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## Still undecided?

■ A look at congressional candidates may help you decide between Clinton and Trump

**By Vera Hogan**  
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Although early voting in Michigan is well underway, there are still many voters who are undecided when it comes to the candidate they will choose to put into the White House.

With the polls flip-flopping every day between Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Donald Trump, it may be difficult for people to focus on the true issues and not the controversial feeding frenzy taking place almost daily.

Both candidates have listed the things they will do once they are elected. (See sidebar) It is important to remember, however, that the President of the United States is limited to what he or she can actually do without congressional approval.

So, for the undecided voters, perhaps a closer look at who you put into Congress is in order.

Currently, Congress is under Republican control with 247 of the 435 seats in the House of Representatives, and 54 of the 100 seats in the Senate.

As far as the U.S. Senate is concerned, the elected officials in our area are Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D), whose term in office does not expire until 2018, and Sen. Gary Peters (R) will serve in his office until 2020.

In the U.S. House of Representatives, however, Rep. Mike Bishop (R) and Rep. Dan Kildee (D) are up for re-election this year.

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## More condos under construction in city of Fenton

■ Waters Edge development to feature 68 new units due to lien on property being lifted

**By Vera Hogan**

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If there are two certainties in local living of late, it's that condominiums are "in" and the city of Fenton is the place to buy them.

More evidence of condo popularity continues with the recent start of the first stages of construction at the Waters Edge development, on the east side of the city.

The project is a continuation of the Eagle at the Waters Edge development that gained its first round of approvals with PUD (Planned Unit Development) rezoning in 2004. Development stopped when the economy took a downward turn a few years later.

The 68 new condos, being built by Building Junkies, will feature two bedrooms and pricing will start

**See CONDOS on 10**



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After several years of dormancy, construction of condominiums at the Waters Edge development on the east side of Fenton City has resumed. Building Junkies will build 68 new condos. First move-in date is expected to take place in March 2017.

## Sandhill cranes making news on area lakes

**By Hannah Ball**

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They come every day around 5 p.m. Hundreds of sandhill cranes with 6- to 8-foot wingspans land on Casey and Jerry Rogers' property in Deerfield Township on the channel between Bennett and Hoisington lakes. The most

**See CRANES on 7**

“I thought Jurassic Park landed when I saw all the birds land in September, 11 years ago.”

**Casey Rogers**

*Deerfield Township resident*

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Hundreds of sandhill cranes gather to roost at dusk Monday night on a channel between Bennett and Hoisington lakes.



## Snyder signs controversial reading bill

■ Third-graders must meet state reading standards or be held back

**By Hannah Ball**

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A controversial education bill that would require third-graders to read at a proficient level before going to fourth grade is now law. Gov. Rick Snyder signed the bill Oct. 6.

The bill, House Bill 4822, was introduced to the Michigan House in October 2015 and it passed that same month. It passed the Senate Sept. 21.

This new law, which starts in the 2019-2020 school year, requires schools to hold back third-graders who do not meet proficient reading level standards.

The bill was introduced in response to low reading levels in third grade.

**See THIRD-GRADERS on 7**



“They’re not illegal Americans. They’re undocumented Democrats.”



“Please vote for America this election, not an individual. We cannot survive another term of incompetence. Vote for the candidate that you believe will be in the best interest of America. Honor the soldiers that died for our freedom, soldiers like my father. Thank you.”



“All you Hillary fans should be aware that if by some slim chance she is elected as our new president, she will be impeached and be forced to resign. You know what that leaves us with — Tim Kaine. Heaven help us all.”



### COMMENT OF THE WEEK

“I can remember when we laughed at comedians and listened to politicians. Now we laugh at politicians and listen to comedians. How sad for America.”



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Alpine Marketplace employee Trevor Hawk stocks the meat cases Tuesday morning. Overall, prices on beef and poultry are down.

## GROCERY PRICES 'DEFLATE'



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Although items like meat and milk currently cost less at the grocery store compared to last year, other items like dish soap remain the same price.

■ Supermarket prices are down 10 months in a row, easing 'sticker shock' at checkout

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If you're used to bringing home the bacon and frying it up in a pan, you'll be glad to know that bacon is costing you less than it did a year ago.

Last year, grocery shoppers were experiencing sticker shock at the checkout line, especially with beef and egg prices. Compare that to this year, when supermarket prices have dropped for 10 months in a row, the longest streak since 1960, according to Labor Department statistics.

For example, sliced bacon was \$5.73 a pound in 2015 and now costs \$5.48. A pound of ground beef set you back \$4.13 a year ago, and today, costs an average

of \$3.66. A dozen eggs now are about \$1.47, half the \$2.97 price a year ago.

"It's called deflation," said Marvin Yono, owner of Alpine Marketplace in Linden. "It's mainly fresh meat, produce and eggs. People are having a positive reaction."

He said that the rest of his store prices are pretty stable, which he expects to continue through the winter. Yono added that milk prices have gone back up in the last six to eight months, but Alpine doesn't pass those price increases to their customers.

Analysts credit low oil and grain prices, as well as cut-throat competition from discounters, for the reduction in prices. These lower prices are a boon for customers, but grocery stores are losing their already slim profit margins, according to Bloomberg.com.

See **GROCERY PRICES** on 9

## 'Paper or plastic' battle ongoing

■ One bill would ban plastic bags, other would bar communities from banning them

By Hannah Ball

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There are two bills in the Michigan legislature that would affect plastic bag usage in retail stores — one would ban communities from banning plastic bags, and one would ban businesses from handing out plastic bags.

Senate Bill 853 would prevent local communities from enacting bans or putting fees on plastic grocery bags or other "auxiliary containers."

Sen. Jim Stamas (R-Midland), who introduced the bill, said the primary goal was to provide consistency across the state.

"It's regulations to ensure our businesses and consumers are not fighting different regulations across the state," he said. "If a business chooses to do without plastic, they can still do that. If a consumer wants to go to a place that doesn't offer plastic, they can still do that."

See **PLASTIC BAGS** on 10

### SUMMARY

■ Two bills in the Michigan legislature will decide the future of plastic bag usage for state retailers.



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A cashier at Alpine Marketplace in Linden fills grocery bags Tuesday. There is conflicting state legislation concerning banning plastic bags like these.

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## If I Were King...

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### Don't vote? Don't worry

**Y**ou don't vote? Hey, you're not alone. Literally tens of millions of eligible American adults never vote in elections. In 2014, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, 28 percent of non-voters said they were too busy with other things and 10 percent said they were 'out of town.' Another 16 percent 'have no interest' in the election, and 8 percent said they didn't vote because they disliked both candidates.

And that's just fine with me.

Every citizen has the right to vote, but no citizen is required to vote. In other words, the decision *to vote* is the sister of the decision *not to vote*.

By guaranteeing your right to own a gun, to march in a protest or to criticize politicians (thank goodness, otherwise I'd be unemployed), the Constitution also guarantees your right *not* to do those things — even if busybody do-gooders, passionately insist that 'it's your duty.'

It's not 'your duty' — it's your right. Period.

For the record, I enjoy voting. The very few occasions that I have been out of town, out of the country or in jail on election day (just kidding — well, maybe) are painful memories to me. If a soldier can commit his life to his country for three to four years, I sure as hell should be able to commit to a half hour on Election Day.

I also enjoy the competitive nature of the voting booth. It's similar to betting on a horse race or a football game. Does my guy or gal have the goods to finish the race as a winner or will he or she stumble on the stretch and get nosed out? It's exciting and the stakes are enormously high. Bad candidates make for bad leaders. Bad leaders make for bad decisions. And bad decisions make for bad consequences for us, the citizenry.

When your car needs fixing, you want someone knowledgeable about

auto mechanics to diagnose the problem. When a weighty medical decision has to be made, you probably wouldn't consult your accountant to make it. The crafting of government policy — of tax law and defense budgets and judicial nominations and trade regulations — should be made by intelligent and patriotic individuals.

We are only as good as the people we elect. The last two presidential elections are clear evidence that elections matter. Race relations, the economy, corruption, controversial social shifts — all are the result of the election of fools as our leaders.

Case in point: Georgia Congressman Hank Johnson, who once famously asked a high-ranking military officer if Guam, an island in the Pacific, was 'in danger of tipping over' if the U.S. constructed a proposed military base there, has been in office since 2007. Hank was also the first U.S. Congressman to endorse Barack Obama for president in 2008. High honors indeed.

But, I digress. The bottom line is that for citizens disengaged in the political process, staying home on Election Day is a legitimate option.

And, more often than not, it's the best one — for all concerned.

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## Hotlines

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**THANK YOU TO** the lady who gave me a restaurant gift card for simply helping her with her iPad. She moved me to tears and reminds me that people are good and God is present in each of us.

**THANK YOU GERYCH'S** for the opportunity to feature our pets at your Fenton location during your fall festival on Saturday. We at Adopt-A-Pet thank you and your wonderful staff for all the hard work to improve the lives of many homeless animals.

**IT'S BEEN THREE** months. I want to run again on Fish Lake Road. Find Ally Brueger's killer.

**WHY WOULD WE** spend one dime of taxpayer money on a dog park? I frequent all the local and state parks and they are all perfect places to walk your dog.

**IT'S A FETUS** when it's still inside the mother, so therefore it is not murder.

**IF YOU GET** black soot on your walls, it's from burning candles unless you get soot-free. I've been cleaning long enough to know.

**I JUST READ** Foster Child's latest article. I haven't changed my mind about him. He's still a man of hate. He's a very dangerous man.

**YES FENTON,** I just saw it and let me be the first to say 'snow day, snow day, snow day.'

**I WANT MY** house to look as pretty as Fenton. To start, let's replace my driveway with pavers. This is a public service to beautify my neighborhood, so tax money should pay for it. How do I get appointed to the DDA?

**THE U.S. 23** entrance/exit ramp to Silver Lake Road is not a short cut to Torrey Road. You people are going to hurt someone. Also, if you are using the double right turn from Owen to Silver Parkway, stay in the lane you are turning from.

**THE NEW CORNERSTONE** building should have a much different look and feel to it. We need some character downtown. I feel if we don't diversify the look, we will lose our new character that we want to build from. Make it look old, but give it character, please.

**I'M GOING TO** buy a set of blinders so that when I drive through downtown Fenton, I can avoid looking at those junky looking contraptions that somebody thinks is art.

**I WISH FENTON** police knew that a lot of people are smoking dope on and around Trealout Drive and in the woods by the condos. I walk my dog and it's kind of creepy.

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**IF YOU DON'T** like the formula that determines cost of living increases on your Social Security, don't blame President Obama and the Democrats. Blame Richard Nixon. I believe he's a Republican. Look it up on the internet if you don't believe me.

**YOU'VE GOT TO** ask yourself, would you rather have the influence of Hillary Clinton or the influence of Mr. Putin through Mr. Trump in our next president? Not a good choice either way but I think we'd rather keep the Russians out of our business.

**RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR** Putin called Trump an 'outstanding man.'

**WOW, JUST SAW** the huge Trump sign on North Long Lake Road. Love it.

**I'M OLD NOW** and I find God very powerful so let's just put this election in his hands.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

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## Do you prefer paper or plastic grocery bags?

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

## streettalk



"Both. I hate doing just plastic but sometimes paper does not cut it. I ask them to do the most efficient thing. They usually do."

Ellen Fortin  
Linden



"I like paper bags if they have the handles. If they don't, I use plastic."

Andrea Mulligan  
Fenton Township



"Plastic. I pick up my dog's mess with it."

Hannah Rotten  
Pontiac



"Plastic. I use it for trash cans when I'm done. I do use paper."

Matt Starkel  
Linden



"Plastic. Just my crushables in paper. It's easier for me to carry. I can make sure my bread doesn't get squished."

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### Consent and the law

The definition of consent is rather straightforward. A dictionary definition of the word is to agree to do something — to give permission for something to happen or be done.

When it comes to the law, the concept of consent can be a very important issue at times as whether consent to do an act was given or not can be the key to a court's decision as to what should happen in a particular case.

Sometimes consent is presumed or implied and whether it was actually given doesn't make much difference. For example, when you obtain a driver's license and then drive a motor vehicle you have impliedly consented to providing a breath, blood or urine sample to an officer if you've been arrested for drunk driving.

Another example of consent is when you go to the airport to travel you have agreed to being searched and your luggage too.

There is a long list of other consent situations in the law and recently the Michigan Court of Appeals decided a case, which involved the issue of what was specifically consented to in a search and seizure case.

People v Mahdi decided Oct. 4, 2016, involved a defendant who was convicted of three felony drug offenses.

Key pieces of evidence used against him were his cell phone, keys, and wallet, which were found in the house where he lived with his mother after she had given consent to the police to search.

The legal issue on appeal came down to the scope of the given consent as the police officer specifically had asked her if it was OK to come into the house to search for 'drugs.'

No drugs were found, but the cell phone, keys and wallet, which were seized were used to tie the defendant into a drug operation thus resulting in the convictions.

The Court of Appeals reversed the defendant's convictions and held that the items were illegally seized as the specific permission sought was to enter the house to look for 'drugs.' Anything else found was deemed inadmissible as being beyond the scope of the given permission.

This is but one of many examples of when the law requires precision in literally all areas especially in communicating.

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**HILLARY CLINTON DOESN'T** recall anything from the past three to four years so what the heck good does her 30 years experience even mean?

**WHAT DOES FOSTER** Childs think about Trump's lewd, vulgar, abusive, crass, crude comments about women? Does Childs consider Trump fit to be president?

**THE CORRUPT CLINTON** criminal cartel is hoping to take over America on Nov. 8, 2016. After she takes office in January, I just want to say rest in peace, America. It's the end of our country.

**THE CLINTONS HAVE** stolen, I mean accumulated, over \$500 million while serving in government. They have made more people disappear than Houdini starting with Vince Foster and 40 plus more. Donald's indiscretions pale by comparison.

**MY, HOW TIMES** have changed. America, in order to combat Communist propaganda in eastern Europe, started Radio Free Europe. Today, we rely on WikiLeaks to combat our government propaganda. Our mainstream media now resembles the former Soviet Union news agencies.

**FINALLY, WE CAN** treat people with disabilities, ugly people, immigrants and minorities as the worthless burden they have always been. We can now be proud to overturn Obamacare and revoke the first and fourth amendments. Long live the Trump.

**HOW DARE A** Hot-liner question whether I should be going to mass and receiving the sacraments. The church does not discriminate based on political preference. To suggest otherwise gives non-Catholics the wrong idea about what we are about.

**DON'T EVEN COMPARE** Hillary Clinton to Margaret Thatcher. Thatcher was prime minister of the UK and leader of the Conservative Party, not a liberal. Thatcher was far better leader than Hillary Clinton will ever be. She doesn't care about the normal everyday people of the USA.

**YES, TRUMP IS** rough, tough and not perfect, but he is also smart, believes in America and knows we must 'drain the swamp' to survive. On the contrary, Hillary and Bill have been a disaster. They have lied, cheated and stolen far too long.

**I WISH JIMMY** Kimmel would run for president. I would definitely vote for him.

## Your health insurance may jump 16.7 percent next year

■ Enrollment period began Nov. 1 and runs through Dec. 15 to change plans, raise subsidies

By Sally Rummel

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Hang onto your hat if you're looking at your family's health insurance rates for 2016-2017.

They're about to jump 16.7 percent on average in Michigan, according to recent statistics published in the Detroit Free Press.

If you want to minimize your increase, you can sit down with your insurance professional to choose the best plan for you for the upcoming year, or visit Healthcare.gov and look at the plans offered.

Michigan's Health Care Insurance Marketplace through the Affordable Care Act began open enrollment on Nov. 1 on Healthcare.gov. for insurance coverage beginning January 2017.

"You have to be enrolled by Dec. 15," said Susan Donnell Masak of U Have A Friend Insurance, LLC in Linden. "You need to get back into the Marketplace to find out what new plans are available for you. If you have a subsidy like more than 85 percent of Americans do, your subsidy won't automatically go up with the increase in premiums. They won't raise it if you don't get a hold of them."

The deadline for February 2017 will be Jan. 15.

If you don't contact the Marketplace to update your insurance plan, you will get the money back when you file your income tax, because they'll figure what your subsidy should have been.

"But that won't help you pay your monthly premiums," said Masak.

Many insured under Medicare will experience a major increase in their monthly premiums. "It's a big deal, but we knew it was coming five years ago," said Masak. "They'll have a one-time opportunity to change into another plan to offset these increases."

Deadline for making changes on your Medicare will be Dec. 7 for Jan. 1, 2017, for Advantage consumers or for your prescription card, according to Masak.

For one local couple, Mark and Kerrie Mustola of Fenton Township, premiums for their new insurance plan for 2017 almost doubled, and they lost some of the benefits they previously had.

"We have corporate benefits through my job," said Kerrie, a sales support employee for Hewlett-Packard, whose husband, Mark, is self-employed.

"This year, Hewlett-Packard had us sign up for benefits through the Exchange. Now we have to pay for everything out of pocket, including full price for prescriptions, until we reach our deductible, which is much higher."

Michigan is one of the states that still offers a competitive insurance market with multiple options available to consumers through 10 different carriers. Consumers in some states have fewer options as more insurers leave the individual marketplace because they reportedly lose money on individual plans offered there.

"There are lots of changes this year," said Masak. "It's still worth checking out new plans. If you don't do it before Dec. 15, you're stuck."

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**CANDIDATES**

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Bishop, 49, serves citizens in the townships of Groveland, Hartland, Holly, Rose and Tyrone. To learn about Bishop's record while in office and what he stands for, visit [ballotpedia.com](http://ballotpedia.com), or his website at [electmikebishop.com](http://electmikebishop.com). Both sites are thorough, providing comprehensive information about this candidate.

Bishop is being challenged by Democrat Suzanna Shkreli, 29.

According to her website, [suzannaforcongress.com](http://suzannaforcongress.com), she is a first generation American, born and raised in Michigan. Her parents are working class Albanian immigrants.

Shkreli is an attorney, who became a Macomb County prosecutor, prosecuting homicide, drug crimes, assaults, and domestic violence. She says she is an advocate for victim rights and has represented the United States Department of Justice in training law enforcement agencies on

victim rights abroad.

Kildee, 58, serves citizens in Argentine Township, Fenton Township, and the cities of Fenton and Linden. To learn about Kildee's record while in office and what he stands for, visit [ballotpedia.com](http://ballotpedia.com), or his website at [dankildee.house.gov](http://dankildee.house.gov). This site, too, gives comprehensive information on the actions of this representative while in office so far.

Kildee is being challenged by Republican Allen Hardwick, who according to his website [allenhardwick.com](http://allenhardwick.com), claims he is not a lawyer and thinks there are too many of them in government already. He said he represents a new breed of Republicans who align themselves as "Constitutional Conservatives" whose common goal is to put the power back in the hands of the people.

Hardwick, 52, says he has a unique perspective of the common man's struggle and claims most politicians are out of touch with real American's and their plight. Government's job, he said, should be to get out of their way and let them do what is needed.

**WHAT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES SAY THEY WILL DO****REPUBLICAN DONALD TRUMP**

- 'Build a wall' — and make Mexico pay for it
- Temporarily ban Muslims from entering the United States



- 'Bring manufacturing (jobs) back'
- Impose tariffs on goods made in China and Mexico
- Renegotiate or withdraw from the North American Free Trade Agreement and Trans-Pacific Partnership
- Full repeal of 'Obamacare' and replace it with a market-based alternative
- Renegotiate the Iran deal
- Leave Social Security as is
- Cut taxes
- 'Bomb' and/or 'take the oil' from ISIS

**DEMOCRAT HILLARY CLINTON**

- 'For families making less than \$125,000 a year, we will eliminate tuition' for in-state students at public colleges
- Pass comprehensive immigration reform with a path to citizenship that keeps families together
- Stand up to Republican-led attacks on this landmark (health care) law — and build on its success to bring the promise of affordable health care to more people and make a public option possible
- Will do everything possible to overturn Citizens United.
- Fight for equal pay
- Will not raise middle-class taxes
- Say no to attacks on working families and no to bad trade deals and unfair trade practices, including the Trans-Pacific Partnership
- Increase the federal minimum wage.
- Expand background checks to more gun sales
- Increase federal infrastructure funding by \$275 billion over a five-year period

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- **Suzanna Shkreli**  
(Democratic challenger); [suzannaforcongress.com](http://suzannaforcongress.com)



- **Dan Kildee**  
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- **Allen Hardwick**  
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**HILLARY SAID THAT** they were dead broke when they left office. That cannot be true. The Clintons stole \$200,000 in furniture, paintings and computers when they left the White House.

**I WOULD VOTE** for Kim Kardashian, Rosie O'Donnell or Honey Boo Boo before I would vote for Donald Trump for president.

**YOU PEOPLE WHO** want to vote for Hillary Clinton should look up partial-birth abortion. Apparently, she voted against a ban on it.

**DONALD TRUMP IS** proof that you don't have to be poor to be white trash.

**WHEN THE LAW** no longer protects the citizens from the corrupt, but protects the corrupt from the citizenry, you know we are doomed. Hillary Clinton will destroy America as we know it.

**DONALD TRUMP'S MOTTO:** We Shall Overcomb!

**LORETTA LYNCH, THE** Attorney General of the United States, was Bill Clinton's lead defense lawyer during his Whitewater corruption trial in 1992. Gee, I wonder why Hillary has never been indicted for her email crimes.

**I THINK BILL** Cosby would make a better bartender at a super-model convention than Hillary would make a good president of America.

**ALMOST EVERY AMERICAN** can say that they have never been groped by Donald Trump. Almost no American can say they haven't been screwed by Barack Obama.

**MY GREAT-GRANDFATHER** from Philadelphia will be voting for Hillary Clinton on Nov. 8. I would try to talk him out of it, but he died back in 1997.

**ALL TRUMP'S WIVES** were immigrants. Doesn't that prove he's not racist?

**SO MY BROTHER** says if Hillary wins he's going to move to another country? I said, 'Really? Maybe you should start by moving out of Mom and Dad's basement.'

**AM I THE** only one who has noticed that Trump looks exactly like that annoying dude on Celebrity Apprentice?

**THIS IS AN** official statement from Hillary Clinton: 'The medical problems that I don't have are the reason I can't remember the criminal acts I didn't commit.'

**'GOOD LUCK HILLARY.** Don't blow it.' Signed, Monica.

**I PRAY EVERY** American would read the book 'The Unraveling of America. Who Is Pulling The Strings?' before the November election. It is not all about politicians but about how our world is actually going to hell.

**HILLARY CLINTON HAS** devoted herself to public service. Donald Trump has devoted himself only to self service.

**TRUMP HASN'T LET** anyone die in a foreign county and said 'what difference does it make?'

**DONALD TRUMP IS** an informational huckster.

Correction

In the election coverage on Sunday, Oct. 30, Fenton Township Supervisor Bonnie Mathis was inadvertently left off as the only candidate for Fenton Township supervisor. She is a Republican and this race is uncontested.

WATCH THE VIDEO



AT TCTIMES.COM WITH THIS STORY



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

A trio of sandhill cranes glide in to roost Monday evening. There were an estimated 20,000 in Michigan in 2011. In 1930, there were only 17 pairs sighted.

CRANES

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recent count by the Audubon Society tallied 501 birds on Oct. 29.

"I thought Jurassic Park landed when I saw all the birds land in September, 11 years ago," said Casey Rogers. "They look great."

These gray birds can stand 5 feet in height, with long necks and red featherless foreheads, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). They've been coming to the Rogers' property ever since they moved there, 11 years ago.

"In the past we've had about 800," she said. "In the evening, you can see a lot them coming in, but they land in different spots in the marsh."

The birds arrive in the spring, travel farther north, and then return in the fall. "The cranes will leave when the snow comes because they can't get their food," she said.

Sandhill cranes prefer wetlands, such as marshes and bogs, much like the junction of Bennett and Hoisington lakes, and feed on frogs, fish, insects, and plant food, like seeds, fruit, and aquatic vegetation.

"And they do this dance," Rogers said. "They're amazing dancers."

This dance is their signature mating dance they do once a year. They will flap their wings, bow, jump, and walk around their potential mate.

"They're beautiful to watch," Rogers said.

The sandhill crane population was severely reduced by habitat loss and shooting in the early part of the century, according to the MDNR. However, the population has grown over the past two decades. From 1966 to 2013, the population growth rate has been 10.5 percent a year, according to the MDNR.

Most breeding pairs are found in the Upper Peninsula, but there are breeding pairs near Jackson and Ann Arbor.

The Audubon Society counts the sandhill crane population at the Rogers' property every year, and found that the population is up from last year.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service coordinates an annual count of the sandhill cranes when they migrate across North America. The two Michigan Audubon sanctuaries are popular destination spots for volunteers who want to help count, according to the Michigan Audubon Society.

At one sanctuary, the Bernard W. Baker

Sanctuary in Bellevue, volunteers spotted approximately 3,400 cranes last year in one day.

While a few hundred can barely compare to a few thousand, Rogers said the cranes still attract attention from neighbors and friends. She said they've met people who read an article about the birds years ago, and wander around their subdivision looking for the birds.

She happily shows them on her property.

Rogers also wants to invite schools to organize field trips in the area so kids can see and learn about the birds. "I want everyone to enjoy nature as much as I do," she said.

THIRD-GRADERS

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About 39 percent of Michigan third-graders did not meet the proficiency standards for reading in the 2013-2014 school year, according to the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) results in a report by Michigan Department of Education.

According to the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP), which replaced the MEAP tests, results for spring 2015, 50.1 percent of third-graders were proficient in language arts.

Torrey Hill Intermediate School Reading coordinator and third-grade teacher Lisa Richards said, "I think that the intent is good.

"Do we 'need' more instruction in reading? I always say that we read in every subject: math, social studies and science, so as long as we identify that reading is always happening, then we have ample reading instruction in third grade, and any grade for that matter," she said.

The law pushes schools to develop literacy intervention programs and employ literacy coaches and reading specialists for struggling students to avoid retention.

The law also passed with a provision that allows parents to request their student be promoted to fourth grade if that student is proficient in all other subjects, and demonstrates a grade three reading level performance on an alternative standardized reading assessment or with a pupil portfolio.

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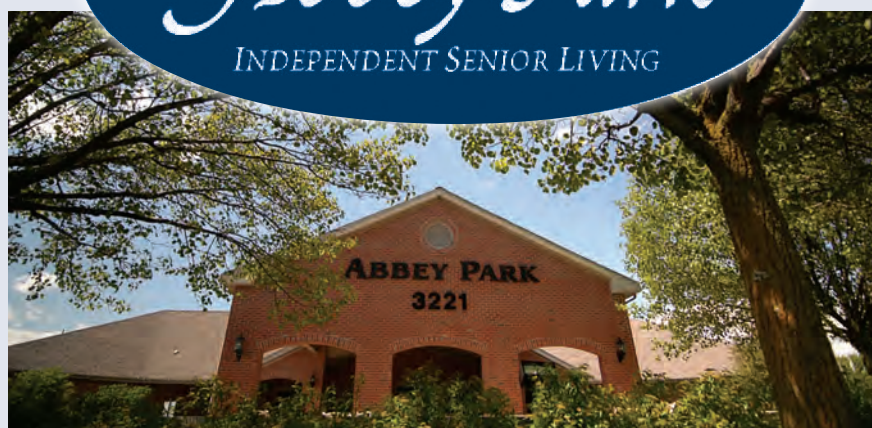
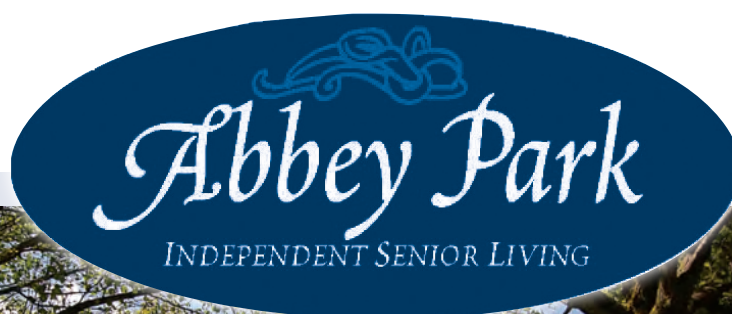
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## Crossing deer causes crashes



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

Four vehicles were involved in a crash on Fenton Road south of Thompson Road in Fenton Township Monday morning. The scene was comprised of two crashes. The first two-vehicle crash was caused by deer crossing Fenton Road. The second crash was caused by the first, according to Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz. No one was injured. Traffic was reduced to one lane as the Genesee County Sheriff's Office and fire department cleared the scene.

## New club in town remembers Gary Haggart

By Sally Rummel

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Most everyone has heard of the Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, Zonta Club, etc.

But there's a new club in town, the Gary Haggart Club, that's making a name for itself, thanks to the legendary man and tireless volunteer with that name who died on Nov. 17, 2014.

This former Big Brothers-Big Sisters and Shelter of Flint director left a big hole in the hearts of all who knew him, and big shoes to fill in the volunteer community. "There wasn't much he wouldn't do for his friends, or for anyone," said Mike Vance, a close personal friend.

One year after his death, Vance, Sally Bessert and other friends and colleagues got together to form a club to continue the good works for which this Fenton Township man was so well-known.

Today, the club boasts 380 members. Its main goal is to distribute monies raised each year from membership fees to needy families or individuals who reside in Genesee County.

Members of the Gary Haggart Club only get together once a year, and that meeting is coming up on Sunday, Nov. 13, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Fenton Moose Lodge.

The cost to join the group is \$25 per



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The late Gary Haggart was a local volunteer and 20-year Fenton Township resident, who is now remembered with a club named after him.

person or \$40 per couple. "Last year we raised over \$13,000 in membership fees. What a tribute to Gary," said Vance.

To become a member of the Gary Haggart Club, send a donation of \$25 (individual) or \$40 (couple) to Sally Bessert, 13211 Lake Shore Dr., Fenton, MI 48430.

had little choice but to thin their herds. Beginning in 2013, farmers replenished their herds and crops. Now, oversupplies of beef, pork, poultry and grains have reversed the rising prices.

"In the last year, meat prices are down about 18 percent," said Antoon. "Eggs were down; meat has been down. Prices are flattening."

Antoon has noticed there is less "shrinking" of products, like cookies and cereal, in the past 18 months. "Before that, they were going crazy."

"Overall, prices are pretty decent right now," he said. "People who come into the store get the best deals, especially in our Blow-Out Deals section. They're one-shot deals; when they're gone, they're gone. I've made it kind of a niche at Holly Foods."

## GROCERY PRICES

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With Thanksgiving just around the corner, customers can expect turkey prices to be about the same as they pay every year.

"Turkey has been the same price for five years," say Raymond Antoon, owner of Holly Foods. "It'll probably be at 69 cents a pound. It costs us \$1.30 a pound; almost every grocer loses half on turkeys. Pretty much the whole industry gives away turkeys. It's more like customer appreciation."

Meat is the food category that experienced so much inflation during a cycle of Midwest droughts and floods in 2011-2012. This bumped up the prices of corn and wheat, the main feed for cattle, hogs and chickens.

Meat prices spiked when farmers

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## CONDOS

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at \$210,000. It is expected that first tenants will be able to move in by March 2017.

The start of construction was made possible when a lien on the parcels in question was lifted, making it possible for the sale of the property to move forward.

The Waters Edge Board of Directors recently sent an email to all of the community's existing residents, informing them of progress being made.

It reads, "As many of you know, the city

of Fenton took ownership of the 52 undeveloped parcels within our community after the original developer defaulted on their tax payments to the city. Because the city of Fenton now owned these parcels, we requested they pay monthly dues.

"Subsequently, on our attorney's advice, we placed a lien on the city for non-payment of dues on the parcels they owned. When a developer approached the city to purchase these parcels for future development of new townhomes, the lien prevented the sale from going forward.

"After several negotiation meetings between us, our attorneys, and the city, the city of Fenton agreed to pay the Waters Edge Townhomes Association \$200,000 to remove the lien so the sale could proceed.

"Based upon the prospect of new home development in our community, the resulting additional dues, and avoidance of a potentially lengthy and costly suit against the city, your Waters Edge board accepted this agreement."

### According to the city

Fenton City Manager Lynn Markland said the city of Fenton received title to the 70 undeveloped parcels at Waters Edge through the state tax foreclosure process, when no bids were made at either state auction.

"In May of 2016, the Water's Edge Townhome Association asked the city for the creation of a special assessment district to provide for the paving of the association's streets and parking lots," said Markland. "Since the association apparently could not get financing elsewhere, the city was inclined to assist the association, but the city was not willing to create the special district if it came at the cost of taxpayers.

"The city's parcels in Water's Edge were not developed, but were vacant land," he said. "They were not benefited from the paving and construction project so we took the position that we and the taxpayers should not bear the cost of the paving.

"The Water's Edge Townhome Association felt that the city should be required to pay part of the special assessment, but they ultimately agreed that the city would not be required to participate or pay in the special assessment," said Markland.

"After the paving project was complete, however, the association claimed for the first time that the city owed the association for 'unpaid' condominium dues," he said.

At about the same time, the city was approached by a developer who wanted to purchase the city's lots and construct condominiums, Markland added.

"The association's claims had the effect of holding up the sale of the lots, however, because the association recorded a lien against the city for the 'unpaid' dues," he said.

In spring of this year, the city negotiated a settlement with the association so that the sale could go through. The settlement and sale were extensively considered and deliberated by the Fenton City Council, and ultimately, were approved in this spring.

"Though we felt that the association's claims were meritless, they had the potential to block the sale of the lots and they might also cost the city attorney fees in contesting

## News briefs

### 'First Frost Arts & Fine Crafts Fair' coming this weekend to Flint Institute of Arts

The Flint Institute of Arts will hold its "First Frost Arts & Fine Crafts Fair" on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5 and 6. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the FIA at 1120 Kearsley St., Flint. In addition to new and returning artists, the event will include a silent auction, bake sale, festival of trees, live music, living sculptures and glass blowing demonstrations. General admission is \$5, seniors 62 and above \$4, children 12 and under free. For more information, visit flintarts.org.

them," Markland said. "A delay in getting new condominiums built would also delay new residents moving to the city and would delay the property taxes that would be paid when the new units were built."

As part of the settlement, the city agreed to pay \$200,000 to the Association to release all claims that they had.

"The developer has since started construction, and the city is delighted to see the progress," said Markland.

"The Planning Commission did not approve construction by the Building Junkies," said Carmine Avantini, the planning consultant for the city of Fenton.

"That was handled administratively by Mike Reilly (building and zoning administrator) and is conditioned upon the buildings being constructed according to the original approval.

"Any departures from those approved buildings would have to be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission," Avantini said.

### Other condo construction

The popularity of condo living in the city of Fenton became evident with the first Cornerstone building at South LeRoy Street and Silver Lake Road in downtown Fenton, which is now occupied and features upscale condominium living. The second Cornerstone building, which will be built a short distance south on South LeRoy Street will have the same features as the first, with retail on the first floor, office space on the second, and condominiums on the third and fourth floors.

said, "Senator Ananich has consistently been opposed to efforts to reduce local control. He felt like this was another infringement on those rights when decisions like this would be better left for individual communities to debate and decide."

According to the oaklandpress.com, more than 150 municipalities across the country banned the plastic bags or charged a fee for them, none of which are in Michigan. Washtenaw and Muskegon counties have considered regulations in the past.

New legislation, however, was introduced that would ban plastic bags.

Under House Bill 5962, businesses would not be able to give plastic bags to customers. Patrons would still be able to bring them to stores.

The bill does not include reusable bags and bags without handles. Stores violating the bill would face a fine of up to \$300. House Bill 5962 was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Trade on Oct. 19.

## CAUTION!

The following Hot lines are all political commentary

**IT TOOK DONALD** Trump five years to figure out that Barack Obama was born in the U.S. and some people want this guy to be president? Really?

**HILLARY CLINTON OUGHT** to challenge Donald Trump to more debates. Once American people saw him exposed, his poll ratings sunk like a rock.

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**BEFORE YOU VOTE**, think about what the last three Republican presidents have done for this country. Wars, recessions, job losses, tax breaks for the rich? Where are those jobs?

**IF TRUMP LOVES** Putin and Russia so much, why doesn't he go live there?

**DONALD TRUMP AND** nuclear weapons. In your heart, you know he just might.

**THE WORLD IS** fighting Islamic terrorists, the starvation of children, ethnic genocide and rampant disease. Democrats are fighting for the right of men to pee in the Ladies Room. Remember this on Nov. 8.

**IF YOU WANT** to vote Republican this time, you might want to take a look at what the Republican-led congress has done for the past eight years. It's been a party of 'no' and 'shut down your government.'

**WHY DOESN'T TRUMP** help to make America great again by bringing his products back to America to be made and put our people back to work? What a hypocrite.

**YOU SAY YOU** want a revolution. Those words were sung by the Beatles in 1979 but ring ever true in the hearts and minds of many Americans especially if Hillary Clinton is elected president.

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## PLASTIC BAGS

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Stamas said plastic bags are recyclable and have many alternative uses to only carrying groceries.

The Michigan Senate passed this bill in May.

The Republican-controlled senate voted for the legislation citing the burden not allowing plastic bags would put on retailers.

Plastic bags are a non-recyclable item, and opponents of the bill cited the costs associated with having to clean up plastic bags and remove them from recycling machinery.

Washtenaw County estimates it costs them approximately \$200,000 a year.

In September, the House Commerce and Trade Committee approved the bill. It then moved to the House.

Senator Dave Robertson (Republican) voted in favor while Senator Jim Ananich (Democrat) voted against the bill.

Ananich's spokesperson, Tim Lenard,



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## Personal Notices

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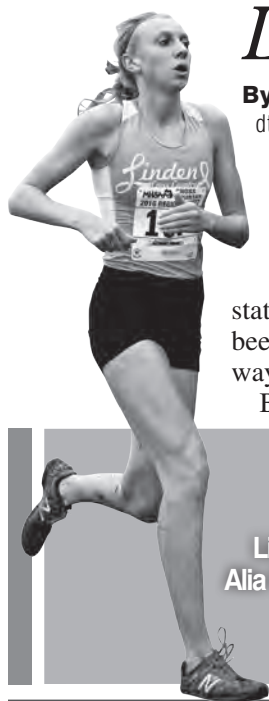
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# Linden, LF cross country teams headed to state meet

By David Troppens

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**Linden** — Three cross country teams are headed to the Division 2 state meet from the Linden D2 regional.

Two are squads that have made state trips a habit, while one hasn't been to Michigan International Speedway in awhile.

Both Linden teams qualified for the

state meet. The Linden girls did so by capturing a regional championship, while the boys did so by finishing second in its event. The Lake Fenton boys, who haven't been to the state meet as a team since 2005, earned a spot by taking third, scoring 12 points less than fourth-place Auburn Hills Avondale. The top three teams qualify for the state meet while any individual finishing in the top 15 places do as well.

The Linden girls made the most noise, winning a regional championship for the fifth straight season and earning an individual regional champion as well. Senior Alia Frederick defended her regional title by winning women's race with a time of 19:34.40, about 23 seconds ahead of Goodrich's Jillian Lange.

"It felt great to win both titles,"

**See STATE on 13**



Lake Fenton's Thomas Mueller (front) placed second at the D2 regional held at Linden on Saturday.

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## Tigers advance easily

■ Fenton defeats Cavaliers in opening round of playoffs 49-19

By Jordan Climie

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**Fenton** — From the beginning, it looked like Carman-Ainsworth would spell doom for Fenton, scoring first and running at will. But with a staunch defense and incredibly effective run game of their own, the Tigers cruised to a 49-19 victory.

"These kids have grown up," Fenton head coach Jeff Setzke said of his team. "They're fantastic. I couldn't be more proud."

The Cavaliers started the scoring with what looked to be a continuing problem for the Tigers in the run game, specifically senior running back Byron Gates. Gates broke off a 44-yard touchdown run through the lines, staying elusive in his small frame.

"They have a speed element. We wanted to know what they were going to do," Fenton head coach Jeff Setzke said. "Once we got an idea of what they were doing, we were able to stop it."

It didn't look good for Fenton on

their first offensive drive either, as penalties against Carman-Ainsworth couldn't help the Tigers. They ended up turning it over on downs, followed by a punt their next time on the field. Finally, it was Fenton's defense that started their momentum. Cavaliers' freshman quarterback Dustin Fletcher threw a bullet to his receiver, but Fenton's junior safety David Petryga was waiting and intercepted the pass. Just a few plays later, senior running back Dylan Crankshaw tore through the Cavalier defense en route to a 20-yard touchdown run.

"We sparked as a defense, and that spark was a key point in the game," said Petryga. "We started to get pressure on the quarterback, get in his face," Setzke said. "That interception was big, then we went on to score on that play."

On Carman-Ainsworth's next offensive play, the Cavaliers coughed up the ball on a fumble. Right away, Fenton's junior running back Josh Maher found the end zone with a 17-yard touchdown run to put the Tigers up 14-7.

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Fenton's Lance Mercord runs forward beyond his offensive line in the Tigers' playoff victory against Flint Carman-Ainsworth on Friday. The Tigers travel to Midland Dow to play in a 7 p.m. Division 2 District title game on Friday.



Linden's  
Aaron Sarkon

## Eagles avenge loss to Brandon

■ Face Orchard Lake St. Mary's in district final game

By David Troppens

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The last time the Linden varsity football team traveled to Brandon for a football game, it was a pretty humbling experience. The Eagles played what may have been their worst game of the season and lost 38-14.

The Eagles (6-4) made sure that didn't happen again in a Division 3 district opening playoff game. Linden scored three first-quarter touchdowns and cruised to an easy 34-7 victory against the Blackhawks at Ortonville-Brandon High School.

"I was really happy with the effort

tonight," Linden varsity football coach Denny Hopkins said. "The kids came ready to play and did a nice job."

"We got beat by a very good team last week. Fenton made the plays down the stretch. Hats off to those guys. They played well. But we were worried about how the kids would react after that tough loss. But they came ready to play and did a really nice job."

Aaron Steedman scored the first TD in the opening quarter on a 63-yard run while Ryker Rivera scored the first of his three TDs later in the first quarter. The first one came on an 87-yard pass from Aaron Sarkon. Before the first quarter was over, Sarkon threw his second of three TD passes, tossing a 40-yard score to Cobin Sines.

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## Fenton's Bond wins regional title race; Two Fenton girls advance to state

By David Troppens

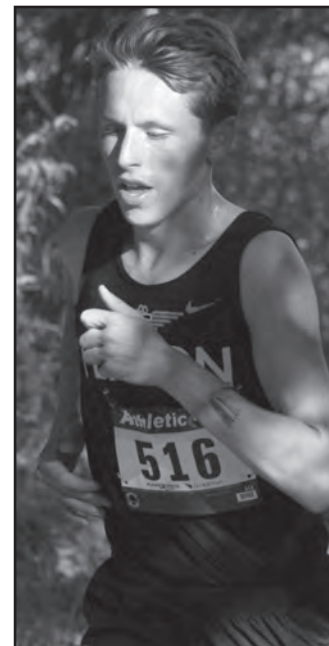
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The Fenton varsity cross country program hoped for a better showing at the regional cross country meets.

Both teams knew it would be a challenge to qualify for the state meet at the Linden D1 regional.

Luck wasn't on the Tigers' side and the teams were unable to qualify as squads, both placing one spot out of a state spot in fourth place. Andrew Bond had some bad luck of his own, but still came out of it pretty well. He lost his shoes while running but still recorded a regional championship performance, winning the men's race in 16:31.40. The Fenton girls also had two state qualifiers — Alexa Keiser and Cambria Tiemann.

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Fenton's Andrew Bond



# Blue Devils drop a nailbiter vs. Powers

By David Troppens

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**Lake Fenton** — The Lake Fenton varsity football team did a lot of things that would usually result in a victory on Friday.

The Blue Devils dominated time of possession and ran 63 plays from scrimmage (excluding punts) versus Powers' 38 plays.

The Blue Devils also led most of the game, scoring on their first possession, and never trailed by more than one. Lake Fenton also kept Powers starting quarterback Zack Talovich's potent scrambling ability reasonably in check.

However, when the game came down to one fourth-down play on Lake Fenton's 3, the Chargers came up with the play of the game. Aided by a player who appeared to be suffering from cramps, the Chargers got a much-needed opportunity to think about a play and call one despite having no time outs due to the injury time out. They came up with a winning play when Kaden Nelson took a pitch and ran to the end zone on the Powers' side of the field, scoring the game-winning TD. The score gave Powers a 20-19 lead with just 4.5 seconds left. Lake Fenton had one more play from scrimmage after the ensuing kickoff, but was only able to gain nine yards on a completion as the clock expired.

"Our kids played their hearts out," Lake Fenton varsity football coach Eric Doyle said. "They made one more play than us. We had a couple of things go against us that I didn't think should have, but that's football. I thought we played over some things. I thought that we played our tail off.

"I thought we outplayed them to be hon-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | MARK BOLEN

Lake Fenton's Jackson Nevadomski (left) tries to find some open field during one of his runs in the Blue Devils' 20-19 loss to Powers on Friday.

est. They scored one more point than us. ... Sometimes you are the better guy, but it's not your day."

"We were dominating them physically in the first half and then after that they figured it out," Lake Fenton senior Trent Hillger said. "They are a great team with a great coach. We just came up short at the end."

Lake Fenton had great moments in the

contest, particularly in the first half. The Blue Devils made Powers punt the ball after just three plays on the Chargers' opening possession, and then Lake Fenton kept the ball far darn near the rest of the first quarter.

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Linden's Tyler Buchanan (619), Sebastian Lubahn (627) and William Bale (616) compete in a recent meet. The Linden Eagles qualified for the state meet for the 11th straight season on Saturday.

## STATE

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Frederick said. "The individual title showed that my work throughout the season is paying off, and the team title proved that our team has been working hard to succeed throughout the year."

The rest of the women Eagles were pretty impressive as well with five placing in the top 20 overall. Audrey Steiert placed fourth (20:24.10), followed by Hannah Wabel in ninth (20:58.80), Taylor Acox in 17th (22:05.80) and Meghan Hitt in 20th (22:17.00). Finishing just behind hit was Linden's sixth-place runner Kearstin Dankert, who placed 21st (22:19.80).

"Going into the race we were all ranked and each of us either placed where we were supposed to or better than we were expected," Frederick said.

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# Tigers' unexpected run created by brotherhood, bonds between players

By David Troppens

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Bobby Temple is having the senior boys soccer season of his dreams.

The Tigers have captured a Metro League title, a district title and a regional crown.

And now, the Fenton varsity boys soccer team is making school history every time the Tigers walk on the pitch.

The next time they make history is today when the Tigers face Dearborn Divine Child in a Division 2 state semifinal contest at Auburn Hills Avondale High School today at 6 p.m. The winner will be headed to Saturday's Division 2 state championship game.

"No one thought we'd get this far," Temple said. "For me doing this my senior year, I would've never dreamt this. I was perfectly happy with the Metro League championship. Every game we get from here on out is a bonus, and it's more time with the team. It's a blessing."

Of course, Fenton soccer has been this far before, but it's always been the Fenton girls soccer team, which is coached by the same staff as the boys, led by head coach Matt Sullivan. In the spring of 2015 the Fenton girls advanced to the state championship match and lost the title game in a shootout. How has Fenton been able to do it? With the girls the Tigers talk about their love for each other. With the boys it's the brotherhood



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Fenton's Adam Gornick (right) chases a ball in a recent match. The Tigers play in a Division 2 state semifinal contest against Dearborn Divine Child today at Avondale High School at 6 p.m.

among the athletes. Essentially, it's the same concept, just a different term.

"I think we've bonded more as a team, the whole brotherhood aspect," Temple said.

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### Shania Jeanne Bourassa 1998-2016

Shania Jeanne Bourassa - age 18 of Linden, died peacefully on Friday October 28, 2016. Funeral Service will be 1 PM Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Home 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation was held from 5-8 PM on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at the Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the family. Shania was born to Douglas and Tabitha (Daws) Bourassa on May 1, 1998 in Flint. She graduated from Linden High School in 2016. While there she was very active in S.A.D.D., she also was an excellent singer, and member of the school choir and Lacrosse Team. Shania was happily employed at the Linden McDonald's Restaurant. She currently attended Mott College. Shania generously donated blood to the Red Cross. She was an extremely social person who lived by the quote, "If you can dream it, you can do it." Shania is survived by her parents, Douglas and Tabitha; brothers, Tyler and Justin Bourassa; grandparents, Jeanne and John Smelewski and Ken Daws; she is also survived by many aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Douglas P. Bourassa Sr. Online tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



## TOWNSHIP OF HOLLY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### 2017 PY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the Holly Township Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on November 16, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., or shortly thereafter, at the Holly Township Hall, 102 Civic Drive, Holly, MI 48442 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the use of the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Application. Approximately \$15,256.00 may be available to Holly Township to fund eligible project activities.

Eligible Project List will be available for public viewing at the Clerk's Office, 102 Civic Dr., Holly MI 48442 or online at [www.hollytownship.org/community/legal/publicnotices](http://www.hollytownship.org/community/legal/publicnotices)

The hearing is open to the public to voice their views or to submit written comment. Citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in the hearing. The Holly Township Board will consider any public comments received at this time. Written comments may be submitted prior to the hearing by writing to: Clerk at 102 Civic Dr., Holly, Michigan 48442.

The Holly Township Hall is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs will be made upon receiving a seven (7) day advance notice. Contact Holly Township Clerk at the number above for special services.

Karin S. Winchester  
Holly Township Clerk

## VILLAGE OF HOLLY

### Public Hearing

### Community Development Block Grant Funds

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Village of Holly will hold a public hearing on the use of Fiscal Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG). The Hearing will be held on **November 15, 2016 at 6:45 pm in the Karl Richter Center Board of Education meeting room located at 920 E. Baird Street, Holly, MI 48442** for the purpose of hearing public comments on the CDBG application for Program Year 2016 in the approximate amount of \$22,193 to fund eligible projects.

**All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the Village of Holly Municipal Offices located at 300 East Street, Karl Richter Center, Holly, MI 48442 until November 15, 2016 at 5:30 pm.**

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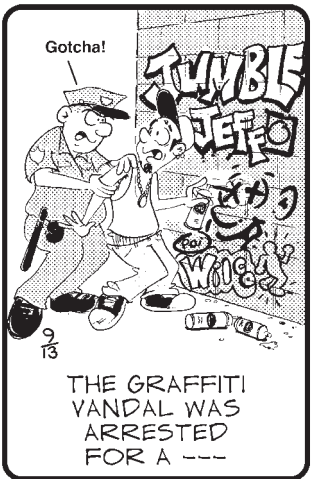
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The pitter-patter of all those Sheep feet means that you're out and about, rushing to get more done. That's fine, but slow down by the weekend so you can heed some important advice.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

You're in charge of your own destiny these days, and, no doubt, you'll have that Bull's-eye of yours right on target. But don't forget to make time for family events.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Be prepared for a power struggle that you don't want. Look to the helpful folks around you for advice on how to avoid it without losing the important gains you've made.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Congratulations! You're about to claim your hard-earned reward for your patience and persistence. Now, go out and enjoy some fun and games with friends and family.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

The Big Cat might find it difficult to shake off that listless feeling. But be patient. By week's end, your spirits will perk up and you'll be your perfectly purring self again.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

A problem with a co-worker could prove to be a blessing in disguise when a superior steps in to investigate and discovers a situation that could prove helpful to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

This is a favorable time to move ahead with your plans. Some setbacks are expected, but they're only temporary. Pick up the pace again and stay with it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Your creativity is recognized and rewarded. So go ahead and claim what you've earned. Meanwhile, that irksome and mysterious situation soon will be resolved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

A new associate brings ideas that the wise Sagittarian quickly will realize can benefit both of you. Meanwhile, someone from the workplace makes an emotional request.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

It might be a good idea to ease up on that hectic pace and spend more time studying things you'll need to know when more opportunities come later in November.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

A relatively quiet time is now giving way to a period of high activity. Face it with the anticipation that it will bring you some well-deserved boons and benefits.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

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