

“Since it’s 2016, maybe it’s time for a woman assistant city manager this time.”

“Any woman who does not vote for Hillary Clinton for president is a traitor to the sisterhood. We have been abused for too many years. This is our chance to change America for the better.”

“Don’t blame any over-taxed business in Fenton for asking for free money from the city or DDA, it’s their right. But do blame the council or DDA if they actually give it to them.”

**COMMENT OF THE WEEK**

“To the caller who asked for an example of irony, here’s one. People in large cities stuck in a traffic jam on their way to the gym to ride a stationary bike.”



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#### BYRON

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**\$210,000**

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1714 Nebraska

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#### FENTON

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**Contemporary home** on 10 heavily wooded acres. Home has gorgeous wood floors throughout the living area. Open floor plan is great for entertaining. 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths on main level with an additional bedroom in the walkout basement. 16x24 Pole barn and 2 car attached garage.

**\$360,000**

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#### FENTON

12179 Rohn

**Great location** and a beautiful piece of property come with this farmhouse! Unique barn and out buildings. House needs updating, but well worth the investment! Possible splits available. Mature trees and pond site make this property a must see. LP now but natural gas will be available in approx. 6 months.

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#### LINDEN

4410 Lahring

**Lovely Handcrafted Home** built by the owner. This bright home offers a Cathedral Living Room/Kitchen and Dining Room, as well as a 3 Season Sunroom with a full view of the acreage. 3 spacious bedrooms, family room, and a LL recreation room. Pole barn and separate workshop with LL garage.

**\$185,000**

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#### GAINES

7015 Smith

**Nature lovers dream home** on over 12 private acres. Beautiful 1/2 log cedar home with Open log beams, Stone fireplace and large windows. First floor master suite which has the open log beam ceiling. Two bedrooms and bath upstairs with additional living room that could be used as another bedroom. Full walk out basement.

**\$379,900**

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#### FENTON

400 E. Elizabeth

**This turn of the century home** is brimming with charm and character. Beautiful landscaping complete with picket fence and arbor. Original hardwood floor in the living and dining room, new furnace & hot water heater 2015, new roof, and new kitchen cabinets plus all appliances stay. Within walking distance of charming downtown Fenton.

**\$135,500**

Call Tina Grant 810-441-0297



#### FLINT TOWNSHIP

4283 Carmanwood

**Same owner since the 1960's** giving this property pride of ownership. An extensive lists of updates including roof 2012, AC in 2010 as well as full update of home's electrical system. 4 bedrooms make this an incredible deal on a well-cared for family home that even includes a whole house generator!

**\$82,900**

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#### LINDEN

16169 Lydia

**This beautiful colonial** has 4 bedrooms & 2.5 baths. Huge living room with fireplace gives everyone plenty of space to spread out. Full basement waiting to be finished. Pretty yard and 2 car attached garage. Home is located near Clover Beach, AYSO soccer fields, and close to US 23 for an easy commute.

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#### LINDEN

15042 Longfield

**100 feet of sandy shoreline**

on peaceful McCasin Lake. Contemporary 5 bedroom home offers lots of living space. Functional kitchen with plenty of cabinets and counter space. Roomy living room with great views or sit outside on your large deck and soak in the tranquility of living on the water.

**\$217,000**

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#### FENTON

11013 Windy Hill

**Huge Cape Cod** on 5 beautifully manicured acres set at the end of a cul-de-sac and located in Fenton schools. Home boasts 2 main floor bedrooms and 2 second floor bedrooms. Great working kitchen with stainless appliances, partially finished basement. Pond and pole barn make this home even more enticing.

**\$274,900**

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1017 Lee

**Unique home** in ideal location in the City of Fenton.

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#### CLIO

615 N. Mill

**Fabulous opportunity** to renovate this huge historic home!! Enclosed porch, hardwood floors, huge kitchen, attached wooden garage and additional outbuilding plus a very large almost half acre city lot with an almost fully fenced back yard! House needs TLC but roof is new in the last 2 years!

**\$49,900**

Call Kevin Usealman 810-965-6552



# Summer recess keeps crews busy at schools



■ Projects include repaved parking lots, plumbing repairs, technology upgrades

**By Hannah Ball**

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As the new school year looms ahead, school districts are working on finishing some over-the-summer construction projects.

**Fenton**

According to Fenton Area Public Schools Superintendent Adam Hartley, construction workers are finishing multiple projects.

"The sinking fund is paying for infrastructure upgrades to the aging ceiling tiles and gym ceilings at State Road and North Road elementary schools. The cost for that project is \$85,496 for both buildings which was bid out in May and approved at the June (school board) meeting," Hartley said.

**“We often forget that it takes a great team in the summer to prepare for the upcoming school year.”**

**Adam Hartley**  
Fenton Area Public Schools  
superintendent

The grounds department worked out the kinks for the athletic irrigation systems, and mulched all playgrounds and several flowerbeds.

"The custodial staff has worked hard all summer cleaning the buildings, stripping and waxing tile floors, burnishing terrazzo floors, and refinishing the gym floors throughout the district," Hartley said.

A few of the projects the maintenance staff has worked on include replacing all steam traps at North Road Elementary, several plumbing repairs, and remodeling a couple outbuildings. They will drain, repair the filter system and

**See SUMMER on 10A**

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(Top) Fenton Area Public Schools mechanic Harold Pignatelli paints a school bus on Tuesday morning. Six buses received new paint, along with new moldings and body panels. (Center) At North Road Elementary, everything was cleaned from ceiling to floor ahead of the school year. (Bottom) Sinking fund dollars were used to pay for new carpet at North Road Elementary.



## ROBO CALLS

Make them  
**STOP CALLING ME!**

■ How to deal with irritating and (most likely illegal) robocalls

**By Hannah Ball**

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Those automated phone calls with a recorded message you're getting on your cell phone, called robocalls, are most likely illegal.

Under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is the governing body on establishing rules, taking enforcement actions, providing clarity on the law, and providing resources for consumers.

All non-emergency robocalls, whether they're telemarketing or informational, require a consumer's permission to be made to a wireless phone. These calls also include political and polling requests.

**See ROBOCALLS on 8A**



### SUMMARY

■ Robocalls to your cell phone are reportedly illegal unless that company has written consent from you.

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## Come *Heller* high water

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### Refuse to be shark bait

**D**uring my annual summer week up north, I saw a T-shirt that said 'The Great Lakes — no salt, no sharks, no problems.'

I could have written that myself. I've always thought the Great Lakes — in fact, all freshwater lakes — are vastly superior to the ocean.

A big part of it is fear, I'll admit. Oceans have all sorts of creatures that want to eat you, bite you or sting you. Remember the poor Crocodile Hunter? He was zapped in the heart by a stingray and died. That would never happen in a lake. A snapping turtle mistaking your



Andrew Heller  
FEATURED COLUMNIST

toes for a snack is the worst thing that can happen to you in a lake.

Sharks are by far my biggest fear. I was 14 when 'Jaws' came out and the words 'I think we're gonna need a bigger boat' have been stuck in my brain ever since, along with that scene where Quint slides down the deck of the Orca and becomes an appetizer.

I've been in the ocean five or six times without incident. But the last time was still the last time I'll ever venture into the sea past my ankles.

I was standing in waist deep water off Sanibel Island, Florida, being very brave indeed, while my kids splashed around me. Just as I was beginning to relax and enjoy the warm ocean water, I heard shouting from down the beach and saw people pointing at two fins headed straight for us.

'Aaaaaaagh, sharks!' is what I think I screamed before leaping clear out of the water with my legs spinning cartoon-style.

When I looked back from the safety of the beach, everyone else — the kids, the lovely yet formidable Marcia and others who were in the water at the time — was pointing and saying things like, 'Isn't it beautiful?' and 'I hope they make another pass.'

Another pass? Are you crazy, I thought?

Then it dawned on me they were dolphins, not sharks.

OK, it was embarrassing. And Marcia made fun of me later for not dragging her and the kids out with me. But in my defense, I was the meatiest, most attractive meal of the bunch, so the sharks were bound to come after me first, and I was simply drawing them away from the others.

That's my story and I'm sticking to it. But even if that

weren't the case, could you blame me for being leery of the ocean? I didn't grow up on the Gulf of Mexico around sharks, stingrays and jellyfish. I grew up on Lake Michigan around minnows, trout and bass.

I swam in the lake every day during the summer (which, in the U.P., is the very best week of the year) without ever having a single fear that something was going to rise from the depths and have me for lunch. The worst thing that can happen to you in Lake Michigan is a getting a glob of seaweed in your mouth.

You can have the ocean. I'll stick to my lakes. Call me crazy but I've never wanted the last thing anyone says about me to be 'Hey, where'd Andy go?'

**“I grew up on Lake Michigan around minnows, trout and bass.”**

## Hotlines

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**YOU WILL NEVER** get over it. You accept it, you deal with it. Losing a loved one is hard.

**HEY CHARTER, WHY** does ABC keep cutting out?

**WELCOME TO THE** right-wing conservative dictatorship of Michigan. Your trip begins with bad roads and high gas taxes compliments of Snyder. Also, taxing senior citizens on their retirement benefits.

**NO BUSINESS SHOULD** submit an application for funds after a project is finished. The idea of providing the funds is to encourage development, not gift it to existing business owners. That is our money, whether it is state or local funds.

**WHEN ARE YOU** 'righty tighties' going to understand that we're not trying to take away your guns. We're trying to make sure some idiot out there doesn't get a hold of a gun who shouldn't have one.

**FOR THE PERSON** who's looking for grief support, there's a grief support center at Loose Senior Center. It meets every first and third Thursday of the month from 6-7:30 p.m. If you're a senior you qualify. You can call the Loose Center at (810)-735 9406.

**I HAVE LIVED** in Fenton for 36 years and this is what I have learned. The longer

the same politicians are elected and serve, the less they make good decisions. I don't think the majority of citizens like the 'new' Fenton. I know I don't.

**MORE MISQUOTING AND** misrepresentation. The musket could get two to three shots per minute with someone who knew what they were doing. The AR-15 can put out anywhere from 60-300 rounds a minute. You take the musket, I'll take the AR-15.

**MAINSTREAM MEDIA AND** Democrats are so desperate that they have to make up stuff about Donald.

**CAN SOMEONE GIVE** me one logical reason why shorts are priced the same as pants?

**DONALD TRUMP DOESN'T** want to release his 2015 tax returns, because they are going through his taxes and making sure he did it right. That's OK, but why not hand out your 2014-2013-2012 tax returns, like all other presidential candidates did.

**REMEMBER VINCE FOSTER?** We have two more in the last nine days. Victor Thorn wrote on 9-11 and many more about the Clintons. On his birthday, he was found on top of a mountain with a gunshot wound. He was on his property and the press is hollering suicide. When is someone going to stop this woman?

**WHAT DO YOU** say to a guy who smokes pot incessantly, didn't study and quit school? Yes, I'll have fries with that.

**PLEASE PAY ATTENTION** so I don't have to give your plate number to the police. Sincerely, the bus driver.

**SHAWN LUCAS WAS** a Bernie Sanders supporter and a month ago, he filed a lawsuit against the DNC for the way they discriminated against Bernie on the delegate count. On Sunday, it was reported that he was killed by a gunshot but they won't comment further. Hillary's comment will be 'What difference does it make?'

**IS THERE ANYONE** out there stupid enough to believe that the \$400 million that Obama gave to Iran wasn't ransom money? By paying the ransom, he put a price on the head of every American overseas.

**DO YOU OR** did you not teach your children not to lie? If so, you cannot be a hypocrite and vote for Hillary. Be an ABC voter (Anybody But Clinton).

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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## What precautions do you take to protect yourself?



"None really, I stay in safe areas. Fenton seems to be safe. If I do, I will zip up my purse and keep my keys between my fingers."

— Sarah Wiseman  
Fenton



"I wear my purse around me and just make myself aware of my surroundings."

— Lisa Taylor  
Fenton



"I look around where I am at, I keep my keys between my fingers, and if it is late at night I will park close to the store."

— Kim Ostrand  
Fenton



"I always watch my surroundings and I make sure my car is locked so no one will be in the back seat."

— Sally Carrier  
Linden



"Honestly, I do not take any, but I know I should carry something like pepper spray with me. I think that schools should teach the students a self-defense class."

— Miranda Leek  
Linden

## street talk



## Usewick to spend 28 months in federal prison

### ■ Sentence result of deal to plead guilty

By Vera Hogan

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Edward Frank Usewick III, 36, formerly of Fenton Township, has been sentenced to serve 28 months in federal prison, after having pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

Usewick was sentenced Tuesday, Aug. 9 in the Flint federal court by United States District Judge Linda V. Parker.

According to Usewick's plea agreement, the maximum penalty he could receive is 30 years in prison, with up to five years mandatory supervision upon his release.

Usewick was originally charged in Flint's U.S. District Court on Nov. 19, 2015 with 20 counts of federal bank fraud and conspiracy charges.

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

He has been lodged at the Midland County Jail since being picked up by federal marshals last December, after violating conditions of his bond release that he not commit any criminal acts.

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

dealerships around the Flint area using the Suski name.

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

Federal prosecutors alleged Usewick used the Suski Used Car dealerships to secure a revolving line of credit from Ally Financial. That line of credit was supposed to be used to purchase vehicles for later re-sale.

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

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

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

The Secretary of State decided to take action after receiving some consumer complaints regarding title work.

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

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



Edward Usewick

### SUMMARY

■ Edward Frank Usewick III will spend 28 months in prison after pleading guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

## Shooter of two remains jailed as court hearings begin

### ■ Attorney says both sides sifting through hundreds of pages of police files, evidence

By Hannah Ball

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The probable cause conference on Thursday, Aug. 11 for Jacquelyne Faye Tyson, 54, the woman who has been charged with fatally shooting Lyric Work, 20, and Tamara Johnson, 45, was adjourned.

When asked about the adjournment, Tyson's attorney, Michael Ewing, said police handed over more evidence. He said he was handed a couple hundred pages of police reports he didn't have before, and the prosecutor was given photographs he hadn't yet seen.

"Early on in these cases for homicide, it's not uncommon to have an adjournment or two," he said.

Another probable cause conference has been scheduled for Sept. 1 and a preliminary exam has been scheduled for Sept. 7.

"It's still very preliminary, we're just getting started," Ewing said.

Tyson is charged with first-degree, premeditated

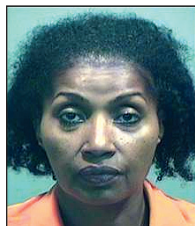
murder, assault with intent to murder and two counts of felony firearm. She is lodged in the Genesee County Jail on \$1 million bond.

Work was formerly of Linden and Johnson lived in Mt. Morris. They both worked as leasing agents with Grand Oaks Apartment complex in Grand Blanc.

On Tuesday, July 26, according to Grand Blanc Police Chief Brian Lipe, police officers responded to 11284 Grand Oak Dr., the leasing office of Grand Oaks Apartments, for reports of two females being shot.

Police arrested Tyson, who was a resident of the apartment complex, immediately and without incident.

The two victims — Work and Johnson — were located inside the leasing office and transported to Hurley Medical Center. Johnson was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at the hospital. Work, who was pregnant at the time, was put on life support. An emergency C-Section was performed to save her baby. Work was later removed from life support and died Friday, July 29.



Jacquelyne Faye Tyson

**“It's still very preliminary, we're just getting started.”**

**Michael Ewing**

*Jacquelyne Tyson's court-appointed attorney*

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## YOUR SMILE MATTERS!

By: Dr. Steven Sulfaro

### FLOSSING

As most of you are now aware, the Associated Press and the US News and World Reports released an article stating that according to their investigative research there is no scientific evidence to support the ongoing recommendation by us dentists that daily flossing has any positive effect on the health of your mouth. They are dead wrong. It must have been a really slow week in the news business. Their investigation is flawed because they only looked at short term studies of a year or less. The problem is that dental disease such as gum disease take years to progress and a short study probably won't show much improvement in the test subjects gum health after such a short period of time. It's like doing a research study on the benefits of fertilizer for plants that lasts for only one week. At the end of one week the researcher notices no difference between the fertilized and unfertilized plant and reports there is no benefit for using fertilizer on your plants. Unfortunately, the AP did their own, independent investigative search of the dental literature without any input from true dental experts such as the ADA. So, research or no; I can't help but notice those people in my practice who brush and floss on a regular basis tend to have better teeth than those who don't. Bottom line: "If you want to keep them, floss if ya got-um".

I welcome your questions and comments.  
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### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**THERE'S SO MANY** toads this year because they're responding to all the manure that Donald Trump's putting out.

**WHERE'S A REPUBLICAN** presidential candidate like Abraham Lincoln when you need one?

**WE KEEP HEARING** about some globalist group and how the Clintons and even the Bushes are part of it. Can someone explain what this all about?

**WHAT'S WITH THESE** weddings taking place down by the Linden millpond? I'm down there today and people are up there enjoying it, fishing, and people down in the wedding party are taking pictures. These people are trying to tell you how to

behave in your own park.

**THE MAIN REASON** Democrats like to give away so much free stuff is because it makes them feel all warm and fuzzy. Giving always feels good. What they are forgetting is that they are taking money to buy that stuff from people who are actually working hard just to give it to those who are lazy. I doubt any of them use their own money.

**I SEE A** lot of people are disgusted and plan not to vote. This is a mistake because this is as good as a vote for Trump. Get out and vote for Hillary unless you want Trump.

**HILLARY CLINTON SAID** she does not want the endorsement of the Fraternal Order of Police. No police were allowed to speak at the DNC. Hillary Clinton is the anti-law enforcement candidate. On the other hand, she did seek the endorsement of Black Lives Matter.

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD RECEIVED** Hillary Clinton's unwavering support, 100-percent support yesterday. She said abortions should be readily available at any time for any reason and should be funded through Medicaid with our public tax dollars. I also believe that Democrats have never seen a baby body part that they wouldn't want to sell.

**THE CORRUPTION** and theft of tax dollars that is rife in Fenton right now is exactly why no city should have the same leadership year after year. The sheer audacity of blatant favoritism is outrageous. Citizens should go to the City Council meetings and speak up.

**HARD FOR YOU** to understand, but if you didn't live in Fenton and were elderly, sick or poor and lived on a few hundred dollars a week and don't have a car to get a photo ID so you could vote, it's going to cost you \$25 to \$30 for the ID and money to get home.

## Police&Fire report

### BREAK-IN ON WOODWARD DRIVE

The Argentine Township Police Department is investigating a break-in that occurred at a home on Woodward Drive. The resident noticed that someone used force to gain entry to his home while he was on vacation. Items were stolen. After realizing his home was broken into, the homeowner spoke with neighbors. One reported seeing an older white van with a loud exhaust parked in his driveway just after 1 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 5. The neighbor did not call 911 to report the suspicious activity. Argentine police want to remind residents that they offer a free vacation check. Anyone leaving town can stop by the police station and fill out a vacation form and police will check on their home each shift. Another tip is to refrain from posting any vacation photos on social media until after returning home.

### BREAK-IN ON FINCH DRIVE

A home was broken into on Finch Drive in Argentine Township on July 16. The homeowner told police they were away from the home for approximately 40 minutes and during that time someone forced their way in by breaking in the back door. Between \$250 and \$350 in cash was stolen. Police are attempting to identify the suspect.

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## Tri-county fundraisers

### FORWARD4WEST SPAGHETTI DINNER AND FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK SET FOR AUG. 19-20

The fourth annual Forward4West Family Fun Run/Walk and Spaghetti Dinner will have special meaning this year as West would have celebrated his 16th birthday this year on Sept. 5. West passed away July 1, 2012. To remember West, family and friends are holding a Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, Aug. 19 at 5:30 p.m. at Linden Presbyterian Church. A Walk/Run event will step out on Saturday, Aug. 20 for both a two-mile and timed 5K events. Fireworks will follow on Saturday evening at dusk. A scholarship is given each year to a Linden High School graduate chosen by the Special Education Department. His family will continue to expand the West Frescura sections of the libraries in the Linden school district. For more information, visit the Forward 4 West Facebook page.

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## CORNERSTONE

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dropped a bombshell that was met with dead silence — they need \$400,000 from the city for the project.

“Without it, the project can’t happen,” said Saab.

City Manager Lynn Markland told Saab, “This is the first time I’ve heard of this and I’m a bit surprised to be honest with you.”

DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt asked Markland if it was possible to look at a loan.

Markland responded, “I’ll have to check. Maybe this is not the best time to do this.”

The Corlin Group is proposing a four-story building covering an area of 154 by 70 feet. Each floor will feature 10,780 square feet, with the exception of the fourth floor, which will be slightly smaller to accommodate outdoor balconies. Total square footage will be 41,880 and the building will be 52 feet high.

The first floor will be intended for retail tenants, the second floor for offices and the third and fourth floors for condominiums, much like the original Cornerstone building.

The first floor would accommodate multiple tenants in five spaces ranging in size from 1,300 to 2,400 square feet.

Additionally, the contractor is proposing dedicated parking for tenants by way of 14 covered spots.

They are also proposing 23 public parking spaces, two of which will be handicap parking. A small plaza on the south end of the building could accommodate an outdoor café or coffee shop.

The condominiums would feature an open floor plan and have two bedrooms and two baths, and range in size from 1,500 to 1,953 square feet.

Schmidt questioned Saab on the time it took to sell the condos in the original Cornerstone building. Saab said they went “very quickly.”

Saab said they were surprised that it was “the bigger the better” for prospective buyers. Usually, when people buy condos they are downsizing. “People want to live downtown but they don’t want to sacrifice space.”

Asked about the color scheme and materials to be used in construction, Saab explained what they call “transitional,” meaning they tried to pay respect to the historical components of

the downtown while blending modern in at the same time.

Once the Corlin Group gets all of its permits, approvals, grants, etc., they hope to break ground the first part of 2017, during the spring thaw. A Feb. 25, 2018 completion date is expected.

Prior to asking for the nearly half-million dollars, Saab explained that while the real estate market is improving, construction costs continue to rise.

During the economic downturn, a lot of skilled tradesmen left town, Saab said. It will cost more to get them to come back.

“It simply costs more to build a building of this size and quality,” he said.

According to Saab, they can get all of the money they need for the project except the \$400,000, which will cover architect and engineering fees.

According to Assistant City Manager Mike Burns, who also is the DDA director, the original Cornerstone project ran into some trouble because of soil issues, after the pylons were already in.

As a result, the DDA loaned \$200,000 to the Corlin Group. Although it was a five-year loan with 2-percent interest, they paid it back in full around Christmas of 2015.

“If we have the same kind of agreement, we would break even,” said Saab.

Chip Beltinck, who owns Sawyer Jewelers with his wife, Mary Ann, spoke to the council about the problems with parking at the first Cornerstone building, where the store is now located.

“Parking has always been an issue,” said Beltinck. “I’m already losing customers because there is no parking. The tenants now use up all the spots.”

He also addressed another year-long construction project in downtown Fenton. “The longer we have construction, I lose everyday business,” he said.

Mayor Sue Osborn told the Corlin Group representatives, “We can’t make a decision tonight. There are things the council and DDA did not realize. We will take this under advisement and reconvene at another meeting.”

The council and DDA voted to approve Osborn’s recommendation. The next meeting could take place in the next two weeks.

**“It simply costs more to build a building of this size and quality.”**

**Ghassan Saab**  
representatives  
with the Corlin Group

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## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**IF YOU’VE BEEN** watching the Democratic Convention on TV, have you noticed the ‘face lifts’ on Michelle Obama and Joe Biden at the taxpayers’ expense. This done before they leave office. P.S. President did say in his speech that ‘Michelle has never aged.’

**THE NEWS MEDIA** failed to report that Gold Star parent, Khirz Kahn, who attacked Trump, is a lawyer who represents wealthy Muslims to help get them into the country more easily. Trump is bad for his business. Kahn has since removed his website to hide his true intent.

**ANYONE ELSE HATE** the two presidential choices? What else can we do besides ‘waste’ a vote? Maybe we should start a campaign toward everyone who feels like I do to vote for Jill Stein. Anyone out there have a better idea? Signed, hopeless for the future of USA.

**TRUMP’S SUITS ARE** paid for by himself whereas Hillary’s outfits are paid for by their charitable foundation.

**DONALD TRUMP IS** a man’s man and woman’s man because honest people want to hear the truth spoken. To the other people that cannot take the truth, put on your big boy and big girl pants and listen to the truth.

**SHOULDN’T OUR PRESIDENT** be trustworthy above everything else? The meaning of trustworthy is ‘able to be relied on’ as honest or truthful. It is fact that Hillary is neither.



## ASK THE MECHANIC

Chris Wilkinson,  
Certified Mechanic

**Q:** My coolant leaks. However, the car never overheats. I can see that the coolant level is low I changed the water pump, but a mechanic says that it is leaking from the head gasket. My buddy told me that the cooling fan is not working so the car has too much pressure and that is what is causing it. Would this be the problem? - Samsit

**A:** Sasmit, The head gasket could be the cause. It may not always show signs of leaking, as the coolant is burned in the combustion chamber. If the coolant leak in the head gasket was excessive enough; you would see white smoke from the tailpipe when running the car or have a hard starting problem. An external head gasket leak, or any other external leak if small enough, could dry up before hitting the ground. The best way to find this would be to add dye to the cooling system and watch for leaks with a black light and special glasses that show the dye glowing. Like the stuff they sometimes put on your hand when you go into clubs or events then have you hold your hand under a light upon re-entry. There is also a combustion leak test that we do here to find head gasket leaks. It involves using a special chemical and drawing air from the radiator or coolant reservoir that changes color when there are combustion gasses present. As for the cooling fan not working; this could be the cause of the problem but the car would most likely be overheating and you would see the temp gauge getting very hot. Make sure you have this cooling fan repaired no matter what the cause of the coolant leak is since summer is here your car could overheat and cause engine damage.

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## ROBOCALLS

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Unless you gave express written permission to call your cell phone, those telemarketers are breaking the law and you can report their number. (see sidebar)

Written consent doesn't necessarily mean writing letters to companies saying, "Please send me robocalls" or "I consent to receiving robocalls."

This type of consent may be obtained by email, audio recording, web opt-in and a few other ways, often hidden in the terms and agreements of many online contracts, according to robocalllaw.com.

If you accidentally give permission, you can take it back any time.

These rules also apply to texting.

You can register your number on the "Do Not Call" list at donotcall.gov.

According to the FCC, a calling company cannot require a consumer to fill out a form and mail it as the only way to revoke that consent.

Telling the telemarketer over the phone to lose your number should do the job. Keep a record of that number, and if they contact you again, report them.

Robocalls must contain an automated opt-out mechanism that allows the recipient to make a do-not-call request that can be chosen by voice or keypress, according to robocalllaw.com.

Moreover, an existing commercial relationship also does not qualify as consent to be robocalled or texted.

Calls or texts that are allowed without prior consent are urgent ones specifically for health or fraud alerts. These calls and texts are free and consumers can "stop" anytime.

Many consumers can ask their phone company to provide robocall-blocking technology, if it isn't already provided. The FCC has approved this technology.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) regularly works to protect Americans from robocalls.

Last summer, the FTC held a contest to see who could build the best robocall-blocking mobile app, according to the FTC. The first place winner received \$25,000.

The winners created RoboKiller, which relies on call forwarding that works on landline and mobile phones, and uses audio-fingerprint technology to identify robocalls. It blocks and essentially forwards robocalls to a spam folder.

The FTC also pushed to hold three Utah-based firms guilty for engaging in deceptive and unlawful telemarketing campaigns pitching movies. They made more than 117 million illegal calls to consumers, which violates the FTC's Telemarketing Sales Rule.

A jury found the defendants guilty.

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## Reporting numbers

To file a complaint by phone, call (888)225-5322. Written complaints should be mailed to: Federal Communications Commission Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Consumer Inquiries and Complaints Division, 445 12th St., S.W. Washington, DC 20554.

## Stopping robocalls

### 1. Keep your number to yourself

When companies ask for your number for no reason, don't give it.

### 2. Tell them to stop calling you

If you tell companies to stop calling you, they're obligated to stop.

### 3. Hang up

Don't waste your time trying to argue with them. Hang up right away.

### 4. Don't press numbers

Many people think that entering a certain code will put you on their do-not-call registry, but you're actually just confirming that someone is responding to the call and you might receive even more calls.

### 5. Get on the Do Not Call registry

Go to donotcall.gov.

### 6. File a complaint

Contact the Federal Communications Commission to report robocalls.

### 7. Use a blocking service

Nomorobo is a free service that blocks robocalls. There are many other apps available for free that will save you from having to deal with robocalls.

Source: moneytalksnews.com

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**THERE ARE SO** many things in life I question. My big question is: America, do we want four more years of Obama? If so, Hillary is your answer.

**THANK YOU, CHARTER.** Watching a movie on FXM, with 10 minutes to go the picture froze so I never will see how it ends. Best movie I've ever seen with Halle Berry. It's titled 'The Call.'

**FROM THE FLOWER** boxes in front of the fire house, to school yards, front yards, municipal yards, sidewalks and parking lots, it's almost universally accepted in town that 'weed's lives matter.'

**PHONE SCAMS MUST** stop. I just received one from Washington, D.C. saying they had some court case field against me and I needed to call back. The number is 202-335-7515. I called the police, the FBI and the Times.

**TO THE PERSON** who said if you don't work, you shouldn't vote. Are you really a moron or are you just trying to pretend to be one?

**OBAMA HAS DIVIDED** this country racially. He has allowed thousands to come from the Middle East. He has allowed millions to enter from Mexico illegally. He has allowed hundreds of prisoners out of jail. Hillary wants to continue with his policies.

**WHAT HAPPENED TO** innocent until proven guilty? Everybody is assuming everyone is guilty whether they are found guilty or not.

**AS FAR AS** Gov. Snyder not endorsing Donald Trump for president, that's just additional proof to show that Snyder's the most Democratic Republican we've ever had as governor of our state.

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America's Got Talent and none of them know exactly where it's coming from. Well I'm here to tell you that you're not a bad housekeeper. I tell people that by simply having the air ducts cleaned it will drastically reduce household dust and the reason is your cold air returns. Cold air returns suck in dirty air and over time it builds up until you have the same type of debris that you would find in your vacuum bag. Cold air returns are also the reason new homeowners are experiencing dust. While your drywall was being sanded, your air returns sucked all of the dust through the system. To prove it, go down to your basement and look for the thin sheets of tin nailed between your floor joists, these are your cold air returns, now give them a good pounding, you'll see puffs

of dust seeping from the edges. That my friends is the reason you have uncontrollable Dust issues. This debris can not be removed without a professional.



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WEDDING



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Nathan and Janice Weed are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter, Nadine Beatrice Weed to James Mathew Sherman, son of Linda Stewart Clark of Rochester, Michigan and Dale Sherman of Gaylord, Michigan. The marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents in Fenton Township on July 23, 2016. The ceremony was officiated by the bride's aunt, Anne Waller of Scotland. The tradition of hand-fasting was incorporated in the ceremony. The bride wore a stunning ivory lace dress with a mid-length veil. Bridesmaids wore cream, floral with lace strapless tea length dresses. Elizabeth (Weed) Erickson was matron of honor, Nastassja Kotlensky was maid of honor and Kyla Waller was bridesmaid. The groom and groomsmen wore kilts in the Hamilton Gray Tartan as did Nathan Weed (bridesman). Joel Sherman was best man. Matt Shuck, Damion Keelan, Jeremy Loyd and Tommy Lopp were groomsmen. Craig and Ian Erickson were ring bearers and wore kilts. Julia Huot, the flower girl, wore a cream dress with a tartan overlay. Violinist was Brett McDowell, bagpiper was Brad Wright, and Beni and Maria, and DJ John Davis provided the music for the ceremony and reception. The meal was of Scottish fare. A haggis was served for the groom. Fireworks over the lake at dusk added to the evening's festivities. The bride and groom reside in Argentine Township. Photo by AMB photography.

ANNIVERSARY



Doyles celebrate 25th anniversary

Sean and Joy (Lucius) Doyle of Swartz Creek celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 13, 2016. The couple was married at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in 1991 with Fr. David Harvey officiating. Attendants were Steven Doyle and Karen Lucius. The couple has four children, Kyle, Cassandra, Kristian and Kaleb. Sean's parents are Joe and Betty Doyle, and Joy's parents are Clarence and Delores Lucius. Sean is a Fenton High School graduate and Joy is a Lake Fenton High School graduate.

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MISSED  
in the  
MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following are stories you missed in the **Wednesday, Aug. 10 Midweek edition** of the Tri-County Times. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

Killer still at large

The Michigan State Police are asking for the public's help in identifying a possible suspicious vehicle and suspect in the death of Alexandra Brueger, who was shot and killed July 30 while running on Fish Lake Road in Rose Township.

Runners rally in memory of murder victim Alexandra Brueger

Approximately 40 people ran on Fish Lake Road on Sunday, Aug. 7 to honor Alexandra "Ally" Brueger, who was shot while running along this stretch of road on July 30.



Façade grant request to go back to DDA

Request for 113 Mill St., the site of a future taco stand and speakeasy owned by Mark Hamel and Chad Brennan, needs nine favorable DDA votes; only six were received in July.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

**DDA IS MAKING** more exceptions to rules. Wonder who's paying for these backdoor deals.

**HEY RICK SNYDER**, drop your paycheck 20 percent. That would fix the roads. No, instead let's just suck the taxpayer dry. Do you know how many people are going to move from Michigan?

**WHAT? MORE PEOPLE** are breathing easy at the gas pump? Well, as governor of Michigan I cannot let that happen. Granholm did the same thing. She forced families to move.

**BILLIONAIRES CAN'T BUY** Bernie and billionaires can't buy Trump, but because of his astute business sense, he is a billionaire. Billionaires can buy and have bought Hillary Clinton. She has been bought and paid for many times over.

**THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION** of Assistant U.S. Attorneys has criticized Obama for his 562 commutations from prison. These are more than the last nine presidents combined. Many were hardened criminals, drug kingpins, and 55 were violent drug offenders.

**DONALD TRUMP'S MADE** lots of sacrifices. He sacrificed decency, stability, and integrity.

**YESTERDAY IN A** speech, Hillary Clinton proudly announced that she's going to raise taxes on the middle class by \$1.3 trillion. This will of course give her more money to give to illegal aliens and to give to welfare and food stamp recipients.

**TO ADD TO** the King's left wing lunacy observations, in New York city there are 31 different gender and transgender types within the city. Only in left-wing liberal land.

**I DO NOT** live in Fenton anymore, but it appears that the DDA is quickly becoming a self-serving entity.

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North Road Elementary custodian Scott Breckenridge strips a hallway floor to add a new coat of wax Tuesday morning.

## SUMMER

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fill the pool, install a new ceiling and prep all boilers for inspections.

Mechanics have replaced several body panels on a few older buses, and completed an engine overhaul and repairs to the buses.

Another usual summer construction includes routine maintenance on technology.

In technology upgrades, Fenton schools is upgrading its WiFi with multiple access points and increasing speed and performance. This cost approximately \$47,000, which was paid for by a Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant (TRIG) from the state of Michigan.

Fenton is also upgrading its computers to Windows 10 with \$5,000 of 2014 bond funds. The district is getting new Windows 10 laptops for an AGS Middle School course costing \$54,000, which is being paid for with bond funds. Also new are touch-screen Chromebooks for kindergarten through second-grade classrooms, which cost approximately \$33,000, and is being paid for by TRIG and 2014 bond funds.

"Our Fenton Area Public Schools summer projects are going well thanks to the hard work of our custodial, mechanical, technology, and operations staff. We often forget that it takes a great team in the summer to prepare for the upcoming school year. These dedicated team members continue to work throughout the summer heat to make our buildings safe and clean," he said.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

North Road Elementary resurfaced some curbs and approaches ahead of the school year.

### Lake Fenton

According to Lake Fenton Superintendent Wayne Wright, the school completed three summer construction projects.

Construction workers are putting a new roof on Torrey Hill Intermediate School and replacing the metal fascia. The entire project costs \$227,600.

The boiler at the high school is being upgraded with a larger heat expectancy unit for efficiency purposes, Wright said. The base bid for this project was \$72,900.

The middle school track is being reconditioned, and the base bid was \$77,389.

### Linden

According to Linden Interim Superintendent Russ Ciesielski, their summer maintenance projects are underway.

The school used sinking fund dollars to reseal and strip the student parking lot at the high school, as well as fix the Argentine Elementary roof, and expand the north parking area at Central Elementary, and the sidewalks.

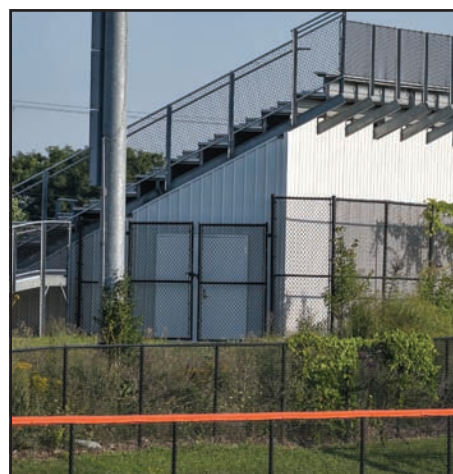
Sinking funds are also paying for a handicap entrance ramp at Hyatt Elementary on the west side of the building.

The school is using the general fund to pay for the cleaning of the grandstands at Claude Cranston Field. Other areas near the stadium have also been cleaned.

Ciesielski said two other projects being completed using general funds include cleaning the roof drains and gutters, and touching up the painting at each building.

### Holly

Holly Superintendent Dave Nuss said there are no major repairs going on at Holly this summer. He said basic maintenance is being completed. After completing their annual fire suppression system check, they had a few filters replaced. Beyond that, Nuss said there was nothing major being done.



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Fenton High School used sinking fund dollars to enclose the back of the football stadium bleachers this summer.



# Excitement grows for 16-mile pathway that would connect Argentine to Holly and beyond

By Hannah Ball

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The Fenton Township Board of Trustees made the latest move in making the 16-mile non-motorized Linden, Argentine, Fenton, and Fenton Township (LAFF) pathway a reality.

At its July 25 meeting, in a 6-1 vote, the board adopted a resolution to add an amendment to the existing Fenton Township Parks and Recreation Plan to incorporate a non-motorized pathway.

Clerk Bob Krug cast the dissenting vote.

"I believe there are more important projects. It is a major project but nobody has talked about where the funding will come from," he said. Krug also expressed concerns about not having the money for the pathway.

At the meeting, Victor Lukasavitz, chairman of the LAFF Steering Committee, thanked the board for moving forward with the amendment, and that a non-motorized pathway network will be a great benefit to the community.

"We appreciate all the community support of LAFF. We're going to continue to do fundraisers," he said.

He urged board members to consider developing plans and budgets for specific recreational improvements.

The 16-mile pathway would connect the cities of Linden and Fenton to Grand Blanc, Mundy Township, Swartz Creek, Argentine Township and other outlying areas.

It will run from Lobdell Lake Road at Glen Hatt Drive through Fenton Township, Linden City, Fenton City, Seven Lakes State Park, Holly Township and Holly Village to Water Works Park.

All local municipalities have passed resolutions in favor of trails, and Fenton Township is the latest municipality to include the pathway in their park plan.

"It's nice they stepped up finally," Lukasavitz said. He hopes the topic won't become a desk study — something that just sits on a desk and doesn't come to fruition.

"It has to be considered on a yearly basis when they set their budgets," he said. "They have to consider it when they review site plans."

However, the work isn't over yet.

"It's not over. The community has won an opportunity to include trials with grant money," Lukasavitz said. "LAFF is going to continue to work."

The residents need to stay in contact with their representatives on boards and councils, even bumping in them at coffee shops or at church or just going to a formal meeting."

Lukasavitz said they're coordinating with the Michigan Department of Transportation about the bridges that pass over expressways.

The LAFF group has been working closely with Argentine Township recently.

On Monday, Aug. 8, representatives from LAFF, Argentine Township, Linden schools, the Genesee County Road Commission, property owners, and some parents and students went through a walkthrough of where the path will be.

The Argentine Township path will start on the west side of Linden on Silver Lake Road, go through the Linden school's campus, and go up to Lobdell Road and Glen Hatt Drive.

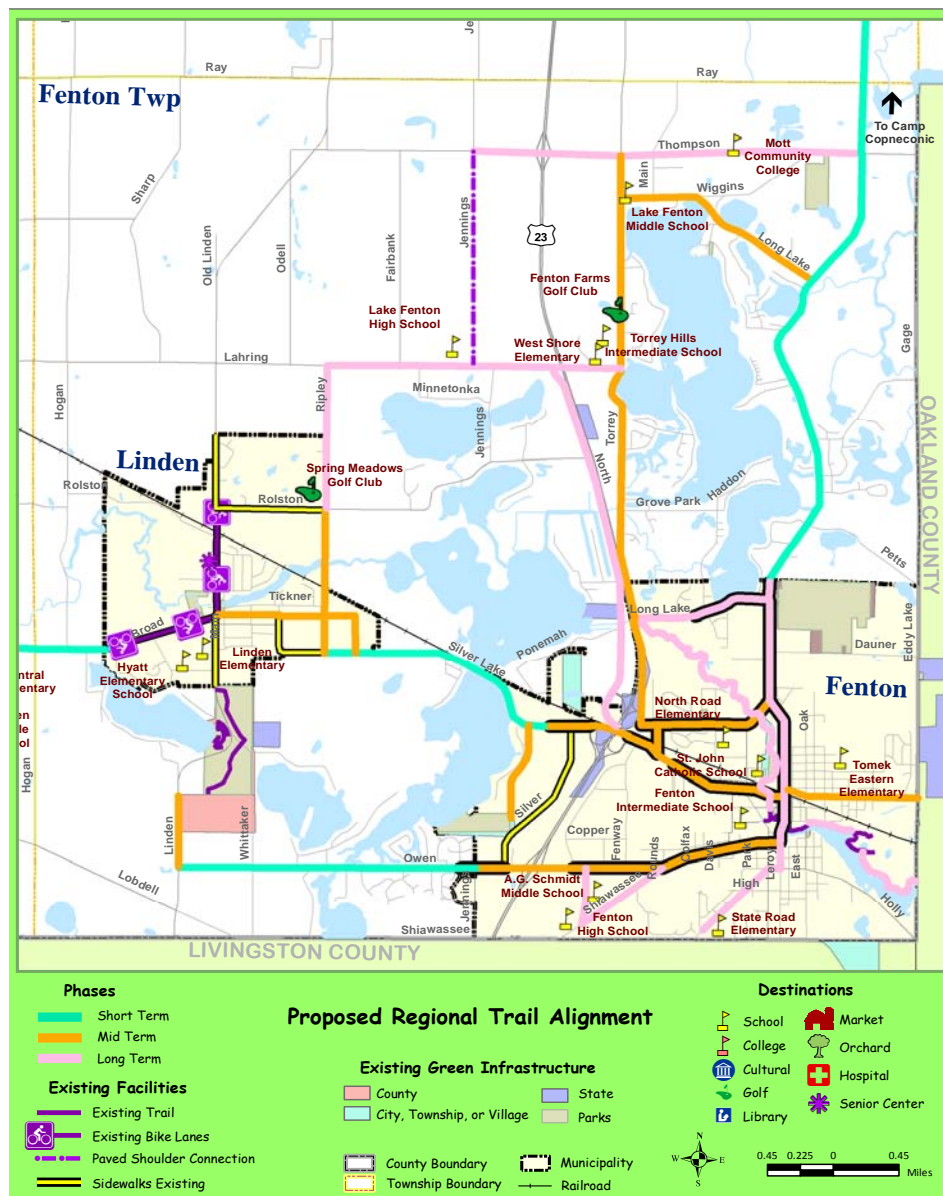
"We got one of two remaining easements signed," he said, adding that they're working on getting the last one signed.

Lukasavitz said they've been working with Southern Lakes Park and Recreation, the county parks, and the Genesee County Planning Commission to establish the path between Linden and Fenton.

People interested in supporting the railways project can make donations toward the bike-a-thon through [www.laffpathways](http://www.laffpathways), or give a tax-deductible gift online at [www.cfgf.org](http://www.cfgf.org).

**"LAFF is going to continue to work. The residents need to stay in contact with their representatives on boards and councils."**

**VICTOR LUKASAVITZ**  
LAFF Pathway Steering Committee chairman



The Linden, Argentine, Fenton, Fenton Township (LAFF) non-motorized pathway will connect neighboring communities, giving cyclists, walkers, and runners a safe place to exercise.

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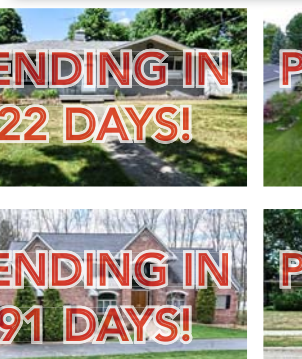
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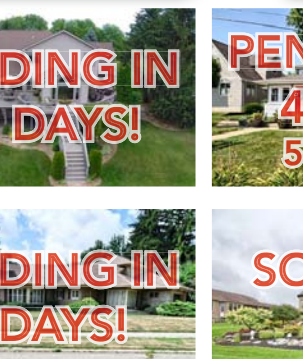


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## SURPRISES

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According to Joe Bruz of Milford Salvage & Iron, the house is being taken apart manually with the goal of preserving all of the salvageable old-school lumber so that it may be repurposed into furniture and other items.

Milford Salvage & Iron is being paid \$16,450 to tear down the house, which includes asbestos abatement and demolition. The project will take about two weeks to complete.

"They will be re-using the wood, either for making tables, chairs or other furniture," said Bruz, a Groveland Township resident formerly of Fenton.

"They" is Bob Bloomingdale of Bloomingdale Construction in Rochester.

Bloomingdale, who is onsite with Bruz's crew, said that in addition to the lumber, they will be trying to preserve all of the windows, doors, trim, flooring — basically everything of architectural significance, he said.

They also are taking care to remove the original siding for re-use, which is intact under the current aluminum siding.

Bloomingdale said the work to repurpose the items removed from the house will be done by places like The Work Shop in Detroit, who specialize in creating new products from repurposed materials.

"We will do some of it ourselves, too," said Bloomingdale.

"What we do that we think is unique is we're going to brand the lumber with the address that it came from," said Bloomingdale. "We'll have some pictures, some of the history. Then we brand the address. We have not decided about adding the zip code, but we might so wherever it goes people will know where it came from."



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Old signage was used in some places of the former home at 106 W. Shiawassee.

Bloomingdale said there are a great deal of people looking for vintage lumber. He is working with a Realtor in Rochester, who is having desks made from vintage lumber.

While going through the house this week, Bloomingdale said they found iron grates used as floor vents in the house.

"We gave one of the nice iron grates to the shop across the street with the same name (The Iron Grate)," Bloomingdale said. "We asked them to keep it as a keepsake."

**"I always felt bad about disposing of material that we're never going to find again. Slow-growth lumber doesn't exist anymore and here we are throwing it away."**

**Bob Bloomingdale**  
Owner of Bloomingdale Construction, Rochester

"We've been building homes for years, and have demolished a lot," said Bloomingdale. "I always felt bad about disposing of material that we're never going to find again. Slow-growth lumber doesn't exist anymore and here we are throwing it away."

That's why Bloomingdale decided to get himself a warehouse and start dismantling and reusing materials out of

these homes.

"Portland, Oregon has just passed the first ordinance in the country that all pre-1917 homes be deconstructed and not demolished," said Bloomingdale. "They're demolishing 300 homes a year in Portland and a third are pre-1917."

Bloomingdale said if such an ordinance were entertained in Michigan, he would shoot for pre-1925 or 1930.

In Rochester, Bloomingdale is demolishing some homes and building new homes on those sites. "We are using some of the material from the old homes in the new homes, so there is some continuity," he said.

For the new homeowners it's a conversation piece, he added.

On Tuesday, Stewart Melrose who lives in the house next door to 106 West Shiawassee, became excited about a piece of a very old sign found in the attic roof on the north side of the house. The sign however, fell apart during removal.

Melrose is a historic preservationist by profession. (Visit tctimes.com and search

for an article about Melrose's work posted on Jan. 16, 2015.)

The sign reads "Feed & Stables" and appears to be an item dated in the 1800s from an old business around here, either Fenton, Linden or Holly.

The Milford Salvage crew has been instructed to watch for and save other pieces of the sign.

"This is groundbreaking," said Melrose. "It's an important piece for Fenton. It's not just an old sign; it's very ornately done with artist brushes, hand-carved and chiseled. It should go to the historical society for the museum."

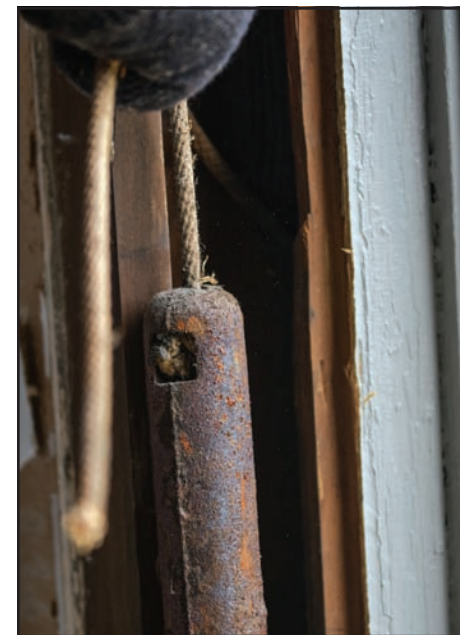
Melrose said he is going to continue researching the sign.

## THE COMMUNITY BECAME INVOLVED EARLIER THIS SPRING

Since it became public earlier this spring that the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) intended to demolish the house, community members have spoken against the plan. They want to preserve the house and what's left of the history of downtown Fenton.

The age of the home and its historic nature came into question and became a topic of controversy. It was originally believed that it was a hotel built by Judge Daniel LeRoy and William Fenton in 1837.

It was later revealed that the house, after being dismantled and changed over the years, may have been torn down in 1901 and a short time later rebuilt to what it is today.



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Other artifacts pulled from the house include these iron window weights, which assist in opening and closing windows.

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Cindy Peel (center) lives approximately four miles from where the incident occurred on Fish Lake Road. She is concerned that the murder was a random attack.

CONCERNS

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Alvarado feels like the community, to feel safe again, needs to be assured that this was not a random incident. "It's just unbelievable for this area," she said.

F/Lt. Michael Shaw of the Michigan State Police (MSP) Metro Post did his best to alleviate these fears and also offer guidance to residents in an informal question and answer session during the regular Rose Township Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday night.

Shaw wanted the residents to be vigilant, to report anything that feels out of place, but added, "you don't have to live in fear."

He fielded questions from residents who wanted to know how the investigation was going, and whether certain rumors they heard were true. Some things he could comment on, others he couldn't. He did confirm that there were five shots fired during the incident.

He said they have received 1,700 tips in the case, and they'll investigate them all. "We do not know who killed her," he

said. "I do not have a suspect."

Tony Micallef lives on Parker Road, east of Milford Road. He's a road runner, and just wanted to hear what's going on. He said his habits haven't changed since the murder. "It sounds like they're just being thorough," he said, referring to the MSP investigation.

To drive home how safe their area really is Shaw asked them how many crimes they thought had been committed in their township in 2016 so far. The answer was 60.

He rattled off a few examples. The worst being domestic assault or drunk driving. "There's not a heck of a lot of crime in your town," he said, adding that high crime areas can have that many incidents in an eight-hour shift.

"We've had one incident that's pissed us all off," he said. He again asked for help with any information they may have.

Overall, new information was not revealed, and Alvarado didn't necessarily feel better after hearing Shaw speak. Most of the audience members left after the presentation ended.



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F/Lt. Michael Shaw speaks to approximately 45 concerned residents at the regular Rose Township Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday evening. He covered much of the familiar ground in the Alexandra Brueger murder case.



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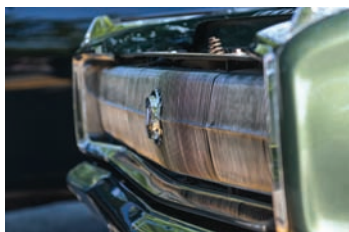
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Typically known as “situational awareness,” make it a habit to know what’s going on around you. When you walk into a room, look to your left and right to see who is lingering at the door, find your exits, look to see who is there. When you walk out of a door, immediately look to your left and right to see if anyone is lingering, look behind you often to make sure someone’s not following you. You don’t have to be paranoid — you just need to be aware.

The bad guys are waiting for that one woman or girl who doesn’t have a clue about what’s going on around her because she will be the easiest mark.

## Get off your phone

Is that phone call or text to your best friend really as important as your safety? That call/text can wait until you are in your car safely, with the doors locked.

Not only are you able to be aware of your surroundings by any human threat, but you can pay attention to the traffic around you and not get run over. If you’ve got the kids with you, you aren’t giving them your undivided attention in a potentially dangerous situation.

Keep your phone handy in case you need to call for help, but don’t be so tied to it that you can’t be aware of what’s going on around you.

Another reason to keep your phone handy is so you can call for help if you are stuck on the side of the road, for example, with no one to help. You could be stuck for awhile without help, or at the mercy of whomever you decide to rely upon because you can’t get help. You also should consider having GPS to get you out of a neighborhood you ought not to be in if you’re lost.

Always tell someone where you are going and where you are.

## Don’t leave your purse unattended.

Not only are you going to lose your cash and credit cards if someone grabs your purse, but your personal safety is at risk because they now have your home address. This extends the danger period to well past the moment he or she walked by your shopping cart or restaurant chair and grabbed your bag when you weren’t paying attention. Anytime you leave your home after that, you run the risk of that individual, or someone they know, breaking into your home while you’re gone, or worse, while you’re there.

You also may wish not to carry a purse. Ask yourself if you really need to carry around everything contained in your bag, or can you carry your money, driver’s license and credit card in one

pocket and your car keys in another.

If you do carry a purse, don’t leave it in plain sight in your car. It doesn’t take that much for someone to knock out the glass, grab your purse and run. Keep it out of plain sight instead of on the seat next to you.

## Lock the door behind you

When you get into your car, lock the door immediately. When you come in from outside, lock the door immediately. When you go into a bathroom stall — lock first, then find a place to put your bag. Too often bad guys don’t get you when you’re going into the building or car, but will wait until you think you’re safe and relax your guard, and then open that door and you’re stuck.

## Speak up

Don’t be afraid to tell someone to not come any closer if approaching you in a parking lot. Do not be afraid to yell for help if they don’t stop. Do not be afraid to speak loudly to someone so that you can get the attention of others nearby. Do not be afraid to let your wishes be known that you do not want to be harmed.

A misunderstanding might be embarrassing, but it’s better than the alternative of being physically harmed.

## Park safely

Choose parking spots that are well-lit, among other vehicles, and as close to the main entrances of a building as you can. Lock your car quickly, but keep your keys handy in case you have to get back in. Be aware of someone loitering near your car and always check inside and around your car, including the backseat, before getting in. When loading your trunk, do so as quickly as you can and always keep aware of what’s going on behind you.

## Answer the door, but don’t open it

We’ve often been told that if we’re home alone and someone knocks, not to answer and they will go away. However, recent events are showing that more burglars are doing home invasions assuming that if no one answers, it’s safe to go in.

When someone knocks on your door or rings the bell, ask who it is but let them know you’re either on the phone or make up some other reason that tells them the door is not going to be opened (i.e. we’ve all got the flu in here, our dog is not the friendliest, something like that).

Never actually answer the door even for a service person you are expecting until you’ve been able to confirm that they are actually who they say they are.



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Members of the Holly Area Runners group run together for support, but also safety. Here, they run in memory of Alexandra Brueger last Sunday.

## Trust your instincts

If you feel something weird about a situation, get out of it. If you have a sense of dread about walking into a dark area, don’t go there. If a person is giving you cause to be concerned, excuse yourself from the conversation or cross the street to get away from them.

This is not about paranoia. This is about the gut instinct we all have that we tend to push aside — the hair raising on the back of your neck, goose bumps on your arms — all those things telling to you to flee.

## Don’t make yourself a target

Wearing flashy jewelry says you have something valuable to steal. Wearing restrictive clothing says you can’t run or defend yourself. Carrying more than you can manage, not paying attention to what’s going on around you, leaving valuables in plain sight, leaving your garage open, flashing money are all ways to make yourself a target.

# IF YOU’RE A RUNNER ...

## Do not run alone

Two people are harder to control than one, so attackers are less likely to strike and if they do, you’ve just doubled your chance of survival.

If you don’t have someone to run with, get a big dog, or borrow a big dog. Not only does it make you a less attractive target, dogs can sometimes sense danger before we can.

## Do not run with earphones

When you have loud music blaring in your ears, you can’t hear a potential attacker come up behind you and it also slows your reaction time.

Most runners have the bad habit of tuning everything out while they run. But when we dull our senses, we are less effective in the case of a surprise attack. If you must run with music, only use one earpiece, and switch ears during your run.

## Alter your route

When people run the same route, or the same two routes, day after day, it not only makes them easy targets for stalkers, they also have a tendency to zone out.

Altering your route makes you harder to track and keeps you more alert during your run because you are navigating unfamiliar terrain. The more alert you are, the more likely you are to escape an attack.

## Lose the ponytail

It may be hot, but if you have long hair and tie it into a ponytail for your run, you give a potential attacker an easy “handle” to pull you into a vehicle before you know what happened.

Putting your hair up into a tight, well-secured bun on the top of your head will not only take away the easy handle, but keep you cooler at the same time.

Sources: momwithaprep.com and Gavin DeBecker’s “The Gift of Fear”

# SAFETY

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Women and girls are often too trusting by nature, which is often the reason they are targeted by male predators.

In September 1991, sisters Michelle, 16, and Melissa, 14 Urbin of Tyrone Township, were abducted. They were often seen walking together along Hartland Road, where their family home was located.

The Urbin sisters’ strangled bodies were found in shallow graves at the back of Oakwood Cemetery in Fenton about nine months after their disappearance. Until then, people thought they were runaways.

Leslie Allen Williams, the serial killer, who sexually assaulted and killed a total of four young girls, got them, is serving multiple life sentences without possibility of parole.

A few years later, another trusting young lady lost her life to a predator. Christine O’Brien, 24, of Deerfield Township went missing in July 1995. She trusted and got

into a vehicle with a stranger who claimed to share her love of horses.

Her badly decomposed remains were found in 1996, eight months after her disappearance, under the roof of a collapsed duck blind at the south end of Bennett Lake, just north of Cohoctah Road in Deerfield Township.

Her killer, Timothy Watkins, also is in prison. His earliest possible release date, according to the Michigan Department of Corrections, is March 25, 2059. Watkins is currently 70 years old.

Today, area residents are fearing there is another killer on the loose.

Alexandra “Ally” Brueger of Rose Township, was shot four times in the back while she was on one of her daily 10-mile runs on Fish Lake Road in Rose Township.

She was bleeding and left for dead on the front lawn of a Fish Lake Road home. She was later pronounced dead at the hospital. Michigan State Police still have no leads into who may have caused her death — or why.



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# Surprise — you lie more than you think you do

■ Sixty percent of adults can't have a 10-minute conversation without lying

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The sky is purple. Water isn't wet. President Obama is actually Oprah in disguise.

These are obvious lies that people easily spot. Most lies, however, are hard to catch.

Are you an honest person?

Research shows you're probably not. According to a study conducted by the University of Massachusetts, 60 percent of adults can't have a 10-minute conversation without lying.

Moreover, the average person is lied to approximately 10 to 200 times a day, according to Pamela Meyer, author of "Liespotting."

People lie in many ways.

One popular way is lying by omission. If someone has only told you half the truth, or a version of the truth, that's considered lying.

If you're trying to lose weight by counting calories, and only count certain foods you eat and leave out the Starbucks and chocolate snacks, you're lying to yourself by omission.

Lying by omission is similar to lying by controlling a story. If your coworker made you angry one day, and there were problems at work, you'll probably vent to your friends or family when you get home.

As you're talking about it, you're more likely to only tell your side and not include how you might have contributed to the problem.

Psychologytoday.com considers that lying. People also lie by exaggeration.

Insecurities may encourage people to present a certain image of themselves, one that's not entirely accurate. People may lie about how successful they are to impress others by constantly talking about promotions, what they've accomplished, and how much other people like them.

**Have you ever added some extra skills to a resumé, even if you weren't exactly good at that skill, hoping to get your dream job?**

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A survey from CareerBuilder that gathered information from more than 2,500 hiring managers found that 56 percent of them have caught candidates lying on their resume.

People have been caught lying about awards they received, being proficient in a specific computer program, and even who they've worked for in the past.

Some people exaggerate and lie because of guilt. If parents miss their kid's baseball game, they might ex-

aggerate and say they'll attend every other baseball game that year to make up for it, even if it's impossible for that parent.

People lie to accomplish something, whether it's to get that dream job, impress others, win an argument or avoid one, or receive something in return.

Vulnerability also plays a role. People lie because they're guarded about certain things, and may act like they don't care even when they really do.

One of the most popular forms of lying that people don't realize they engage in is gossiping. It may not seem like you're lying, but gossipers often spread half-truths and exaggerations that aren't a proper portrayal of the subject or situation.

When confronted by the subject of gossip, most people lie about talking about them behind their backs.

This not only hurts relationships, it breeds cynicism and destroys compassion, according to Psychology Today.

By exaggerating about yourself and presenting a false sense of who you are, psychologytoday.com suggests it makes your insecurities worse because you feel like a fraud.

When people start to realize you exaggerate, your words will mean a lot less to family and friends.

The truth often hurts, but lies are a lot messier.

“A newspaper is lumber made readable. It is ink made into words and pictures. It is conceived, born, grows up and dies of old age in a day.”

— Jim Bishop

**Times**

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**IF YOU THINK** George Washington had Trump in mind when talking about truth, you are mistaken. Donald Trump speaks with a forked tongue.

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**TO THE PERSON** complaining about the mopeds. Posted speed limits are not minimum speed limits, they're maximum. As long as he's not exceeding it, he's legal.

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**IN LOUISIANA, IT** was \$35 for a license plate for my Suburban and that was good for three years. In Michigan, it's \$250. They're going to raise it more. I think I'll just keep mine registered in Louisiana.

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**THEY GOTTA SUCK** money out of the hard working people to fix the roads, but Genesee County can build a brand new salt barn. Whose pocket is that coming from?

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**WHO DECIDES WHAT** businesses are going to be built? There is going to be another dollar store in the area, right across the street from Alpine, and one is going in at the intersection of Linden and Grand Blanc roads. Is this the new economy?

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## NATIONAL HISTORY

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### AUG. 14

**2003:** A major outage knocked out power across the eastern United States and parts of Canada. Beginning at 4:10 p.m. Eastern Time, 21 power plants shut down in just three minutes. Fifty million people were affected, including residents of New York, Cleveland and Detroit, as well as Toronto and Ottawa, Canada. Although power companies were able to resume some service in as little as two hours, power remained off in other places for more than a day. The outage stopped trains and elevators, and disrupted everything from cellular telephone service to operations at hospitals to traffic at airports.

### AUG. 15

**1969:** The Woodstock Music Festival opens on a patch of farmland in White Lake, a hamlet in the upstate New York town of Bethel. Despite their relative inexperience, the young promoters managed to sign a roster of top acts, including the Jefferson Airplane, the Who, the Grateful Dead, Sly and the Family Stone, Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, Creedence Clearwater Revival and many more. Plans for the festival were on the verge of foundering, however, after both Woodstock and the nearby town of Wallkill denied permission to hold the event. Dairy farmer Max Yasgur came to the rescue at the last minute, giving the promoters access to his 600 acres of land in Bethel, some 50 miles from Woodstock.

### AUG. 16

**1977:** Popular music icon Elvis Presley dies in Memphis, Tennessee. He was 42. The death of the "King of Rock and Roll" brought legions of mourning fans to Graceland, his mansion in Memphis. Doctors said he died of a heart attack, likely brought on by his addiction to prescription barbiturates. Presley was born in Tupelo, Mississippi, on Jan. 8, 1935. His twin brother, Jesse, died during the birth.

### AUG. 17

**1933:** New York Yankees first baseman Lou Gehrig plays in his 1,308th consecutive game, breaking former Yankee Everett Scott's record for consecutive games played. Gehrig would go on to play in 2,130 games in a row, setting a record that would stand for over half a century.

### AUG. 18

**1991:** Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is placed under house arrest during a coup by high-ranking members of his own government, military and police forces. Since becoming secretary of the Communist Party in 1985 and president of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) in 1988, Gorbachev had pursued comprehensive reforms of the Soviet system.

#### Correction

In the article, "Pickell defeats Argentine's top cop, published on Sunday, Aug. 7, the Times incorrectly listed Genesee County Sheriff Republican Candidate Matthew Krol as Michael Krol. Krol's first name is Matthew.

### AUG. 19

**1909:** The first race is held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, now the home of the world's most famous motor racing competition, the Indianapolis 500. Built on 328 acres of farmland five miles northwest of Indianapolis, Indiana, the speedway was started by local businessmen as a testing facility for Indiana's growing automobile industry. In that first five-mile race, 12,000 spectators watched Austrian engineer Louis Schwitzer win with an average speed of 57.4 miles per hour.

### AUG. 20

**1920:** Seven men, including legendary all-around athlete and football star Jim Thorpe, meet to organize a professional football league at the Jordan and Hupmobile Auto Showroom in Canton, Ohio. The meeting led to the creation of the American Professional Football Conference (APFC), the forerunner to the hugely successful National Football League.

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

**ONLY A LIBERAL.** How can someone take an oath to 'support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic,' but not defend the second amendment?

**NOW THAT TOURISTS** have Fenton businesses booming, it's time for those businesses that benefitted from local tax money to repay that tax money to Fenton.

**TO THE YOUNG** man in the small black car on Sixth and Lemen. Come on, we get it, your car has a loud stereo system. Turn it down.

**SAW ON THE** news today that Bernie just purchased an \$800,000 summer home. Wow, now we know there was an actual buyout for his relinquishing himself and supporting Hillary.

**NEXT TIME YOU'RE** looking for things in Google try checking out 'Clinton body count.' It's quite interesting to read.

**I SEE WHERE** the American Communist Party has endorsed Hillary Clinton. Makes sense. Birds of a feather.

**DOES ANYONE ELSE** find it strange the way the city of Fenton falls all over itself to cater to certain business owners?

**WE SURE MISSED** the horses on Torrey Road this year. I hope you bring them back next year. They are so beautiful to look at.

**LINDEN ADMINISTRATION, WE** have a basketball guy building a program and you let him go? Obviously, you have an agenda that doesn't include the welfare of the students.

**WHY DOES IT** take people dying on rides before amusement parks have to do safety checks?



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## Compiled By Vera Hogan

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Grant Cislo, 20, of Fenton will be a junior at Michigan State University this fall. He is a 2014 graduate of Powers Catholic High School.

## What is your major at MSU, and is there a minor?

I am majoring in journalism with a concentration in sports reporting and electronic news. I am minoring in public relations. I will be graduating in the spring of 2018.

## What is your career goal?

What I want to do is become a talk show host for ESPN on one of their shows such as First Take, His & Hers, SportsNation, Pardon the Interruption



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Times summer intern Grant Cislo poses with NCAA Champion Morris Peterson Jr. outside of ABC-12 in Flint, when he was job-shadowing with Kristin Wolosonowich. Cislo, 20, wants to be a TV sports broadcaster.

(PTI), etc.

I definitely want to get into sports broadcasting. It has always been a passion of mine since I was little. I have always wanted to be on ESPN since I can remember. It is a competitive field so I am definitely going to have to work hard for it. One thing I keep telling myself is 'I won't stop until I get on that TV.'

## What market would you eventually like to work in?

I am looking to work at the national level. That is where the money

is in this business. Like I said before though, in order to get to the national level I will have to work hard for it. So starting off, yes I may have to work at a state level, but eventually I want to get to the national level.

## What is your favorite sport?:

My favorite sport to play is lacrosse. My favorite sport to watch is either football or basketball.

## Are these the sports you would like to announce?

A sport that I would like to announce would be either college football or college basketball. In my opinion, these two sports are the most exciting to watch.

The difference between the college and pro level is obviously the money. In college, these kids have nothing else to play for other than to try to win for their team and to make it to the next level, so these kids are always going to give it their all, which makes college sports more exciting to watch and talk about.

## Who is your favorite sportscaster?

Stephen A. Smith, no question about it. He is a co-host for ESPN's First Take. The guy is just entertaining. In my opinion, he is one of the best in the business. He knows how to deliver sports in an entertaining way and that can be hard to do at times.

## What would you like to bring to the profession?

**"I want to make sports more enjoyable for everyone. I want to deliver sports in a fun and unique way so that everyone can enjoy them."**

Grant Cislo  
Tri-County Times intern

## What do you like to do in your free time?

Typical stuff really, hang out with my friends, spend time with my family, go to the gym, play some golf, go out on the lake or hang by the pool during the summer, nothing too special. I also like to ski in the wintertime.

## What are your future personal plans?

Right now, the only thing that is really on my mind is graduating from college and securing a job as soon as I can. Marriage and kids have not been on my mind. The time will come for that, but I do not see that time being anytime soon. I want to enjoy myself for a bit after I graduate from MSU.

## Name one thing people don't know about you?

One thing that a lot of people may not know about me is that I am starting my own podcast this fall semester at MSU with one of my buddies from school. It will cover a majority of sports that are happening in the Big Ten with football being the main topic for this fall. The name of the podcast is going to be BigTen Sports Den, so you can look for that on iTunes this fall.

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Scott Staley is one of three Staley brothers to co-own their 75-year-old family business.

## New office for Staley's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning

■ 75-year old company makes commitment to tri-county area

By Sally Rummel

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Successfully operating a family business for 75 years puts Staley's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc. in a category all its own.

Headquartered in Flushing, the Staley family has opened an office/showroom at 2740 Grange Hall Rd., between Fenton and Holly. "We've been getting more work in this area, and we're a firm believer in having a brick and mortar presence where we do business," said Scott Staley.

Scott works with his brother, Paul, in the heating and cooling side of the business, while another brother, Greg, is a master plumber. Together, they are following the business philosophies established by their grandfather, Alexander Staley, when he founded the business in 1941.

Staley's offers services that include heating and air conditioning, plumbing, water conditioning and Planned Service Contracts, which provide customers with regular system checks. Their business today boasts 22 employees, two locations and 16 trucks.

They are most proud of their commitment to their customers, which includes 24/7 emergency service. "Often when you call Staley's for installation of a new system, you'll be dealing with one of the owners of the company," said Scott.

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Staley's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning is located at 2740 Grange Hall Rd., Suite F, in the plaza at the corner of Fish Lake and Grange Hall roads. Office hours in Holly are Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., telephone (248) 634-0676.

## Kenneth Ackley, DDS now owns Oak Tree Dental

■ He is sole owner of Fenton practice which opened in 2013

By Sally Rummel

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Kenneth Ackley, DDS, has assumed sole ownership of the Oak Tree Dental practice, which opened in June 2013 at 500 North LeRoy St. in Fenton.

Ackley takes pride in offering exceptional care to local patients. As one of the top graduates of his 2005 class from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, he is dedicated to expanding his knowledge through continuing education and using these skills to benefit his patients.

Oak Tree Dental offers a complete range of full-service cosmetic and family dentistry, most of which can be handled on-site in the Fenton office. Using state-of-the-art equipment and providing a friendly and caring staff, Ackley's priority is always the health and well-being of his patients.

Ackley and his wife, Patty, a dental hygienist, have two sons, Jakob and Eden, and a daughter, Liliana.

To make an appointment, call (810) 629-8272.



Kenneth Ackley, DDS

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

■ YOU DO REALIZE that if you choose not to vote, or vote for a third-party candidate, you are watering down the whole voting process, which could benefit Hillary. She will be indicted on several charges by the end of the year. With her in prison, her VP will then be in charge.

■ THIS MORNING, AUG. 5, President Obama ordered another 10,000 Syrian refugees to be admitted to the U.S. Even our FBI director believes this poses a significant amount of danger.

■ HILLARY CLINTON SAID she plans to take the millions of illegals in our country and give them amnesty and make them citizens. She's also going to bring in Syrian refugees. Our country will never be the same. This will be one of the saddest episodes in history.

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Guckian leads local contingency at Michigan Women's Amateur

**By David Troppens**  
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**Linden** — Down by two holes in a match play format, Linden's Julie Guckian was facing a five-foot par putt with a chance to cut her deficit into half during Wednesday's 100th Michigan Women's Amateur held at Spring Meadow Country Club.

However, she missed it and as she did, she mumbled a quiet comment that could barely be heard by those following

Guckian and her round-of-32 opponent Katelyn Chipman. "Oh my goodness," she said in disbelief, understanding this putt on the 12th green may be her last best chance to cut into Chipman's two hole lead with just six holes to play.

However, that didn't end up being the case. The Linden resident and Grand Valley State women's golfer put together her best performance of the day during the next five holes, eventually earning a 2&1 victory against Chipman, who will

be Guckian's GVSU teammate in the fall when Chipman also joins the squad.

The score means Guckian was up by two holes with just one hole (the 18th hole) remaining, meaning she had already won the match.

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Linden resident Julie Guckian

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Holly's varsity football team runs its first practice on Monday. All prep football teams began practice on Monday.

Experienced Bronchos excited about 2016

■ Partee thinks his squad has the talent to improve on last year's 5-5 mark

**By David Troppens**  
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**Holly** — It was cool, sunny and just about the best conditions anyone could ask for a first official practice of the 2016 prep football season.

While the rest of the week promised hotter temperatures, the Bronchos' first session on Monday morning couldn't have been any better.

"It was absolutely great but it is supposed to get hotter," Holly var-

sity football coach Ryan Culloty said after Monday's first session. "But you expect that in August. It's been warm all summer and the kids have been conditioning. They had a good morning and I suspect we will have a good week."

"Mornings are the best," Holly senior Paris Partee said. "There is no place I'd rather be in the morning, and today is nice. It's a great experience to be with these guys. Not everybody is coming up in the summer to do this. Only a select few can do it."

Holly's "select few" on for the varsity team extend to about 40 players. Just as with any other sea-

son, there are some strong players gone due to graduation. A couple of graduated names that stick out immediately are Christian Diaz, Javon Barr and Adam Tooley. However, when Holly varsity football coach lists his returning offensive players, he actually lists 12 players. That's because many players started games last season while other starters nursed injuries. And on defense he has eight back. He even has his kicker back.

So, for the most part, the Bronchos were fielding an experienced team during their first day of practice on Monday.

See **BRONCHOS** on 23A

Wright resigns Linden's varsity boys basketball post

■ Coach leaves spot after four seasons

**By David Troppens**  
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Anthony Wright spent four years at Linden. It became his new home and he's experienced some great personal highs while here. For example, he's getting married in October. He's also experienced some great basketball relationships as well.

However, now Wright is moving on. On Thursday Wright sent a letter

of resignation involving his varsity boys basketball coaching position, ending tenure at Linden.

"I can't say enough about the amount of support (Linden Community Schools interim superintendent) Russ Ciesielski and (past athletic director) Cathy North has given me throughout the last four years," Wright said. "As former high school athletes they understand what it means to build a program. The Linden basketball program has gotten better every year and finally put itself in a position to be successful for the

next few years.

"Boys basketball is one of only two Linden sports failing to have a banner for winning the league or district championship since 1998 and that will soon change."

"He dropped me a note today and said he was stepping down, and we wish him the best of luck with whatever his future endeavors are," Linden Director of Athletics Greg Durkac said.

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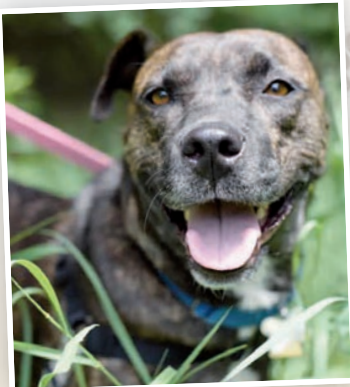


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Anthony Wright (center) talks to his bench during a past game. Wright resigned the Linden varsity boys basketball coaching position on Thursday.

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Linden resident Julie Guckian was the area's most successful performer at the 100th Michigan Women's Amateur held at Spring Meadows Country Club last week. (Far right) Guckian makes a chip on the 17th hole, setting up her par putt and her match play victory against Katelyn Chipman on Wednesday.

# GUCKIAN

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"I came back and won 13, 15, 16 and 17," Guckian said. "We both bogeyed and tied 11 and 12, and coming off those two holes, I was asking myself, 'Why can't I just two-putt?' Then I on 13 I pared and I got some confidence after that."

Guckian was playing in one of the state's most prestigious amateur women's tournaments the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) hosts during the year, it was a tournament Spring Meadows Country Club eagerly sought after because this was the 100th version of the tourney. Guckian, along with fellow tri-county residents Amelia Gavulic, Donna Benford and Samantha Moss qualified to play in the tourney and had to compete in two 18-hole rounds on Monday and Tuesday, competing to finish in the top 32 and earn a spot in the match play bracket. Guckian, easily qualified for the final, placing in a tie for 15th with a 77-76-153 on Spring Meadows' par-72, 5,927-yard layout.

"The first day I was hitting the ball pretty well, but I made a couple of mistakes resulting in two double-bogeys. I was five-over with two double-bogeys. I caught a couple of bad breaks and I didn't play them like I should've. The second day I kept the mistakes to a minimal. My irons have not been bad but they've not been

good. They are not leaving me with birdie opportunities but they are not flying out of bounds either."

Donna Benford, a Spring Meadows Country Club member, came agonizingly close to earning a spot in the final 32, posting a score of 81-79-160, two strokes out of a bracket position. It's likely Benford, 56, may have played more rounds of golf at Spring Meadows than the rest of the field combined considering she's a 23-time women's member champion at the club. She's also had a fine career in GAM events, winning the GAM Women's Senior Championship in 2012 and 2013.

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## Tri-County performers

Here is a list of other tri-county performers who competed at the 100th Michigan Women's Amateur held at Spring Meadows Country Club last week.

**Donna Benford:** Benford finished the 36-hole portion of the event with a 38th-place finish and a score of 81-79-160, just missing the 32-player match play field by two strokes.

**Samantha Moss:** Moss shot an 82-79-161, finishing in a tie for 39th place.

**Amelia Gavulic:** Gavulic shot a 96-95-191 score during the 36-hole portion of the tourney.



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The Holly varsity football team runs a play during Monday's morning practice session. All Michigan football teams began practice for the 2016 season on Monday.

# BRONCHOS

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"We are going to miss guys like Adam Tooley, Christian Diaz and Javon Barr, but we have some good talent back, so I think we can do a lot of damage," Partee said. "I think this team will do just as good as last year's team did and go even further."

Culloty likes the work his team put into the season during the summer. He said preparations for this fall's season should go smoother since the Bronchos are running much of the same systems they ran last year.

## It's football time!

The prep football season has started with practices all around the state. Soon teams will be going to scrimmages and then playing their first games starting on Aug. 25. Another tradition is the Tri-County Times' annual football special section. We'll preview all four of our area squads and provide all of the fall athletic schedules within our publication. Also included will be our annual Take Five question and answer features and a year-by-year look back at each team's previous four seasons of records. Look for it in the Aug. 21 edition.

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