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Cheryl Matthews
Oakland County Circuit Court judge

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Michael LaJoice, 38, formerly of Tyrone Township, stands with attorney Michael Manley in Oakland County Circuit Court on Monday afternoon. LaJoice received his final sentencing for state charges of embezzlement. He will serve a minimum of 11 years for the federal charge of bank fraud and seven to 20 years concurrently for the state charges.

LaJoice court saga comes to an end

■ Admitted embezzler sentenced to seven to 20 years in prison on state charges

By Hannah Ball

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Pontiac— Along with an 11-year federal sentence, Michael LaJoice, 38, formerly of Tyrone Township, will spend seven to 20 years in state prison on embezzlement charges.

Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Cheryl Matthews delivered the sentence Monday, May 1, which will likely be LaJoice's last court appearance. His wife, Ashleigh, was in the courtroom, watching the proceedings.

“I don't think the guidelines contemplate such a long-term embezzlement scheme in this large amount of money. Your brazen, greedy, outrageous conduct truly shocks the conscience,” Matthews said.

The 20-year maximum is more

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NFL dreams continue for Fenton graduates

■ Shegos headed to Cleveland; Allen preparing for Baltimore tryouts

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Mitchell Shegos waited through three days of the National Football League draft hoping to hear his name called. He had to wait a tiny bit longer than that before it happened.

When the NFL draft came close to an end on Saturday, Mitchell Shegos' agent told him to stick close to the phone because it wouldn't be long

before he heard from him again.

“I expected he would call me 20 to 30 minutes later, but two minutes later after the draft he was calling and telling me (the Cleveland Browns) had offered me a minicamp spot,” Shegos said.

Shegos is one of two ex-Fenton varsity football players who accepted offers from NFL teams with a chance to continue their professional football dreams. Shegos is headed to the Cleveland Browns while Kenny Allen is headed to the Baltimore Ravens.

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COURTESY OF
DARYL MARSHKE

Fenton High School graduate and Fenton resident Kenny Allen joined the Baltimore Ravens as an undrafted free agent just moments after the National Football League draft ended on Saturday. Allen, who was the Michigan Wolverines' starting punter and placekicker during the fall, will probably punt if he makes an NFL squad.



Fenton officials choose to 'do nothing'

Fenton — The Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act allows the state of Michigan to license five types of medical marijuana facilities including growers, processors, transporters, provisioning centers, and safety compliance facilities.

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'The Run for the Roses' is this Saturday

The annual 'Run for the Roses' is more than just a horse race, it is an American cultural event known throughout the world. It's all about the roses, mint juleps, gambling, big hats, celebrities, and more.

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“Foster Childs' comments on the reasons for the demise of American values and families is right on. I would add one thing. When major stores started opening on Sundays, it created a shopping day rather than a religious holiday.”



“Michigan needs more money to fix the bridges and the roads? Isn't that the reason why our car insurance got jacked through the roof, and why our car registration is way too high? I knew that money would not go where it was supposed to be spent.”



COMMENT
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“If you wanted to catch whoever killed that woman on Fish Lake Road, get some real police in here. Michigan State Police detectives wouldn't know a clue if it hit them in the face.”

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Orchestras perform spring concert

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — Music is supposed to be fun. This was the point of the spring concert held at Fenton High School Thursday and Saturday, April 27 and 29.

The Fenton Community Orchestra (FCO) anchored the event, but also shared the stage with beginner and intermediate groups Prelude Strings for children on Thursday, and Simply Strings for beginner and intermediate teens and adults on Saturday.

“Allowing the opportunity for all the musicians to play together was a wonderful experience for all,” said orchestra executive director Jennifer Fleck. “It is really special to share the stage with young motivated musicians.”

On Saturday, Simply Strings started the event, directed by Jane Ball. The group played three different pieces including “The Wizard of Oz” suite.

They were then joined by the full FCO for “The Sound of Music” highlights.

Personally special for Fleck was watching her mother play violin on stage for the first time in 50 years, in Simply Strings. “She was nervous and excited and nearly brought to tears when we started practicing on stage together just before the concert,” said Fleck.

The FCO followed with assortment of music, keyed in to the experience of spring.

Once the FCO was finished, they cleared the stage for the Fenton high School Jazz orchestra, directed again by Perkins.



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TIM JAGIELO

(Top) FCO music director Andrew Perkins and the orchestra receive a standing ovation following their performance Saturday. (Bottom left) Anne Hayes plays drum kit during the Fenton High School Jazz Orchestra performance. (Bottom middle) Sue Lantz plays timpani with the FCO. (Bottom right) Chuck McKay plays cello for Simply Strings.



50 YEARS
OF MUSIC



America couldn't get enough of **Motown**

■ ... joyous, sad, romantic, mad, groovin', movin' music

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The following is the fifth in a series about 50 years of music history. We continue with the legendary Motown Sound.

When Motown founder Barry Gordy first placed a sign that read “Hitsville U.S.A.” above the front windows of a house at 2648 W. Grand Blvd. in Detroit, he couldn't know how true that slogan would become.

Founded on Jan. 12, 1959, Motown assembled the soul and pop classics that changed America. There is no exaggeration in that statement.

“Arriving at the height of the civil rights movement, Motown was a black-owned, black-centered business that gave white

America something they just could not get enough of — joyous, sad, romantic, mad, grooving, movin' music,” according to time.com (“A brief history of Motown”).

Gordy, a former boxer and automobile worker, was a budding songwriter when, at the urging of Smokey Robinson, a songwriter 10 years younger than Gordy, he decided to establish Motown Records.

The two had become friends years earlier and Robinson, who was the lead singer of a band called The Miracles, produced, wrote, and sang several of Motown's most memorable hits — including the label's first smash song, “Shop Around” in 1960. A year later, “Please Mr. Postman,” by The Marvelettes, was the label's first No. 1 song. It would not be the last.

Over the next decade, the number of chart-

topping artists, musicians, and groups produced by Motown defied comprehension.

This included Martha and the Vandellas, Smokey Robinson and the Miracles, The Temptations, The Four Tops, Diana Ross and the Supremes, Gladys Knight and the Pips, The Jackson 5, Stevie Wonder, and Marvin Gaye. All became part of what would come to be known as the “Motown Sound.”

There were the songwriters — Robinson and the team of Eddie Holland, Lamont Dozier, and Brian Holland (Holland-Dozier, Holland, or H-D-H).

The talent included Stevie Wonder, who was discovered by the label when he was 11; Marvin Gaye, and Diana Ross, who was told so many times that she was a star that she drove off one of the Supremes

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If I Were King...

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First, kill all the lawyers

Once was naive enough to believe that laws are the cornerstone of a civil society. That laws are the greatest defender of human rights. That being a lawyer should be on par with the medical field as a noble profession to which a young person can aspire. That judges and juries are the primary component of a fair and just society.

Today I believe that all the above is now total bull\$#!+.

The vast majority of Americans now fear almost everything having to do with law. Oh, I'm sure there are some decent individuals in the legal profession — but with each passing year they become fewer and fewer. Truth be told, most Americans are more fearful of a fat, bald lawyer with a briefcase and a bad suit than they are of tornadoes, disease or terrorists.

And well they should be. These days, rather than defend people who have been wronged, the majority of lawyers use their knowledge of the law to legally steal from honest citizens in order to enrich themselves. Is it legal? Yes. Is it honorable? No.

Countless innocent children suffer horribly due to divorce lawyers who encourage their clients to utterly destroy the other parent in order to run up their fees. That's why you hear about couples who run up huge fees over nonsense such as "frequent flyer miles" or a spouse's valuable baseball card collection from his childhood.

Parents don't allow their kids' friends to play on their property — in their pools or on their swing sets or trampolines for example — due to the likelihood of being sued if they are injured.

Doctors routinely prescribe totally unnecessary medications and tests and perform other expensive procedures that cost society billions of dollars and dramatically raise our health insurance rates — for no other reason than to avert potential lawsuits.



Men in workplaces measure every word when conversing with the opposite sex, lest they be sued for sexual harassment. Many women are serial suers with a track record of unmerited, but lucrative, suits in their professional life. This costs millions of competent women the opportunity for a job or career.

Most students leave law school far morally worse than when they entered. When they enter law school, they think in terms of right or wrong. But they are taught to reject such thinking and to think only in terms of legal and illegal. An attorney named Larry Archie once ran a billboard that said, "Just because you did it, doesn't mean you are guilty." Can you say OJ?

The bottom line is that the once noble legal profession now has far more in common with a whorehouse than it does a courthouse. And that is unfortunate for all concerned.

"First, kill all the lawyers," a line from Shakespeare's Henry VI, Part 2, Act IV, is one of his most famous and controversial quotes. The American Bar Association contends the line was a joke.

So, in the same spirit, here's my favorite lawyer joke:

What does a lawyer get when you give him Viagra?

Taller.

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AS A PERSON who worked in the health insurance industry, I'd suggest you do this. Review the rate increases over the last 25 years. Despite what the Republicans say, they actually slowed under the ACA.

I MET A friend for a drink last week. Next to me was a man ranting about how unfairly he'd been treated in life. Most of it was Obama's fault. So I asked him, 'In the last 10 years how many college courses have you completed, what certifications have you earned, what skills have you acquired?' 'None,' he said. 'No time.' It was 3:30 p.m. on a Tuesday. That damn Obama.

THE DEMOCRATS WOULD rather see the country fail than to see Trump succeed. Unlike past presidents, Trump has been under constant attack for his first 100 days. In spite of the opposition, Trump has actually tried to fulfill his campaign promises and make America great again.

WILL ONE OF you rich Republicans please put up the money for Sean Spicer (White House spokesman) to take a remedial reading course. Here's an even better idea. How about a remedial truth course.

SO ROSE TOWNSHIP is going to put water lines through Holly Shores. You had

better explain the cost to each trailer holder.

ALL YOU HOT-LINERS are full of negativity. Try enjoying the community that our city officials have worked hard to improve. Live in the present instead of being trapped in the past.

AFTER READING A Hot line about yet another dollar store in Holly, I immediately called the village to ask what and where. I, for one, am delighted that we won't have to drive to Fenton to shop much longer.

TO THE ONE who knows nothing, I don't need two weeks at the 38th parallel to call bull on your lies. I've already completed three years patrolling the DMZ. There is no war in Korea.

WHY IS ORDINANCE enforcement in Fenton Township so selective?

TO THE HOT-LINER that said \$415 is too much for him for the roads, you must live on State Road. Why would it be fair for everyone in Fenton to pay to fix your road and assess everyone else to fix their own?

WILL CHEF JODY from The Laundry bring her 'A game' in May?

IT MAKES ME mad when Democrats lie about the Gulf War. We responded to Iraq invading Kuwait and threatening Saudi Arabia. We used intelligence provided by the British that Iraq had chemical weapons. Many Democrats, including Kerry and Clinton, signed on. Stockpiles were not found but hundreds of artillery shells had chemical weapon residue

REMEMBER, THE VIETNAM War loss was caused by the American public as they voted for the congress that refused to support South Vietnam as promised.

'IF A NATION expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be.' — Thomas Jefferson. Our founding fathers championed high quality, publicly financed education. Read our history. Those who oppose it due to the costs are enemies of our Republic.

DRIVERS SHOULD NOT be turning into the right-hand lane to turn right onto Fenway until after they have passed the expressway on/off ramps.

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— Kate Scheid
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"I support it, I know it can help children with seizures. Studies show it can help the quality of life. It's not smoked, it's taken orally; the child's not getting high off it."

— Cassandra Myron
Fenton



"I'm glad that it's legal in Michigan. I think they should make all marijuana legal. I don't smoke it but I approve of it."

— Donna Machleit
Fenton



"I definitely agree that it should be legal and decriminalized in general, not just medical marijuana. Someone I know personally uses it, and all the side effects for the prescription meds are terrible. This is a great alternative for people to use."

— Danielle Fox
Swartz Creek



"I think there's some good that can be done with it. Recreational use, no problem — keep it at home, but little kids don't need to be smelling it."

— Rick Pratt
Holly Township

street talk

Diaz bound over for trial

■ Police union president charged with reckless driving, malicious destruction of property

By Vera Hogan

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Mark Diaz of Holly is scheduled to go to trial at 8:30 a.m. on July 17, 2017.

He was charged Friday, Feb. 24, with reckless driving and causing damage to Holly Academy school property.

Diaz is the president of the Detroit Police Officers Association, a position he's held since 2012. Gov. Rick Snyder recently appointed Diaz to the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards.

The claims against Diaz allegedly took place at about 9 p.m. on Dec. 20, 2016. A school official alerted the Michigan State Police the next day, and turned over a surveillance video showing what happened.

According to F/Lt. Michael Shaw of the MSP, Diaz was booked and processed at the Groveland Detachment of the Metro North Post.

"Diaz was given a \$10,000 personal recognizance bond and is not to return to Holly Academy," Shaw said.

Diaz was charged with one felony: malicious destruction of a building, \$1,000 or more, and one misdemeanor — reckless driving. He was arraigned in Oakland County 52-2 District Court

in Clarkston.

According to Michigan Radio, Diaz released a statement to media outlets and said he is very shocked by the charges, but will cooperate 100 percent with the justice system to get the matter adjudicated as quickly as possible.

Detroit Police Chief James Craig said Diaz has been suspended without pay, and an internal investigation has been opened. The internal affairs investigation against Diaz will take place at the same time as MSP's.



Mark Diaz

Craig said it will be up to the DPOA union board to decide whether Diaz remains in his role as president. Craig said he was "concerned" about the accusations but noted Diaz has so far cooperated with investigators.

According to the organization's website, detroitpoa.com, Diaz is still shown as the president. His term is set to expire on Dec. 31, 2019.

Fenton Township to pave three intersections

■ Community Development Block Grant funds to cover cost

By Hannah Ball

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Fenton Twp. — The Fenton Township Board of Trustees approved using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to construct paved approaches on local unpaved roads.

These three intersections are located within established low-moderate income areas of the township, which makes them eligible for CDBG funding:

- Jennings Road at Thompson Road Cost \$26,633.04
- Odell Road at Linden Road Cost \$26,633.04
- Odell Road at Lahring Road Cost \$24,023.04

The township had included three more

intersections on the application — Fairbanks Road at Lahring Road, Old Linden Road at Thompson Road, and Fairbanks Road at Thompson Road.

The township currently has \$92,186 in CDBG funds. An additional \$33,149 would be needed for Fairbanks Road at Lahring Road and Old Linden Road at Thompson Road, which both cost \$24,023.

The third intersection, Fairbanks Road at Thompson Road, was included in the first application for CDBG funding, but since it is in a wetland area, it does not qualify for CDBG funding.

The township will submit the approval form to the road commission and they will determine when the projects will be completed. Operations Manager/Deputy Clerk Tom Broecker said construction should take place sometime this year.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

GOOD LUCK WITH bringing more stores and shopping back to Fenton or anywhere else. Many people find shopping the internet easier and they can often evade sales taxes. So sad the wonderful era of stores and shopping malls is dying.

THE IRS SCAMS are starting again, wanting to sue you.

DEAR MR. FOSTER Childs. I went looking into the 'looking glass' and what did I see? Hundreds of lobbyists looking straight back at me.

HELP ME UNDERSTAND; you claim Professor Douglas is not a radical but a proven researcher because he wrote 200 pages? So what status can Hitler claim from his 700-page manifesto — sainthood? Your argument that page count proves legitimate expertise is false.

News briefs

Haviland Beach Drive reconstruction began May 1 in Argentine Township

The Genesee County Road Commission began reconstruction of Haviland Beach Drive in Argentine Township on Monday, May 1. The anticipated completion date is Friday, July 28.

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Argentine receives pushback on vicious dog ordinance

■ Topic will be revisited during May 22 township meeting

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Argentine Twp. — Under a proposed vicious dog ordinance, Argentine Township Police would have the authority to “destroy” an animal running at large if it cannot be seized.

Argentine Township resident Gail Willoughby asked the Board of Trustees about this section of the ordinance at the Monday, April 24 meeting. She said an officer in attendance said he would never shoot a dog unless there was risk, but she’s still concerned.

This is one of the few issues Willoughby raised with the proposed ordinance. She brought a petition to the board with a few dozen signatures from people who are in opposition to the current proposed ordinance.

“If people actually knew about this, I guarantee you, I’d have a lot more support and there’s no way you’d be able to put this in without a huge issue,” she said.

In January, Argentine Township started considering adopting a vicious dog ordinance after a resident spoke about a neighbor’s dog attacking his three dogs. One of his dogs died from injuries sustained.

Willoughby said she’s in support of wanting to control vicious animals, but she believes the ordinance goes too far.

The section giving police authority to “destroy” an animal running at large does not currently include language requiring that the animal be considered “vicious.”

Argentine Township Supervisor Brian Saad said, “Allen (Police Chief Daniel Allen) said that’s in there in the event that we know it’s vicious or that it’s already bitten somebody and we’re trying to track it down so we can take it to a vet or let the judge determine. It’s going to be very limited circumstances they would ever have to do

that, if ever.”

Along with police having the authority to kill a dog that got loose, Willoughby told the board she has an issue with the language that defines a vicious dog. See the definition in the sidebar.

Willoughby questioned who would determine what animals have a known propensity to be vicious.

Saad said this section is for neighbors who commonly have disputes over animals.

“If it’s habitual with certain neighbors, and one dog is hurting or destroying property or pets of another neighbor and it’s ongoing, police have a history of it. They’re coming in knowing if they have to do something, they can do something,” he said. “I don’t

know of a time in history that they’ve ever shot a dog.”

Willoughby also has an issue with the amount of animals allowed. The proposed

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Gail Willoughby
Argentine Township resident

ordinance states that it is unlawful to keep or harbor more than three animals at a time, except for puppies and kittens not exceeding 6 weeks of age. This also would make it hard for people to foster animals.

Saad said they’re going to follow state law and allow four animals. He also said this ordinance targets vicious dogs and situations like puppy mills, not people who foster animals.

“If you’re going to foster long-term, though, that should be something you register with the county or the state,” he said.

Willoughby also mentioned that puppies and kittens aren’t supposed to be taken away from their mom until they’re at least eight weeks of age, which is confirmed by pet-s4homes.co.uk and healthypets.mercola.com.

This ordinance would be complaint driven, as well as a municipal civil infraction. The current ordinance states that violations are a misdemeanor, but the township agreed no one should go to jail for the actions of an animal. The penalty would be a municipal civil infraction with fines between \$100 and \$250.

Saad said the township received the petition and township Attorney David Lattie is revising the ordinance.

“We’re going to see what language comes back from the attorney,” he said. “Hopefully it comes back this week.”

Other proposed rules

According to the proposed ordinance, people are not allowed to keep a dog that frequently and loudly barks enough to cause serious annoyance to the neighborhood. If an animal bites or attacks a person or another animal, the owners are to notify the police department.

“If the police department determines that said animal constitutes a continuing threat, it may impound, or order the impoundment, of the animal at the owner’s or persons in possession and control of the animal expense,” the ordinance states.

Dogs must be on a leash when outside, or in an enclosed structure or operational invisible fence on the owner’s property.

Any dog that acts vicious may result in the township attorney requesting a court of competent jurisdiction to euthanize the dog and/or quarantine or board the dog at the owner’s expense, according to the ordinance.

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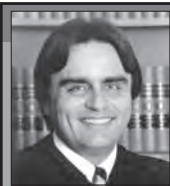
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There have been countless written and film descriptions of this war and the some 16,000,000 brave men and women who fought in it.

Regrettably, as time goes on, we see these veterans passing away at an ever increasing rate. The latest statistics tell us that 400-500 are lost every day and there are now fewer than 1,000,000 still with us.

As we think about what all of them did for us and the freedoms we enjoy today, I will mention a fact that might not be known to all, which is simply this — World War II was the last declared war by our United States Congress under Article One Section Eight of the Constitution.

We know the United States has had other wars and engagements since then, but these all have been authorized by Congress, the United Nations, or the 1973 War Powers Act, without being Congressionally declared wars.

Examples of these wars and engagements include the Vietnam War, authorized by the 1964 Gulf of Tonkin Resolution; the Korean War, authorized by a 1950 United Nations Security Council Resolution and, at least arguably under the War Powers Act, the recent missile attack on Syria ordered by President Trump.

From a legal and constitutional standpoint, the War Powers Act has been the source of continuing debate. It became the law in 1973 and was to ensure that there was a balance struck between the President's powers as Commander in Chief and the power of Congress to declare war after what had just occurred in the Vietnam War.

In short summary, the Act allows the President to unilaterally commit troops to hostilities. However, within 48 hours of the action, Congress must be notified and if there is objection, the troops must be withdrawn within 60 to 90 days.

On Monday, please take some time to reflect and thank our veterans for their service to our country.

LAJOICE

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than double Michigan's guidelines.

LaJoyce's defense attorney Michael Manley asked Matthews to follow their Cobb's agreement, which is an agreement that allows someone to plead guilty in criminal cases with some idea of what the sentence will be. The agreement included the 20-year maximum sentence.

"I do think it's important for the public to know that this is not a sentence that is lenient," he said.

At a plea hearing in late March, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Robert Novy asked for a seven-year minimum sentence, which is higher than what guidelines call for. He said that due to the amount of theft, a seven-year minimum sentence was "appropriate."

LaJoyce can be paroled after seven years in state court.

"The parole board will decide when he gets out. It could be longer. The legislature sets the maximum, the judge sets the minimum, and the parole board decides when they get out," Manley said.

In federal court, sentences are determinate, which means that there's no chance

of parole. Because LaJoyce was sentenced to 11 years, he will serve 11 years with credit for time served. However, prisoners receive "good time" in federal court, so they serve about 85 percent of their sentence and then they're on supervised release for the rest.

Manley also requested that his client serve in the federal system to start. It has not yet been determined where he will serve his sentence. Manley has requested that he be sent to Morgantown, West Virginia for his federal sentence, but he may be going to state prison first. LaJoyce will receive credit for time served and the sentences will run concurrent.

After the court proceedings, Manley said, "The saga of Michael LaJoyce is finally over. We've handled two criminal cases, one in state, one in federal, two forfeiture cases, one in state, one in federal, and two civil cases so all the legalities of the embezzlement are finally over, which is, I think, a relief for not only Mr. LaJoyce and his family, but the public as well."

Manley said Mr. LaJoyce is ready to stop moving from jail to jail and to start adjusting to prison life.

"He expressed great remorse at federal sentencing, and he elected not to make a statement today due to the fact that he's already made a lengthy statement to the victims of the crime," he said. LaJoyce also made a written statement to the judge.

"His wife is adjusting with three children under the age of 7, knowing that her husband is going to be going away for a long time. On the other hand, he is not dead. At some point, he's going to come back into our community and hopefully he'll get a good job and have a nice life and pay back some of this restitution," he said.

Restitution

Over the course of 12 years, LaJoyce embezzled \$18.6 million. State charges don't cover the entirety of his crimes, unlike federal charges. Novy said the total amount embezzled involved in circuit court charges is approximately \$1.6 million. According

to Manley, LaJoyce has paid back \$3.5 million in restitution in total so far.

"In the state case, restitution should be set at zero," Novy said.

In federal court, he was ordered to pay back restitution of \$17,748,380.

Credit Union

The now-insolvent Clarkston-Brandon Credit Union, which is where LaJoyce embezzled from, merged with the Michigan State University Federal Credit Union.

Sara Dolan, chief financial officer said, "We think that it's important for the court to recognize that the defendant single handedly caused a federally insured credit union to become insolvent and a potential liability to American taxpayers," she said.

She said the credit union only had \$6 million in capital but a negative \$14 million in net worth due to LaJoyce.

Background on case

Michael LaJoyce committed bank fraud from October 2007 to December 2015.

In federal court, LaJoyce said he committed check fraud by addressing cashier checks out to himself, along with a few other methods. As chief financial officer (CFO), he was able to write large deposits, and then approve them with no oversight.

According to U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade, to conceal the fraud, LaJoyce created fictitious investments in certificates of deposit and bonds, and represented to auditors and bank examiners that the money he stole had in fact been invested in these vehicles.



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Ashleigh LaJoyce (center) listens as her husband, Michael LaJoyce, receives his prison sentence for embezzling from his former credit union. He'll be in prison for a minimum of 11 years.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office recommendation statement, on Jan. 5, 2016, LaJoyce was confronted by regulators at the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services about discrepancies in the credit union's books. This prompted him to turn himself in the following day.

The Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union became insolvent from the embezzlement and joined with the Michigan State University Federal Credit Union.

LaJoyce's properties, including his multi-million dollar home in Tyrone Township, were sold to help pay restitution. Skypoint Ventures executed a purchase agreement to acquire the Fenton City commercial properties last summer.

The properties that Skypoint Ventures has purchased include 225 W. Caroline St., the now-vacant lot where LaJoyce planned to construct a multi-million dollar, mixed development called "Riverview."

LaJoyce been lodged in the Oakland County Jail since January 2016.

“The saga of Michael LaJoyce is finally over... which is, I think, a relief for not only Mr. LaJoyce and his family, but the public as well.”

Michael Manley
Defense attorney

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Fenton officials choose to 'do nothing'

■ Doing so prevents the ability to get five different medical marijuana licenses

By Vera Hogan

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Fenton — The Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act allows the state of Michigan to license five types of medical marijuana facilities including growers, processors, transporters, provisioning centers, and safety compliance facilities.

The new law took effect December 2016, but has a built-in delay of implementation until December 2017.

For now, no one is going to be able to get any of the five licenses in the city of Fenton as officials voted Monday, May 1, to "do nothing." By doing nothing, they opt out of allowing these types of activities to be licensed in the city.

The vote was 6 to 1 with Councilman Brad Jacob casting the dissenting vote. Jacob said he would have preferred to have a longer discussion on this, "not when we have 10 other things on the agenda," he said.

"No one has ever overdosed on marijuana," Jacob said. "No one."

Councilwoman Pat Lockwood said there may not have been any marijuana overdoses but people have died from heroin overdoses. "And marijuana leads to heroin use," Lockwood said.

Councilman Dave McDermott asked if there was any financial benefit to the city if licenses were allowed. Attorney Stephen Schultz said the city of Fenton would receive \$5,000 from each license, and a prorated portion of what the state charges in fees.

Councilwoman Nancy Draves said her

husband once worked in a Grand Blanc office building where a law firm moved out of the suites next door. She said a medical marijuana dispensary moved in, bringing with it the "undesirables."

The Fenton Township Board of Trustees took the matter up last month and decided to do nothing as well. The township currently has no medical marijuana ordinance on the books.

The city of Fenton does, however. In January of 2015, after weeks of debate over where medical marijuana should be able to be grown, and who should be able to grow it, the city of Fenton finally ended its five-year long moratorium on medical marijuana, and adopted an ordinance outlining how it can be grown.

The ordinance allows for those with a medical marijuana license to grow 12 plants in their own home. The ordinance would also allow for growing facilities in the city's industrial park that would allow a caregiver to grow up to 12 plants, and outlines the restrictions on such facilities, including the requirement that they are subject to regular inspections.

The growing of medical marijuana must take place indoors in an enclosed, locked facility.

A growing facility must be located at least 1,000 feet away from any school, day care, church or religious facility, and is allowed to only grow up to 60 plants — or enough for five patients. According to the ordinance, the owner running the facility must also have the name and address of those patients.

The 2015 ordinance was passed in a 5-2 vote. The dissenting votes were cast by Mayor Sue Osborn and (former) Council-

woman Cheryl King.

"I can't vote for the ordinance with (growing) being allowed in apartment buildings," Osborn said in January during the 2015 vote. "There are too many small children running around there."

King agreed.

On Monday, Schultz said he, City Manager Lynn Markland and Assistant City Manager Michael Hart have received

MOTOWN

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before quitting to launch a solo career.

So what was the Motown Sound? Great melodies, lots of tambourines and hand clapping, blaring horns, interplay between the lead singer and his or her backup vocalists, driving bass lines and foot-slapping drum parts.

When a Motown song came on, you knew it.

Throughout the '60s, Motown produced a catalog of songs that couldn't be rivaled. "You've Really Got a Hold On Me," "Heat Wave," "Dancing in the Street," "Tracks of My Tears," "Where Did Our Love Go," "My Guy," "My Girl," "Baby Love," "Reach Out, I'll Be There," "I Can't Help Myself," "Get Ready," "Stop! In the Name of Love," "The Way You Do the Things You Do," and so on.

They were simple love songs that told simple stories, often in joyously happy or heartbreakingly sad ways. And all the while Motown was the pride of Detroit and the pride of black America.

Around the time of the '67 Detroit riots, however, things changed, as they eventually had to. Gordy looked west,

numerous inquiries about growing, processing, transporting, dispensing and distributing medical marijuana in the city and anticipate getting many more calls.

"We need to know what to tell these people," Schultz said Monday night.

Councilwoman Cherie Smith asked Schultz for his opinion on the matter. "I have no opinion," he said. "We represent clients on both sides."

toward Los Angeles.

Dissatisfied with the increasing disconnect between the success of their work and the level of their pay, Holland-Dozier-Holland broke off from Motown. And while the Jackson 5 was on the rise, most of the rock-steady Motown acts of the early '60s were on the wane. In 1971, though, the label released what is arguably its grandest artistic statement, something not at all of a piece with its previous, poppy output.

Marvin Gaye put out "What's Going On," a thoughtful, socially conscious album whose title track Gordy famously called the worst song he had ever heard. A year later, Motown deserted Detroit for L.A.

Gordy, distracted by Hollywood, released two films starring Diana Ross — "Mahogany" and the Billie Holiday biopic "Lady Sings the Blues."

The '80s brought Rick James and Lionel Richie and "The Big Chill," a white, yuppie film with an amazing Motown soundtrack. By 1988, Gordy had had enough and sold the company, but who cares who owns it now? The music doesn't sound almost 60 years old at all.

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'The greatest two minutes in sports'

■ 'The Run for the Roses' is this Saturday

By Vera Hogan

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The annual Kentucky Derby is more than just a horse race, it is an American cultural event known throughout the world.

It's inaugural running took place in 1875. According to americaslibrary.gov, on May 17, 1875, the horse, "Aristides," and his rider, Oliver Lewis, crossed the finish line ahead of the rest of the field at the first ever Kentucky Derby.

Almost as fun as the race itself are the many traditions at Churchill Downs during Kentucky Derby weekend, and at Derby parties across the country.

The Roses

The beautiful blanket of 564 roses placed on the winning horse traces its roots to a strain of roses introduced to America in 1870s.

Churchill Downs founder Meriwether Lewis Clark used them for decorations at a post-Derby party and by the 1890s, they became a prop in the post-race presentations, first as bouquet, then as a garland for the winning horse.

Bill Curom, who went on to be the president of Churchill Downs, coined the term "The Run for the Roses" in 1925.

"My Old Kentucky Home"

Inspired by Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin," Stephen Collins Foster wrote the anthem in the 1850s.

But it was not until the 1920s that it took off in popularity, when a mansion was thought to be identified as the song's inspiration (though no evidence exists that Foster ever actually saw the house).

Within a few years, the National Anthem was replaced with "My Old Kentucky Home" to kick off the Derby, and today it is performed by the University of Louisville Marching Band.

Mint Juleps

The Kentucky whiskey and mint concoction was a popular drink at the Derby from its start. It became a staple, the legend goes, when a famous Polish actress, Helena Modjeska, ordered the drink at a pre-Derby breakfast at the track and loved it.

Churchill Downs began serving it in its current souvenir glasses in the late 1930s, in part, because clubhouse patrons were stealing their regular glasses.

Gambling

A turn of the century campaign by progressive groups to abolish bookmakers at the races threatened the survival of not just the Kentucky Derby, but American horse

racing as a whole.

An alternate form of gambling, pari-mutuel betting, which removed the need for bookies all together (as payoffs were calculated by pooling all the bets together) was put into place. The technology to do so had come from France decades earlier, but hadn't taken off in the states.

The Big Hats

The ornate hats worn by women to the race is a relic of the past, a popular fashion at the Derby's start and now almost a costume for today's event. It was tradition used by race promoters to market the Kentucky Derby to women and make it a see-and-be-seen event.

The Celebrities

The 1920s is when celebrities started flocking to the race, celebrities like Ginger Rogers and Babe Ruth. From its early years and through today, a dichotomy exists between the race's spectators: the celebrities, millionaires and royalty in the clubhouse, and a more raucous party going on in the infield.

There are all kinds who enjoy the Derby experience. The infielders catch a glimpse of the rich and famous, and those in the clubhouse get a kick from the revelry going on in the infield.

Wagering online

People at home can also enjoy the thrill of the Derby by placing a bet or two from the comforts of home.

The official wagering site for the Kentucky Derby is at www.twinspires.com.

The 2017 Kentucky Derby lineup

- **Always Dreaming** (predicted to come in third by bleacherreport.com)
- Battle of Midway
- **Classic Empire** (predicted to win by bleacherreport.com)
- Fast and Accurate
- Girvin
- Gormley
- Gunnevera
- Hence
- Irap
- **Irish War Cry** (predicted to come in second by bleacherreport.com)
- J Boys Echo
- Lookin At Lee
- McCracken
- Patch
- Practical Joke
- Sonneteer
- State of Honor
- Tapwrit
- Thunder Snow
- Untrapped

Crash claims life of driver's wife

■ Clio couple laid to rest following funeral services

By Sharon Stone

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As previously reported, Harold Rupright, 82, of Clio died April 23 from injuries he sustained in an automobile crash at the intersection of Bennett Lake and Linden roads in Tyrone Township.

The Times has learned that his wife, June, 70, died two days later, on April 25, from injuries she sustained in that same crash.

According to the Livingston County Sheriff's Department, Rupright was driving southbound on Linden Road. He failed to stop at the Bennett Lake Road intersection, which is near The Rock Church.

A 2017 Chevrolet Equinox traveling westbound on Bennett Lake Road struck Rupright's vehicle on



Harold and June Rupright

the driver's side. Rupright's wife was a passenger in the vehicle. She was critically injured and was transferred to the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor where she died.

The driver of the Equinox, a 29-year-old man from Gregory, was injured.

News briefs

Spring into Summer Art & Craft Show

The Holly Historical Society's annual Spring into Summer Art & Craft Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 6 at the Karl Richter Community Center, 300 East St., Holly. Exhibitors will showcase Michigan-made products

by local artists and crafters for unique Mother and Father's Day gifts. There will be everything from indoor and outdoor decorative items, to organic personal care products and clothing accessories. The hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with admission of \$2. There is plenty of free parking and handicapped accessibility. The benefit is for the Hadley House Museum, a restored 1873 Italianate wood structure.



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Holly softball keeps on getting better, gets to tourney final

By David Troppens
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Scott Culver likes what he sees out of the Holly varsity softball team.

He's always had faith in his squad's abilities. But now he sees that translating through the players.

The Bronchos competed at the Hartland Tournament, advancing to the title game be-

fore losing to the tournament hosts in the finals.

"The girls did very well this weekend," first-year varsity head coach Culver said. "They are working hard and are starting to believe in themselves. It was a complete team effort over the weekend."

Holly had pool victories against Troy 17-5 and Hartland's B team 13-0 and lost to area rival Fenton 16-10. However, the team's performance was enough to get them into the title contest against the Eagles' regular varsity squad where the run ended with a 10-0 loss.

In the win against Troy, Holly (6-8 overall) scored 11 runs in the first inning, effectively ending the game early. Holly had 14 hits, including a two-run home run.

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Holly's Garrett VanGilder had a key single in the Bronchos' sixth inning of a 4-3 victory against Grand Blanc at The University of Michigan. The Bronchos split a pair of games against Grand Blanc.

Bronchos split a pair of walk-off contests vs. Grand Blanc

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What can be better than a couple of walk-off victories in a doubleheader?

How about playing those games at Division 1 college baseball stadium?

The Holly varsity baseball team split a pair of games with Grand Blanc at The University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium, winning the second game 4-3, but losing the first 7-6.

In the second game the Bronchos tied the game at 3-3 with a run in the bottom of the sixth and then won it with a run in the seventh.

"It was awesome," Holly varsity coach Benny Jackson said about playing at Michigan Stadium. "It's a great field and a great facility. The boys loved it too. It was good to get a split. The wind was crazy all day."

Garrett VanGilder started the threat in the sixth with a single. Jon Accorsi walked and both runners eventually stole second and third. A sacrifice fly by JD Lannon tied the contest at 3-all.

In the seventh, DJ Tennis hit a one-out single, and an out later, Cheyne Perry and Vangilder walked, loading the bases. The game-winning run scored when Accorsi was hit by a pitch.

Holly scored a run in the first inning on a bases-loaded walk to Perry. The Bronchos

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Eagles capture second straight Metro win

■ **Defeat Swartz Creek handily, 3-0**

By David Troppens
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Linden varsity soccer girls coach Kevin Fiebertz thinks getting away from home matches is what the Linden varsity girls soccer team needs to do.

It's no secret that the Linden Eagles look to possess the ball more than most area soccer squads. However, the inconsistent ground on Linden's football field makes it very tough to play that style of game. The field may have helped the Swartz Creek Dragons post a 1-0 upset victory at Linden High School on April 24.

However, minus that loss to Swartz Creek, the Eagles have had some pretty good success this year, with a lot of that success coming on the road. That pattern continued on Monday when the Eagles defeated Brandon 3-0 on the Blackhawks' well manicured field.

"Their field is nice which greatly helps us," Fiebertz said. "We have a difficult time playing at home because our field is so bad. I think that was a big part of the reason (for the loss) in the Swartz Creek game. We are trying to play possession and the ball is bouncing around. We are better off playing on the road. If we don't do something soon with our field, maybe we'll start playing all of our games on the road."

The seventh-ranked Eagles in Division 2 have earned back-to-back 3-0 road victories in Metro contests since the Swartz Creek loss. On Monday, Linden had control for most of the game. Madeline Zayan and Erica Freeman each scored a first-half goal, providing the Eagles with a comfortable 2-0 halftime lead. Brandon never really threatened the lead in the second half while the Eagles eventually made it 3-0 on Zayan's second goal of the contest. A lineup change also has helped Linden.

"For the most part we've instituted a different lineup. We've been working on it for awhile and it seems to be working," Fiebertz said.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES | KLARI FREDERICK

Linden's Elizabeth Walterhouse (left) shields a Brandon player from the ball in the Eagles' 3-0 victory on Monday.

Area athletes thrive at Brighton invite

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The Fenton varsity track programs have dominated Metro League action so far this spring.

Both teams are doing pretty good outside the league as well.

The Fenton varsity boys track team finished second while the girls placed third at the Brighton Invitational on Saturday.

Linden and Lake Fenton also competed at the meet. The Linden girls took sixth as did the Lake Fenton boys.

The Linden boys placed

15th.

Dominic Dimambro and Zach West competed for the area's top performer at the meet, both earning two firsts for Fenton. West won the 200 (22.27) and the 400 (49.81) while Dimambro took the top spot in the 1,600 (4:18.21) and the 3,200 (9:15.85).

Despite competing against many larger schools, the Lake Fenton boys also had a first. The 1,600 relay team of Elijah Bourdeau, Jerry Yelinek, Remington Clements and Thomas Mueller won with a time of 3:34.57.

Linden's girls had two event champions. Alia Frederick broke her own school record by winning the 300 hurdles with a time of 45.05 seconds, while teammate Jessica Daul won the shot put (35-10).

Fenton's girls didn't have any firsts, but Alexa Keiser did break her own school record in the 1,600 (5:06.47).

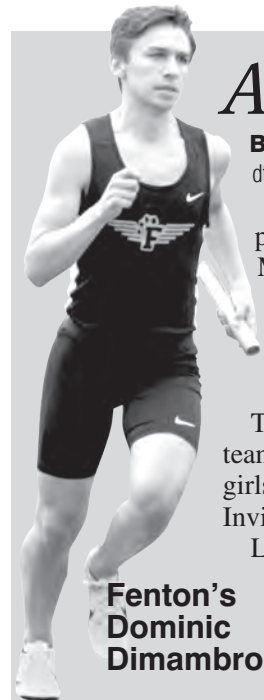
Fenton's girls had seven other individuals finish with top-five efforts and two relays finish within the top three. The other individual top-five placers were: Madaline Hall, third in the 100 (12.90) and fourth in the long jump (15-10 1/4);

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Linden's Alia Frederick won the 300 hurdles at Brighton on Saturday with a school record time of 45.05 seconds.



Fenton's Dominic Dimambro



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DAVID TROPPE

Holly's Aaron Lockitski doubled in a 4-3 victory against Grand Blanc.

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scored their other run in the third when Aaron Lockitski doubled and scored on Perry's single.

Tennis went the distance on the mound, allowing just two earned runs and six hits over seven innings. He struck out six.

In the opening game Holly scored four runs in the first inning and two more in the second, but then stalled offensively. Grand Blanc ended up winning the game with two walks and an RBI-single in the bottom of the seventh.

In the first inning, Lannon plated three runs with a three-run double for Holly. Later, a bases loaded walk to Wyatt Scribner made it 4-0.

NFL DREAMS

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Both were undrafted but have opportunities to make the squads as free agents.

Michigan graduate Allen will be attempting to make the Ravens probably as a punter, but can also be a kicker. Meanwhile, Shegos, who played at Notre Dame College (Ohio), will attempt to make the Browns' roster as a wide receiver.

"I didn't realize how quick it was going to happen after the draft," Shegos said. "It was a toss-up between a couple of teams, but at the end of the day it came down to which team I had the best chance of making. I was comfortable with the relationship I had with Cleveland's wide receiver coach (Al Saunders). He came in and gave me a workout about three weeks ago and has kept in touch. I have had good conversations with him not just about football but about life in general. Having that connection is really important."

Allen's path

Allen's process of agreeing with Baltimore was a quick one once the draft ended. By Saturday night Allen, a 2012 Fenton graduate, had tweeted "(I am) happy to say I will be joining the Ravens as a punter. So thankful for this opportunity and I can't wait to get to work."

It was a great day for the Fenton football program and Jeff Setzke, who is excited for both of his Fenton graduates.

"We were hopeful they would

be drafted but it doesn't really matter at this point. They are on NFL rosters and they will get an opportunity to show their stuff," Setzke said. "They are the type of kids that will do well in the situations they find themselves in because they've experienced this before. Kenny was a walk-on at Michigan and no one in Michigan wanted Mitch so he had to go to Ohio to play his college football and prove himself. Both have tremendous work ethics and are tremendous individuals."

"I think this speaks volumes about where we are and the type of kids we have in the program. I think since the Tyler Hamilton era, which goes back about seven years, we've had about 35 kids play at the college level ... and now we have a couple of kids going to the next level. The percentage of football players who make it to the pros is about 1 percent. ... I'm just proud of what they've accomplished."

Allen's college career commanded a little more attention than Shegos' career due to the fact he was at Michigan. Despite having a full-ride scholarship offer from Oregon State, Allen walked on at Michigan. He made his impact at Michigan as a placekicker first, earning his first varsity letter in 2014. In 2015, he became the team's field goal kicker, making 18-of-22 field goals and all 46 of his extra-point attempts. He also recorded 34 touchbacks on 78 kickoff attempts.



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NOTRE DAME COLLEGE
Fenton graduate and Notre Dame College receiver Mitchell Shegos is headed to the Cleveland Browns' minicamp for players drafted or signed as free agents. Shegos is one of two Fenton graduates who have a chance at playing in the NFL next fall. The other is Kenny Allen, who will be trying to become a punter for the Baltimore Ravens.

Last fall, Allen saw his role expand to punting duties as well. He averaged 43.3 yards a punt last fall, posting a long kick of 67 yards. He had 24 punts land inside the 20 with just six becoming touchbacks. As a field goal kicker, Allen made 19-of-23 field goals, nailing each of his final 15 field goal attempts of his college career. He also made all 53 of his extra points, finishing his career a perfect 99-for-99 on extra points.

Allen initially signed with Baltimore as a punter. Entering the draft at nfl.com, Allen had the second-highest grade of all the punters in this year's class. Baltimore's starting punter, Sam Koch, has been with the Ravens since 2006 and is still listed as the

team's starter on their depth chart. Koch averaged 45.8 yards a punt a year ago.

"I remember how driven Kenny was to be successful," Setzke said. "It was not unusual on winter days in the snow to see him out there kicking. We knew how hard he worked."

Shegos' path

Shegos, a 2013 Fenton graduate, has worked equally hard. Initially floating under the radar, he went to Notre Dame College where he eventually became one of the most dangerous wide receivers in Division 2 football, breaking most of the school's receiving records.

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BASEBALL

► Lake Fenton 8-5, New Lothrop 3-6:

The Blue Devils split a pair of contests against New Lothrop. In the 8-3 victory, Lake Fenton scored two runs in the first, third, fourth and fifth innings. Jack Babbitt had three hits, including two doubles. Joey Reitano, Cody Schramm and Luke Willoughby had two hits each. Christopher Stephens was the winning pitcher, allowing three runs over four innings. He struck out three. Brenden Carr tossed three innings of shutout relief, earning the save.

In the nightcap, Joey Reitano, Andy Lyon and Luke Tomczyk had two hits each. Christopher Stephens drove in three runs with a double.

SOFTBALL

► Linden vs. Sacred Heart, Standish

Sterling & Alma: In weekend action, the Eagles crushed Sacred Heart 9-1, but lost to Standish Sterling 15-5.

Christina Clemons had two hits and three RBI in the victory against Sacred Heart. Sterling DeGayner and Ashley Bertschy had two hits as well. Jillian Widner had a hit and two RBI. Wright was the winning pitcher, tossing 6 1/3 innings of three-hit, one walk ball. She struck out six.

In the loss to Standish-Sterling, Liz Rakowski, Bertschy and Elle Kloczek hit home runs. Rakowski's was a three-run shot.

In a win against Alma, Rakowski had another three hits while Kim Freitas had two hits. Kloczek also homered in this contest.

TRACK AND FIELD

► **Holly at Michigan State:** Holly's Ryan Beltz led the Bronchos by placing third in the long jump (21-8 1/2), while Francisco Valdovinos placed seventh in the 800 (2:01.21). Randy Douthitt placed eighth in the 100 (11.71). The Holly girls were paced by Isabelle Brown who took seventh in the pole vault (9-0).

BOYS GOLF

► **Fenton 177, Clio 237:** In rainy and windy conditions at the Coyote Preserve, the Tigers remained undefeated in Metro competition by beating Clio. Dylan Conte earned medalist honors, posting a 40. Patrick Conroy and Brandon Lapa had 45s while Tait Shultz and Addison McIntosh carded 46s.

BOYS LACROSSE

► Fenton/Linden 10, Bay City

Central 0: The Wolves' Joe Loria had 13 saves in goal, earning the shutout. Offensively, Derek Delong had five goals and three assists while Josh Logie had two goals and one assist. Zach Eakes, Tyler Bourassa and Danny Pudduck had one goal each while Dylan Miesch had four assists. Bourassa had an assist.

GIRLS SOCCER

► **Fenton 5, Clio 1:** Lauren Murphy scored two goals, leading the Tigers (4-5) to the Metro League victory against the Mustangs on Monday. Shelby Murphy, Eryn Isaacson and Kellie Farren also scored goals while Sophie Crews, Brittany Bush, Erin Conroy, Annie Koster and Delaney Miesch had assists. Abbey Quesnelle made three saves in net.

GIRLS LACROSSE

► Fenton/Linden vs. Lake Fenton/Goodrich, Swartz Creek:

The Fenton/Linden co-op is undefeated halfway through Metro play at 3-0 and are 6-4 overall after wins against Lake Fenton/Goodrich and Swartz Creek. Against Lake Fenton/Goodrich, the squad took an 11-5 halftime lead and held on to the edge in the second half, earning a 20-11 win. Against Swartz Creek, the Heat scored seven goals in each half, earning a 14-7 victory against the Dragons. Ellie Reuschlein and Skylar Parks had four goals each while Alex Premo had three goals.



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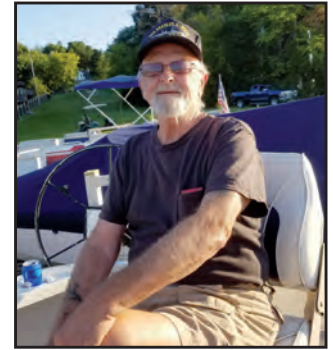
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Louis Robert Nowak
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Louis Robert Nowak - age 73, of Fenton formerly of Roscommon, died Sunday, April 30, 2017. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11 AM Thursday, May 4, 2017 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide St, Fenton. Fr. Robert Copeland celebrant. Burial in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 4-8 PM where a Knights of Columbus Memorial Service will be held at 7 PM and at church Thursday from 10 AM until the time of Mass. Those desiring may make contributions to the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund of Michigan. Louis was born December 8, 1943 in Mishawaka, IN, the son of Louis Francis and Norma Jean (Basham) Nowak. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He married Maureen Ann McCormack April 8, 1967 in Detroit. He had resided in Fenton for the past year coming from Roscommon. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton and the Roscommon Knight

of Columbus Prince of Peace Council. Louis enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, but most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family. Surviving are: his wife of 50 years, Maureen; children, Robert Louis Nowak of Fenton, Raymond (Lucy) Nowak of Lake City, and Ann (Jeff) Page of Swartz Creek; grandchildren, Amanda, Maranda, Marissa, Michael, and Nicholas; siblings, Pamela (Frank) Baxter of PA, Charles (Patricia) Nowak of Westland, Russell (Anne Marie) Nowak of Gregory, and Sally (Bill) Williams of Sarasota; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Kathy (Patrick) Moore of CA, Patricia (John) Singelyn of Dearborn Heights, Mary Jo (John) Moore of Taylor, Pauline (Jerry) Domsic of DE, Judy McCormack of Shelby Township, and Donna McCormack of NC; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers-in-law, Ralph and Donald McCormack. Online tributes may be posted on the obituaries page at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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FOR THE WEEK OF
May 1, 2017

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Temper your typical Aries urge to charge into a situation and demand answers. Instead, let the Lamb's gentler self emerge to deal with a problem that requires delicacy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
You are aware of what's going on, so continue to stand by your earlier decision, no matter how persuasive the counterarguments might be. Money pressures soon will ease.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
By all means, have fun and enjoy your newly expanded social life. But don't forget that some people are depending on you to keep promises that are very important to them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
You need to wait patiently for an answer to a workplace problem and not push for a decision. Remember: Time is on your side. A financial matter needs closer attention.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
You now have information that can influence that decision you planned to make. But the clever Cat will consult a trusted friend or family member before making a major move.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Good news: You're finding that more doors are opening for you to show what you can do, and you don't even have to knock very hard to get the attention you're seeking.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Your gift for creating order out of chaos will help you deal with a sudden rush of responsibilities that would threaten someone less able to balance his or her priorities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Congratulations. Your energy levels are coming right back up to normal — just in time to help you tackle some worthwhile challenges and make some important choices.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
The sage Sagittarian should demand a full explanation of inconsistencies that might be cropping up in what had seemed to be a straightforward deal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
A conflict between obligations to family and to the job can create stressful problems. Best advice: Balance your dual priorities so that one doesn't outweigh the other.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Don't guess, speculate or gossip about that "mystery" situation at the workplace. Bide your time. An explanation will be forthcoming very soon.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)
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6 A billion years

7 Gotten back

8 In the thick of

9 Accelerate quickly

10 — long way

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20 Humor

23 Met melody

24 Forsaken

25 "Meet Me — Louis"

26 Mosque big wig

27 "Peter Pan" pooch

28 Snare

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33 "Be-Bop- —"

35 Greek vowel

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