Many don’t know that burning leaves is prohibited in Fenton, Holly and Linden

■ Up to whopping $500 fine for repeat offenders

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Newcomers and renters may not be aware that burning leaves within the cities of Fenton and Linden, or the village of Holly is prohibited under any circumstances.

While local communities do allow some outdoor burning with a permit in a regulation burn pit or container, burning leaves is not an option.

“There is no open burning of leaves allowed in the city at any time,” said Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff. “There are no burning permits issued in the city for any reason. See BURNING on 9

FHS student fatally struck by train identified

■ Police believe victim was wearing earbuds, listening to music

By Sharon Stone
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A Fenton High School freshman was struck and killed by a CN train as it passed through Fenton Monday afternoon. Fenton police have confirmed that Victoria Lane, 15, of the city of Fenton was the victim.

At 2:59 p.m., Fenton police and fire departments responded to the railroad tracks, east of North LeRoy Street and south of Main Street to investigate an initial report of an injured person near the railroad tracks.

Fenton Area Public Schools Superintendent Adam Hartley sent out an

Fenton police investigate the scene of a deadly train accident at approximately 3 p.m. Monday afternoon in downtown Fenton. On Tuesday, police announced that the female victim is Victoria Lane, 15, a Fenton High School freshman.

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During the altercation, another passenger inside the car began shooting at the two Holly men. Both men were struck by bullets. The men were treated and released from the hospital.

No suspects are in custody.

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**Thursday is the Great American Smokeout**

Another opportunity to save money and become healthier for good

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Thursday, Nov. 17 marks the 39th Great American Smokeout by the American Cancer Society. The first was held in San Francisco’s Union Square on Nov. 16, 1977.

On this day, smokers across the nation take part in the event. By quitting — even for one day — smokers will be taking an important step toward a healthier life and reducing their cancer risk.

Quitting smoking has immediate and long-term benefits at any age.

20 MINUTES AFTER YOU QUIT

The effects of quitting start to set in immediately. Within 20 minutes after your last cigarette, your heart rate will begin to drop back toward a normal level.

TWO HOURS AFTER YOU QUIT

After two hours without a cigarette, your heart rate and blood pressure will be close to normal levels again. Your blood circulation will also start to improve. The tips of your fingers and toes may start to feel warm.

12 HOURS AFTER YOU QUIT

The lack of oxygen in the blood often causes serious heart conditions and other health problems. In as few as 12 hours after quitting smoking, the carbon monoxide in your body decreases to lower levels. In turn, the amount of oxygen in your blood increases to normal levels.

24 HOURS AFTER YOU QUIT

Just one full day after quitting smoking, your risk for coronary artery disease will already begin to reduce. Your risk of having a heart attack also starts to decline. While you’re not quite out of the woods yet, you’re on your way.

48 HOURS AFTER YOU QUIT

Once you quit smoking for 48 hours, your nerve endings will start to regrow, and your ability to smell and taste will improve. You’ll soon start to better appreciate the finer things in life.

THREE DAYS AFTER YOU QUIT

At this point, the nicotine will be completely out of your body. This means that the symptoms of nicotine withdrawal may peak around this time.

This is when quitting smoking can become especially difficult. If you’re able to make it to this point, reward yourself so you feel motivated to continue. Use the money you would have spent on cigarettes to buy something nice for yourself.

TWO TO THREE WEEKS AFTER YOU QUIT

Within three weeks, you’ll be able to exercise and perform physical activities without feeling winded. Stopping smoking for a couple of weeks gives your body time to regenerate and heal. Your blood circulation and breathing function will improve significantly during this time. Your lungs may also begin to clear, allowing you to breathe more easily.

ONE TO NINE MONTHS AFTER YOU QUIT

After one month without cigarettes, the cilia inside your lungs will begin to repair. The cilia are the tiny, hair-like structures that push mucus out of the lungs. Once the cilia are able to do their job efficiently, they can fight off infection and clear the lungs more easily. With properly functioning lungs, your coughing and shortness of breath will continue to decrease dramatically.

One year after you quit

The one-year mark is a big one. After a year without smoking, your risk for heart disease is lowered to half that of a smoker’s. This means that someone who smokes is more than twice as likely as you are to develop any type of heart disease.

FIVE YEARS AFTER YOU QUIT

A wide array of toxic substances is released in the burning of tobacco. Over time, these substances cause your blood vessels to narrow, which increases your risk of having a stroke. After five to 15 years of not smoking, your risk of having a stroke is the same as that of a nonsmoker.

TEN YEARS AFTER YOU QUIT

It may take 10 years, but if you quit, eventually your risk of dying from lung cancer decreases to the same as that of a nonsmoker.

See SMOKEOUT on 7

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**Take a bite out of Buddha’s Hand?**

Exotic fruit adds color and new flavors to VG’s produce section

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Imagine coming home to dinner and finding “Buddha’s Hand” on your table.

“What is that?” you ask. According to kitchn.com, it may look like a lemon gone wild, but the Buddha’s hand is actually a distinct fruit in the citrus family. It has a sweet, lemon blossom aroma and no juice or pulp. The mild-tasting pith is not bitter, so the fruit carries this exotic flavor.

Mission Figs, Exotic Sour Soup with Guanabana and Sugar Cane Swizzle Stick, just to name a few. According to Charmaine Kendruck, VG’s produce manager, the store has been carrying it for about six months.

The exotic fruits were displayed in different areas around the produce section for a while, but most recently they have been grouped on one table, making for a unique, startling display of color.

“It’s interesting so we wanted to try it,” said Kendrick of California. “It’s a unique and draws attention.

Although VG’s hasn’t been selling much of it yet, See EXOTIC FRUIT on 9

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Don’t get me wrong, there are many fine young Americans in our midst, citizens with character, principles and discipline. But there are far more millions of these future leaders who have been so coddled and pampered by both their parents and society that they simply don’t have, and likely never will have, the character and maturity it takes to be a true American adult.

These are the kids who received a gold star for the scribbling in their ‘You Are Special’ coloring book in pre-school. These are the kids who had a sixth-grade ‘Special’ coloring book in pre-school. They are the ones marching with signs reading: “Not My President.”

These are the kids who have never experienced the pride and sense of accomplishment of successfully applying for a summer job to earn spending money. These are the kids that were pre-ordained from birth to attend a prestigious university, where the you-are-wonderful curriculum will be carried on by professors who have never actually lived in the real world. He or she will then graduate possessing only the singular skill they learned mere seconds after exiting their mother’s womb — how to suck oxygen.

These adult children have been so fussed over, molly-coddled, pampered and protected that they simply do not possess the moxie it takes to be a true adult citizen of the greatest country in the world. They have never been taught to lose, much less lose gracefully. They have, for the most part, never been held accountable for their actions. Most have had everything in life handed to them on the proverbial silver platter.

It’s why, as reported by the Wall Street Journal, immediately following Trump’s election as president, the University of Kansas notified every student (via social media) that “therapy dogs are available for comfort every other Wednesday.”

How do you feel about the outcome of the election?

Compiled by Tess DeGayner, intern
What’s the difference between warning and watch?

Local meteorologist decodes common weather terms we hear on TV

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Most people understand that “precipitation” means rain, and that “clear skies” means clouds will be scarce.

However, there’s confusion over certain weather terminology, especially the difference between “watch” vs. “warning,” when watching the morning weather report on TV.

ABC 12 Chief Meteorologist JR Kirtek said the terms “watch” vs. “warning” created confusion in their inception in the 1950s because the two words start with the same letter.

“It would have been better if it was watch vs. emergency,” he said.

A severe weather watch means that the conditions are favorable for the development of severe weather, according to the National Weather Service (NWS).

A severe weather warning means there’s already severe weather detected by radar or reported by storm spotters.

“Severe thunderstorms can produce tornadoes with little or no advance warning,” according to the NWS. “Warnings can be issued without a watch already in effect.”

Warnings are issued for conditions that threaten life and property.

The difference between “watch” and “warning” applies to other weather conditions as well.

A flash flood watch indicates that current conditions could produce flash flooding. A flash flood warning indicates that flooding is already taking place. The same terminology applies to tornadoes.

Kirtek said the watches and warnings are more common with severe weather during spring and summer.

Fog is water that has condensed close to ground level, which produces a cloud of very small droplets that reduce visibility to less than one kilometer.

A fog advisory describes when there’s a dense fog that could reduce visibility.

Here are explanations for the weather terminology you should expect to hear in the next few months.

Heavy snow means an area received 4 or more inches of snow in 12 hours, or 6 or more inches in 24 hours, according to the NWS.

A heavy snow warning is issued when 6 or more inches of snow or sleet is expected in 12 hours or 8 inches are expected in the next 24 hours.

A winter storm is classified as a heavy snow event with snow accumulation of more than 6 inches in 12 hours, or more than 12 inches in 24 hours, according to timeanddate.com.

Kirtek said they would consider any weather conditions capable of producing a significant storm a winter storm.

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ABC12 chief meteorologist

A blizzard is different from a flurry. Kirtek said flurries are picked-up snow from the lakes caused by cold air that comes in behind cold storms. Blizzards occur mainly around lakes and are rare in other parts of the country.

Kirtek said some people don’t fully understand what constitutes a blizzard.

“Blizzards have only a little bit to do with snow accumulation. It has more to do with wind and reducing visibility,” he said.

A blizzard is defined as winter storms with sustained winds or frequent gusts of 35 mph or more that cause snow to blow and drift, reducing visibility to less than one-quarter mile for three or more hours.

“You could actually have blizzard conditions with no snow falling from the clouds at all. If there’s enough snow on the ground and the winds are strong enough to reduce visibility, you can have a blizzard.”

On air, Kirtek said he might describe a storm with “blizzard-like conditions.”
Michigan police agencies most overworked in nation

Compared to 2001, state employs 4,000 fewer officers

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Michigan police officers are the most overworked in the country, according to one home security and safety organization.

The experts at Safewise.com gathered information from the FBI and census.gov on the size of law enforcement, how many crimes take place in a year, and how many civilians per officer the state holds.

In 2014, there were over 630,000 crimes in Michigan, which means there were 28 crimes to every one officer.

Michigan ranked number one with 23,179 law enforcement employees and 350 civilians for every one police officer, according to the study.

However, Argentine Police Chief Daniel Allen said the number of police officers currently working in the state is much lower.

According to the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, there were 23,150 police officers in the state in 2001, and as of October 2016, there were 18,399.

“We’ve lost so many officers since the downturn of the economy,” Allen said. “We definitely work hard.”

In Argentine, Allen said there has been some downsizing but not as much as other communities. During the downfall, Argentine officials kept the township “in the black,” Allen said, and didn’t have to lay off any officers.

“Law enforcement typically has been lower paid positions, but the balance to that was your retirement plan and your health benefits. There’s been a shift from that,” he said. “With money being low, the change in pensions, the change in benefits, a lot of people are not choosing law enforcement as a career anymore, which is sad.”

Allen said public opinion has also been strained.

Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said he agrees that Michigan police are overworked. Municipalities are seeing an increase or maintaining the amount of 911 calls, and many places have seen an increase in crime.

“There’s ranks have been reduced so that does put a tax on those officers,” Sutter said.

Property crime and crime against people in Linden has decreased from 2011 to 2015, but the amount of calls they receive is the same.

“That can be attributed to the hard work of officers and to the citizens who live and work in the city as well,” he said.

F/Lt. Michael Shaw of the Michigan State Police (MSP) said law enforcement

Reducing police officer retirement and health care benefits

According to the Michigan Police Officer Association, Gov. Rick Snyder has talked about introducing legislation aimed at reforming public employee healthcare that could potentially reduce retiree benefits and make retired officers pay for their own healthcare. There’s been no action yet on this issue.

Argentine Township Police Officer Ken Engel is one of two school resource officers for Linden Community Schools.

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Fenton police officer Nick Jones (left) heads out for his shift, while Lt. Jason Slater leaves the police department to go home after his.
The CN train came to rest west of downtown Fenton, near Adelaide Street.

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email Tuesday morning to parents in the school district to notify them of the accident.

In a letter Hartley wrote, “A young female was hit by a train at approximately 3 p.m. in Fenton on Monday, Nov. 14. I received a phone call from the Fenton Police at 8 p.m. last night confirming the young lady passed away and was a student at Fenton High School.

“The district crisis team met early this morning (Tuesday) and a crisis plan was developed and is currently being implemented,” he added. “Our counselors and social workers are on site and will be available all day for our students and staff.

“We keep this family in your thoughts and prayers,” Hartley said.

The train eventually came to a stop west of North LeRoy Street. The railroad crossings at LeRoy and Adelaide streets were closed during the investigation.

On Tuesday, Slater said Lane was walking westbound down the middle of the tracks when she was struck by the westbound train. Earbuds (small headphones) were located near Lane’s body indicating she was listening to music while walking.

After reviewing the video footage from the front of the train, Slater said investigators believe the train sounded its horn, but Lane did not attempt to get out of the way of the train. “We believe she had headphones on,” said Slater. “They were found nearby.”

Slater said police have been told that the victim’s friends have been going out to the railroad tracks at the site of the accident. He is urging everyone to stay away from the tracks and right-of-way, which is owned by the railroad.

“It is a crime, a misdemeanor to trespass on the tracks,” said Slater. “We don’t want to see another tragic accident occur.”

Associate Editor Tim Jagielo contributed to this story.

**SUMMARY**

- A FHS student was struck and killed by a CN train passing through downtown Fenton Monday afternoon. Police believe she may have been listening to music on her headphones as she walked down the middle of the tracks.

**The Electoral College**

The 2016 United States Presidential Election is now over and it appears that Hillary Clinton received more votes than her opponent Donald Trump. However, Mr. Trump will be our next president.

Why is this so? The answer lies both in our history and our constitution and dates back to our founding fathers and the Constitutional Convention of 1787.

Back then there was much debate over precisely how the president and vice president should be elected to ensure fairness for all. A main concern was that if the winner was strictly determined by whoever received the most votes, the larger states’ voters (such as New York) would always determine the winner. Another was possible public opinion manipulation.

Various proposals were made including 1) having the election determined by a vote in Congress, 2) having state legislatures choosing and 3) having the decision by a popular vote. A compromise was reached as embodied in Article II of the Constitution, which was amended by the 12th Amendment, to have ‘electors’ elected by the separate states who would then in turn cast their ballots for their candidates.

The number of electors from each state is determined by adding the number of senators in Congress from each state (two) with the number of representatives.

Since Michigan currently has 14 representatives, this means Michigan has 16 electors in the Electoral College.

There are 538 total electors. Forty-eight states and the District of Columbia have a winner takes all system for electors with two states, Nebraska and Maine, having a district system.

Our system can result in the popular vote winner still losing the general election, as appears to be the case this year with Mr. Trump having won the majority of the electoral votes. The last time this happened was in 2000 when Al Gore won the popular vote but George W. Bush won the Electoral College vote.

Whatever one’s feelings are on the system, it’s what we have and probably will for some time to come as it would take a Constitutional amendment to change it.

There are many resources available for those who want additional information on this and a good starting source would be the online National Archives and Records Administration article on the Electoral College.

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Edward Daranyi, Stratford resident teaching artist, teaches Linden students about the Shakespeare classic, “Hamlet.”

Stratford actors visit Linden

High school students act out Shakespeare for hands-on exercise

By Hannah Ball

Linden — English and theatre students learned about Shakespeare from professional Stratford actors who regularly portray his characters Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Edward Daranyi, Stratford resident teaching artist and actors Carla Bennett and Mike Shara taught Linden High School students about Shakespeare’s plays, “Othello” and “Hamlet” by having them act out the scenes with different acting exercises.

English teacher Bethany George said this program is funded by the Michigan Residency Program. She applied for the program and was accepted.

AP English student Jordan Crutchfield said, “I thought it helped me further understand the play. We acted out everything. We did insults so that really made us realize the context of the play.”

What Trump might do with our health care

Here’s a general idea of what goes, what may stay and what’s in doubt

By Sally Rummel

President-elect Donald Trump won’t be taking office for another two months, but most people are already concerned about how he plans to overhaul our nation’s health care program — one of the major platforms he stood on when campaigning for office.

While no final decisions have been made, an Associated Press news article published Nov. 12, outlined these tentative plans based on interviews with congressional Republicans.

What goes:
- Mandates on individuals to get coverage or risk fines from the IRS.
- Mandates on employers to cover workers.
- All or most of the Affordable Care Act’s tax increases on upper-income individuals and the health care industry.
- Limits on what insurers can charge older customers. Leading Republicans want to loosen them.

What stays:
- Letting young adults stay on parental health plans until they turn 26.
- A ban on lifetime dollar limits for insurance coverage.
- Some kind of system to protect people with health problems, applying to the most generous plans is in doubt. It would replace the health care law’s widely opposed “Cadillac Tax.”

What’s in doubt
- The Medicaid expansion on President Obama’s law, which has provided coverage to an estimated 9 million low-income people.
- A number of Republican governors have accepted it and more may want to do so now that the law will no longer be so closely associated with Obama. Most prominent among the GOP governors expanding Medicaid — Mike Pence. Medicaid expansion is a key piece of the puzzle, according to the Associated Press article.
- Current rules that require female employees of religious-affiliated institutions, such as colleges, hospitals and charities, to be offered coverage for contraceptives as a free preventive health benefit are in doubt.
- The Trump administration could move to rescind those rules on its own with congressional approval.
- The future of online insurance markets like Healthcare.gov, which serve people who don’t have access to job-based coverage.
- Some kind of new limit on the tax-free status of employer-provided health insurance, applying to the most generous plans is in doubt. It would replace the health care law’s widely opposed “Cadillac Tax.”

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE DAY AFTER

The day after Trump is elected, protests are taking place in cities and on college campuses. Law students too upset to go to class protest by burning the American flag. They’re destroying the very thing that gives them the right to be able to voice their opinions, as ignorant as that may be.

IF YOU don’t think the Obama administration has harmed this country just look at the protests about the president-elect. Note the demonstrations when he was president-elect. America has spoken, get over it.

THE ANTI-TRUMP post election media articles and street protests are examples of the tyranny of the left. Good thing for America that Trump won.

THE FIRST AMENDMENT guarantees the freedom of the press so the press can be the public’s watchdog on the government. For the last decade or more, the mainstream media have broadcast only their own agenda. Until the media embrace honesty, I will reject their broadcasts.

LEFT HAND TURN lanes are for turning left, not for putting the front end of your car in and hanging into the road. Simple? Not in Fenton.

I NEVER PICK up hitchhikers. Today I did. He was on Grand Blanc Road. He was in his late 80s and could hardly walk. He was walking home from the doctor’s in Durand. He hobbled into his home a little over a mile from where I picked him up. Help the elderly. We’ll all be there one day.

WE HAVE HAD eight years of Republican control on Capitol Hill and they did nothing. Now that they have total control, I can see our votes meaning nothing just as Michigan has done with its total control.

FOR THE NEXT few years, if things go great, the Republicans deserve to (and will) take all the credit. If things go to hell, who will they blame?

I REALLY WONDER what Trump would have done if he actually received more votes than Hillary and lost the election? Call it rigged?

I’VE BEEN TELLING anyone who would listen. You cannot believe any poll out by the polling outfits. They’re lying. The American people know what they want.

THERE’S A ‘WALKING’ club on Grant Street most mornings. They must not realize that there’s a sidewalk, because they’re walking down the middle of the road. Please, friends, use the sidewalk. It’s hard to avoid you when there’s ongoing traffic.

CAN SOMEONE PLEASE explain to me why gas in Argentina is $2.25 and if you drive to Brighton or Howell, it is only $2.05?

HEY HELLER, TELL us how you feel about Hillary’s deplorable backers. The arsonists, thugs, rioters, thieves, muggers, defacers of national monuments, flag burners, undead cowards, cry babies and on and on.

I WOULD LIKE to thank the young woman who paid for my order at Panera Bread this afternoon. She did that because I was a veteran and had on my Marine coat and cap. You were very gracious. May God bless you. Yes, I will pass it on.
**BURNING**  
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“We get occasional complaints of burning leaves in the city,” he said. “Usually it is people new to Fenton. I would say we only investigate about a dozen burning complaints in the fall.

“We usually don’t have to ticket anyone,” Cairnduff added. “We advise them of the rules and if we are called back to the same location then we would issue a ticket.”

That ticket could be up to $500, according to Cairnduff.

“We try to educate them, not to just write the ticket but to make the public aware of the rules to avoid any future problems,” he said.

In the village of Holly, burn permits can be obtained, at no charge, by visiting the Holly Police Department on South Broad Street.

Open burning is allowed by permit only, and will be issued by the village, subject to several rules.

**MICHAEL HART**  
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approximately 20 applications for the position and four applicants were interviewed.

Hart, a graduate of California State University, comes to the city of Fenton with 26 years of experience including seven years in the public sector, six of those as city manager in Davison.

“We are looking forward to having Mike on our team,” said Lynn Markland Fenton city manager. “This is a great time to be working for Fenton and we’re excited to have Mike join us in our administration.”

“With Mike’s experience, I’m excited to have him join us,” said Mayor Sue Osborn. “We have many projects in the next few years and Mike will hit the ground running. I think he will be an asset to our community. I look forward to working with him and I believe the citizens of Fenton will also.”

DDA Chairman Craig Schmidt said, “Downtown Fenton is really moving forward. The DDA welcomes Mike Hart and we look forward to working with him to continue the progress.”

Prior to working for Davison, Michael Hart was employed by the city of Watervliet. Prior to that, he worked in the private sector in real estate and economic development. He is expected to begin his employment in Fenton in about 30 days, on or about Dec. 12.

**POLICE**  
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statewide is having a hard time finding and hiring qualified candidates.

“Which also makes it harder on the officers on the road,” he said.

The MSP currently employs 1,035 troopers across the state. In 2015, the MSP handled 66,032 reported crimes in Michigan.

“They have not been reduced so that does put a tax on those officers,” said Michael Story.

**EXOTIC FRUIT**  
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interest is picking up with one person actually requesting Kiwano Horned Melon.

“Most of it is for the zest and you can also cut the fingers off (Buddha’s Hand) and put them in drinks to add to add citrus flavor,” Kendrick said. They don’t have a lot of juice or pulp and sometimes have seeds.

The Kiwano Horned Melon, also known as an African Cucumber, actually has a cucumber taste to it, Kendrick said. The Buddha’s Hand is perfect for making candied citrus peel, which can be eaten by itself or used in baked goods.

Choose a kiwano that is fully ripened. Rambutan looks like a hairy red fruit. While they may seem exotic to Westerners, they’re a common snack throughout Asia, and increasingly in Australia and in tropical countries in Central America.

They’re also available in specialty produce stores around the U.S., and you can often find them in Chinatown produce stalls.

The Kiwano Horned Melon, or African Cucumber, offers some impressive health benefits such as its ability to improve cognitive ability, prevent certain types of chronic diseases, aid in weight loss, protect the skin, boost the metabolism, increase eye health, strengthen bones, optimize digestion, and speed up wound healing. It is close in nutritive and evolutionary terms to cucumbers and zucchinis.

According to organicfacts.net, the bitter forms of kiwano, before they are ripe, can have dangerous levels of chemicals that are not present when the fruit is ready to eat. This toxicity can cause stomach issues, headaches, and fevers, but is not known to be life-threatening.

Choose a kiwano that is fully ripened. It’ll have an orange rind with orange spikes.

After removing the skin and cutting into cubes, Tropical Dragon Fruit is great for salads.

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Comments or objections to the proposed authorization received by December 15, 2016, will be considered in the final decision to grant the authorization. Persons desiring information regarding the proposed permit or procedures for commenting or requesting a hearing, should contact the Groundwater Discharge Permits Program at: DEQ, WRD, Permits Section, P.O. Box 30458, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7958; or 517-284-5570.

Copies of the public notice and proposed authorization may be obtained via the Internet at: https://mwwaters.deq.state.mi.us, click on “Public Notice Search”; or at the WRD Lansing District Office located at 525 West Allegan Street, 1st Floor, South Tower, Lansing, MI, 48933, Lansing, Michigan 48933; 517-284-6651.
Fenton’s state-qualifying team includes (from left starting with the front row) Elise Cassidy, Lauren Gruber, Cameron Mathews, Grace Siefker, Caitlyn Dailey, Sabrina Hall, Carly Kozlowski and Taylor Shegos.

By David Troppens
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Eight competitors headed to D2 state swim meet
Regional Title Football Box
Fenton at Walled Lake Western

Score by Quarters

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Scoring Summary

**First Quarter**
- WLW: Justin Thomas 6-yd pass from John Tracy (Zak Kempster kick), 7:21
- FEN: Josh Czarnota 44 yd run (kick missed), 3:17

**Second Quarter**
- WLW: Kameron Ford 43 yd pass from John Tracy (Kempster kick), 3:31
- WLW: Cody White 40 yd run (failed two-point conversion), 1:56
- WLW: Benson 4 yd run (Kempster kick failed), 21:3

**Third Quarter**
- WLW: White 5 yd pass from Tracy (Kempster kick)

**Fourth Quarter**
- WLW: Alex Marshall 26 yd pass from Czarnota (Marshall from Czarnota 2 pt pass), 10:36
- WLW: Ilija Lazich 56 yd pass from Dylan McGorisk (Kempster kick), 4:42
- FEN: Dylan Crankshaw 56 yd run (Braden Moore kick), 3:06

Passing Stats
- FEN: Czarnota 5-for-13, 68 yds, 1 TD, 1 Int; Logan Welch 0-for-1, 0 yds.
- WLW: Tracy 13-for-21, 242 yds, 4 TD; McGorisk 1-for-1, 56 yds, 1TD

Receiving Stats
- FEN: Marshall 3-47, 1TD; Josh Maher 1-11, Chanse Setzke 1-10.
- WLW: Thomas 3-56, 1TD; White 3-43 1TD; Ford 2-56 1TD; Tracy 2-21; Kevin Jackson 2-19; Lazich 1-56 1TD; Abdur-Rahmaan Yassen 1-35.

Rushing Stats
- FEN: Marshall 11-50, 1TD; White 7-91, 1TD; Benson 5-54 1TD; J. Moore-Wells 5-11; Rest of team 6-20.
- WLW: Czarnota 17-122, 1TD; Crankshaw 9-92, 1TD, Josh Maher 2-1; Welch 1-5.

Top Defensive Performers
- FEN: David Petryga & Alex Marshall 5 tackles each; Lance Mercord 6 assisted tackles; Keegan Pombier & Brandon Weaver 1 fumble recovery each.
- WLW: Ben Reilly 1 interception; Jack Dodge, Troy Williams & Josh Johnson 1 fumble recovery each.

Fenton’s Josh Czarnota cut Walled Lake Western’s lead to 7-6 with 3:17 left in the opening quarter on a nice 44-yard quarterback draw run. The play was Fenton’s second-longest of the contest.

Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke (left) has led the Tigers to the state playoffs nine straight seasons and to three district titles during that span.

Fenton’s Alex Marshall caught a 26-yard TD pass from Josh Czarnota in the fourth quarter. The two also combined on the two-point conversion.

LEARNING
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the team a cruel fate. With each, Fenton has not only lost, but been beat by sizable margins. That trend continued on Saturday when the Tigers lost to Walled Lake Western in a Division 2 regional championship game by a 61-21 score. The 40-point margin was the largest of the three regional championship contest losses handed to Fenton. In 2010, Walled Lake Central dropped a 39-13 loss on the Tigers. In 2011, it was Lowell who defeated Fenton 35-14. One thing all three games have in common were that they were all road games. Fenton senior Alex Marshall thinks that may be one factor playing against the Tigers in regional title games.

“Maybe we could’ve had this game at home and maybe circumstances would’ve been different (if we won our first game of the season),” Marshall said.

Setzke has a few ideas why it’s been hard to get over this hump. One is obvious. In each case, it’s fair to say the Tigers’ foe truly had more superior talent players on their squads. For instance, Walled Lake Western’s Ben Reilly (left) had the game’s only interception late in the first half, setting up Walled’s first TD before halftime.

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Fenton varsity football coach Jeff Setzke (left) has led the Tigers to the state playoffs nine straight seasons and to three district titles during that span.”
**Shelia Jean Bays 1966-2016**
Shelia Jean Bays - age 50, of Clinton Twp., formerly of Fenton, died November 11, 2016. Funeral Services will be held at 4 PM Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will take place 2 PM until the time of service at the funeral home. Shelia was born October 13, 1966 in Las Vegas, NV the daughter of Wilte E. and Ana Marie (Martinez) Trujillo. She loved to draw and play the guitar. She is survived by her three children, Jordan, Phillip, and Taylor; her mother, Ana Marie (Kevin) Casey; three siblings, Jessica, Kathleen, and Ana Marie Jr. Shelia was preceded in death by her father and brother Willie E. Trujillo Jr. Online tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

**Karen G. Dahl 1940-2016**
Karen G. Dahl - age 76, of Fenton, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Friday November 11, 2016. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Those desiring may make contributions to Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton. Karen was born March 28, 1940 in Indiana, Iowa, the daughter of Ival and Eloise (Browning) Surber. She was a gradu- of Simpson College in Iowa earning her bachelor degree. Karen married Alan Dahl June 16, 1962 in Indiana, IA. She retired from G.C.A.R.C. Karen was a member of Fenton United Methodist Church. She belonged to the Fenton Bridge Club and the Gourmet Club. Karen was an excellent Chef and avid reader. Surviving are her beloved husband of 54 years, Allan, three children, Mike Dahl, Susi (Tim) Elkins, and Jeff Dahl; six grandchildren, Armeria, Alex, Caroline, Katie, Kelsie, and Tanner; and her beloved dog, Sophie. She was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, John. Tributes may be shared on the obituaries page of www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

**Charles M. Murray 1927-2016**
Charles M. Murray - age 89, of Linden, died Sunday, November 13, 2016. Funeral services will be held 7 PM Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Bill Tomkinson officiating. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Wednesday from 4 PM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to H.I.S. ministries, 1315 W. Bristol Road, Flint, MI 48507. Clara was born July 8, 1940 in Flint, the daughter of Robert L. and Helen L. (Mahan) Black. She married Richard Edwin DuBois October 14, 1960 in Flint. She was a member of Bristol Road Church of Christ. She had resided in Linden since 1972. She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Richard, three sons, Dean DuBois and Amy Fornish, and daughter and wife Angela DuBois, and Douglas and wife Cathy DuBois all of Linden; seven grandchildren, Matthew and wife Stacy DuBois, Amanda and husband Lance Allen, Bruce and wife Mackenzie DuBois, Andrew DuBois, Megan DuBois, Mitchell DuBois, and Delaney DuBois; great-grandchildren, Connor Allen and Jackson DuBois, siblings, James Robert and wife Pat Black of Kingman, AZ, William Charles and wife Merlene Black of Gaines, Gloria and husband Richard Spears of Flint, George and wife Janet Black of Flushing, and Martha Ann and hus- band Douglas Wilkins of Mulberry, AR, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.
WEDNESDAY SUDOKU

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Undeciphered clues form four sentences, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

DVD RELEASES

FINDING DORY
n this sequel to Pixar’s 2003 smash hit Find Nemo, lovable, amnesiac blue tang Dory (voiced by Ellen DeGeneres) decides to go off in search of her long-lost parents. With the help of young clown fish Nemo (Hayden Rolence) and his dad Marlin (Albert Brooks), Dory heads for California and the Monterey Marine Life Institute, evading predators along the way as she hopes to find a place she can call home. PG, 1 hr. 40 min. Animation

MIA MADRE
Acclaimed Italian auteur Nanni Moretti finds comedy and pathos in the story of Margherita, a harried film director (Margherita Buy, A Five Star Life) trying to juggle the demands of her latest movie and a personal life in crisis. The star of her film, a charming but hammy American actor (John Turturro) imported for the production, initially presents nothing but headaches and her crew is close to mutiny. Away from the shoot, Margherita tries to hold her life together as her beloved mother’s illness progresses, and her teenage daughter grows ever more distant. R, 1 hr. 47 min. Comedy, Drama

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64% liked it (Audience score on rottentomatoes.com)

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