

Another Cornerstone coming in 2017

■ Developer backs off on \$400,000 request from city

By Vera Hogan

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Fenton — Corlin Builders were back in front of the Fenton City Council and Down-

town Development Authority (DDA) during a joint meeting Monday night, Oct. 17.

Only this time, they presented a plan for the second Cornerstone building that didn't require the city to contribute \$400,000.

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Corlin Builders presented this artist rendering of their next project. It's a four-story, mixed-use building to be located at 111 S. LeRoy St. in Fenton.



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A HEALTH
HAZARD?**

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Fenton woman dies after being struck by vehicle

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Fenton — A 77-year-old Fenton woman who was crossing LeRoy Street near the Sherwin-Williams paint store has died as a result of the injuries she received.

Lt. Jason Slater of the Fenton Police Department said a witness saw Dorothy Orth crossing the street in the 1100 block of North LeRoy Street, around 7 p.m. Saturday evening.

According to Fenton police, a 64-year-old Grand Blanc

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Fenton police conduct an investigation after a Fenton woman was struck by a vehicle on North LeRoy Street on Saturday, Oct. 15, and later died.



**Zombies
take over
downtown
Linden**

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Carol Severn of the Linden Arts Council leads a mob of zombies down Tickner Street in downtown Linden Friday, Oct. 14. This was the second annual Linden Zombie Walk hosted by the Linden Arts Council. See **story on Page 5**

Linden school shooting defendant appears in court

By Hannah Ball

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Flint — One of the defendants in the alleged Linden school shooting plot case was in Genesee County Circuit Court Monday, Oct. 17 for a pre-trial. The hearing, however, was rescheduled for Oct. 31.

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Fenton man charged with eight counts of criminal sexual conduct

■ Allegedly assaulted person under the age of 13

By Vera Hogan

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At a probable cause hearing held on Thursday, Oct. 13, a pretrial hearing was scheduled for Robert Dennis, 41, of Fenton, the man charged with eight counts of Criminal

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Robert Dennis

Non-discrimination ordinance rejected by village 6-1

■ Officials cite 'murky' legal definitions for voting against it

By Vera Hogan

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The Holly Village Council voted 6-1 to reject its proposed non-discrimination ordinance.

Village President Ryan Bladzick is the only council member voting

See **ORDINANCE** on 10

“When looking at replacing Congressmen and Senators this year, remember — if it's not going right, then go left.”



“A look into the future if Hillary wins: a liberal Supreme Court, confiscation of private guns cleverly referred to as 'expanded background checks,' open borders and eventually a loss of religious liberty.”



“Stop making up lies about Hillary. She is a true patriot who has devoted her life to making America great. Trump will just spend his time chasing women.”



COMMENT OF THE WEEK

“Halloween is right around the corner. If a teenager comes to your door, please give them candy. I would much rather have my child be trick-or-treating at 14, than drinking at a party, dressing inappropriately in adult costumes or getting in trouble doing pranks.”



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Diet soda health hazard?

You may never drink it again after reading this

By Vera Hogan

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It works as a great toilet cleaner, rust remover, insect repellent, battery cleaner, and paint and odor remover — but do you really want it passing through your stomach?

Diet cola, as thirst-quenching as it may be, is not really a healthy beverage choice. It may seem like a better choice than a sugary soft drink by saving about 140-plus calories.

But there is more to this “chemical cocktail” than meets the lips and throat — such as artificial sweeteners like aspartame, saccharin and sucralose.

Artificial sweeteners have more intense flavor

than real sugar, so over time, they can dull the senses to naturally sweet foods like fruit. Artificial sweeteners trigger insulin, which sends your body into fat storage mode and leads to weight gain.

Diet soda is calorie-free, but it won't necessarily help you lose weight. According to health.com, researchers from the University of Texas found that over the course of about 10 years, diet soda drinkers had a 70 percent greater increase in waist circumference compared with non-drinkers.

Also, when you know you're not consuming any liquid calories, it might be easier to justify that double cheeseburger or extra slice of pizza.

Drinking one diet soda a day was associated with a 36 percent increased risk of metabolic syndrome and diabetes. Metabolic syndrome describes a cluster of conditions, including high blood pressure, elevated glucose levels, raised cholesterol, and large waist circumference, that put people at high risk for heart disease, stroke and diabetes.

See **DIET SODA** on 7



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But the good news is...

Coca-Cola is the biggest brand in the history of brands and products. Although there are some health concerns with drinking Coca-Cola regularly, there are some practical uses for the beverage.

Bowl cleaner

Cleaning the toilet is the most tedious of the tasks but with Coca-Cola, all you have to do is pour the drink in the commode and wait for an hour before you scrub with a brush and flush — now you have got yourself a sparkling toilet.



Remove stubborn stains

If you don't want to buy really expensive stain removers, take some of that Coca-Cola and pour it in the wash along with the detergent. Thanks to the carbonic and phosphoric acid inside the carbonated drink, the stains will be removed and your clothes will be deodorized.



Window cleaner

Because of the presence of the citric acid in Coca-Cola, it makes a wonderful window cleaner and works the same way as citrus fruit-based window cleaners work.

Gum remover

If gum has been stuck to your hair just pour some Coca-Cola on the gum and let it sit for a few minutes, you will see that it becomes easier for you to pick that gum off your hair.



Color fader

If you dyed your hair many shades darker than you wanted, Coca-Cola is known for its quality of fading the color on hair.

Bug slayer

All kinds of bugs simply love the sweet fizziness of Coca-Cola without knowing that it can destroy them. You can spray the drink on ant hills and cockroaches in your cupboards and get rid of them.

Putrefied battery cleaner

The drink's slight acidity when poured on the battery does not dilute battery acid (H₂SO₄), which is quite acidic, which means that it can be used to clean-up corroded batteries.



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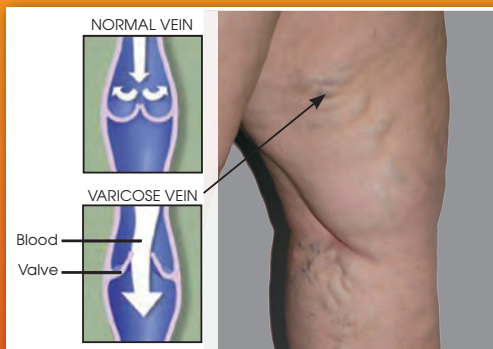
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If I Were King...

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Random non-political thoughts

• **If scientists had ever figured out** how to travel through time, wouldn't we be seeing people from the future visiting us now?

• **Promises made** on the campaign trail bear a striking resemblance to the vows spoken at a Hollywood marriage.

• **The best advice** my father ever gave was when he put his hand on my shoulder and said, 'Remember son, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of your arm.'

• **How can vampires** in the movies always look so neat and groomed if they can't see themselves in a mirror?

• **Instead of government employees** serving the public, it's clear now they actually believe that the public exists to serve them.

• **Is there any better** indication of the contempt most corporations have for their customers than the imbecilic 'Your call is very important to us, please hold for the next available representative.'

• **A presidential election** is best described as an exercise in which we would all like to vote for the best person but they are never a candidate.

• **Am I the only one** who automatically assumes that my olive oil is 'virgin?' The logical next question is what is the criteria for 'extra virgin' olive oil?

• **If you were a genie** and a person asked you this wish, 'I wish you would not grant me this wish,' what would you do?

• **Along those same lines**, if you went back in time and murdered your mother, would you disappear the moment she died?

• **I have officially** reached the age where getting a suntan is a life-threatening event.

• **Exactly what is the purpose** of a 'Baby On Board' sign?



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• **Definition of drunk:** feeling sophisticated when you can't actually say it.

• **Democracy is the** process whereby the citizenry is allowed to vote for the candidate they dislike least.

• **You can tell** a lot about a woman from her hands. For instance, if they are around your throat it's likely she's likely somewhat upset.

• **A good marriage** is when the wife makes the husband glad to come home and he makes her sorry to see him leave.

• **The secret to good health** is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not.

• **Fettucini Alfredo** is simply expensive mac & cheese for adults.

• **Am I the only** person to recognize the fact that if your shirt isn't tucked into your pants then your pants are tucked into your shirt?

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“I have officially reached the age where getting a suntan is a life-threatening event.”

Hotlines

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IF THE MAINSTREAM media covered Hillary Clinton's emails, private server, abuse of office, and the Clinton Foundation, as well as different private and public positions on issues as aggressively as they did Nixon's Watergate break-in, Hillary would be on trial right now.

AH, AUTUMN IN Michigan. I hope everyone appreciates the unique beauty and majesty of the season. We are fortunate to live here and be able to see God's blazing color show each year.

840 PEOPLE DIED in Haiti with Hurricane Matthew. The Haitians don't want the Clintons to come this time and rob them of their relief money. Shame on the Clintons for making themselves rich over other people's tragedy. That money was not accounted for in regard to anything.

ALONG WITH THE TV media, joining the attack on Trump are the NY Times, Washington Post and Time magazine, which are affiliated with the Globalist, Council on Foreign Relations. The Clintons and establishment Republicans share the goal of Global Government. No more USA.

IT IS CONFUSING. When they talk about 'creepy clowns' are they talking about real clowns or are they talking politics?

BIDEN JUST ANNOUNCED that because of Russia's alleged interference in

our election process, the CIA is going to launch a 'cyber attack' on Russia. Did we really have to make a public announcement? Another stupid move from the inept Obama, Biden, Clinton administration.

HELPED PUT AWAY a score of those felons the POTUS just let out. Can I deduct the costs of covering my tail full-time now? One for the 'Ask the Judge.'

JUST BECAUSE WE have a new road in Alpine Shores doesn't mean you can drive 40 miles per hour. This is residential and is 25 mph. There are children in the area, slow down.

A BIG THANKS to all of those voting for Democrats for my higher payroll deductions, increased insurance co-pays and for tens of thousands of Syrian refugees that will be coming to Detroit once Hillary is elected.

PLEASE PRAY for our nation.

CAN ANYONE TELL me how to properly address the number of off-leash pets in Fenton? The police told me that I need to call during an incident but it's difficult to make a call while trying to keep a stray away while dog walking. It's also difficult to catch the neighbor's cat when it marks my porch and car.

PLEASE TRY TO remember that voting for elected officials is far more involved and far more important than supporting your favorite sports team. Do some research, step into the voting booth and vote for individuals who will be there for you. Voting for a party is lazy. We can never be too informed.

TO THE HOT-LINERS who asked what Clinton's emails are about. Her emails show us that what she said to the public is totally opposite of what she says in private. There is evidence of corruption and wrongdoing all over the place but because Comey was threatened or bought off, she was not prosecuted.

SO, OBAMA IS going to send 500 more troops to Iraq. Pretty soon, he will be at the level he took out of Iraq when he shouldn't have and ISIS would not exist. What a fool he is.

TO ALL YOU staunch Democrats out there. When you vote, remember we have ships being fired upon in the ocean, countries threatening to blow our planes out of the air. Do you really want a woman who could not save four men in Benghazi to make decisions about what to do about a possible war situation?

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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What's something you've put off that would make your life more fulfilling? | streettalk



"If I had anything, it would be for my children and grandchildren to live nearby me."

Carol Calarese
Fenton



"Going to college."

Kim Hamilton
Fenton



"Education. I dropped out of school for my daughter."

Kevin Nance
Fenton



"I'm a musician. I wish I played more shows with my friends. We have a band and it's my passion and a good way to relieve stress."

Troy Wright
Holly Township



"To make better plans for the future."

Dave Kelly
Durand



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | HANNAH BALL

Three dancers perform to Michael Jackson's "Thriller" at the second annual Linden Zombie Walk on Friday, Oct. 14.

Zombies take over downtown Linden

■ Attendance, participation grows for 'thriller' of a party

By Hannah Ball

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Linden — The zombie plague in the city of Linden is growing worse and worse with every passing year, evidenced by the mob of zombies seen walking around the city last Friday.

More residents are turning into the undead, with pale skin, oozing blood, and gory faces. This plague, however, is confined to one night and the zombies also dance.

The second annual Linden Zombie Walk, hosted by the Linden Arts Council, took place on Friday, Oct. 14. The 60 "undead" zombies, dressed in tattered and bloodied clothing, drew a large audience of onlookers.

The "Zombies" limped down Tickner Street escorted by a hearse and Carol Severn of the council.

Elizabeth Bale of Linden dressed as a zombie. She said, "I've loved zombies since I was a kid. I did this last year and this year we decided to go big or go home."

She came dressed as a zombie bride with fake blood all over a wedding dress.

Her friend, Tina Flood, carried her veil.

"It's a lot of fun. It's great for the community. It's crazy to me how many showed up for this last year and then this year. It's like half the town showed up for the zombie walk. It's nice, clean fun. You get to look like a murder scene," Bale said.

"We're still wondering how we're going to top it next year," Flood said.

Parents and friends stood on the street, taking pictures of their zombie.

When the zombies reached the Linden Mill building, a flash mob broke out to Michael Jackson's "Thriller." The dance was organized by Danielle Sorum, owner and dance teacher of the Linden Dance Academy.

"It's grown. We've had more participation for sure," she said, adding that the zombies this year have more personality.

One person walked around as Edward Scissorhands. A girl offered people baked goods with cockroaches, and another boy showed people his "zombie bite" and told people to be on the lookout for the creatures.

Severn said the event has grown, and they were happy to provide free doughnuts and cider.

"I did this last year and this year we decided to go big or go home."

Elizabeth Bale

Linden resident, "zombie bride"

HOT LINE CONTINUED

SO MANY PEOPLE are following WikiLeaks on Twitter because the mainstream media is totally ignoring the thousands of incriminating emails that are quickly sinking Hillary's bid at the White House.

MOOSE AND I would like to thank the Fenton United Methodist Church for reaching out to a couple of Saturday morning walkers to join in on their animal blessing service. What a beautiful start to our morning.

WOW, THESE WOMEN waited until this particular time to rat out Mr. Trump. He has been running for president for quite a while now. Wonder what they got paid for this BS.

HONESTLY, I SEE a lot of hate and complaints in the Hot lines. Where is the love for community? Where is the love for people? It's just so disheartening the times we are currently living in.

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Nightmare on Mill Street to benefit local families in need

■ Fenton Firefighters Charities event on Saturday will take over downtown Fenton

By Hannah Ball

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Costumed guests will dance, drink and party the night away at the third annual Nightmare on Mill Street Halloween party, set for Saturday, Oct. 22 from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Adults 21 and older are invited to attend the Halloween event and costume contest, presented by Vic Canever Chevrolet of Fenton, on Mill Street in downtown Fenton across from the Fenton post office.

People are encouraged to come dressed as zombies and participate in the costume contest. The best costume will win a prize.

Actors from the Fenton Village Players will also add to the ambiance.

"The past couple of years we have had some people dressed in very detailed and intricate looking costumes," said Dustin Lucius, Fenton firefighter, charity board member, Golf Outing chair and Night-



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The 2015 Nightmare on Mill Street raised \$6,000 in sponsorships, not including ticket sales. Paige Suttles (right) and Danielle Blythe dance to "Wobble Baby" with the rest of the crowd.

“Growing up here, we see how close-knit and wonderful our community is. We need to make sure we take care of each other and keep our community going.”

Dustin Lucius

Fenton Fire Department fire prevention officer

mare on Mill Street committee team member.

All proceeds go to the Fenton Firefighter's Charities, which helps local families in need.

"As firefighters, we see firsthand how so many people around us may be struggling with issues in their lives. Whether it be loss of their home from a fire, people having to leave their jobs to take care of a terminally ill loved one, or some of the elderly people in our area who don't have family nearby to support them. These are the kinds of people our charity was designed to help," he said.

Fenton firefighters regularly work with charities to help people in need. Lucius said they team up with the Play Like Jackson Foundation a few times a year to host a food giveaway, and buy all the food through the Eastern Michigan Food Bank.

They also buy gifts for kids for Christmas through the Rotary Club's Angel Tree, and work with the Fenton United Methodist Church to deliver Thanksgiving food to elderly families in town.

"We really encourage people to attend our events and to help be a part of our community and contribute to something great knowing that they too are making a direct difference," he said. "We also can't thank enough all of the wonderful businesses in our community that continue to sponsor our events over the years."

The event will feature a live DJ, free food from Fenton Fire Hall, drinks from The Corner Bar, and a free photo booth.

Tickets, which are limited, are \$10 and can be pre-purchased at Vic Canever Chevrolet and Sawyer Jewelers in downtown Fenton. Tickets can also be purchased at the event.

"The majority of our firefighters have grown up in Fenton and lived here our whole lives. Most of us have graduated from Fenton, Holly or Linden high schools. Growing up here, we see how close-knit and wonderful our community is. We need to make sure we take care of each other and keep our community going," Lucius said.



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Keith Dewstow creeps out Nicole Matthews at the Nightmare on Mill Street event for Fenton Firefighters Charities in 2015.

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COCA-COLA

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Pain neutralizer

If you have been bitten by a bug, strung by a bee or a jellyfish then you do not have to panic in pain, just pour some Coca-Cola on the affected area and your pain will be neutralized in seconds.

Dish washer

If your pots are all blackened, pour some Coca-Cola into them and let them sit for a few minutes. The chemicals in the drink will fight the grime and loosen it, then you can easily scrub it out and your pots will again be clean and shiny.

Rust fighter

If you want to get rid of rust on an object, dip it into a mug full of fresh Coca-Cola or if the object is too big then soak a cloth in coke and try to rub the rust out. The phosphoric acid in the drink will cause the corrosion process and the rust will loosen and can be easily removed from the affected object.

Defroster

Coca-Cola can defrost the ice that settles on your windshield in the winter. Just pour the drink and let it settle for a few minutes and the ice will eventually come off on its own.

Puts off bugs

If there are too many bugs in your vicinity or your garden is full of them, put a few open cans of Coca-Cola in your garden or near the window and let the bugs get attracted to the can.

Odor killer

If you have been sprayed by a skunk, do not fret with deodorants, perfumes and body washes. Just get into the shower and pour the drink on the affected area and you will get rid of the problem almost instantly.

Paint remover

If your furniture has been stained with paint then grab a towel and soak it in Coca-Cola and rub it out. Make sure you wash it off with soap water later so that the stickiness of the drink is removed.

The loosener

You can use Coca-Cola to loosen tight and rusted bolts. Pour some of it on the bolts and let it sit there for a while. After that, remove it with water and you will notice that the bolts will be much looser than before.

Enemy of oil

Coca-Cola can remove any kind of oil stains from the floor or the kitchen slab. Use the same old method — pour it on the affected area, let it sit for some time and later wipe off with scrub and water.

Crime fighter

Coca-Cola is famous for being used for removal of the blood stains from clothes, furniture, carpet, walls and floor. It is also said that it is used as an important cleaning agent while cleaning a crime scene, although it is not known for sure.

Source: reshareable.tv

DIET SODA

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When you drink diet soda, you're not taking in any calories — but you're also not swallowing anything that does your body any good, either. The best no-calorie beverage is plain old water. If it's the carbonation you crave, sparkling water should do the trick.

Early studies on aspartame and anecdotal evidence suggests that this artificial sweetener may trigger headaches in some people.

Using diet soda as a low-calorie cocktail mixer has the dangerous effect of getting you drunk faster than sugar-sweetened beverages, according to research from Northern Kentucky University. The study revealed that participants who consumed cocktails mixed with diet drinks had a higher breath alcohol concentration than those who drank alcohol blended with sugared beverages. The researchers believe this is because our bloodstream is able to absorb artificial sweetener more quickly than sugar.

A recent study presented at a the American Academy of Neurology meeting found that over the course of 10 years, people who drank more than four cups or cans of soda a day were 30 percent more

likely to develop depression than those who steered clear of sugary drinks.

Women over 60 are already at a greater risk for osteoporosis than men, and Tufts University researchers found that drinking soda, including diet soda, compounds the problem. They discovered that female cola drinkers had nearly 4 percent lower bone mineral density in their hips than women who didn't drink soda. Additionally, a 2006 study in the "American Journal of Clinical Nutrition" found that cola intake (all kinds, not just diet) was associated with low bone-mineral density in women.

Just one diet soft drink a day could boost your risk of having a vascular event such as stroke, heart attack, or vascular death, according to researchers from the University of Miami and Columbia University. Their study found that diet soda devotees were 43 percent more likely to have experienced a vascular event than those who drank none. Regular soda drinkers did not appear to have an increased risk of vascular events.

Researchers say more studies need to be conducted before definitive conclusions can be made about diet soda's effects on health.

Source: health.com

HOT LINE CONTINUED

BASICALLY, IN THE '40s, teachers probably did not have to teach as many subjects.

■■■■ **SOME HOT LINER** asked what 'Wiki' is. It's a website where the public provides the content. It has nothing to do with Wikipedia.

■■■■ **I WOULD LIKE** to say thank you to Ruth Schneider as a faithful Times delivery person for many years. Always a job well done.

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■■■■ **GOD BLESS AMERICA**, land that I love, and Fenton too.

■■■■ **JOE BIDEN SAYS** he can stop and get rid of Wikileaks, which is actually informing us of the truth about Hillary. Why can't he stop the corruption from ISIS that is transmitted? That would be something they would want to stop it seems to me.

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CORNERSTONE

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During the last joint meeting in August, Corlin Builders presented a \$7.5 million building project, which would have been much like the first Cornerstone building at Silver Lake Road and LeRoy Street, which was a \$4.7 million project.

After giving an impressive look at what they had planned during that August meeting, Ghassan Saab of Corlin Builders dropped a bombshell that was met with dead silence — they needed \$400,000 from the city for the project.

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

The \$400,000, had city leaders agreed to pay it, would have covered architectural and engineering costs.

Stunned by the surprise request, city administrators and officials decided to take the matter under advisement and discuss it again at a future meeting.

After that August joint meeting, Corlin Builders went back to the drawing board and sharpened their pencils, coming back Monday with a plan to construct a building much like what they had originally planned. They did switch some of the types of materials used and other cost saving measures through design changes.

Doing so shaved several hundred thousand dollars from the total cost of the project with the new total cost figure close to \$6.8 million.

Saab said the new building proposed will still have the highest level of integrity.

Corlin Builders anticipates receiving a significant grant from the MDEC (Michigan Development Economic Corporation), which they say will help cover costs, making it unnecessary to ask the city to contribute funds this time.

The building proposed Monday night features four stories for a total of 40,400 square feet. Floors one through three will feature 10,780 square feet of space and the fourth floor 9,460 square feet.

Two terraces proposed at each end of the building on the fourth floor make up the remaining square footage. The total overall square footage is 41,800.

Like the first Cornerstone building, the first floor of the building will feature five retail spaces. The second floor will be offices, and the third and fourth floors will feature condominiums.

There will be five condos on the third floor that are between 1,588 and 1,900 square feet in size and will feature an open floor plan.

There will be four condos on the fourth floor. The terraces at each end of the building on the fourth floor will be shared common areas for owners.

The terraces and first-floor pedestrian plaza, which could feature a café, would serve as a buffer to the Fenton United Methodist Church.

There will be 14 covered parking spaces and 21 public parking spots, two of which will be handicap parking. Nine of the covered parking spots will be for condo owners. Saab said it has not yet been determined if the remaining five spots will be for office and retail use, or if they will be offered to the condo owners for a premium, for example.

Councilwoman Cherie Smith questioned the need for four floors versus three, referencing the Horizon Building going in at Silver Lake Road and North LeRoy Street on the northwest corner.

“Then we have two huge buildings next to each other looming up ... it’s overwhelming,” she said.

She was reminded that the Horizon Building decided against condos because of the close proximity to the railroad tracks.

Smith also questioned the process for soliciting bids. She referred to Fenton as the “hottest city” in Genesee County and suggested requests for proposals could have been solicited from other areas in the state and beyond.

DDA member Terry Green, who owns Billmeier Camera across the street from the proposed project, asked about the construction. He said every time there is construction in the downtown area, plaster comes down and there is damage to his building and the adjacent historic buildings.

Saab and city administrators said they will do everything to limit the impact construction has on those 100-year-old buildings and that of the church, which is also historic.

Both the Fenton City Council and DDA voted unanimously to accept the development proposal and authorize the city attorney to prepare a development agreement.

Councilwoman Pat Lockwood thanked Saab and Corlin Builders for bringing forward a great project and referencing the last meeting, avoiding the 20-second period of complete silence, which she said was the “longest delay in the history of the Fenton City Council.”

Once all approvals are met and their MDEC grant is received, Corlin Builders expects to break ground on the project in the spring or early summer of 2017. They have a projected completion date of May 2018.

“Then we have two huge buildings next to each other looming up ... it’s overwhelming.”

Cherie Smith
Fenton Councilwoman

WOMAN

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man, who was traveling southbound in a 2015 Chrysler Town and Country minivan,



Dorothy Orth

was passing a car and didn’t see Orth in time to stop his van. He swerved and struck Orth with the passenger side of the vehicle.

Slater said Orth, who lived in the area, was walking home from a store on the east side of LeRoy Street when she was struck.

Orth was taken to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township where she was listed in critical condition. Orth was pronounced dead early Sunday morning.

The Fenton police and fire department responded to the accident, and STAT EMS and Genesee County paramedics assisted.

Slater said when police arrived, Orth was lying in the southbound, right-hand lane. Her shoes could be seen lying in the road as emergency responders conducted the investigation.

SUMMARY

■ A Fenton woman has died following a pedestrian versus vehicle accident on North LeRoy Street Saturday evening.

He said they are unable to say at this time if alcohol was a factor. They are continuing their investigation.

Slater said once the investigation is complete, the Genesee County Prosecutor’s Office will decide if any charges will be filed against the driver of the minivan.

Funeral services for Orth are on Friday, Oct. 21. Sharp Funeral Homes is handling the arrangements.

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PEDESTRIAN VS. VEHICLE ACCIDENTS IN THE TRI-COUNTY AREA

June 8, 2016 – A Fenton man pushing a stroller was injured at Adelaide Street and Silver Lake Road.

Jan. 28, 2016 — A Fenton man was killed when he was struck by two vehicles on White Lake Road.

Aug. 14, 2015 — Two females were struck in Linden. The driver was turning left onto N. Bridge Street from W. Broad Street and did not see the pedestrians walking across the road.

May 1, 2015 — A Ford Explorer struck a 15-year-old male, who suffered a fractured wrist and was bleeding from the head on Owen Road in Fenton Township.

Jan. 2, 2015 — A Linden woman was injured after being struck by a vehicle on North Fenton Road in Fenton Township.

Oct. 21, 2014 — A Holly woman was found at the intersection of North Holly and Quick roads after being struck by a vehicle in a hit and run. She died en route to the hospital.

March 7, 2014 — A Wolverine Lake woman was struck at Shiawassee Ave. and LeRoy Street by a vehicle turning north onto LeRoy.

Nov. 10, 2011 — A 20-year-old Fenton man was injured after he was struck by a car as he attempted to cross Silver Parkway.

Sept. 11, 2011 — An 84-year-old Argentine Township man was fatally struck on Silver Lake Road as he went to his mailbox.

Nov. 9, 2010 — A 50-year-old Holly man was struck and killed by a vehicle while walking across Grange Hall Road.

Sept. 25, 2010 — A Fenton man swerved when a dog ran in front of his vehicle on South Long Lake Road. As he re-entered the lane, an unknown white male ran into the road and was struck by the vehicle.

Nov. 26, 2005 — A 42-year-old Deerfield Township man died after being struck by a vehicle while walking along Argentine Road, near Hogan Road.

March 5, 2004 — An elderly woman was struck by a passenger pick-up truck at the corner of Adelaide Street and Silver Lake Road.

Sept. 13, 2003 — A Holly man was driving his car southbound on Dixie Highway near I-75 when he fatally struck a Grand Blanc man who was walking along the road.

Oct. 1, 2002 — A Fenton boy was injured after being struck by a vehicle as he ran across the street in downtown Fenton.

Jan. 10, 2002 — A 53-year-old Holly woman was returning to her Grange Hall Road apartment when she was struck by a passing vehicle and instantly killed.

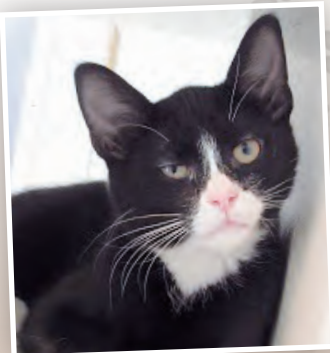
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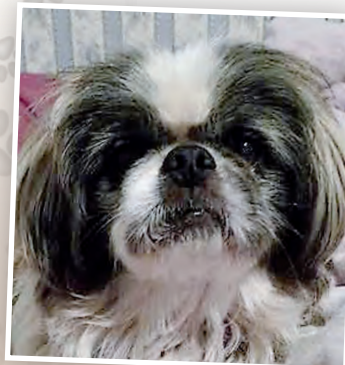
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If these lines seem familiar, it's because they're part of a song written by John B. Sebastian for his band the 'Lovin Spoonful' some 50 years ago.

At the song's end, a father says, 'You better go home son and make up your mind.'

'Making up one's mind' by definition means making decisions. Although we all make decisions every day, there are times in life when making decisions involves more serious matters.

For example, in the law we see lawyers and judges who are required to make decisions every day that affect people's lives in very significant ways.

When I was in my early years of private practice, I had a partner who always used to say that he would make a decision when he had all the information.

I have never forgotten this advice and I have used it both in my legal career and personal life.

Occasionally there are times when one has to make a decision based on incomplete information, as there isn't time to have all of the facts.

In those situations, Winston Churchill told us that 'the maxim 'nothing avails but perfection may be spelt shorter: 'p-a-r-a-l-y-s-i-s.' This is another way of saying that sometimes you have to go ahead and make a decision based upon the best available but incomplete information.

In the courts, there is a history of ensuring that before decisions are made, all relevant information is available to the parties, the judge and/or the jury. This information is seen in the examination of the facts of a particular case, statutes, court rules, the rules of evidence, case law, and other sources.

At times, this can be a long process and this brings to mind another legal maxim that 'the wheels of justice grind exceedingly slow but grind exceedingly fine.'

This means that to the extent humanly possible the justice system wants to get it right no matter how long it takes.

Whoever we are or whatever we do when making up our minds making good decisions should always be our goal.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | HANNAH BALL

Judge Joseph Farah asks Kody Brewer, 16, if he's used any computers or social media. Brewer, who cannot be photographed due to being a minor, said "no."

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Kody Brewer, 16, appeared in court with his family. Since he is a minor, the judge prohibited photographs of Brewer.

In October 2015, Brewer, along with Ryan Stevens, 19, and Lamarr Dukes, 16, were charged with conspiracy to commit first-degree, premeditated murder, a felony punishable by up to life in prison, and false report or threat of terrorism, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison. This came after a school resource officer at Linden High School discovered an alleged plot to potentially carry out a school shooting.

Brewer was released on bond in September. He has a GPS tether, must stay at the home of his parents, and cannot use computers, cell phones, or contact anyone through social media.

Judge Joseph Farah said to Brewer, "I gave you some strict bond restrictions. You haven't been on the computer right?"

Brewer said "no."

"Nothing. None of it. Zero. You can't tell your friends to contact people. None of this can happen or you go back to jail," he said.

Brewer said he hasn't used any computers.

Brewer's attorney, Elbert Hatchett, said, "For the record, his conduct since his discharge has been exemplary. He's working full time. He's trying to get back into school."

“He’s working full time. He’s trying to get back into school. Two schools are prepared to readmit him.”

Elbert Hatchett
Kody Brewer's defense attorney

We are waiting on some communication from the prosecutor's office. Two schools are prepared to readmit him."

Farah said the same deal his co-defendant Lamarr Dukes accepted was offered for Brewer, but he declined the deal.

All adult charges were dismissed in Dukes' case, and he was admitted into a year-long juvenile rehabilitation center, George Junior Republic, in Pennsylvania.

Stevens' case is pending. He was released on bond in late September and must live at the home of his mother. Stevens is also not allowed to use computers or social media, and cannot have any contact with the co-defendants or victims.

Police&Fire report

LINDEN WOMAN FACING CHARGES

At 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 7, a Linden police observed a 2006 black Cadillac traveling northbound on N. Bridge Street at 47 mph in a 25-mph zone. A traffic stop was initiated but the vehicle continued north on Bridge and began weaving until it stopped at N. Bridge and Meadow Green Lane. The driver, later identified as a 50-year-old Linden woman, was slumped against the steering wheel. The officer knocked on her window several times to get her attention. She could not produce a driver's license because it had been revoked. The officer had to reach inside the vehicle to shut it off. When she exited the vehicle, she needed assistance standing. The woman became combative, used profane language and refused to follow any directions from the officer. She agreed to a preliminary breath test but failed it. The woman was transported to Genesys Health Park due to her being unresponsive and her intoxication level. Blood results were sent to the Michigan State Police lab and charges will be made after the results have come back. She was issued a misdemeanor for driving on a revoked driver's license and her vehicle was impounded.



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News briefs

Trunk or Treat car show coming to Vic Canever Chevrolet

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Entre Nous Club marks 120 years

Entre Nous, or "Between Friends," is the oldest women's group in the tri-county area. Started in 1896, this year marks the club's 120th anniversary. To celebrate, members will enjoy dinner at the Fenton Hotel Tavern & Grille in December. According to member Helen Sutkowi of Fenton Township, the club started as a "reading club," but has since veered toward educational programs and philanthropy. They do work for different charities each year. Many of the members are business women, teachers, and women from other professions who all care about learning.

PRETRIAL

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Sexual Conduct (CSC) with someone under the age of 13 in Genesee County.

The pretrial hearing will be held on Nov. 16, at 8:30 a.m. before Genesee County District Court Judge David J. Goggins.

A pretrial hearing occurs before a regular jury trial and is when the accused tells the judge whether he is guilty or not guilty. If he pleads not guilty, the judge will decide issues that the defense attorney or the prosecutor want to clear up before trial.

Dennis' arraignment took place by video on Thursday, Oct. 5 in the Genesee County Jail. Bond on the eight charges combined equals \$3.5 million.

If Dennis is found guilty of the charges, he faces life in prison.

According to Genesee County Court records, the offense occurred on Oct. 1, 2014. Dennis reportedly assaulted someone he knew, a person under the age of 13, over a three-year period in Fenton.

Dennis has also been charged with first-degree criminal sexual conduct in Oakland County. His trial in the Oakland County case is set to begin Nov. 7.

It is unknown if the victims in the Genesee County and Oakland County cases are the same.

According to Genesee County District Court records, Dennis resides on Parallel Street in Fenton, one block west of State Road Elementary School property.

It is unknown whether he resides at this home at the present time. His wife successfully filed for divorce in June of this year.

ORDINANCE

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in favor of the ordinance, while the remaining six members voted against it.

"I'm disappointed in the decision of the council to not support equality for all of our citizens and visitors," said Bladzick.

"Fighting for civil and human rights requires courage and conviction. This setback simply demonstrates the need for both leadership and empathy on the Village Council through the next election."

Bladzick is not seeking re-election to the Holly Village Council, but rather is running for the State Representative position in the 51st District.

A public hearing on the ordinance was held at the Holly Village Council's Aug. 23 meeting. An opinion also was solicited from the village attorney, Michael Gildner.

In his opinion, Gilder said the ordinance obligates the village to honor constitutional rights by not discriminating against people who enjoy those rights.

"If you did nothing, and did not adopt this ordinance, you would still be prohibited from discriminating against any person's constitutional rights," said Gildner in his opinion.

Gilder said he does see some value in doing so, even if it is only symbolic.

"My primary concern is promising to enforce constitutional rights that in some cases have been recognized only recently, like same-sex marriage, or other rights that have not been explicitly recognized, like gender identity," he said.

"The proposed ordinance prohibits discrimination based on some constitutional rights that are 'cutting edge, undefined, and are the subject of intense debate in society and in the courts,'" Gildner added.

"I am concerned about the village promising things that are presently unknown," said Gildner.

Village Council Member Chris Rankin said, "I voted against the ordinance because of the legal murkiness of the definitions of the groups that this ordinance was attempting to protect.

"I felt it was unwise to place on the village the legal responsibility of protecting that which has an unclear legal definition," he added.

"Of course I want all people to be

treated fairly and equally," Rankin said.

"In the aftermath of this vote, I have received numerous emails and social media messages with a common theme of, 'shame on you,' which I expected to receive given that this type of legislation is something that needs to be moved forward," Rankin added.

"The village attorney advised that if we did not adopt this ordinance, and did nothing instead, we would still be prohibited from discriminating against any person's Constitutional rights," said Council Member Suzanne Heiple.

"It is not necessary to adopt something in writing which explicitly states it, in that sense, the proposed ordinance is not necessary," she added. "The primary concern is enforcement. If we are going

to recognize gender identity as a Constitutional right, for example, we ought to know what that means.

"Until the courts delineate the contours of them, it is not clear what those rights cover and there is concern about the village promising things that are presently unknown," Heiple said.

"It's unbelievable to me that in 2016 we

are still having this conversation," said April Boucké of Holly. "The LGBTQ community is not asking for 'special rights,' they are asking to be treated like everybody else.

"I'm sad to say that a citizen of our community involved in the Facebook conversation I started regarding the vote was harassed by another member for being gay," she added. "This is exactly why we need the council to stand up and vocally say this will not be tolerated in our town," said Boucké.

"As a B in the LGBTQ, I have the privilege of not being seen as LGBTQ because I'm married to my awesome husband. But the whole reason we bought a house here is because we stayed in a Bed and Breakfast to start our honeymoon and fell in love with the town.

"I can tell you there are more LGBTQ in our new hometown than you realize because people don't feel safe enough to be open," she said. "And for this community to grow and thrive, that needs to change. I see that the village wants to attract more families to live here, and the way to do that is to be openly, vocally accepting of every family."

“Of course I want all people to be treated fairly and equally. But promising the legal protection of the village to a group of citizens using legally ambiguous terms is a whole different animal from my belief that all people should be treated equally.”

Chris Rankin
Holly Village councilman



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Lake Fenton's Daniel Osminski (left) tackles a Beecher foe in a recent game. The Blue Devils improved to 8-0 with a victory against Waverly on Friday.

Blue Devils one win away from perfect 9-0 mark

By David Troppens
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About two weeks ago when the Lake Fenton varsity football team defeated Co-runna 22-20 to capture the Genesee Area Conference Red Division championship, the defense played strong, waiting for the offense to get things going.

On Friday night, it was the opposite. While the defense took time to figure out how to defend Lansing Waverly's spread offense, the Blue Devils offense had no troubles scoring themselves. Eventually Lake Fenton's defense got enough stops, helping set up a 63-35 non-league road victory.

The win has Lake Fenton at 8-0 with one more contest remaining, a road game at Williamston.

"They are fast and athletic and we knew that going in," Lake Fenton varsity football coach Eric Doyle said. "We were never really comfortable. It was an animal we've never seen. We knew they would cause us some matchup problems. But it was nice to see it now than see it later on."

"Last week the defense carried us and tonight it was the opposite. Tonight, our offense kept pace and the defense kind of caught up. That's when you realize you are beginning to be a pretty good team, when one area steps up for the other."

Offensively, Jackson Nevadomski had a big game, collecting 120 passing yards and throwing four TD passes. Two of them were to Wisconsin-bound Trent Hillger while the other two were to Liam King and Bryce Andres.

Hillger was outstanding once again as well. Along with the two receiving TDs, he had four rushing TDs, collecting 288 ground yards on 28 carries. Nevadomski ran for 104 yards on just five carries. Jarrett Trombley had a rushing TD and 72 rushing yards.

Lake Fenton now plays at Williamston in pursuit of the Blue Devils' first undefeated regular season since 2006.

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Eagles, Tigers advance, face each other today

By David Troppens
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Holly — Fenton vs. Linden part three is coming to a high school near you today.

The Linden Eagles and the Fenton Tigers captured Division 2 district opening victories on Monday, meaning the two tri-county rivals will face off at Kearsley High School today at 6 p.m. with the winner earning a spot in the district title game on Friday.

Linden busted open its contest against

Holly with four second-half goals, earning a 5-0 victory at Holly High School. Meanwhile, Fenton scored four first-half goals and cruised to a 5-1 victory against Kearsley at Kearsley High School.

The Eagles controlled action for the most part against the Bronchos. During the first half they enjoyed a 16-2 shot edge, including a 6-2 on target advantage. However, with all of Linden's energy, the Eagles were only able to score once during the first

half. That goal came with 20:52 left in the opening half when Brandon Davis took an initial shot. It was saved, but the rebound deflected to Zane Arnold for a shot and easy goal from about two yards out.

"I think we came out faster and caught them a little off guard," Arnold said. "We came with the attitude that we needed to win and we did what we needed to do."

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Linden's Derek Deighton vs. Holly's Adam Herdman (back)

Eagles are in, Holly must wait for this week

■ Linden gets playoff qualifying sixth win vs. Bronchos, 30-27

By David Troppens
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Holly — Aaron Sarkon had one thing on his mind.

The last time he punted during the Linden Eagles' road varsity football game against the Holly Bronchos his punt was, how do we put this nice, awful? It traveled nine yards out of bounds.

Sarkon didn't want that to happen again. So with the Eagles leading just 27-20 and Linden facing a fourth-and-10 play late in the fourth quarter, it seemed the obvious call was to punt and try to force the Bronchos to drive the field.

Sarkon had other ideas. Instead, Sarkon took the long-snap, ran upfield for 12 yards, with about seven of those yards coming while doing his Houdini act, giving the Eagles a first down. Five plays later, Linden's Koleton Strauss converted a 21-yard

field goal, giving Linden a 30-20 lead with 2:28 left in the final period.

It ended up being a huge fourth-down pick-up and field goal conversion, as Holly drove the field and scored themselves 26 seconds later. However, Linden recovered the on-side kick attempt and left Holly High School with a 30-27 victory, earning the Eagles their 15th straight invitation to the state football playoffs and a chance to earn a share of the Metro League title next Friday when Linden hosts area rivals Fenton.

"If I see a little crease, I'm taking it," Sarkon said. "And I had a five-yard punt the one before, so I knew I had to do it; I just wanted to get our team back on track. I just said that I have to make that up because that's not going to

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Linden's Aaron Sarkon (right) tries to get by Holly's Kyle Staple in the Eagles' 30-27 victory against the Bronchos on Friday.



Tigers earn co-title with 48-28 win vs. Creek

By David Troppens
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The Fenton varsity football team accomplished two goals on Friday night.

For the ninth season in a row the Tigers are going to the state playoffs. Also, for the sixth straight season, the Tigers earned at least a share of the Metro League title. They earned these honors by posting a 48-28 road victory at Swartz Creek Friday night.

Now only one huge regular season goal

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SCOTT SCHUPBACH
Fenton's Lance Mercord runs upfield during a recent contest. The Tigers earned at least a co-Metro League title with a 48-24 win vs. Swartz Creek on Friday. This Friday the Tigers have a chance to win it outright at Linden.

remains — that's winning the title outright against Fenton's biggest rivals on Linden's home field on Friday. The Linden Eagles can earn a share of the Metro crown if they earn a victory, but the Tigers don't want that.

"We have at least a share of the conference championship, but we don't like to share stuff," Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke said. "(Getting our sixth win and qualifying for the playoffs) is big because we started out 0-2 and have now peeled off six wins in a row."

The Tigers (6-0, 6-2) found themselves in a little bit of a back-and-forth affair early on. Josh Czarnota hit Chanse Setzke with a 15-yard TD pass.

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Linden XC program collects two firsts at O'Mara event

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The Linden varsity cross country program will be entering the final Metro League meet with some confidence on Wednesday.

That's because both squads won the small school divisions at the Kayla O'Mara Invitational on Saturday.

The boys scored 42 points, six less than second-place Powers. The Linden girls scored just 33 points, five less than Goodrich.

Holly also competed in the large school divisions with the boys placing fourth and the girls taking sixth.

Alia Frederick led the Lady Eagles, posting a second-place time of 19:23.17, while teammate Hannah Wabel was in fifth (20:56.58). The rest of Linden's top five also finished in the top 10 overall. Meghan Hitt was seventh (21:13.14) followed by Kearstin Dankert in ninth (21:41.74) and Emma Wabel in 10th (21:44.23). Kristina Lachowicz placed 11th (21:5.17) and was Linden's sixth runner.

The Linden boys had three in the top five and its entire top five within the top 13 places. Tyler Bahanan led the Eagles by placing fourth (17:04.65) while Tanner Blaney followed closely in fifth (17:08.54).

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Linden runners compete in a recent Metro jamboree. The Linden girls took first at the Kayla O'Mara Invitational in the small school division.



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Fenton's Alexis Scheer shot a two-day score of 196 at the state meet.

Tigers place ninth at D2 state meet

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Maybe the Fenton varsity girls golf team would've liked to place a tiny bit higher than the Tigers did at the Division 2 state golf meet.

But the Tigers couldn't complain too much about their results, either. After all, Fenton placed in the top half of the field, placing ninth out of 18 teams with a team score of 380-373-753 at Grand Valley State University's The Meadows Golf Course.

And then one can look at the girls who competed at the state meet. All five were underclassmen. So, the reality of the situation is the Metro League champion Fenton Tigers were a pretty young team this season.

"I think we could've been a little lower than that, but it was good competition and there were a lot of good teams there," Fenton varsity girls golf coach Kurt Herbstreit said. "It was the first time the team has ever been at the state meet other than Molly (Gundry). It was a bit of a learning curve. The rounds were slow, taking six hours. It took some time and it was mentally draining. But all in all, it was a great experience."

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Fenton's Cambria Tiemann placed second at the Gabriel Richard Invitational.

Fenton XC teams take first, third at Gabriel Richard

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The Fenton varsity girls cross country team made a pretty nice statement at the Gabriel Richard Invitational, capturing first in the 13-team Division 1 varsity race. Meanwhile, the boys placed third.

Alexa Keiser continued her outstanding freshman season by winning the race in 18:24.1. Her closest competition was teammate Cambria Tiemann who took second in 18:54.8. The rest of the Tigers' top five were Jenna Keiser in sixth (19:42.2), Abbey Lee in 24th (20:47.1) and Jessica Adams in 45th (21:28.7).

The Fenton boys also had a winning runner — senior Dominic Dimambro.

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Hillger headed to Wisconsin to wrestle

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Editor's note: This story was in the weekend edition, but has been updated since. Go to tctimes.com to read more.

For a couple of years questions surrounded Lake Fenton two-star athlete Trent Hillger.

Would he continue his career in wrestling or football? Also, he had his choice of schools in both sports, so where would he go also remained a great mystery.

Hillger has made his decision. He has verbally committed to wrestle at the University of Wisconsin next fall.

"It's a big weight off of my shoulders but at the same time it's exciting too," Hillger said. "It feels great. I've been working toward this my whole life."



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Lake Fenton's Trent Hillger will be wrestling at the University of Wisconsin next fall.

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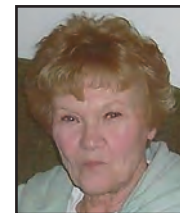
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Source: etiquette.about.com

Dorothy L. Orth 1939-2016

Dorothy L. Orth - age 77, of Fenton, died Sunday, October 16, 2016. Services will be held 11 AM Friday, October 21, 2016 at Sharp



Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. The family

will receive friends from 4-8 PM Thursday, October 20, 2016 at the funeral home. Dorothy was born April 7, 1939 in Rives, MO, the daughter of Paul and Katie (Sparks) Kershaw. She married Michael Orth on August 20, 1960 and he preceded her in death on August 7, 1991. Dorothy had worked at Hovey's Drug Store for 17 years and at Dr. Damanskas office as a bookkeeper for 13 years. She was very active with her husband in the Fenton Little League where she served as secretary for many years. Surviving are: three children, Michael (Annette) Orth of Kearsley, Kit Gray of Fenton, Tina Staffne of Fenton; six grandchildren, Samantha Suminski, Michael Reese, Jordan and Brandon Orth, Autumn and A.J. Staffne; four great-grandchildren, Tyler Jelnick, Paisley Matzke, Desi and Sadie Reese; sister, Willie (Richard) Taylor; brother, Edward Kershaw; sister-in-law, Beverly Kershaw. She was preceded in death by: her parents; husband, Michael; brother, Palmer Kershaw and sister-in-law, Joanne Kershaw. Friends may share an online tribute with the family at www.sharppfuneralhomes.com.



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Drafts of the Master Plan Amendments are available for public viewing on the township's website www.hollytownship.org and at the Holly Township Office, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, Michigan during regular business hours (9 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday except for holidays).

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

You're moving from a relatively stable situation to one that appears to be laced with perplexity. Be patient. You'll eventually get answers to help clear up the confusion around you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

A vexing situation tempts you to rush to set it all straight. But it's best to let things sort themselves out so that you can get a better picture of the challenge you're facing.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Financial matters could create some confusion, especially with a torrent of advice pouring in from several sources. Resist acting on emotion and wait for the facts to emerge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

That goal you've set is still in sight and is still in reach. Stay with the course that you're on. Making too many shifts in direction now could create another set of problems.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

It might be time to confront a trouble-making associate and demand some answers. But be prepared for some surprises that could lead you to make a change in some long-standing plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

Congratulations. You're making great progress in sorting out all that confusion that kept you from making those important decisions. You're on your way now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

A difficult experience begins to ease. That's the good news. The not-so-good news is a possible complication that could prolong the problem awhile longer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Your self-confidence gets a much-needed big boost as you start to unsnarl that knotty financial problem. Expect some help from a surprising source.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Congratulations. Any lingering negative aftereffects from that not-so-pleasant workplace situation are all but gone. It's time now to focus on the positive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Your self-confidence grows stronger as you continue to take more control of your life. Arrange for some well-earned fun and relaxation with someone special.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

As usual, you've been concerned more about the needs of others than your own. You need to take time for yourself so that you can replenish all that spent energy.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

Stronger planetary influences indicate a growing presence of people eager to help you navigate through the rough seas that might mark your career course.

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