

# SkyPoint closes on LaJoice properties

■ Development opportunities being discussed

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It's official!  
The downtown properties once owned by LaJoice Properties, have been purchased by SkyPoint Ventures, the organization owned

by Phil and Jocelyn Hagerman.  
According to Peter Hughes, director of real estate for SkyPoint, the sale of the properties closed on Friday, Aug. 19 for an undisclosed amount.  
SkyPoint Ventures executed a purchase agreement to acquire the commercial properties earlier this summer.  
"We are actively discussing development

opportunities with some other partners for the properties," said Hughes on Tuesday. "We don't have any specific plans or renderings that can be released at this time."  
"We feel very optimistic about opportunities in the city," said Hughes. "We're excited about the new acquisitions but don't have more information at this time."  
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Peter Hughes  
SkyPoint Ventures director of real estate

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## Gasoline, old computers, batteries, televisions taken in Recycle Day event

■ 'It's easier to say what we can't take'

By Tim Jagielo  
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Fenton Twp. — On Saturday, Aug. 20, the Lake Fenton High School parking lot looked like an outdoor warehouse for recycling.  
Instead of students and faculty, semi trailers, hi-lo machines, huge dumpsters and a small army of workers and volunteers managed six stations spanning the black top.

Recycle Day events are free for county residents to drop off a variety of hazardous materials, and are usually held in the spring and fall.

The Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission  
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The next Recycle Day is Oct. 22, at the Trinity Assembly of God in Mt. Morris (4363 W. Mt Morris Rd.), and Water Service Center in Flint (3310 E. Court St.), from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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Bryan Kendle of Detroit tosses an empty container into a large dumpster on Saturday, in the Lake Fenton High School parking lot. Kendle works for a temp agency and dumped used oil from various containers dropped off by residents. Recycle Day is put on by Genesee County.

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A train crosses through downtown Fenton in October 2014, before the Streetscape project began. Upgrades to the signals that should have happened during the project, are now in the works.

### Downtown train signal getting upgrade

■ Project overlooked by MDOT during Streetscape

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Fenton — The city of Fenton has received funding from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), according to a memo by Daniel Czarnecki,  
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### CRUST receives five-year tax abatement

■ Owners dedicated to Fenton redevelopment

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Fenton — On Aug. 8, the Fenton City Council voted to establish the Industrial Development District (IDD) for CRUST the 104 Caroline St. baking company  
See CRUST on 7

“Hey Foster Childs, it is you who needs to pull your head out and get a grip of what is going on around this country.”



“Nostradamus’ prediction of the anti Christ already came true. He has been in office for the last seven and a half years. How did you miss it?”



“The DDA is legal and is acting completely within its authority granted by law. They are doing great things for downtown. Get over it already.”

“To vote for Hillary Clinton solely because she is a woman is the most ignorant thing I've heard. How about you do some research and vote based on facts or don't vote at all.”



COMMENT OF THE WEEK

“Dear city of Fenton, I want to remodel my home, which is near downtown. Please provide me with a check for \$400,000 at your earliest possible convenience. If you don't, I won't remodel my home and property values will go down. Signed, A. Rich Developer.”



News **briefs**

**LIBRARIES HOST ‘SHOW YOUR CARD AND SAVE’ PROMO**

The Flint Public Library and the Genesee District Library are partnering with community businesses for Library Card Sign-Up Month with a “Show Your Card and Save” promotion. During the month of September, cardholders will receive discounts and special offers from nearly 40 Genesee County businesses simply by showing their library cards. Library cards already provide access to thousands of books, movies, and music titles, as well as online information databases, ebooks, and computer use. Now this same library card will give you special savings at local businesses. Pick up a discount sheet at any local branch or find out more about Library Card Sign-Up Month by visiting [www.thegd.org](http://www.thegd.org) or [www.fpl.info](http://www.fpl.info).

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**STOLEN ROOSTERS IN HOLLY TOWNSHIP**

On Aug. 21, at approximately 8 a.m. troopers from the Michigan State Police-Metro North Groveland Detachment were dispatched to the 1200 block of Baker Road in Holly Township for a missing roosters report. After speaking with the complainant, the whereabouts of four of the five roosters was unknown. One of the roosters was found in a cage and had been killed. The complainant said he was sure that he had locked the rooster cage and did not believe an animal would be able to unlock the cage. The owner also believes somebody opened the cage and took a bird or two and a raccoon got one of them. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Metro North post at (248) 584-5740.

**Are you always on time or always late?**

■ How you handle your appointments says a lot about your personality

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Are you a person who is always punctual for every appointment and social event, or are you always rushing in at the last minute, perpetually late by five minutes or more?

Whether the event is a dinner party, hair stylist appointment or doctor visit, your punctuality says a lot about you.

According to a recent article in Forbes magazine, experts say that the reality of being late is that it demonstrates certain personality traits that you may or may not want to project in a work place or social setting. It also causes undue stress for yourself, which arriving early can totally erase.

Being on time is about respect and shows the other person that you value and appreciate them and have respect for their time. The opposite is also true, and demonstrates that

you have an overall lack of consideration for other people.

Chronic tardiness is also about power. The person who is always late for an appointment may feel they are more important than the other person, and that their schedule and time is more valuable.

Being late tells others that you don't handle your calendar or commitments in an organized way or have difficulty prioritizing your time. It can also demonstrate that you're a “flaky” person who doesn't keep commitments well.

“Timeliness is very important,” said Heidi Gumbleton, a certified massage therapist at JD

Michel Salon in Fenton. “If the first person scheduled for the day is late, it can literally throw off the schedule for the entire day.”

She also said that late clients aren't usually a huge issue at JD Michel Salon, because everyone likes to get a massage or their hair done, so they make an effort to get there.

That's not always true at a doctor's office or dental appointment.

“Being late puts everyone behind,” said Kathy Chezick, office manager for Patricia McGarry, DDS in Linden. “If you're late for your appointment, and the other patients scheduled after you arrive on time, they might have to wait, even though they weren't late. We have a ‘grace time’ of about 10 minutes and we can still usually get you in, depending on what procedure you have scheduled.”

**SUMMARY**

■ Being punctual for appointments, events and social activities tells other people that you value them and are considerate of their time. Being late says just the opposite.

Many medical and dental offices use technology to encourage patients to remember their appointments and be on time. “We call patients the day before and send a text the morning of their appointment,” said Chezick. “Most patients aren't late, but we will call someone if they are late, to make sure they are coming. Sometimes

we do have to reschedule.”

When an emergency arises or you're stuck in traffic, you may have a good excuse for being late, but how you handle this also says a lot about you. Explain why you're late, apologize and make sure that the other person knows how seriously you take their appointment and their time.

“Five minutes early is on time; on time is late; late is unacceptable.”

Eric Jerome Dickey  
New York Times best-selling author

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On Thursday, Aug. 18, the Lake Fenton marching band rehearses through the sweltering heat. Practice took them from the side of the high school building down to the track in preparation for their first game, which is this Friday.

# Lake Fenton fields its largest marching band ever

■ Fully one quarter of high school students are members of the band

By Sally Rummel

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While the calendar still says it is summer, the season for marching band halftime shows, football and tailgating has just begun.

Like other marching bands in the area, the Lake Fenton High School Marching Band has been gearing up for its first performance this Friday, Aug. 26, when the Lake Fenton Blue Devils meet the Flint Southwestern Academy Knights on the football field at 7 p.m.

"We're here to support our athletic teams," said Ryan Gonder, Lake Fenton marching band director since 2002.

Marching with the biggest band in its history, the Lake Fenton Marching Band is also youthful — with 65 incoming freshmen as part of the 160 band members.

During Friday's performance, the marching band's halftime show will be in the stands, not on the field. "With so many new members, our uniforms had to be re-fitted," said Gonder. "They'll be ready for our halftime performance on the field for our next home game Sept. 23."



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Band Director Ryan Gonder leads his band in a series of drills last Thursday night.

**“Our halftime shows are there to entertain the crowd and get them excited. We’re here to support our athletic teams.”**

**Ryan Gonder**

*Lake Fenton Community Schools band director*

## SUMMARY

■ The 160-member Lake Fenton High School Marching Band will present its first musical performance of the football season this Friday, Aug. 26. The halftime show will feature music by Bon Jovi and will be presented in the stands, not on the field.

This season's musical theme will be music by Bon Jovi. "It's an awesome arrangement and a good fit for our program," said Gonder. "Our halftime shows are there to entertain the crowd and get them excited. People will love 'You Give Love a

Bad Name,' 'Living on a Prayer,' 'Wanted Dead or Alive' and 'It's My Life.'"

While the Lake Fenton Marching Band isn't a competitive band, it certainly has had its share of opportunities to perform outside the local area.

They will travel to East Lansing for Michigan State University's Homecoming on Oct. 14. On Nov. 19, they will be in Chicago for the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Magnificent Lights Festival Parade in front of two million spectators. "This Disney parade kicks-off the holiday shopping season in Chicago," said Gonder. "We applied and were accepted. It's unreal. There really are two million people watching this parade live."

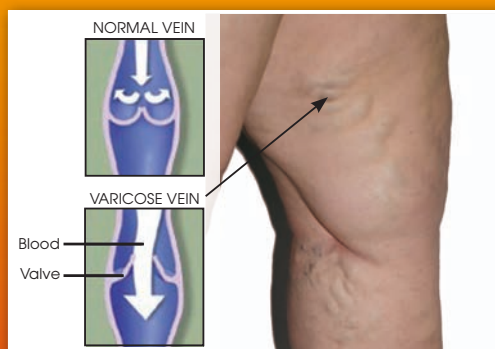
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# If I Were King...

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## Words to the wise

I recently had the misfortune to read an unnamed girl's posting on her Facebook page lamenting the fact that she has low, and I quote, 'self-of-steam.'

Statements such as the above are the basis for the old saying, 'Better to be silent and thought a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt.'

I suspect that the aforementioned young lady is also a member of the Society That Uses Phrases Inap-propriately Daily, commonly known as STUPID. Mem-bers of STUPID use words on a daily basis that aren't even actual words. If you have ever used 'snuck,' 'brang' or 'ir-regardless,' in a sentence you are definitely a candidate for membership in STUPID.

Then there are the perennially mispro-nounced words, such as 'arctic,' 'February' and 'library' that chronically suffer the in-dignity of mispronunciation through omis-sion of a single letter.

Here's a sample of common mispro-nunciations that you, but not me, are likely guilty of committing on a daily basis.

**Coupon:** It is now official — it is pro-nounced 'koo-pon,' not 'cue-pon.'

**Candidate:** Note that the fourth letter is a 'd' and is NOT silent. Thus, the correct pronunciation is 'can-da-det.' Candidate can often be replaced with 'thief,' 'liar,' 'scumbag,' 'degenerate,' 'Hillary' etc.

**Often:** Do not say 'off-tun.' The correct pronunciation is 'often.'

**Awry:** Think of a waitress asking a shy customer which kind of toast he would like with his eggs — 'uh-rye.'

**Niché:** In the U.S., it should be pro-nounced as 'neesh,' not 'nitch.'

**Prescription:** It is annoying enough that you came to work when ill, without the added aggravation of telling me you need to pick up a 'perscription.'

**Porsche:** The correct pronunciation is 'Por-shuh,' not 'Porsh' and not 'Por-shay.' And all these years I thought Porsche own-ers were just being snooty.

**Cache:** Even as you are reading this you likely don't know that it is pronounced the same as that wad of greenbacks in your pocket — cash — and it means a collection

of items, or cash, hidden somewhere.

**Hyperbole:** No, it is not a crazed and fre-netic piece of stoneware in your cupboard. It is pronounced as 'hy-per-ba-lee' and refers to the literary practice of exaggerating for effect. Hmm — come to think of it this column is an excellent example of hyperbole.

**Picture:** Aaaarghh! This drives me crazy. It is not, as most pro-nounce it, a vessel for holding water or iced tea. It is an image or photograph. And it is pronounced 'pik-tchur,' not 'picher.' Hit the hard 'c' as an example to others.

**Bruschetta:** You are not going to like this because you have been saying it incorrectly for years. It is pro-nounced 'broo-sketta,' not 'broo-shetta.'

**Prostrate:** We will finish this column with a tip that I guarantee you will use on multiple occasions in the future. My good friend Dave Barry authored this short and clever rhyme that will eliminate the chronic confusion associated with the unrelated, but oddly similar, words 'pros-trate' and 'prostate.' If two 'Rs' are found, you are on the ground. If one 'R's on hand, it's in the gland.

You are welcome!

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“If two ‘Rs’ are found, you are on the ground. If one ‘R’s on hand, it’s in the gland.”



FOSTER CHILDS

## Hotlines

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**SOME OF YOU** people wouldn't be satisfied if Jesus were president. Please quit being so degrading and pick the one who's most qualified.

**WHILE SHOPPING AT** a mall in Ann Arbor, I felt that I stepped into a Middle Eastern country. The garb being worn and the lack of English being spoken was shocking and appalling. This is truly Obama's and Hillary's world as they proceed to let thousands and thousands of Syrian refugees into our country.

**I DON'T LIKE** the statement of King's article. It's not meant to use the word 'ass' publicly.

**THANK YOU TO** the King. We are run-ning out of time. Thank you so much for just putting it down on paper that we can understand.

**WE ALL SAW** what kinds of damage Jennifer Granholm did with influence at the state level. I shudder to think what her influence would do at the federal level.

**I LIKE THE** signage over in Canada. Put your phone down and just drive.

**I JUST CAME** from the Trump rally in Di-mondale, Michigan. There were probably 5,000 people. They were energized, there were no protesters inside. Trump was terrific, his message was great. If people pay attention, they're not going to vote for crooked Hillary. They'll go with Trump.

**I AGREE WITH** the Hot line about how

horrible the brick on the community center looks. They took a beautiful, unique building by one of the most famous architects in the country and wrecked it. Another example of letting architects and engineers run all over you.

**BILL CLINTON USED** Monica Le-winski for humor in the Oval Office? I almost wet myself. Foster Childs, you're the best.

**THE MOST BEAUTIFUL** block for a tour destination in our town is Dib-bleville. The flowers are unbelievable. Wouldn't it be sad to see a huge three-story building there instead? Wake up, DDA.

**HILLARY'S CAMPAIGN IS** a joke. She doesn't want to be president, she just wants the power and publicity to make even more money for her foundation. She doesn't care about Americans, just votes.

**HILLARY SAYS SHE** didn't delete a single work-related email. Those 33,000 deleted emails proves she either doesn't know what a work-re-lated email looks like, or she deliber-ately lied to Congress about it, which is a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

**ALL DDAs SHOULD** be disbanded because they are not democratic. They take taxpayer money that the electorate has voted to go other places. They can spend it without a care because they cannot be voted out of office.

**NEWS FLASH. TRUMP'S** daughter is on vacation with owner of Fox News Rupert Murdoch's ex-wife.

**I WENT AND** saw Donald Trump yes-terday. He was terrific, the crowd was huge. I had to walk a mile and a half to get there. This country cannot keep going how it's going. Take a chance. Vote for the man who's saying the right things and trying to do the right things.

**HILLARY WAS NOT** working for the government last year when she gave 85 speeches she was paid for. She was not a government employee. You are dense.

**I'M VOTING FOR** Hillary Clinton and I am not working because I worked for over 60 years. I'm 82.

**TRUMP'S CAMPAIGN IS** a joke. He doesn't actually want to be president. He just wants the publicity to make money. He doesn't care about Ameri-cans at all.

**WHY WOULD YOU** want to have Hillary for president? She supports abortion. That's killing.

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## Are you the early, on time or late type?

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

## street talk



"Kind of depends on what it is. I'm usually early. If it's something important, I'm usually there early."

—Tim Holden  
Hamberg



"Early or on time. I always try to make sure I'm early or on time."

—Betty Allmond  
Fenton Township



"Early. I just always have been. My parents are always late so I'm just always early."

—Kaitlin Stamm  
Fenton



"I'm early. Just out of respect for my time and other peo-ple's time."

—Jeremie Birch  
Wisconsin



"Early, because if you're late, you lose your job. My daddy raised me right."

—Kristina Zub  
Fenton





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Olivia Gark plays the flute during warm-up for marching band rehearsal last Thursday.

## MARCHING BAND

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The band will perform at Disney Wild in Orlando, Florida during Spring Break 2017.

These performances are made possible through a strong school-business-community partnership, according to Gonder.

A recent Drive 4 UR School, a national promotion by Ford Motor Company was coordinated locally by Lasco Ford and generated \$6,000 for the band's Florida trip next spring. "Our goal is to send every kid to Florida with \$100 in Disney Dollars so they don't have to pay for food," said Gonder.

Other upcoming fundraisers include an evening at Culver's of Fenton on Sept. 29, where portions of profits are donated to the Lake Fenton Marching Band, and the annual Tin Can Raffle on Dec. 2-3. "This is our third year for this fundraiser and it's extremely successful," said Gonder.

He encourages the community to come

out to the first music performance of the season this Friday. "We're two weeks ahead of school starting," said Gonder. "This show will give a new perspective to the audience."

## Poplar Street engineering work approved

■ City of Fenton receives funding for rehabilitation

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**Fenton** — The Fenton City Council has unanimously approved spending \$77,500 for engineering services needed to get funding for a Poplar Street rehabilitation project.

According to Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Dan Czarnecki, the city of Fenton will be receiving funding to rehabilitate the Poplar Street surface from Silver Lake Road to North Road.

The work will include new surface pavement, intersection realignment at Silver Lake Road and a larger turning radius at North Road.

"Drainage and sidewalks will also be evaluated and addressed as necessary," said Czarnecki in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland.

Federal funding in the amount of \$499,909 has been made available for this project through the Genesee Coun-

ty Metropolitan Planning Commission as part of the 2017 County Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

The city of Fenton will need to contribute \$124,977 toward the project, which brings the overall projected cost to \$624,886.

In order to perform this work, which will be administered through the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the city needs to have design engineering completed.

The city's engineers, Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. (OHM) has prepared a scope of services for the project. They

propose the design services to cost \$71,000, with another \$6,500 to perform the signal study work to create a model to provide for the proper timing of signals at Poplar Street and North Road.

### SUMMARY

■ The city of Fenton has received funding needed to rehabilitate Poplar Street between Silver Lake and North roads.

## News briefs

### City dump trucks to get new components

The city of Fenton's two dump trucks are going to get new components to the tune of nearly \$90,000. The Fenton City Council approved the expenditure on Monday, Aug. 22. According to Dan Czarnecki, the director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), told the City Council Monday night that the two trucks, which are 16 and 10 years old respectively, each have about 35,000 miles on them. Because of the good job DPW employees do in maintaining the trucks, the chassis and engines are in good working order and many more years of service are possible for these vehicles. The component parts, however, need replacing. The trucks are used to haul everything from gravel, to wet dirt, broken concrete, asphalt and road salt, Czarnecki said. The hauling has taken a toll on truck components such as the dump boxes, lift mechanisms, electrical components and hydraulic lines. The lowest bidder, Truck and Trailer of Flint, will do the work for a total of \$84,576 for the two trucks. To replace the trucks, the cost would be between \$180,000 and \$200,000 for each truck.

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**I'M WATCHING THE** Olympics, listening to the National Anthem. I bet all the other countries are tired of hearing that song. Good old-fashioned rock and roll. Go USA.

**PLEASE NOTE, IF** Hillary makes it to the White House, look at all those available bedrooms for Bill.

**IF THIS ELECTION** cycle has taught us anything, it's that the U.S. government really needs to take a good hard look at itself and think about major changes if this many Americans distrust the government enough to vote for a complete outsider and idiot like Donald Trump.

**THE SECOND AMENDMENT** is all about trying to keep the government in check. That's it. Pure and simple. That's what it's all about.

**THE DOWNTOWN FENTON** redevelopment, where are the handicap parking spots? All they're doing is catering to the healthy people.

**ALL THE BIG** insurance companies are leaving Obamacare. Premiums will go up and make it impossible for many people to keep their heads above water and my doctor is leaving practice due to fees reduction.

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**SIGNAL**

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director of the Department of Public Works (DPW) to City Manager L ynn Markland.

The money is to upgrade the west railroad signal device on North LeRoy Street.

The City Council voted unanimously to approve the project.

Now that the Streetscape landscaping has changed in the vicinity of the railroad crossing, it has been determined that the west signal device needs to be moved closer to the curb, he added.

"This should have been upgraded during the Streetscape project, however, it was overlooked by MDOT at that time," Czarnecki said.

MDOT approached the city at the conclusion of the Streetscape project. They said they would provide 80 percent of the project cost, and said the city would be responsible for the other 20 percent.

MDOT is getting its 80 percent share from the Highway-Railroad Grade Crossing Safety Improvement Program.

"The railroad has estimated the total project cost to be \$145,985," said Czarnecki. The city's share would be \$26,496, he added.

Had the need for this upgrade been discovered during the original design process, it is likely MDOT would have required the change and would have provided the same amount of funding, according to Czarnecki.

"This is a community safety issue that needs to be addressed," he said.

The design and construction work will be handled by CN Grand Trunk and MDOT.

"The city will work with the railroad to keep any work that disrupts our new Streetscape to a minimum, and gets reinstalled properly," said Czarnecki in his memo.

"We want to have the resulting work to keep the same look and layout as the Streetscape, with only the signal change being noticeable," he said.

Because the work is being done by the railroad and MDOT, Czarnecki said he does not know at this time when the work will begin, or how long it will take.

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**Dan Czarnecki**  
Fenton DPW director



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Levi Brewer, 4, stands in front of the Fenton Township firefighters after receiving two awards for quick thinking when he saw a kitchen fire.

## 4-year-old hero

**Grandson is honored by township and fire department for reacting quickly to fire**

**By Hannah Ball**

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**Fenton Twp.** — Not all heroes wear capes. Instead, this 4-year-old boy wore a giant smile while holding his two awards for reacting quickly in a dangerous situation.

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved a resolution honoring 4-year-old Levi Brewer Monday for alerting his grandmother when a fire broke out in his grandparents' home on Ray Road in Fenton Township on July 21.

In front of family and friends, Levi received a copy of the resolution and a Civilian Service Award from the Fenton Township Fire Department.

"That's the reason why we gave him the award," Volz said. "He realized the problem and went to the adult and alerted her of it and got it taken care of."

During the afternoon of July 21, an electrical fire broke out in the kitchen of John and Karen Rogers. They believe the fire started in the bottom of the dishwasher, possibly due to a nearby lightning strike.

According to the resolution, Levi

was watching television at the time and noticed smoke coming from the kitchen. He quickly alerted his grandmother who didn't know a fire had started because she was in another part of the home.

Levi's quick action allowed the family to exit the home safely and call 911. The Fenton Township Fire Department arrived on scene and limited the damage to a portion of the kitchen.

**“The Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton hereby honors Levi Brewer for his heroic actions, which may well have saved the lives of his grandparents as well as his own, and expresses its gratitude and appreciation for his courageous efforts.”**

**Tom Broecker**  
Fenton Township operations manager/deputy clerk

"The Township Board of the Charter Township of Fenton hereby honors Levi Brewer for his heroic actions, which may well have saved the lives of his grandparents as well as his own, and expresses its gratitude and appreciation for his courageous efforts," read Fenton Township Operations Manager/Deputy Clerk Tom Broecker. "We from the fire department, as well,

would like to recognize Levi with Civilian Service Award," said Fire Chief Ryan Volz. "Presented to Levi Brewer for his brave efforts of alerting his grandmother Karen, about the smoke and flames coming from the bottom of the dishwasher when she was out of the room."

"He did everything he was supposed to. For a 4-year-old, that's awesome. He could have just freaked out and ran outside. No one was injured and that was it," Volz said.

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## News briefs

### SO LONG SUMMER FESTIVAL IN LINDEN

The city of Linden is saying goodbye to summer with its eighth annual So Long Summer Car Show and Festival held at Linden Free Methodist Church located at 13274 S. Linden Rd. this Saturday, Aug. 27. From 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The public is invited. This year's event is held in remembrance of the Quasarano family of six, who were found dead in their Fenton Township home due to carbon monoxide poisoning this past February. Attendees can buy yellow ribbons for \$1 in memory of the family. Cars will be judged, and trophies and prizes for best of show, pastor's choice, and spectator's choice will be given out. There is no fee to enter the car show, but donations are welcomed. The first 100 entrants will receive a free plaque and food vouchers. Famous Dave's BBQ will provide food, and the event will provide activities, such as rock wall, bungee jump, trampoline, water slide, bungee run, face painting, bounce houses, and a pre-school zone.

### SKYPOINT

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According to city of Fenton records, all taxes and utility bills due on the properties were paid and posted on Monday Aug. 22.

The properties in question were purchased by LaJoyce prior to his being charged with embezzling \$20 million from the Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union (now Michigan State University Federal Credit Union), where he worked as chief financial officer.

LaJoyce, who has been in the Oakland County Jail since he turned himself in on Jan. 6 of this year, is currently moving through the county and federal court systems. He is presently working with his attorneys on a plea deal in the Oakland County Circuit Court.

### SUMMARY

■ The properties purchased by SkyPoint Ventures include: 225 W. Caroline St., 229 W. Caroline St., 125 S. Adelaide St., 219 S. Adelaide St., 116 Mill St., and 108 S. LeRoy St. SkyPoint did not purchase the personal, multi-million dollar Tyrone Township home of Michael and Ashleigh LaJoyce.

The properties that SkyPoint Ventures has purchased include 225 W. Caroline St., the now-vacant lot

where LaJoyce planned to construct a multi-million dollar, mixed development called "Riverview."

The remaining properties are at 229 W. Caroline St., 125 S. Adelaide St., 219 S. Adelaide St., 116 Mill St., and 108 S. LeRoy St.

LaJoyce paid nearly \$2.5 million in cash for these properties last spring. Many of the homes were rented to area families and individuals.

The building at 108 S. LeRoy St. is still occupied by a business.

All of the purchases far exceeded their assessed values. The SkyPoint purchases do not include the multi-million dollar Tyrone Township home owned by LaJoyce and his wife, Ashleigh.

### CRUST

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in downtown Fenton owned by Mark Hamel and Chad Brennan.

On Monday, Aug. 22, after a public hearing on the matter, the council voted unanimously to give the business a five-year tax abatement.

Earlier this year, Hamel and Brennan announced plans to expand their popular bakery/eatery by another 8,500 square feet, bringing the total square footage to 12,500.

The abatement is for 50 percent of property taxes on the expansion of the business, not the current.

CRUST owners are looking to invest \$3 million into the property.

Once the building expansion is completed, another 50 employees will be added to their current staff of 70 over a two-year period.

"I'm obviously glad to have this assistance," said Hamel on Tuesday. "I can understand why people think I get more

than my share. I presume it's because I have more businesses than most in this town.

"With the opening of El Topo and The Relief and Resource Co. that will make four," he added.

El Topo is the taco stand, and The Relief and Resource Co. is the speakeasy that will be built on Mill Street where E.A.R.R. was once located.

**"When I opened The Laundry in 1997 I put in our mission statement that we could not have a business outside of the city of Fenton and that still remains."**

**Mark Hamel**  
The Laundry and  
CRUST co-owner

"When I opened The Laundry in 1997 I put in our mission statement that we could not have a business outside of the city of Fenton and that still remains," Hamel said. "That is how dedicated we are to the redevelopment of this city."

"I'm sure it would benefit me to go to Linden, Brighton, Flint, a suburb of Detroit — they have all asked us to come, with many incentives — but we have never changed our mission statement," he said. "It may change one day but for now if we want to grow, we have to do it in Fenton."

Hamel continued, "One other part of

our mission statement is that we can never locate our business in a 'regular' location. We seek out unique buildings. That is why El Topo is in the building it is in and not on Silver Parkway with lots of convenient parking.

"CRUST is in a building that was 'asleep' for many years and not in the industrial park," he said. "Sometimes these locations need some assistance that make sense for the whole community (like the Elizabeth Street improvement), or the lot next to El Topo or the ability to expand on Caroline Street."

After the five-year abatement ends, Hamel and Brennan may choose to apply for another five years. State statute allows for one to 12 years.

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Kevin Fuhrman of Redford wraps five-gallon buckets of paint, which will be loaded onto a semi trailer via hi-lo.

## RECYCLE

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(GCMPC) coordinates it. They contract with Environmental Recycling Group (ERG) to handle the work itself.

Sheila Taylor, principal planner of the GCMPC said 740 vehicles came through, most of them township residents. They pulled up to stations like a drive-through recycling service, the materials pulled from their cars while they waited.

Workers wore thick rubber gloves to pour used two- and four-cycle oil into pans. They then tossed the containers into large, 30-yard rolling dumpsters.

Old televisions and computer monitors were stacked onto pallets and wrapped in plastic, to be loaded onto

a semi trailer. Everything from entire desktop computers to old batteries were taken and handled safely. Taylor said that in past events, 90 percent of the materials are recycled.

### SUMMARY

On Saturday, 740 people took advantage of the free Recycle Day for Genesee County residents, held at Lake Fenton High School. A variety of hazardous materials were accepted.

Shane Kelley, who helped coordinate the event with the GCMPC, said someone once tried to turn in weapons from WWII, which is not allowed. "It's easier to say what we can't take," he said.

Weapons and explosives are not accepted, and neither is waste from a business or regular lawn refuse or paper products.

While exact numbers were not available, Taylor said they collected about one-third of a semi of appliances and one-half of a semi of tires and 3,000 pounds of automobile batteries.

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# What I wish I learned in school

## How do I 'adult'?

By Hannah Ball

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There's this trend in the millennial generation called "adulting," which refers to completing adult-like activities like paying bills, setting up doctor's appointments, and cleaning.

It shouldn't be a trend to complete basic life skills. Yet, we get praise for "adulting" because we never officially learned any of it.

Here's what I wish I learned in school, but didn't — how to change a tire, jumpstart a car, balance my checkbook, how to cook, how much money will be taken out of paycheck for taxes, how to hem pants and sew on buttons, how to sign up for health insurance, saving for retirement options, what happens when I buy my first car, the importance of having good credit, and simply how to write a check.

To older generations, this probably seems ridiculous. This stuff is common knowledge, right?

Wrong.

We don't have home economics in school, or a class on finances, like the older generations did. I'm 23 and I didn't know how to do many "adult-like" things until about a year ago, four years past the age of being a legal adult.

If my generation is this clueless, imagine how clueless young adults will be in 10 to 15 years.

Parents can only teach their kids so much. After being in school for seven hours, the last thing a teenager wants to do is listen to Mom and Dad. I didn't want to listen.

It's not public education's fault either. Over the past few decades, high

schools have become more focused on preparing students for college, as they should be. Students are more likely to take certain classes in high school if it means taking fewer in college.

However, not everyone goes to college, and anything that affects the entire population should be taught in high school. We learn about wars, the quadratic formula, and what an allegory is, but we don't know how to balance a checkbook by the time we graduate.

I'm proposing schools bring back required classes like home economics, financial literacy, and other necessary life skills classes.



Hannah Ball

### Automotive skills

For a day during gym class, students could learn how to change a tire, change the oil, and how to jumpstart a car.

### Cooking

A cooking course in high school would teach students the basics of how foods mix together, the importance of eating healthy, and it would better prepare them to live on their own in the future.

### Financial literacy

I didn't know how to file taxes until I was about 20. Shout out to TurboTax for making it easy, but I wish I would have learned about the different tiers of income taxes, how much we pay in federal and state taxes, gas taxes, sales tax, and everything else taxed in school.

Students always complain about not learning anything they'll use in the real world, but if you give them real life problems and situations they'll face in the future, they'll be much more interested in class.

What about applying for a car loan or signing a lease on an apartment?

Kids also need to learn about being responsible with their money, and the options of saving for retirement, like a Roth IRA and a 401K.

### Sewing

I can sew now thanks to my mother but 16-year-old me would have loved a hands-on class on altering clothes, sewing on buttons, hemming pants, and other helpful sewing techniques.

### Health insurance

Get high school students interested in health insurance. They'll have to sign up for it eventually. Students should know what certain plans cost, what a deductible is, and how much of their paycheck will go toward it.

If we're at the age where we can legally vote and drink, we need to know all of the above.

Society expects us to act like adults, but our system is focused so much on teaching kids that they need to go to school, go to college, and get a job, that it neglects to teach them how to simply live in this society.

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### SUMMARY

Public education should start offering necessary life skills classes, like home economics and financial literacy.

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### Attorney General opinions

In this world, there are many opinions on a wide variety of topics. Some random examples include how well the various professional and college football teams will do this fall, the state of the economy and who will win this year's presidential race?

The importance of one's opinion on a question of course depends on the topic and who is giving it. As a judge, I am required to carefully consider and follow the opinions of higher courts in making my decisions in the courtroom.

Continuing in this legal realm of 'opinions,' Michigan has a special statute requiring the Attorney General to give an opinion on questions of law submitted to him or her by the legislature, governor, auditor, treasurer, or any other state officer.

Over the years, there have been thousands of Attorney General opinions on a wide variety of legal issues including elections, the environment, criminal and civil law, and the interpretation of statutes.

These have proven to be very important opinions. However, they are binding only upon the state department or agency, which requested them.

As to the courts, the opinions do not have precedential effect but are normally entitled to great weight where there are no other court opinions in the area.

Pursuant to the Attorney General's official policy, opinions on local units of government questions are typically not issued as they have their own legal counsel to provide this service.

Of possible local interest is the latest Attorney General opinion, number 7291, issued July 29, 2016, which answers a question posed by State Senator Paul Pavlov. Specifically the question is whether charitable and civil organizations may solicit contributions in public roadways.

After reviewing the applicable law including the Michigan Vehicle Code MCLA 257.676(b) and Rule 28.1713 of the Uniform Traffic Code and considering the first amendment rights of the organizations, the Attorney General concluded that the statute prohibits such solicitation if the solicitor blocks, obstructs, impedes, or otherwise interferes with the normal flow of vehicle traffic in a street or highway. The rule prohibits asking for contributions from the occupants of a vehicle.

What effect this opinion may have on such organizations remains to be seen.

The full text of the opinion is available online.

# 'Debbie Downers' bring everyone down

■ Complaining rewires your brain to breed even more negativity

By Hannah Ball

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If there's someone in your life who seems like they complain more than everyone else, it's not just your imagination.

Studies have shown that complaining rewires your brain for negativity, and also affects those who listen.

"It is like any other bad habit," said Paul Russell LPC, a Licensed Professional Counselor and training consultant in Linden. "Once you continually repeat a habit your life adapts to see, feel, and on some levels, even seek out the habit."

Russell said that having negative thoughts starts from real-life problems, but can sink into a life view.

"I tell many of my clients 'what you focus on determines what you miss.' Meaning if I am only looking at life problems, I miss the good that life is giving me at the same time," he said.

There are a few varieties of complainers.

One type, venters, only want to rant about their situation without seeking a solution.

Sympathy seekers are fishing for attention by trying to one-up everyone with the "my life is worse than yours" attitude.

Finally, chronic complainers complain so much that they live in a state of complaint and think about their problems again and again. For this type of person, complaining can actually make things worse.

The late Canadian neuropsychologist, Donald Hebb, believed that neurons that fire together, wire together. When we have a thought or feel physical sensation, thousands of neurons are triggered to form a neural network.

The more those networks are used, the stronger they get. The more you have negative thoughts and complain, the easier it becomes to be a negative person.

"In psychology we call this a negative schema — it is the core of how life is interpreted by a person," Russell said. "If one processes all life through a negative filter, they will tend to be negative over all."

Russell said, as a cancer survivor, he's developed and shared the perspective that you have to force your brain to see the good after a traumatic event.

Someone's constant complaining also affects other's mental habits.

Do you find yourself in a bad mood after the office complainer finishes their daily rant, or tells you about the same problems for the 20th time?

It's like when you inhale secondhand smoke while around a smoker.

According to learning-mind.com, empathetic people feel bad when someone complains because their brain tries to feel what the complainer feels in an attempt to relate.

The Department of Biological and Clinical Psychology at Friedrich Schiller University in Germany found that even exposure to negative stimuli, like negative people who frequently complain, caused the test subjects' brains to get sucked into a negative emotional state as well.

In layman's terms, "Debbie Downers" and "Negative Nellies" bring themselves, and everyone else, down.

Russell said people with a negative life view can become more positive.

"Change also takes focused effort but



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The "Debbie Downer" sketch character played by Rachel Dratch on Saturday Night Live was known for ruining fun group events with her sad, gloomy facts and commentary.

(I'm) glad to say I have seen major recovery in negative people that focus on the positive," he said.

Russell gave a few tips to develop a positive life view:

1. Find three positive things that happened that day before you go to bed. It can be as simple as not breaking any bones that day, or seeing a hummingbird.

2. Instead of saying negative things, don't say anything. "Start rewiring your brain by controlling your tongue (actions). This will allow you to see other things in your life," he said.

3. Be friends with a positive person. "Watch them, learn from them," he said. "See how they look at life problems and repeat their actions. In time, you will see both external and internal changes."

## Dealing with complaining

Here are tips on talentsmart.com from Dr. Travis Bradberry, author of "Emotional Intelligence 2.0," on how to deal with complaining.

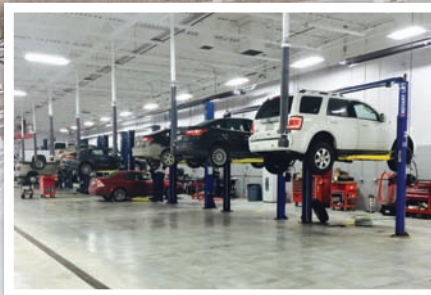
## How to stop complaining:

- **Remove yourself** from the situation. Take a five-minute break to calm down and get some air.
- **Try to express** your emotions more effectively. Avoid confrontational language.
- **Think of solutions** instead of stressors. Instead of constantly complaining about something, either fix the problem or learn to live with it.
- **Stop the negative self-talk.** When you find yourself having unnecessary and self-defeating thoughts, remind yourself that being down on yourself doesn't help at all. Wallowing in self-pity only makes the situation worse.

## What to do when someone around you complains too much:

- **Set limits.** Don't join in on the pity party, and don't indulge someone else's.
- **Ask them how they plan to fix the problem,** suggesting an end to their problem and their complaining. Constant complainers will either quiet down or redirect the conversation.

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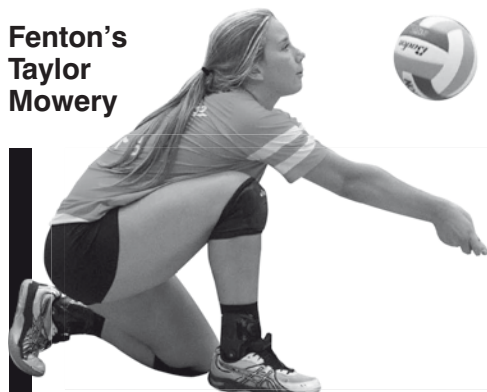
# Fenton volleyball earns hardware at first tourney of season

**By David Troppens**  
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The Fenton varsity volleyball team entered the season with a goal to win two weekend tournaments.

It's one of the same goals the squad had a year ago, and it wasn't an

**Fenton's Taylor Mowery**



easy goal to accomplish, eventually achieving it.

One weekend into the season, the Tigers had to do some altering of those goals.

Fenton captured one tournament ti - tle in one attempt as they captured the top spot at the W est Bloomfield Invitational, winning the tourney for the first time since Jerry Eisinger has been coaching the squad.

"We've never won this tournament the last three years so it was nice," Eisinger said. "We set the same goal to win two tournaments this year as well, but now we've revised the goal. Our goal is to try to win three."

The Tigers opened pool play with convincing sweeps against Lutheran Northwest, Bloomfield Hills and Roseville.

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Dominic Dimambro (center) runs in an event last fall. He finished second at the Running Fall Preview Invitational.

## Eagles off to strong start

■ Linden begins with wins vs. Powers, Hartland

**By David Troppens**  
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It was a good start to the season for the Linden varsity boys soccer team.

The squad competed against Flint Powers and came away from the contest at Atwood Stadium with a 2-1 victory. The Eagles fol - lowed that performance with a 4-3 victory against the Hartland Eagles on Monday.

"I thought we played better in our scrimmage days before but Powers has a very good team and it's a great test to start off with," Linden varsity boys soccer coach Kevin Fiebernitz said. "I didn't think we played very well in the

first half. We got out on them 1-0 and then I thought they carried the play a bit. We are implementing a dif ferent sys - tem than the one we used a year ago, because we feel this one fits us. It'll take us three to four games to settle in."

Against Powers the Eagles got goals from Matt Whitted and Julian Shier. The goals were assisted by Trevor Varn - er and Derek Deighton. In net, Nick Koan earned the victory.

"We have a lot of guys back. We graduated a lot of guys, but the core guys are back. We should be in good shape," Fiebernitz said. "Fit - ness is a concern of mine, and staying healthy.

I think we will be in good

**See EAGLES on 11**



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Julian Shier (left) scored three goals in Linden's first two games of the season.

## Fenton XC teams place second at meet

**By David Troppens**  
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It looks like the Fenton cross country teams are ready to have another strong season if the Running Fall Preview Invita - tional was any indication.

Both Fenton squads finished second at the meet held at Huron Meadows Metro Park on Friday, with the Fenton boys (40 points) coming just one point out of first. Livonia Stevenson (39 points) won. Mean - while, the Fenton girls were second to Ann Arbor Pioneer (58), recording 75 points.

"We're excited to get the new season underway," Fenton coach Jesse Anderson said. "The coaches were happy with how we opened the season. W e ran the same meet last year so it was instructive to com - pare results. We are happy with where ev - eryone is at, and especially how they raced. Pacing was smart and both teams were picking up runners the whole race."

Fenton's top two returning male runners — seniors Dominic Dimambro and Andrew Bond — were two of many Tigers who had dramatic time drops versus last year's race. Dimambro more than 20 seconds from last year, pacing second in 16:42.34.

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**Fenton's Molly Gundry**

## Tri-County golf teams tune-up at Lapeer

**By David Troppens**  
dtroppens@tctimes.com

All three area varsity girls golf teams opened the season by competing in the one of the earliest tournaments of the fall season — the Lap - eer Summer Tune-Up.

**Fenton**

placed in a t i e for ninth at the event while Linden was 18th. Holly placed 21st.

Fenton's Keegan Miller finished in the top 10 in the event with an 18-hole score of 86 at Lapeer Country Club, leading the T igers to a team score of 382. She was followed by Molly Gundry's 91 and Mar garet Berry's 98. Alexis Scheer complet -

ed the scoring with a 107.

"I knew going into the year we would be young and would strug - gle a bit to find our third, fourth, fifth and sixth golfers, but it's still early so that's where we are at," Fenton coach Kurt Herbstreit said.

Linden's Sydney Bond led the Eagles with a score of 100.

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The Linden varsity volleyball team celebrates its Linden Invitational tournament title on Saturday.

## Eagles capture their own Linden Invitational title

By David Troppens

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The Linden varsity volleyball team is off to a nearly perfect start to the 2016 season.

The Eagles began the season by winning the Linden Invitational on Saturday, and then followed that performance up with a 3-0 effort at the Clio quad on Monday.

At the Linden Invitational, the Eagles, who went 6-1 at the tournament, earned a 25-22, 25-15 victory against Davison in the semifinals and then beat Lapeer 25-21, 25-22 in the

title match.

Emma O'Keefe led the offense with 45 kills while Allison Conly had 35. Breyanna Turnipseed had 33 kills. Morgan Fitch was the team's setter, providing 93 assists.

Defensively, Patricia Racknor had 10 blocks while Fitch had 51 digs and seven blocks. Fitch also had 12 aces.

The Eagles followed up Saturday's effort with three more wins at Clio on Monday, defeating Saginaw Nouvel, Powers and Clio.

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## EAGLES

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shape. It will take some games to get locked in and get a substitution system going."

In the victory against Hartland, Shier scored two more goals while Deighton also had two goals, including the game-winner with about 10 minutes left in the game. Ryan Gillsepie, Caiman Moore and Shier had assists.

"The victory was nice. That team beat up on us pretty good last year," Fiebernitz said. "Again, I wasn't too pleased with our play. I thought we didn't defend well. Giving up the goals we did coincides with that. We just have stuff we have to work through. We are definitely a work in progress."

Linden travels to Fenton for a 6 p.m. non-league contest today.



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Linden's Trevor Varner (middle back) heads a ball during the Eagles' 4-3 victory against Hartland on Monday. Linden has won its first two games this season.

### Fenton 2, Carman-Ainsworth 0

Liam Adams scored two goals as the Tigers won their opener against Carman-Ainsworth on Friday.

Adams scored on a penalty kick on and scored the other after a breakaway pass from Justin Beemer.

### Fenton 1, Powers Catholic 1

Chase Poulson scored on a diving header off a Liam Adams Cross in the second half. In net, Noah Martin made nine saves for Fenton (1-1-0).

Fenton hosts Linden for a non-league contest today at 6 p.m.

## Three times over for Linden Warriors

### Fastpitch softball program wins three league championships

The Linden Warriors Fast Pitch Softball program had a pretty strong summer

The Warriors have three squads — a 12-under, a 14-under and a 16-under program — that had strong seasons. All three finished their summers with just one loss and league titles.

The 12U team was 14-1-1, capturing first place in the Oakland County Fastpitch Grey Division. Meanwhile, the 16U squad won the Greater Flint Fastpitch Whaley Championship with a 12-1-1 mark. Finally, the 14U team had an even better record than the other squads, going 15-1 during the season in the Oakland County Fastpitch Red Division.

The Linden Warriors had just three teams this year, but are expanding to five teams next summer. The program will include the three squads that already exist and will add a 10U team and an additional 14U squad.



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The three Linden Warriors Fastpitch softball teams that won league titles this summer were the 12-under squad (top), the 16-under team (middle) and the 14-under squad (immediately above).

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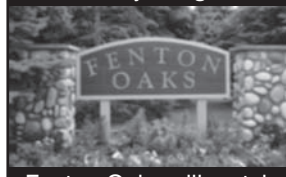
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# HOROSCOPES

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

A troubling situation takes a positive turn and moves toward a resolution that should please you and your supporters. Meanwhile, make time to deal with new domestic issues.

#### TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

It's a good time to reassess your goals and consider shifting directions. Remember to keep an open mind, and be prepared to make changes as new opportunities arise.

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

Rely on your strong Mercury aspect to help you close that communication gap before it becomes too wide to cross. A sibling or other family member has news.

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

You're about to get off that emotional roller coaster and start experiencing more stability than you've been used to. This is a good time to let someone new into your life.

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

Good news: A trusted friend comes through for you. But you still need to shed that last scrap of self-doubt and once more become the cool, confident Cat we all know and love.

#### VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

Things should be getting back to a less hectic pace. Enjoy the more peaceful atmosphere. You earned it. But don't forget about those still-unresolved issues.

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

A more positive family relationship develops as misunderstandings are explained away. A job situation appears promising, but check it out before you act on it.

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

Congratulations. That on-the-job situation is working out as you'd hoped. Now's a good time to relax and to enjoy the company of family and close friends.

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

You might feel as if you're caught in an emotional tug-of-war. But don't be rushed into a decision on either side. Wait for more facts before you act.

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

The Goat's usually high level of self-confidence is brimming over these days. This should help you deal with a situation that you've avoided for far too long. Go for it.

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

Relationships become more intense. But be careful not to be pushed into decisions you're not comfortable with. Remember: You're the one in charge of your life.

#### PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

You need to show more confidence in your ability to reach your goals. Make that long-delayed decision, and avoid floundering around in a sea of self-doubt.

### WEDNESDAY JUMBLE

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

BOYTO

TOODU

FREPER

CANGLE

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I fold. I get all the lousy cards

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE POOR PLAYER JOINED THE POKER GAME.

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

Answer: HE

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KING FEATURES

#### ACROSS

1 Vacationing

4 Rotating parts

8 Grouch

12 Melody

13 Garfield's pal

14 Golf target

15 Not restricted by convention

17 Facility

18 Sprite

19 Wing part

21 Strolled

24 Perched

25 Yoko of music

26 Storm center

28 Skewered entree

32 And others (Lat.)

34 Moray, e.g.

36 Vagrant

37 Aligned one self (with)

39 Cosmetics mogul Mary — Ash

41 Caviar base

42 Type measures

44 Fifth and Main, e.g.

46 Take away (from)

50 Dict. information

51 Jai follower

52 Out of jeopardy

56 Uninteresting

57 Sweater material

58 Chow down

59 Partner

60 Swiss range

61 Mound stat

7 Big rigs

8 Fast cat

9 Bellow

10 As well

11 Existed

16 Wapiti

20 "Mighty — a Rose"

21 Troubles

22 Opposed

23 Color

27 "A mouse!"

29 Elsa's story

30 Reed instrument

31 Transvaal trekker

33 With a suspi-

cious eye

35 Fond du —

38 "CSI" evidence

40 Sings in 60-Across?

43 Unstressed vowel

45 Ump

46 Arp's genre

47 Hebrew month

48 Lofty

49 Implement

53 Swab the deck

54 Corn spike

55 Greek H

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# DVD RELEASES

#### THE HUNTSMAN: WINTER'S WAR

Freya the Ice Queen (Emily Blunt) brings her sister Ravenna (Charlize Theron) back to life, and the powerful evil siblings plan to conquer the Enchanted Forest. Only the Huntsman (Chris Hemsworth) and his secret lover Sara (Jessica Chastain) can stop them in this sequel continuing the inventive twist on the Snow White fable.

**PG-13 2 hr. 1 min.**  
Action, Adventure, Fantasy

#### THE NICE GUYS

Shane Black (Iron Man 3) directs this police drama set in Los Angeles during the 1970s, and centering on a pair of detectives who stumble into a sprawling conspiracy while investigating the alleged suicide of a once-prominent female porn star. Russell Crowe and Ryan Gosling top-line this Warner Bros. release that reunites Lethal Weapon scribe Black with that film's producer, Joel Silver.

**R, 1 hr. 56 min. Drama**

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liked it

(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)

81%

liked it

(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)



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