Colder than normal temps and above average snowfall predicted

You are not going to like this winter forecast

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Fenton Precinct 1 voters line the halls of the St. John Activity Center in Fenton Tuesday morning. Across the tri-county area, residents took to the polls at 7 a.m. for the 2016 general election, creating long lines and congested parking lots. Look to tctimes.com and the Weekend Times for complete results of how our local communities voted.

Election of the decade

New emergency alerts confusing citizens

By Sharon Stone
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The Fenton Police Department received numerous inquiries last weekend concerning a helicopter possibly conducting an aerial search over Fenton Friday night, and a notification they received on their phone.

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Fenton man facing life in prison

By Vera Hogan
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The Oakland County trial for Robert Lee Dennis, 41, of Fenton was set to begin on Monday, Nov. 7.

According to court records and the Oakland County clerk’s office, however, the trial has been canceled. Dennis has been charged with eight counts of child criminal sexual conduct.

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Experts advise you to run, not walk, for vaccine

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If you have ever known someone who has suffered through a bout with shingles, you would probably run, not walk, to your nearest pharmacy to get a shingles vaccination.

“It’s not a fun disease to get,” said Mark Valacak of the Genesee County Health Department. “We’ve been at it for years to push people to get the vaccine.”

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“Last year was an El Niño year,” he said. “Without that, odds are it will be colder than normal. A little tougher than last year.”

“It’s a little more difficult to forecast. I’d have a job.”

China has a vehicle policy that dictates that any car sold in China has to be built in China.

In the entire history of America, no president has ever walked out of the White House on his last day with the same reputation he used to get in the White House on the first day.

“I lost my lifelong best friend because of this election. It’s indicative of the contentious nature of politics ushered in by both parties. I look at the Democrats as rabid dogs and the Republicans as pompous asses, neither of which makes for strong leadership. Choosing between a lying thief and an arrogant ass is not a choice.”
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You can use this versatile kitchen appliance in many more ways than you think

By Sally Rummel
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Your microwave is more than just an appliance for making popcorn or defrosting meat. It can be one of your most convenient, hardest working kitchen tools, if you take full advantage of its unique cooking method.

A microwave oven is so quick and efficient because it channels heat energy directly to the molecules inside food. Because it doesn’t brown or bake like traditional ovens, a microwave oven isn’t suitable for cooking all foods, or achieving certain culinary effects.

Everyone knows that the microwave does a wonderful job of re-heating most leftovers, especially soups, stews, chili, pasta dishes and other foods with a high moisture content.

You can cook many other foods in your microwave, including:

- **Bacon** — just place slices between folded paper towels and cook for two minutes per slice. You’ll have no messy pans to clean up and your bacon will fry nice and crisp. It’s not as successful with turkey bacon, however, which cooks better on the stovetop.

- **Salmon** — this gives new meaning to the term, “fast food.” Just brush a salmon fillet lightly with oil, sprinkle with garlic and season to taste and place in microwave safe dish, and you’ll have perfectly flaky salmon in just two to three minutes.

- **Braise, poach or steam.** Just subtract about three-quarters of the cooking time. Stir liquids often to redistribute the heat, and always take the food out a minute or two before it’s completely done, since it will continue to cook.

- **Omelets** — beat two eggs with a teaspoon of water, and seasonings in a small bowl. Microwave a teaspoon of butter in a 9-inch glass plate on high until melted, about 45 seconds. Tilt plate to coat evenly, then pour egg mixture onto plate, cover with plastic wrap. Microwave on high for two to three minutes, rotating a quarter-turn every 30 seconds.

- **Corn on the cob** — Place one to four ears of corn, un-shucked, in the microwave on a plate or tray. For one to two ears, microwave for three minutes; for three to four ears, microwave for four minutes. For more than four ears, cook them in batches. Allow to cool, and then shuck the husks off the cob.

- **Other vegetables** — all vegetables can be steamed in the microwave without adding water. Place in one layer, cover tightly with plastic, and cook on high. Check tender vegetables like mushrooms, spinach and snow peas after 30 seconds, and crunchy ones like carrots, after four minutes.

- **Potatoes** — while the microwave won’t give your russet a crisp skin, it will cook it in about four minutes, compared to an

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Non-food uses for your microwave

Glass or plastic?

**Be careful when reheating foods in your microwave**

Two chemicals, phthalates and bisphenol-A (BPA) are often found in plastic that can make some dishes unhealthy to use in the microwave.

To reduce unnecessary risk, use:

- Glass and ceramic dishes
- Paper plates, towels and napkins
- Wax and parchment paper

**Don’t use:**

- Aluminum foil
- Brown paper bags
- Cold-storage plastic containers (margarine, cottage cheese, yogurt tubs)
- One-time use plastic containers
- Dishes with metallic paint or trim
- Foamed-insulated cups, bowls, plates and trays

NOTE: The U.S. Food & Drug Administration has deemed that plastic containers marked “microwave-safe” are safe to use. Don’t use if they are scratched or the colors have changed. If you’d rather be safe than sorry, use glass or ceramic instead.

Source: Real Simple

Tips on buying a microwave

By Sally Rummel
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All microwave ovens are not created equal. Today, there’s a style, size and option for every cooking method, budget and kitchen size.

Here’s what to look for:

- **Conventional or combination?** Also known as the speed-cook models, a combination microwave-oven combines basic microwave technology with radiant heat and circulating hot air to heat your roast, brown your bread and defrost your foods. Expect to pay a little more for these features.

- **Styles**

  - It is possible to choose between countertop models, above-range units, microwave drawers and combination microwave-ovens.
  - Countertops are the smallest and most budget friendly ($100), however, they do take up valuable kitchen workspace.
  - Above-range models make great use of available space. They may require removing a cabinet before installation and are usually purchased to replace an existing oven or when a kitchen is being remodeled. Expect to pay between $250 and $1,000.
  - Microwave oven drawings are relatively new to the market, offering convenience without sacrificing counter space.

**Combination microwave-oven combinations are the most luxurious option,** offering a built-in conventional oven and microwave in the same space.

**Oven size and power**

If you want to do more than cook popcorn or bake a potato, buy a mid- to full-size oven. These deliver 1,000 to 1,600 watts of power to heat food more quickly and to cook entire meals.

Compact microwaves will work well in dorm rooms, offices and apartments, yielding 500 to 800 watts. The lower the power, the longer it takes to cook a meal.

**Features**

- Today, you can buy microwaves with pre-programmed settings for up to 100 different menu items. Some units offer quick defrost settings, while others have delay start-time options or will keep food warm after it cooks.

- Look for additional features like interlocks, so the microwave doesn’t run if the door is ajar; child-proof doors, variable power controls and automatic sensors.

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• No one will really understand politics until they understand that politicians are not trying to solve our problems. They are trying only to get elected and re-elected. — Thomas Sowell
• George Washington is the only president who didn’t blame the previous administration for his troubles. — Unknown
• We tolerate, even promote, many things we once regarded as evil, wrong, or immoral. And then we seek ‘explanations’ for acts that seems beyond comprehension. — Cal Thomas
• What would you think of a person who earned $24,000 a year but spent $35,000? Suppose on top of that, he was already $170,000 in debt. Of course, no individual could live so irresponsibly for long. But tack on eight more zeroes to that budget and you have the cookbook for our out-of-control, big-spending federal government. — John Stossel
• There are always too many Democratic congressmen, too many Republican congressmen, and never enough U.S. congressmen. — Unknown
• As my father-in-law once said, when they talk about taxes it’s always for teachers, firemen, and police, but when they spend your taxes, it always seems to go to some guy in a leather chair you never heard of. — Unknown
• If there is no moral foundation for a system of laws, then the law is reduced to ’These are the rules. They’re the rules because I say so, and I control all of the guys with guns.’ — Unknown
• In order to be the master, the politician poses as the servant. — Charles DeGaulle
• Congress is filled with idiots who couldn’t run a lemonade stand and who have grand visions to transform the nation. The only thing stopping them is that they’re divided into two parties who hate each other. If they ever got along, a big new government overreach like Obamacare would be passed every couple weeks. — Frank J. Fleming
• Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly, and then applying the wrong remedies. — Groucho Marx
• Illegal aliens have always been a problem in the United States. Ask any Indian. — Robert Orben
• Millions of individuals making their own decisions in the marketplace will always allocate resources better than any government process. — Ronald Reagan
• Government giveaway programs often hurt far more than they help. The recipients become dependent on the government and their dignity is destroyed. Helping people to become self-sufficient is much more compassionate than drugging them with the narcotic of welfare. — Rush Limbaugh
• He knows nothing but thinks he knows everything. Clearly, that points to a political career. — George Bernard Shaw
• Welfare was supposed to be like one of those, ‘Take a Penny, Leave a Penny’ containers that depend on the honor of individuals. What we have now is givers and takers who are not the same people. — Daniel Greenfield
• I never vote for someone. I always vote against someone. — W.C. Fields

THE MORE YOU read the more you understand. Unfortunately, if you work, you have little time to find out pertinent information. Otherwise, we could possibly develop more compassion for others of different nationalities, by seeing how they interact in our lives.

REWARD FOR INFORMATION leading to the return of my two ‘Star Shower’ devices that were stolen from our Petits Road home in the morning on Nov. 1. So sad — you cannot decorate for others to enjoy. To collect reward call (810) 919-3832 or return items for reward with no questions asked.

YOU SAY you want a revolution just because you don’t own your own way. That’s treason.

HAS ANYONE EVER wondered why gas can be $2.15 for a week and then go down to $2.06 and then $2.35 in almost 10 minutes? Feels like someone’s being ripped off.

POLITICIANS MAKE PROMISES they cannot keep. Remember free healthcare? No politician can make this country great again. Only when this country returns to God will it be great again.

I WILL NEVER again watch any news on the networks that lied and cheated on the presidential race. I am tired of the lying leftist media influencing our freedom to choose.

THE PATHETIC, TIRED Saturday Night Live and NBC will pay the price for their lies and cheating to America during the election cycle. Same for all the late night talk shows. For God’s sake, just say no! Don’t watch them.

WE FORGET THE wonderful things Nixon did when he was president such as opening up relations with China, securing agreements with Russia, and ending the Democrat Vietnam War.

I DID TAKE it up with Christ. He told me that the Catholic Church is much too slow to adjust to a changing world. Catholic teachings against birth control and abortion were probably made 200 years ago. Modern medical care and world population have changed the picture.

BEFORE YOU BLAME President Clinton for NAFTA, you better do a little research. It was negotiated by the previous Republican administration, approved by the Congress and the Senate, and was waiting on his desk when he took office.

DO YOU SUGGEST Obama even reviews the charges against the prisoners he’s commuting? Or is this part of his plan to continue damaging America?

See HOT LINE throughout Times.
Poplar Street work to begin in the spring

Revamped intersections, turning lanes, better design to be safer for motorists

By Vera Hogan
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In the spring of 2017, motorists taking Poplar Street to get to Silver Lake Road or North Road, could see better designed intersections and smoother road surfaces.

In August, the Fenton City Council approved spending $77,500 for engineering fees needed to get funding for a Poplar Street rehabilitation project.

The city of Fenton will be receiving funding to rehabilitate the Poplar Street surface from Silver Lake Road to North Road. The work will include new surface pavement, intersection realignment at Silver Lake Road and a larger turning radius a North Road.

City Manager Lynn Markland said Monday that Poplar Street also will be turned at the intersection so that it intersects Silver Lake Road perpendicular.

“Intersecting the street at a right angle will make it a safer intersection,” he said. “The road will also be widened so there is a separate left turn and right turn lane. The design will likely require some changes to the park (Conklin).”

“Drainage and sidewalks will also be evaluated and addressed as necessary,” said Dan Czarnecki, director of the Department of Public Works in August.

Federal funding in the amount of $499,099 has been made available for this project through the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission as part of the 2017 County Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

The city of Fenton will need to contribute $124,997 toward the project, which brings the overall projected cost to $624,886.

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

The city’s engineering firm, Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. (OHM) has prepared a scope of services for the project. Their design services will cost $71,000, with another $6,500 to perform the signal study work to create a model to provide for the proper timing of signals at Poplar Street and North Road.

Truckers getting the big ‘10-4’ on downtown travel

Fenway Drive is a major alternate route

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Unless they are making a pickup or delivery, truckers have gotten the message that downtown Fenton is not to be used as a cut-through from Fenton to Holly.

“We have adopted a new truck route which prohibits trucks, generally speaking, in the downtown area unless making a local delivery,” said Fenton Police Chief Rick Aro.

“We are ‘educating’ the drivers that haven’t figured it out by giving warnings,” Aro said. “They seem to be working with us and respecting the route.

“Last week we had an issue with a guy hauling fill to a construction project just outside of town making repeated trips south on Adelaide,” he added. “Once we stopped him and advised him of the correct route, he hasn’t been back. We haven’t written any citations for the route violation yet.

Earlier this year, the Fenton City Council approved a new truck route, which reroutes heavy truck traffic away from the downtown area. The ordinance was proposed in order to protect the investment made in the new Streetscape project, which included a significant amount of road repair and replacement in downtown Fenton.

Many years ago, the downtown was part of the U.S. 23 business route. Even though it is no longer a major truck thoroughfare, many heavy trucks and semi trucks continued to drive through the downtown to get to Main Street/Grange Hall Road to Holly and ultimately I-75.

After the completion of Streetscape, trucks were rerouted away from the downtown area. The new ordinance adopted by the council in July directs trucks to specific streets to use as truck routes, with Fenway Drive in the Fenton Business and Technology Park, being one of the major alternate routes.

Downtown pickups and deliveries are still allowed, but drivers of those trucks must use the nearest approved truck route to get in and out of the downtown area.
Lockwood selected for national nominating group

Fenton Mayor Pro Tem Patricia Lockwood, former Michigan Municipal League (MML) board president, was recently selected to the 2016 Nominating Committee for the National League of Cities (NLC). Lockwood’s appointment makes her one of 14 other nominating committee members and one alternate. Lockwood is also a member of the NLC Board of Directors, Honoray Life Member of the MML, and chair of the MML Foundation Board of Directors. The nominating committee will be responsible for recommending a slate of officers and board members to lead NLC in 2017. These leaders will be elected during the annual Business Meeting on Saturday, Nov. 19. NLC past president and St. Paul, Minnesota Mayor Christopher Coleman will chair the committee, which includes 12 elected city officials and three state municipal league executive directors. The committee will hold a public hearing to receive nominations during the 2016 City Summit on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016.

News briefs

‘Foundation Trail’ opens at Holly High School

Two teachers manually clear the 3.12-mile path

By Hannah Ball

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The efforts of two Holly High School teachers are bringing more opportunities for healthy activity and learning to their students with the grand opening of the Foundation Trail at Holly High School.

Michael Rapin and Josh McCreedy worked on the trail for two years.

“The goal was to build a trail that follows International Mountain Bike Association standards. They’ve seen a lot of foot traffic, however, so we encourage bikers, runners, and bikers to utilize the non-motorized trail. There is a lot of research supporting that nature is incredibly valuable and that people in general, kids especially, are not spending the time in nature we did in the past. When the science clearly shows that time in nature has measurable effects on stress levels, as well as improvements in performance on creative and problem-solving tasks, educators have to take note,” McCreedy said.

The trail is divided into two separate loops. “The Campus Loop is an easier ride that is 1.6 miles in length and runs along the outside of the developed areas,” Rapin said.

The second loop, called the Lake Loop, is 1.5 miles long and runs along the inside of the forest and a nearby lake. This loop is geared toward more experienced cyclists with more twists and turns. Rapin and McCreedy developed the plan, figured out property lines, and set a plan, figured out property lines, and set a

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Rather than a customized text alert or voice alert, indicating the alert was from local police and for Fenton residents, some people assumed the text, which came with an ID number of 761-27 and from the phone number (855) 969-4636, was related to the election or from an organization or business soliciting something.

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To receive alerts, go to genesee911.com, and click on the CodeRED tab at left.

News briefs

The UPS Store in Fenton open Veterans Day

While most financial institutions and government agencies, including post offices, are closed Friday, Nov. 11 to commemorate Veterans Day, The UPS Store, 17195 Silver Pkwy., Fenton will be open to handle customers’ packing, shipping, printing and small business needs. The UPS Store is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information visit www.theupsstorelocal.com/3351 or call (810)750-2920, ext. 3.

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Gratitude and Veterans Day

As we approach another Veteran's Day this Friday, it is once again time to reflect on what it means to us as individuals and collectively what it means to our country. Hopefully, most people know about the history of Veterans Day but for those who don’t or who would like to be reminded, the following is presented as the briefest of histories.

The origins of Veterans Day traces its roots back to World War I. The war started on July 28, 1914 between the Central Powers and the Allies. Hostilities ceased on Nov. 11, 1918 at 11 a.m. with the declaration of an armistice or a form of a cease fire. The war officially ended with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles on June 28, 1919.

Veterans Day was called ‘Armistice Day’ until Oct. 8, 1954 when President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a Proclamation officially changing the name.

The entirety of the Proclamation can be found online in the Federal Register. A beautiful passage from the Proclamation tells us the reason why we should remember our veterans especially on Veterans Day which is:

“You cannot expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful Nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this nation.”

Although we sometimes may not think about it, we are blessed to have a perpetual resting place for veterans and their relatives close by in the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township. For those who have visited there, the facility is a very moving experience.

My father was a World War II veteran and a B-17 copilot. Every year on Veterans Day, his four sons would call him and thank him for what he did. My Dad is now gone but his memory will be with me and my brothers forever.

I don’t know how you will commemorate Veterans Day but in my humble opinion everyone should. For without our veterans we would not enjoy the freedoms that sometimes we perhaps take for granted.

To every veteran reading this column I say thank you for your service to our country!

PRISON

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the trial start was adjourned to Mon-
day, Nov. 14, as Dennis’ attorney was unavailable to proceed with trial on Nov. 7.

Dennis was charged in Oakland County with first-degree criminal sexual conduct with a minor under the age of 13.

He also is charged with eight counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct with a defendant under the age of 13 in Genesee County.

His arraignment took place on Oct. 5 by video in the Genesee County Jail. If he is found guilty as charged, 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.

It is unknown if the Genesee and Oakland County victim are the same individual.

His trial proceedings in Genesee County are scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 16 in Genesee County.

According to Genesee County District Court records, Dennis resides on Parallel Street in Fenton, one block west of State Road Elementary School property. He is free on a $500,000 cash surety bond, is required to wear a GPS tether, must stay away from the victim and not use drugs or alcohol, or be in presence of any minor under the age of 18.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE REPUBLICANS DON'T want to shut down the government. The reason they say is all the garbage the Democrats slip into these bills makes it impossible for any common sense person to vote 'yes' on.

I WAS TURNING left by the police depart-
ment when a teenager who was texting stepped into the road right in front of me. I hit the brake and stopped and she looked up and kept on walking. What if a car was turning behind me and hit me and I hit her?

THANK YOU to all who participated in Ladies Night Out in Linden, and a special thank you to Thimbleberry Antiques. You were very organized and professionally done. Thank you so much.

WITH SOCIALISTIC POWER coming into the United States, I just want to say America, you made it to 240 years of age. So long, it’s been nice knowing you.

HOW MANY POLICE officers have to be gunned down before we decide to put bullet- proof glass on all the windows of police cars? That shouldn’t be a hard question to answer. Too many now. Put bullet proof glass, just like they do for the president, in all the car windows.

I WISH MORE people would be talking about the people that the Clintons have conveniently arranged to die, while they were taking care of Hillary. There are many people on her payroll that disappeared or hung themselves in their homes before they were supposed to testify against her.

OVERTURN THE FIRST and fourth amendment? What after that? That’s make President Putin, I mean President Trump, proud.
HOT LINE CONTINUED

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(Below) Fenton residents enter the Great Hall of the Activity Center of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Tuesday morning. Across the tri-county area, residents took to the polls at 7 a.m. for the 2016 general election, creating long lines and congested parking lots.

Voters have their final say

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(Top photo and below) By 9 a.m., Fenton Township residents had already cast approximately 1,100 ballots, according to operations manager and deputy clerk Tom Broecker.

EVENT PRESENTED BY THE FENTON DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION & DDA

NOVEMBER 11, 2016

LADIES’ NIGHT

A NIGHT OUT IN DOWNTOWN FENTON

THE BEST DEALS OF THE SEASON

4-9 PM FRIDAY, NOV. 11

Look for signs at participating businesses. Receive a punchcard from one business and have 10 businesses mark it to enter a drawing for multiple prize baskets.

PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES

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SHINGLES
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Janet Roberts of Holly wishes she had known about the shingles vaccine before she suffered for three weeks with the disease. “It was horrible,” said Roberts, now 77. “It was the most uncomfortable thing I have ever had.”

If you are age 60 or over and uninsured or underinsured, you can get a shingles vaccine for a reduced cost at the Genesee County Health Department. For more information, call (810) 237-4588.

Yoga for veterans?

Local military families can find yoga and other outreach programs at Holly Area Veterans Resource Center

By Sally Rummel

Yoga has been known for centuries to reduce stress and bring a sense of calm into your life.

Picture a military veteran who has endured the physical and mental horrors of war using yoga to reduce symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and other stressful factors in their lives.

That’s what you’ll find through the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center, and supported by the Veterans Administration.

“We’ve had a very successful yoga program for veterans and their families,” said Joe Mishler, chairman of the center. “We’ll be setting dates soon for the beginning of the year.”

This eight-week “Mindful Yoga and Resilience for Veterans” program is just one of the many outreach programs offered in Holly, serving all tri-county area veterans and beyond.

Open for more than a year, the center is housed within the Karl Richter Community Center at 300 East St. in Holly. It’s a place for veterans to gather on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will also be open on Veterans Day this Friday, Nov. 11.

The first Tuesday of each month, service officers from Oakland County Veterans Affairs are on-site to help veterans with benefit claims and learn about resources available to veterans and their families.

“We’ve helped as many as 14 veterans in one day,” said Mishler. “Every time a veteran files a claim in your area, those are dollars spent in your community.”

The Holly Area Resource Center plans another pinning ceremony recognizing men and women who served in the U.S. military from 1955 to 1975, during the Vietnam era, on Friday, Dec. 16 at 1 p.m. A ceremony held on Sept. 16 pinned 50 local Vietnam veterans, thanking them for their service, many for the first time.

“The event has been snowballing,” said Ray Phenning, vice chairman of the center. “We’ve had requests from the state and federal level wanting us to do it again. It was very emotional.”

For more information about programs at the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center, call (810) 348-9960.
MICROWAVE

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hour in the oven. Prick with a fork, and cook for about 2 minutes, turn over, then cook 2 to 3 minutes longer. To crisp the skin, place in regular preheated oven for 5 minutes of cook time. To mash potatoes, heat the milk in the microwave before adding it.

Roasting garlic — It takes 45 minutes to roast garlic in the oven, but less than 8 in the microwave. Slice off the top of the garlic head to reveal all the cloves. Place in small, deep dish, season with salt and pepper, and drizzle with two tablespoons of olive oil. Spoon two tablespoons of water into bottom of dish, cover with plastic wrap and cook at medium power for 7 to 7½ minutes. Let stand for a few minutes before unwrapping.

Partially cooking foods — to grill — you can par-bake chicken in the microwave before grilling, by placing pieces in a pie plate. Cover with waxed paper, microwave on high for 12 minutes, turning chicken over and rearranging halfway through cooking. Finish cooking on the grill by brushing chicken with barbecue sauce, grill, uncovered for 10 minutes or until tender, and juices run clear. You can also cook potatoes or other vegetables in the microwave to give them a head start before grilling.

Yeast dough that normally takes an hour or more to rise at room temperature can be proofed in the microwave in about 15 minutes. Place the dough in a very large bowl and cover with plastic. Place an 8-ounce cup of water in the back of the microwave with the bowl of dough in the center, and set the power as low as possible (10 percent power). Heat for three minutes, then let the dough rest in the microwave for three minutes. Heat three minutes longer, then let rest for six minutes. The dough will double in bulk.

De-crystallized honey — that has solidified, by uncovering the jar and heating on medium power for 30 seconds to one minute.

Softened brown sugar — in its original pack-

What foods NOT to cook in your microwave:

- Pie or pizza, because the dough will be wet and soggy instead of crisp.
- Shellfish, like shrimp and scallops, are too delicate for the microwave and will get rubbery.
- Hardboiled eggs — the heat creates steam within the egg. With no place to go, the steam causes the egg to explode, creating a huge mess in your microwave.
- Most meats and chicken dishes — much of the flavor of these dishes comes from browning or sautéing. Otherwise, you can end up with tough and dry meat with little flavor.

Non-food uses for your microwave:

- Disinfecting and deodorizing sponges. Soak your sponge in white vinegar or lemon juice, and then heat it on high for one minute. This will also disinfect any sponges you used to wipe juices from a raw chicken, according to realsimple.com.
- Disinfecting plastic cutting boards. Wash the board well, rub it with the cut side of a lemon, and then heat it on high for one minute.
- Heat health aids, like gel packs and rice packs.
- Warm beauty products, including a hot-oil conditioning spray for your hair, or a moisturizing facial mask.

Sources: Real Simple, Reader’s Digest, Food Network.
Tigers capture three all-state performers at state meet

By David Troppens
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The Fenton varsity cross country program was pretty efficient at the Division 1 state cross country meet on Saturday.
The Tigers brought three runners to the event, and all three earned All-State honors.
Andrew Bond, Cambria Tiemann and Alexa Keiser each captured All-State honors by finishing easily within the top 30 at the race.
“I’m really proud of all three runners — they all ran very smart and very aggressively over the last half of the course,” Fenton varsity cross country coach Jesse Anderson said. “All three didn’t leave anything out there, and they ended up with the All-State certificates to show for it.”

Fenton’s Andrew Bond

Tigers headed to regional title game

Fenton wins offensive battle in district final vs. Midland Dow, 49-42

By David Troppens
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Midland — The Fenton Tigers were looking for revenge.
The Midland Dow Chargers knocked the Fenton varsity football team out of the playoffs in the district title game at Fenton High School a year ago.
This year, the Tigers returned the favor.
Fenton won an offensive slugfest defeating Midland Dow 49-42 Friday night.
“That was a brutal game and we got beat on both sides of the ball,” said Fenton’s star junior quarterback Josh Czarnota who ran for five TDs and threw for two more. “I’m so glad we figured it out and got it back.”

In a contest that went back-and-forth all night long, Czarnota tossed his second TD pass of the game to Josh Maher from five yards out, with 2:10 remaining, earning the Tigers a 49-42 Division 2 district championship victory.

Czarnota was Fenton’s biggest star, and arguably the game’s biggest star on either side.
Czarnota had touchdown runs of 52, 6, 1, 5 and 4 yards and also had two TD passes in the victory. He completed 21-of-31 passes for 200 yards while running for 169 yards. And Czarnota had to be hot on Friday night considering the game followed its advanced billing as an offensive battle.
“I always love scoring personally,” Czarnota said. “It’s nice to do and we came through. I love that type of game. I love close games. I love playing with the pressure and we came through with it.”

Blue Devils surpass expectations at state

Lake Fenton places 15th, Linden takes 20th

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The Lake Fenton varsity boys cross country team had a goal of qualifying for the state meet at the beginning of the season.
The Blue Devils did just that and even a little more, placing 15th at the Division 2 state cross country meet held at Michigan International Speedway.
Linden also competed at the meet and placed 20th.
“We set out at the beginning of the summer with a goal of qualifying for states,” Lake Fenton varsity boys cross country coach Chris Sobczak said. “We had a pretty strong feeling all along we could achieve that goal, but you never know because anything can happen. We ended up not only meeting that goal, but exceeding it.
“We thought we would probably end up around 18th place but we knew we could finish 13th if everything came together. I couldn’t be any happier with how things unfolded from a team standpoint. Our top five fought hard all season and never gave up. Saturday was no exception.”

Lucky 13th Metro title comes Fenton’s way

By David Troppensoppens@tctimes.com

If Elise Cassidy looked to her left or right during the 100 yard freestyle finals at the Metro League meet, it probably looked a lot like a regular practice.
Why? Because the Tigers did something they’ve never done in the 13-year history of the Metro League Meet. The Tigers managed to beat out the entire Metro League field and qualify all of the top eight swimmers into the finals.
It was just one of a few amazing feats by the Tigers as they demolished the Metro League field by earning league champions in all 12 events, leading to an overwhelming championship victory in the meet held at Fenton High School Friday and Saturday.
Fenton scored 772 points, or more than double the number of the second-place Swartz Creek/Flushing co-op squad (350 points). Holly finished in fourth with 253 points in the
Eagles soar to 12th at state XC meet

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The Linden varsity girls cross country team came into the Division 2 state meet ranked 30th based on an online ranking, “which is lower than the number of teams that qualified for the state meet,” as Linden varsity girls cross country coach Benjamin Cox said.

Apparently that on-line poll was a bit off. The Linden Eagles finished 12th at the D2 girls state cross country meet held at Michigan International Speedway on Saturday.

“The girls coming out with a 12th-place finish is a testament to the girls just sticking with the plan and running their race,” Cox said. “That is why you run the race; anything can happen on the course.”

The Eagles ended up with two All-State runners. Alia Frederick placed 17th (19:19.0), while Audrey Steiert placed 23rd (19:23.3). The top 30 runners in the race earn All-State honors.

“Audrey and Alia are competitors,” Cox said. “They both knew they had their work cut out for them to earn All-State. They both rose to the challenge and had a great day.”

The rest of Linden’s team included Hannah Wabel in 77th (20:15.1), Taylor Acox in 171st (21:24.8), Meghan Hitt in 178th (21:29.5), Kearstin Dankert in 204th (21:56.9) and Emma Wabel in 230th (22:32.2).

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Tigers clip Blackhawks in district final

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The Fenton varsity volleyball team had some challenging matches in the opening two rounds of the Ortonville-Brandon district.

But that all changed on Friday night in the district final. The Tigers (42-5-3) defended its Class A district title by crushing tournament hosts Brandon 25-14, 25-15, 25-18.

The victory means the Tigers played Utica Eisenhower in the regional semifinals at Anchor Bay High School on Tuesday. The two teams have a history together. The Tigers lost to Utica Eisenhower by a tight 23-25, 25-13, 25-22 margin in the regional semifinals held at Romeo High School last season.

It didn’t take long for the Tigers to defeat Brandon, a squad they defeat ed in straight sets during the regular season. Chloe Idoni had seven kills on just 12 hitting attempts, while Jess Warford had seven kills as well.

Delaney Miesch had three kills and also three blocks.

On the service line, Idoni also led the team with four aces, while Warford had seven aces.

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Fenton’s first through eighth placers in the 100-yard freestyle stand on the starter blocks as they are honored.

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Fenton’s Delaney Meisch (left) and Lily Elfstrom block a shot during a recent Fenton volleyball match. The Tigers defeated Brandon to capture a Class A district title on Friday. They faced Utica Eisenhower in the regional semifinal on Tuesday.

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Tri-County Times | Klari Frederick

Stephert, Frederick earn All-State honors at event

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She’s a nurse on a mission

Fenton resident Patt Chandler, R.N., (left) joined a doctor, pastor, engineer and another nurse on a medical mission to Haiti in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew, through Dayspring Missions.

A planned medical mission to Haiti took her to hurricane-ravaged country in October

By Sally Rummel
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Patt Chandler, a Fenton resident and nurse at McLaren-Flint, signed up in January for a medical mission to help the residents of Haiti, the world’s poorest country.

The little did she know that what she was doing was anything but coincidental. Hurricane Matthew’s devastating descent upon Haiti, and that her mission’s efforts would help more than 2,000 people.

Traveling to Haiti through Dayspring Missions, a non-profit helping hands organization, Chandler flew out on Oct. 9 rather than Oct. 7, because of the hurricane. She was part of a medical team which included a doctor, another nurse and an engineer.

The team saw 300 to 400 people per day in clinics at area churches, with people standing in line for hours for medications and wound care.

On Oct. 12, the team was accompanied by a Haitian government official in a four-wheel drive vehicle filled with supplies and escorted by security cars to Les Cayes, the second hardest hit village in Haiti.

“We were one of the first medical teams in that area,” said Chandler. “There was a reason we had body guards with us. Our lives were in danger and they wanted to keep Americans safe. We had to drive through a river because an 8-foot section of a bridge was just gone. We set up in what was left in that devastated area, and treated wounds, gave oral antibiotics, soap, water and gauze.”

In a 20-hour period, they saw more than 1,000 patients and basically re-stocked what was left of the hospital with garbage bags full of supplies.

The team also distributed hundreds of pounds of rice, clothing and two suitcases of shoes that had been donated by another Fenton woman, Kelly Russell. “Shoes are her ministry,” said Chandler.

This was Chandler’s fourth medical mission. “It’s who God called me to be,” said Chandler, 55.
**WEDNESDAY SUDOKU**

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ★★

Answer in this Sunday’s edition of the Tri-County Times

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**WEDNESDAY JUMBLE**

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

**SATTEE**

**GABLEE**

**WOSEP**

**NUDAT**

**What the Night Owl Did After Daylight**

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

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

**ACROSS**

1 Like a snail
5 Biblical verb suffix
8 Venomous vipers
12 Swearing-in utterance
13 Extinct bird
14 Actress Perman
15 Acolyte
17 Gruesome
18 More indigent
19 Runs off to wed
21 Soar
22 Croon
23 Possesses
26 Thither
28 Scratch-and-

**DOWN**

1 Cleanser
2 Composer
3 Schifrin
4 "Beetle" dog
5 Early life forms
6 Also
7 19th presi-

**HOROSCOPES**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19)
A work-related situation that started last month takes on increasing importance this week. The choice is still yours as to how it will evolve. Be careful not to make quick judgments.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20)
“Careful” is the watchword for the prudent Bovine this week. Don’t let your emotions overwhelm your logic. Try for balance as you maneuver through a touchy situation.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)
Your energy levels rise to meet the challenges that will mark much of this month. New opportunities beckon. Look them over, but proceed cautiously before making any kind of decision.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)
Your private life can be a problem this week, as a partner becomes more difficult. Resist a reaction you might regret. Instead of walking away, try to talk things out.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)
You should be your usual sunny self these days, as you bask in the admiration you adore. Enjoy it as you move into a new arena to confront an exciting upcoming challenge.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Your perseverance reserves will be tapped frequently this week as you deal with the problems involved in making a new situation work for you. But it’ll all be worth it.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
You’ll find fewer roadblocks turning up as you continue to move ahead with your plans. Expect some important news to come your way by mid-November.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Good news — you finally get to the bottom of that pesky mystery you’ve been trying to solve for weeks by using some gentle persuasion to get someone to break his or her silence.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
The best time to take on that important task is now. Move forward one step at a time so you can assess your progress and, if need be, change direction.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
The new opportunities you hoped to find this month are beginning to open up. Study them carefully to be sure you make the choice that’s best for you.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Turn a disappointment into a learning experience. Check out possible weaknesses in your approach and strengthen them. A loyal colleague offers good advice.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Your new situation offers opportunities to help you get the skills you’ll need in order to stop swimming in circles and finally move straight toward your goals. Go for it.

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**DVD RELEASES**

**SAUSAGE PARTY**
A misplaced sausage and his savory friends embark on an existential adventure through the aisles of a massive supermarket in this raunchy animated comedy from Seth Rogen and Evan Goldberg. As the store’s annual 4th of July sale draws near, the perishable pals must return to their rightful places on the shelves before the customers come flooding in to fill their carts.R, 1 hr. 39 min.
Animation, Comedy

49% liked it
(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)

**INDIGNATION**
Based on Philip Roth’s late novel, Indignation takes place in 1951, as Marcus Messner (Logan Lerman), a brilliant working class Jewish boy from Newark, New Jersey, travels on scholarship to a small, conservative college in Ohio, thus exempting him from being drafted into the Korean War. But once there, Marcus’s growing infatuation with his beautiful classmate Olivia Hutton (Sarah Gadon), and his clashes with the college’s imposing Dean, Hawes Caudwell (Tracy Letts), put his and his family’s best laid plans to the ultimate test.

R, 1 hr. 40 min.
Drama

88% liked it
(Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)
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Bobeau
Joseph Ribkoff
Dreemocracy

Born
Vionic
Sorel

9th Annual Ladies Night Out
Friday, November 11th 10:00am - 8:00pm
An All Day Event With Specials Throughout The Store
FREE Gift With Purchase*
4pm-8pm Shop Our Warehouse Sale (next to Allure)
5pm-8pm Live Music & Refreshments @ Eclections
First 100 people to bring in their Downtown Fenton Punch Card Gets A FREE Gift*
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