Multiple Owen Road projects this summer

Traffic on Owen Road in Fenton could be challenging this summer as new developments begin to take shape. According to Building and Zoning Administrator Mike Reilly, McDonald’s has submitted plans for its rebuild to take place this summer.

At its Thursday, Jan. 26 meeting, the Fenton Planning Commission gave McDonald’s, 3216 Owen Road, a special land use permit for a new dual order, drive-through window. The new drive-through window will go See OVEN ROAD on 20A.

Traffic on Owen Road could get quite congested this summer due to multiple planned building construction projects.

Family fun at Fenton Farmers Market

Kelly Lawrence holds her son, Brody, 21 months, at the Fenton Farmers Market Thursday night, June 29. Lawrence runs a booth with his wife, Ashley, and was one of 41 vendors there for the weekly market near the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

The event is offered by Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation and runs from 5 to 8 p.m. every Thursday. Market Manager Sherie Peruski said that an estimated 1,000 visitors stroll through the market every week. The last market night is Sept. 21.

Crime increases during warm weather

Police: Lock your house when going boating

By Hannah Ball
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Argentine Twp.—Police see significant increases in 911 calls, service calls, and complaints during the warmer months.

“It’s summertime,” said Dan Allen, Argentine Township police chief. “It’s picking up.” See CRIME on 17A.

Know your boating rules — avoid a ticket

Marine Patrol on high alert during holidays

Genesee County Sheriff’s Office Dep. Josh Coon pilots a marine patrol boat on Lake Fenton in May 2016.

By Hannah Ball
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This Fourth of July holiday weekend will see most local lakes full of boaters, tubers, swimmers, and skiers.

While boating is enjoyable, it can also be dangerous. With school out, people can expect to see more inexperienced drivers on the water.

Genesee County Sheriff Chris Swanson said the Genesee County Marine Patrol will be out on the lakes more this weekend. They will patrol Lake Fenton, Lake Ponemah, Lobdell Lake, and Silver Lake the most.

These are the busiest lakes. “The sheriff’s office has a Marine Division and employs See BOATING on 21A.

Linden teacher resigns from wrestling position

Todd Skinner absent from special Linden Board of Ed meeting

By Hannah Ball
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Linden — Linden teacher Todd Skinner will not be getting his Linden High School varsity coaching position back.

Skinner officially resigned from his coaching position on Thursday and rescinded his hearing, said retiring Superintendent Ed Koledo at the Linden Board of Education special meeting Thursday, June 29.

This move comes eight days after Skinner appealed the decision to remove him as coach in April, after it was revealed he was running an alleged illegal gambling operations by having students sell football squares.

Skinner did not attend the special meeting Thursday evening. A mix of his supporters and people See SKINNER on 11A.

COMMENT OF THE WEEK

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Local history in good hands

Fenton Historical Society responsible for museum, elects new board members

By Tim Jagielo
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Fenton — For the first time in 20 years, the elected leadership of the A.J. Phillips Museum is changing, and for the first time in 38 years, Ken Seger is no longer the curator of the museum.

“I’ve got some big shoes to fill,” said new curator Leo Doan, 64, who was hand-picked by Seger himself, and is admittedly nervous about his new role.

Doan’s family is rooted deep in Fenton history. In 2008, he retired from the city of Fenton after 37 years with the Water Department. His father-in-law is former mayor and long-time Fenton City Councilman Carl Hammond. His stepdad is former, long-time fire chief Bruce Droland.

The A.J. Phillips Museum is run by the Fenton Historical Society, which has just elected Connie Foley as the new treasurer, Kim Wheeler as vice president, and Leo Doan as curator. Long-time president Donna Seger will stay on for the time being.

Her husband Ken has become curator emeritus, and an honorary member of the board, a first for the Fenton Historical Society.

The new board hopes to work on increasing membership, repairing the stone foundation of the building, and continuing to convert the acquisitions records from paper to digital, among many others.

“There was a time when it was almost just me and Ken,” said Donna. “And then these younger people came along, and they’re very enthusiastic. They love Fenton.”

In Donna’s opinion, this is one of the more active boards compared with the past.

The museum currently has more than 50,000 items, and functions with the volunteer board, and approximately $16,000 from the city of Fenton, which owns the building.

Web Content Editor Vera Hogan contributed to this story.

“There was a time there when it was almost just me and Ken.” — Donna Seger

Fenton Historical Society president

Leo Doan was elected on June 4 to be the curator of the A.J. Phillips Museum. He’s taking over for Ken Seger, who was curator for 38 years. Doan had already been handling acquisitions, utility bills, and the high school sports displays.

How cute is your furry friend?

By Hannah Ball
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In celebration of National Social Media Day on June 30, the Times is encouraging its readers to utilize the internet for one of its most popular uses — looking at photos and videos of cute animals.

What may seem fluffy and trite can actually be beneficial to one’s health. A study done by psychological scientists at Hiroshima University in Japan found that looking at pictures of cute puppies and kittens can help improve productivity, focus, and attention, to detail.

Take a break from discussing politics and other heavy issues and participate in a lighthearted competition. The Times is hosting a cutest dog competition and a cutest cat competition. Our readers will decide the winner.

Simply post a photo of your dog or cat in the Facebook status connected to this story on our newsfeed. To cast your vote for an animal, simply “like” that comment. You can like as many pets as you wish.

The competition is only open to dogs and cats. You can enter as many of your pets as you’d like, but only enter one photo of each animal. Along with a picture, include the animal’s name, age, breed, and something that shows the animal’s personality. Dogs and cats of all breeds are welcome.

The competition starts June 30 and will be open for a week, ending on July 7. The cat and dog with the most likes at the end of the week wins and will be featured in the Times. Good luck to our furry friends.
perhaps you are under the impression that summers are fun and carefree, especially for kids. Perhaps you are incorrect. As a longtime connoisseur of scare journalism (“Next on News 4: What you don't know about suntan lotion can kill you.”) I feel it's my duty to alert you to a heretofore undiscovered hazard of summer, which I read about in a Wall Street Journal column.

As part of a larger piece on the clear and present danger that is summer, columnist Lenore Skenazy referenced a terrifying blog from KidsTravelDoc.com, which said: “Remember when digging in the sand at the beach was a fun activity for young children? Sorry. No more. Based on recent findings, only with lots of do’s and don’ts is frolicking in the sand a healthy activity, says the U.S. Environmental Protective [sic] Agency.”

The blog’s author, a pediatrician with the American Academy of Pediatrics, writes that studies show children who play in the sand are more likely to become ill than children just walking on it. “And the risk of illness increases with digging in the sand, being buried in it, and digging in wet sand.”

If you’re a parent who’s thinking, well, I’ll just have junior dig in dry sand then, please turn your parenting responsibility to make sure it is clear the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email andrewheller@tctimes.com.

The only problem with this wonderful safety-infused article is it doesn’t go far enough. There are many other summer activities in which I partook as a youth (this was in the days before summer activities in which I partook), but I don’t necessarily reflect the views of the Tri-County Times. I need to have the right to dig for shells, length, and beauty.

Perhaps you are incorrect.

Playing Frisbee — Playing Frisbee can be a fun, harmless activity but only if you’re good at catching it, which some kids aren’t, leading to a condition that I just made up called “Frisbee mouth,” wherein a Frisbee becomes lodged in your mouth after your fingers snap shut an instant too late. This happened to me at least once a summer. I’m lucky to still have teeth. Don’t let your kids suffer as I did.

Firecracking mailboxes — OK, yes, I did this on occasion with my hoodlum friends. We never got burnt doing it, except for the time my dad got a call from a neighbor who for some reason didn’t appreciate having a blackened mailbox, after which I couldn’t sit for a week. Don’t let your kids do this either.

Swimming within half an hour of eating — I was warned against doing this every single day of every single summer throughout childhood. And I never did suffer the dreaded cramps and drown because of it. But it doesn’t mean your kids won’t. So also don’t let them do this.

In fact, you really shouldn’t let them swim at all. Or do anything else that involves the outdoors or sunshine. Video games are much safer. Encourage those. You’ll be glad you did.

DO THE PEOPLE who object to the multiple auto parts and dollar stores in Holly also object to a free market? These companies chose Holly because they felt they could make a profit and it fit their market. Would you rather the Village Council pick and choose businesses arbitrarily?

READ HELLER’S column where he questioned how a jury could view the Yancey dash cam video and conclude that shooting the Caulfield suspect was justified. What I saw was a police officer who clearly believed the driver was reaching for a gun and was devastated by the fact that he had to shoot someone.

THE NUT WHO shot Rep. Giffords and killed six, wounding an additional 14 had previously worked for the Giffords’ campaign. He became enraged on her, not right-wing. This is from Fact Checker.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE Powers glove soccer team on winning the State Championship. Eleven of the girls are from the Fenton area. Great job ladies.

IT SEEMS LIKE Big Boy should pull the weeds out of the sidewalk and the sidewalks. Would sure make the place look nicer.

I SEE IN the paper they have a little conflict about flying the flag on June 14. It was Flag Day and other people thought they were flying because it was for Trump’s birthday. I have a flag. It flies 365 days a year outside, and it has light on it all night long, every night.

IF THE REPUBLICANS succeed in devastating Medicaid, the families of disabled people will also suffer. I find myself in that position. After 28 years of paying bills for a severely disabled niece, I will soon be unable to continue doing it. What happens if Medicaid will not take her? Will she just be set out on a street corner?

I GOT A laugh out of that. Fox News, common sense, and truth all on the same line. That’s rich.

RONALD REAGAN OUGHT to know about middle class, hard working folks who work Trump. They’re not millionaires and they’re hard working, middle class citizens.

I DO NOT know why people like or care about the Kardashians. They’re just there.

IMAGINE A COUNTRY where a public official could express a private opinion, totally unrelated to his professional responsibility and role and still speak in a voice that can be heard by all.

See HOT LINE throughout Times.
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Tri-county area abounds with festivals, concerts and events

By Sally Rummel
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Your summer fun can begin close to home with lots of special activities for you and your family to enjoy as you soak up all the warmth and sun of summer.

Your days can begin at the beach and end with concerts, farmers markets, car shows, etc. — all the “extra” activities that make life in the tri-county area unique and fun.

Here are a few “reminders” about what’s going on during the lazy days of summer in Fenton, Linden and Holly:

Fenton

The Fenton Freedom Festival is just a few days away, with the Silver Lake Ski Show kicking off the event on Monday, July 3 at 7 p.m. at Silver Lake Beach. There is no admission after 6 p.m. on Monday only. The Adult Reception for Grand Marshal Dr. Robert Burek and Monday only. The Adult Reception for Fenton ArtWalk on Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Watch for art displays, music, live sculptures, entertainment, technology integrated art and children’s activities. Kids of all ages will enjoy creative stations at the Friday, July 21 “Arts are the Heart” and Friday, Aug. 18 events at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy all of the tastes of 20 local restaurants and other special events at Taste in Fenton on Wednesday, Aug. 2, from 4 to 8 p.m. on the grounds of the Fenton Community and Cultural Center.

Rev up for the Back to the Bricks Tune-up Party in downtown Fenton on Thursday, Aug. 10, from 4 to 8 p.m. with vendors, live music, car shows, etc.

The 14th annual Tour Des Lacs on Saturday, Aug. 19 will start at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center for scenic bike tours ranging from 15 miles to 31 miles and 62 miles. Be sure to mark the St. John’s Applefest on your calendar for Sept. 14-17 for the area’s largest community event, drawing thousands of people for apple pies, amusement rides, flea markets and more.

The second annual Police Appreciation Day will be Saturday, Sept. 23 at Wind Walker Farms in Tyrone Township, sponsored by C.O.P.S. (Concern Over Police Safety).}

Linden

Farmers Markets begin Wednesday, July 12, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Linden Millpond area, through Aug. 30. Browse through booths of fresh produce, plants and flowers, baked goods, artisan crafts and more.

Music by the Mill outdoor concerts will delight audiences every Wednesday evening through August, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Linden On Wheels Car Shows continue Friday nights, from 5 to 8 p.m. now through August, in the parking lot behind Thimbleberry Antiques.

Wednesday Night Races at the Park (Linden County Park) provide family fun opportunities for fitness with Youth Fun Run and one-, two- and three-mile races, beginning at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Don’t miss National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 1, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Hyatt Elementary School, promoting police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie, as well as firefighters and EMS personnel.

Rev up for the Back to the Bricks Tune-up Party in downtown Linden on Wednesday, Aug. 9, from 4 to 8 p.m. with vendors, live music, car shows, etc.

Forward 4 West Run & Fireworks, in memory of West Frescura who drowned at age 11, will be Saturday, Aug. 19. Funds raised will be used for scholarships and children with reading challenges.

Holly

Holiday fireworks will be Saturday, July 1 at Groveland Oaks Park at 9:30 p.m. and on July 4 at Lakeside Memorial Park in Holly at dusk.

Wednesday Classic Car Shows will bring hundreds of cars from yesteryear to downtown Holly, from 5 to 8 p.m. through Oct. 4.

The Holly Area Chamber of Commerce annual Golf Outing is set for Saturday, July 29 at 1 p.m. at Heather Highlands, 1450 E. Holly Rd., Holly. Call (248) 215-7099 to sign up or sponsor.

See FESTIVALS on 15A
Gerry Durocher will be inducted posthumously into the Michigan Water Ski Hall of Fame just before the Silver Lake Ski Show on Monday, July 3 at 6:30 p.m.

**By Sally Rummel**

Gerry Durocher, a lifelong Fenton resident, business owner and water ski industry booster for many years, will be inducted into the Michigan Water Ski Hall of Fame (MWSHOF) on Monday, July 3 at 6:30 p.m., just before the Silver Lake Ski Show.

His widow, Nancy, will accept the award on behalf of her husband, who died May 21, 2015. Having endured polio as a child, Durocher wasn’t able to compete in the sport of water skiing as he would have liked. However, he immersed himself in the sport in every other way.

Durocher was president of the Silver Lake Ski Club for nine years, and also served as show director, helping develop show themes and innovating numerous show ski acts, according to the MWSHOF. He made some of his most significant contributions to the sport, teaching his own children and many others to ski by providing them with a consistent pull, while offering his insight, experience and patience.

“He was an extremely giving and caring person for the sport of show-skiing,” said Jeff Nichols, owner of Aqua Sports Marine in Fenton and active member of the Silver Lake Ski Club. “I’ve got close to 20 or 30 years of memories with Gerry. His whole family was very involved with the sport. We used to joke with Nancy saying, ‘Thanks for lending Gerry to us for the summer!’ ”

Durocher was a driver for many years, as well as an equipment manager. He was recognized numerous times as the top driver at the Michigan Water Ski Association Show Championships.

“He’d even lend us his FormSpec employees when we needed something fixed at travel shows,” said Nichols. “He was one of the largest supporters of the sport that we’ve ever seen. Not just us, but in the whole state of Michigan.”

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Jeff Nichols
Silver Lake Ski Club

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**Fenton Freedom Festival just two days away**

**Chamber announces King and Queen, plus other exciting news at kick-off Silver Lake Ski Show**

**By Sally Rummel**

The announcement of the 2017 Fenton Freedom Festival King and Queen has been made by Shelly Day, Fenton Regional Chamber executive director, following the committee’s selection last Tuesday.

Molly Gundry, 17, and Jacob Taylor, 17, both incoming seniors at Fenton High School, will be crowned at the kick-off festival event, the Silver Lake Ski Show, on Monday, July 3 at 7 p.m. at Silver Lake Beach. Both will take home a $1,000 scholarship.

Molly, daughter of Dan and Heather Gundry of Fenton, is a member of the National Honor Society, student council, varsity girls’ golf and is yearbook section editor. She has been a volunteer at Jinglefest and the Fenton Freedom Festival. Her future plans include college at either Michigan State University or Ferris State University, to pursue a career in professional golf.

Jacob, son of Chris and Beth Taylor of Rose Township, is a member of the FHS Marching Band, swim team and serves as vice president of the National Honor Society. He has participated in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, VFV and is a member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church youth group.

Day, who judged the nine candidates with Fenton City Councilor Scott Grossmeyer and Fenton City Interim Police Chief Jason Slater, said, “It wasn’t an easy selection. We had a great number of applicants. It was a difficult choice.”

In addition to the royal crowning, Gerry Durocher, long-time Fenton resident and business owner, will be inducted posthumously into the Michigan Water Ski Hall of Fame in a ceremony at 6:30 p.m., preceding the Silver Lake Ski Show (see related story). Grand Marshal of the Fenton Freedom Festival Parade, Dr. Robert Barek, will also be recognized at this event, before the Grand Marshal Adult Reception takes place at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center at 8 p.m.

New this year will be a special appearance of the Fenton Community Orchestra, in concert with an orchestra from France, the Conservatoire de Limonest, on July 3 at 7 p.m. at the community center.

The July 4 schedule includes these events in the downtown Fenton community center/gazebo area:

• 7 to 10 a.m.: Pancake Breakfast (American Legion Post) at the community center, with Ecumenical Blessing by Pastor Andrew Baranick of Faith City Church
• 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.: Arts, crafts and vendors
• 9:45 a.m.: Fenton Firecracker Run, begins on West Street behind Ellen Street Campus (register at fentonfirecracker.com)

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New law would allow concealed carry without a permit

Graves and Vaupel explain their ‘yes’ votes

By Hannah Ball

Michigan citizens who are approved through the state to carry firearms may no longer need to have a license to carry them concealed. A group of House bills, House bills 4416 through 4419, would do away with the requirement that an individual needs a license to carry concealed weapons. The House of Representatives passed the bills June 7 in a 59 to 49 vote.

Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) voted in favor of the bill. “At this point, you can open carry without the training, and what this does is say if you have to put on a coat (while carrying a gun), that you would be OK,” he said.

Vaupel said this bill does not give everyone the right to carry concealed weapons, only people who can lawfully own and carry them. “This doesn’t eliminate the need for a CPL if you’re saying to another state. You still need to obey all of the laws,” he said.

States that have eliminated the CPL requirement actually see an increase in consumer demand for proper training and handling of firearms and handguns.

Joe Graves
Michigan representative

A group of House bills would make it legal for Michigan residents to carry a concealed weapon without a permit. A few amendments were offered, including the following:

• an amendment to require a person carrying a concealed firearm to have taken a pistol training or safety program before carrying concealed weapons, and then carrying that certificate of course completion when going armed
• an amendment to leave in place a ban on individuals under age 21 from carrying a concealed firearm
• an amendment to ban individuals who have committed certain misdemeanors in the past eight years from carrying a concealed firearm

All were voted down. “People still have to get the background check before they can buy a gun,” Vaupel said.

Approximately 14 other states plus the District of Columbia allow concealed carry without a permit, he added, and the National Rifle Association has offered to pay for training courses if local police departments have the space.

Graves said, “It (training) would no longer be a requirement. States that have eliminated the CPL requirement actually see an increase in consumer demand for proper training and handling of firearms and handguns. Eliminating the requirement for training does not eliminate the demand for training, as most legal gun owners are very responsible people.”

The bills were sent to the Senate on June 13, and were referred to the Senate Government Operations Committee.
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Supervisor wants permit costs slashed

Board agrees to reduce fee from $300 to $200 for replacing windows and doors

By Hannah Ball 1810-433-6792

Argentine Twp. — The Argentine Township Board of Trustees approved a $100 reduction to the $300 fee for homeowners replacing windows and doors in the township.

Argentine Township Supervisor Brian Saad said, “I’d like to propose, in the spirit of encouraging people to follow the law and doing things right, reducing those fees by a third.”

This would eliminate the $100 plan review fee, but keep the $100 permit and $100 deposit fee.

“We felt $300 was excessive,” he said. “I’d like to do this now so we can have something on the books.”

Now fees will cost $200 for replacing windows or doors. Saad said they’re going to amend the language at the next meeting to include roofing and siding. Someone will still review the work plans to make sure the dimensions are right on windows and doors.

He hopes this motion will help drive compliance as people do maintenance and upgrade their homes. This comes after several residents have complained about the high fees.

“I’d like to see them go to nothing, but regulations and laws prohibit the board from being able to do that,” he said. “There’s always going to be an instance where someone is going to do something way out of the ordinary that is going to do damage to the neighbor’s home value.”

Saad said an important part of the regulations is protecting the homeowner, adding that the building inspector and code enforcement officer will make sure the work is done right. This reduction started July 1 and will be in effect for a year. After that, Saad said they’re going to see how they can reduce the fees as much as lawfully possible.

“I’m a small government guy, I want to see the government be more efficient and smaller,” he said.

Residents can go to the township offices at 9048 Silver Lake Rd. to fill out the necessary paperwork.

Tom Price, the Planning Commission is reviewing how best to put the applications online.

What else do you need a permit for?

In most municipalities, including Argentine Township, residents need a permit for all structural changes such as roof framing, enlarging windows, interior remodeling or floor plan changes, demolition work, building accessory structures larger than 200 square feet, decks, attached garages, covered porches, patios, and other projects.

Check your government’s website for additional information.

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By Hannah Ball 1810-433-6792

Argentine Twp. — The Argentine Township Board of Trustees approved a $100 reduction to the $300 fee for homeowners replacing windows and doors in the township.

Argentine Township Supervisor Brian Saad said, “I’d like to propose, in the spirit of encouraging people to follow the law and doing things right, reducing those fees by a third.”

This would eliminate the $100 plan review fee, but keep the $100 permit and $100 deposit fee.

“We felt $300 was excessive,” he said. “I’d like to do this now so we can have something on the books.”

Now fees will cost $200 for replacing windows or doors. Saad said they’re going to amend the language at the next meeting to include roofing and siding. Someone will still review the work plans to make sure the dimensions are right on windows and doors.

He hopes this motion will help drive compliance as people do maintenance and upgrade their homes. This comes after several residents have complained about the high fees.

“I’d like to see them go to nothing, but regulations and laws prohibit the board from being able to do that,” he said. “There’s always going to be an instance where someone is going to do something way out of the ordinary that is going to do damage to the neighbor’s home value.”

Saad said an important part of the regulations is protecting the homeowner, adding that the building inspector and code enforcement officer will make sure the work is done right. This reduction started July 1 and will be in effect for a year. After that, Saad said they’re going to see how they can reduce the fees as much as lawfully possible.

“I’m a small government guy, I want to see the government be more efficient and smaller,” he said.

Residents can go to the township offices at 9048 Silver Lake Rd. to fill out the necessary paperwork.

Tom Price, the Planning Commission is reviewing how best to put the applications online.

What else do you need a permit for?

In most municipalities, including Argentine Township, residents need a permit for all structural changes such as roof framing, enlarging windows, interior remodeling or floor plan changes, demolition work, building accessory structures larger than 200 square feet, decks, attached garages, covered porches, patios, and other projects.

Check your government’s website for additional information.

### Argentina Township Board of Education

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who didn’t support him attended, and a few were upset they weren’t able to speak publically.

Since Skinner resigned earlier in the day, the item, along with public comment, was removed from the agenda.

After the decision, Dana Brennan, a Linden mother who has three boys who play baseball, said she was disappointed. She said he had a lot of proof to back his claims, and that he’s always been upbeat and positive for his wrestlers.

“His smile and all his help with the computer, kindness, understanding and friendly smile and all his help with the computer. Thanks again, John. I wish people would keep their opinions to themselves. I don’t criticize your kids. I wish you wouldn’t criticize mine.”

Tom Price, the Secretary of Health and Human Services was asked of his tax cut if Trumpcare passes. He’s worth $410 million and his tax cut could reach over $250,000 per year.

To the fellow who purchased a train track set on Denton Hill, I want to try to reach you one more time. I have a section of the track for you. Just stop by. Thank you.

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9720 BURNING TREE, GRAND BLANC

WARWICK HILLS
$445,000
4909 ST, 4 BDR & 3.5 BA all on the 5th Tee of Warwick Hills Golf Course. Stunning gourmet kitchen with high end finishes, hardwood floors, granite counters, lots of cabinet space and fireplace. Open floor plan, grand entry, natural light, and much more.

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805 OAK PARK DR, FENTON

FENTON SCHOOLS
$99,999
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$329,999
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GREEN TREE ESTATES
$559,000
Almost 7000 SF, 6 BD & 4.5 BA. Gorgeous home with new additions, including granite counters and amazing attention to detail. Unique master suite offers tons of space with a huge walk in shower, large tub & more. Indoor pool & hot tub located off full finished, walk-out basement.

4641 WOODHULL LANDING, FENTON

LAKE FENTON
$735,000
27 frontal on All Sports Lake Fenton. 5400 SF, 4 BD & 3.5 BA. Open floor plan with fantastic views, features breakfast nook, granite counters, snack bar, lots of cabinet and counter space. Crown molding, exposed beams, finished walkout and so much more.

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MARL LAKE
$434,999
188 of frontage on private All Sports Lake Marl. 2624 SF, 4 BDR & 3.5 BA plus a finished walkout basement. 2 car attached garage. Lots of privacy and great location.

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Antiques
The tri-county area is rich with local history, which is one of the reasons antique collectors have a vast playground of venues to search for those “must have” items they’ve been hoping to find. The village of Holly and cities of Fenton and Linden boast a number of antiques in their bustling downtowns.
Additionally, there is an abundance of consignment stores, where antiques and collectibles are displayed among the housewares, furniture, artwork and more. Sometimes people just don’t know what they have (or don’t care) and some valuable finds are possible at local consignment shops.

Although it may take a little longer, it sure can be a lot of fun to search for antiques and collectibles at local garage and yard sales during the warmer months. Don’t know where to find them? Just check out the Tri-County Times weekly classified ads for the dates and addresses of local sales.
Local auctions and estate sales provide yet another venue for the antique buffs among us. Those, too, can be found in the Times classified ads.

Arts
Museums, art galleries, theatre and concerts may be what most people consider “the arts.” And we have plenty to entertain us in the tri-county area.
During the summer months, residents and visitors in the Fenton, Holly and Linden communities can enjoy weekly outdoor concerts in the park. Holly even shows an outdoor movie in the downtown once a week.
There are the festivals, and arts and craft fairs regularly throughout the year, during summertime outdoor events like the Fenton Freedom Festival, and during the holidays at area schools and churches.
Fenton, Holly and Linden also boast museums showcasing items from their long and fascinating histories, which go back centuries.
The tri-county area, with its four school districts and almost 25 school buildings, boasts a wealth of talent in our most valuable assets — our children. Art fairs, singing concerts, band concerts, plays, and other forms of entertainment area regular part of the school year and guests are encouraged.

The Fenton Village Players give locals a glimpse of what it’s like to see professionals on the stage. Their performances take place regularly throughout the year. The Fenton Community Orchestra and Fenton Lakes Chorus provide even more spectacular entertainment.

If not the big ones, they are somehow employed by an original equipment or aftermarket supplier.

Then we have all the automotive dealers who have served the Fenton area for decades. And once you have that car or truck, you’ll need to maintain it or (hopefully not) repair it. There are countless automotive (body and interiors) repair shops, oil change facilities, automotive parts and accessory retailers, and … at the sunset of your vehicle’s life, the auto salvage yards.

Sometimes it’s just necessary to replace a car or truck so trading it in at one of our local dealerships is an option. Or, if you prefer, selling it is as easy as contacting the Tri-County Times classified advertising staff at (810) 629-8282.

During the summer, residents and visitors can take advantage of any number of classic car shows, where they can reminisce about the vehicle of their youth or just admire the work that owners put into their restoration. The village of Holly’s Cruise to Battle Alley on Wednesday nights and Fenton’s Back to the Bricks in August are among the biggest shows in the area.
FESTIVALS
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The Blues & BBQ event with live entertainment by Lester Blues will be held on Saturday, Aug. 5. It’s hosted by the Holly Area Chamber of Commerce and will be held at the Holly Moose Lodge from 7 to 11 p.m.

Bring your family to free Movies in Battle Alley on July 22 for “Finding Dory” and Aug. 26 for “Open Season,” at 6:30 p.m.

Summer Music Concerts in Crapo Park will continue with local bands providing entertainment on Saturday, July 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. and a date to be announced in August.

Michigan Renaissance Festival will draw thousands of jugglers, jesters, knights and ladies and more during its run on weekends (plus Labor Day) from Saturday, Aug. 19 through Sunday, Oct. 1.

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Jace Dumeh, 12, of Fenton caught this small mouth bass while fishing from his backyard on Silver Lake.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I DON’T KNOW what happened, but I grew up with the big three networks and what happened, but I DONT KNOW

I WOULD LIKE to wish a happy birthday to America, the greatest nation on the planet. May we all come together again.

Police & Fire report

TEENAGER GETS STUCK IN TODDLER SWING

The Fenton Fire Department was called to the swingsets near the Pump House ice cream stand in downtown Fenton to remove a teenage female who had gotten stuck in a toddler swing. Sgt. Dave Reinfield said the girl had been stuck for about a half hour before seeking help. She declined any medical attention.

FENTON WOMAN WITH CPL ARRESTED FOR OWI

At 1:20 a.m. on June 25, a Fenton police officer saw a black 2013 Chevrolet Silverado swerving in the lane on Silver Parkway as it approached Silver Lake Road. When the vehicle turned east onto Silver Lake Road, it made a wide turn and continued traveling in the center turn lane. A traffic stop was initiated. Contact was made with the driver, a 26-year-old Fenton woman, who told the officer that she had a license to carry and a Ruger 9 mm handgun in the center console. The officer detected a strong odor of alcohol and the woman admitted to drinking earlier in the day. After field sobriety tests, she complied with a breath test, which showed she was above the legal limit, which also violates CPL rules. The officer removed the handgun and emptied five rounds and one round from the chamber. Her vehicle was impounded, she was arrested and was lodged overnight until sober. She was issued court appearance tickets.

INTRUDER IS INTOXICATED WOMAN

At 2:30 a.m. on June 26, a Fenton police officer responded to a home in the 3000 block of Silver Lake Road on a report of a suspicious person. The caller said they believed someone was trying to break into the home. Upon arrival, the officer observed a woman sitting on the side porch. The woman smelled of alcohol and was unsteady on her feet. The woman, who appeared highly intoxicated, did not know where she was and could not provide her own address. A breath test revealed a .257 percent blood alcohol count. She was handcuffed and arrested for disorderly intoxication. The 26-year-old Tyrone Township woman spent the night at the police station and released the next day with a court appearance ticket.

WHAT YOU MISSED in the MIDWEEK TIMES

Compiled by Vera Hogan

The following are stories you may have missed in the Wednesday, June 28, Midweek Times. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

Linden shooting suspect back in jail

Following through on threats made in January, Genesee County Circuit Court Judge Joseph Farah threw out a 17-year-old Kody Brewer in jail on June 26, citing multiple violations the teen made while out on bond.

Fireworks

What you can and cannot do on Fourth of July.

Linden superintendent announces retirement

Ed Koledo seeks more family time, opportunities with GISSD

Fenton seminary property remains unsold

Landscape is unkempt, rarely mowed and filled with weeds.

River Regatta Cardboard Boat Race

The Byron Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is hosting its second annual River Regatta Cardboard Boat Race on Saturday, July 8, immediately following the Byron Family Fun Day Parade (around 3 p.m.). Float your cardboard boat on the Shiawassee River, from the Byron Sesquicentennial Park to the finish line (approximately 200 yards). There is a $5 entry fee per boat. Awards will be given for Fastest Time, Most Creative and the Titanic Award (most dramatic sinking). For details on making boat and registration form, go to Byron DDA on Facebook. Registration begins at 1 p.m. at Byron Park. Judging of boats will take place at 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to display their boat in the Byron Family Fun Day Parade at 2 p.m., which will end at the park. Team, group, or club sponsored boats are highly encouraged. Each boat may contain as many participants as desired. Participants under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Anyone 12 and under must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved life jacket. Participants under the age of 18 must have a liability waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian. Visit the village of Byron DDA facebook page for questions or more information.

View stories at tctimes.com
BUREAUCRATS AND THE national media are identifying concerns about Russia influencing the election. With less than 30-percent turnout, I’d say the largest effect to the national election was apathy. To fix that, everyone go and vote in every election every time. Be heard. **[1]**

HERE’S A LITTLE helpful advice to those it may apply to. move out here on the lake and build privacy fences and grow bushes 20 feet tall. Move back to the suburbs.

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**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

**RATHER THAN SCORE** Trump’s healthcare bill to determine its ultimate cost, I would rather the CBO score the healthcare bill to determine its ultimate cost, I would rather the CBO score the healthcare bill to determine its ultimate cost. I would rather the CBO score the healthcare bill to determine its ultimate cost. Rather than score Trump’s

SOMEONE ONCE WROTE: “eat, drink and be merry. For tomorrow you may be dead.”

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**KING AND QUEEN**

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- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: A.J. Phillips Museum open
- 11 a.m.: Fenton Lions Club Chicken Barbecue, plus hot dogs, brats, chips and pop
- 12:30 p.m.: Rubber Ducky Regatta (Rotary Club), Children’s Games (Kiwanis Club), Adopt-a-Pet of Fenton, pony rides, petting zoo, inflatables (Freedom Center), snow cones (Fenton United Methodist Church).
- 1 p.m.: Cruisin’ USA Line Dancers
- 10 p.m.: Fireworks show with patriotic music, Silver Lake Park (no parking there).
**Social News**

**100TH BIRTHDAY**

**ESTHER NEUBAUER CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY**

Esther Neubauer turned 100 years old on June 22, 2017. She is a resident at Millpond Manor in Fenton. Esther was born in Detroit and has four children; 12 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren. She is feeling blessed that she has lived this long; attributes her longevity to a strong faith, and the ability to make friends easily. Her daughter, Diane Panaretos said, "It doesn’t hurt that she is a feisty, I’ll-do-it-my-way kind of personality." A second reunion / birthday party will be celebrated with out-of-state family and friends on July 12, 2017 at Millpond Manor.

**LULU REPPUHN CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY**

Lulu Reppuhn of Grand Blanc will celebrate her 100th birthday on July 3, 2017. Lulu was born to Anna and Milo Miller in Alba. She was one of seven children and attended Piersonville Schools. She married Henry Reppuhn on June 4, 1938 in Lapeer. The couple has three sons, Eugenio of Otisville, Michael of Tyler, Texas, and Dan (deceased) of Fenton; four grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and many great-great-grandchildren. Lulu enjoyed flower gardening over the years, and was a very talented quilt maker and dollie maker.

**CRIME**

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In May, Argentine Township police received 64 radio calls. That number jumped to 193 in June.

Service calls, which are any non-radio calls for any assist or service, increased from 156 in May to 323 in June. Finally, there were 25 complaints in May compared to 50 in June.

Allen said people are more active during these months.

“If you see anything suspicious, please call 911. Safeguard your property. People still don’t lock up their things,” he said. “I don’t get it.”

He said people commonly don’t lock their doors when they go out on the boat, which is a mistake. That leaves your home vulnerable to thieves.

The Fenton Police Department is seeing a similar trend.

Fenton Interim Police Chief Jason Slater said, “Summer is a busy time for us, for example, last July we took 1,083 calls for service for the police department and 65 calls for service for the fire department. This was more than any other month during 2016.”

Police receive more larceny from auto complaints and alcohol-related complaints in the summer. In 2016, police took 976 calls for service in May and 1,025 in June. Fenton police regularly receive over 800 calls for service every month throughout the year, but there’s an increase when the weather gets nicer.

“We see the largest volume of calls from May through October. November to April numbers are not significantly decreased but the warmer weather, coupled with summer vacation, seems to precipitate a higher call volume,” Slater said.

**Guy Louis brings ‘Chautauqua Express’ on July 6**

Fenton Concerts in the Park held Thursdays at downtown Gazebo

By Vera Hogan
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A popular performer will be back in Fenton on Thursday, July 6 as part of the Concerts in the Park series.

Musician Guy Louis of Shelby Township has been entertaining and inspiring Michigan children and families since 1966. During the past 30 years, Louis of Chautauqua Express has headlined top Michigan festivals, and played some of the most prestigious venues in the state.

He has used his talents to educate and inspire Michigan elementary school students with programs that weave music with lessons about the environment, cultural diversity, following your dreams, positive character, making healthy choices, and more.

Concerts, brought to you by Southern Island View Drive and the 16000 block of Pavilion Drive in Fenton Township. A 26-year-old Fenton Township woman, a 19-year-old Fenton Township woman, and a 49-year-old Fenton Township man reported their purses and wallets stolen from their unlocked vehicles sometime over night.

**ITEMS STOLEN FROM VEHICLES**

On June 14, the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office received a larceny from an automobile complaint from a resident in the 13000 block of Pomona Drive in Fenton Township. A 53-year-old Fenton Township man reported a briefcase and laptop computer stolen from his vehicle sometime overnight. This remains under investigation.

**ITEMS TAKEN FROM UNLOCKED VEHICLES**

On June 12, the Genesee County Sheriff’s Office began investigating larcenies from automobiles reported by residents in the 4000 block of Lakes Parks & Recreation (SLPR) and sponsored by the Fenton Downtown Development Authority (DDA), go from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Gazebo. In the event of inclement weather, the concerts will take place at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center, 150 S. Leroy, unless otherwise indicated.

In addition to the concert, the weekly Farmers Market will take place in the parking lot of the Community Center.
When driving forward the right front wheel makes kind of a scraping, growling, grinding noise, but at higher speeds (40+) the noise stops. I also hear the noise when slowing down while I’m pressing the brakes. When I turn right I can still hear the noise, but when I turn left I can’t.

Rabi

This is most likely a wheel bearing going bad. If you jack up the front wheels and try to move the top and bottom of the tire in and out it should give you an indication as to which one it is. Sometimes we have to run them on a hoist and listen with a stethoscope to determine the exact one causing the noise. You should fix this as soon as possible so that it does not cause any further damage to other parts or become serious enough to be dangerous.

Ribi

ALGERS CELEBRATE 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

David and Shirley Alger of Linden celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 22, 2017. They were married in 1957 at St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church in Livonia, Michigan. A gathering of family and friends celebrated the occasion on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at their home on Lodibell Lake. They have five children; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. They are members of The Freedom Center church.

The lush, tropical gardens of Stewart Melrose immediately catch your eye as you’re driving through downtown Fenton, across from The Laundry. His garden, as well as others on the block that he maintains, will be part of the 20th annual Summer Garden Tour on July 9, hosted by the Open Gate Garden Club.

Downtown Fenton a popular stop for photo ops

By Sally Rummel

You can’t miss the beautiful downtown Fenton gardens on the Stewart Melrose property, which has the influence of the entire block across from The Laundry.

This property will be one of the six featured gardens in the Open Gate Garden Club’s 20th annual Summer Garden Tour on Sunday, July 9, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will include surrounding gardens on the same block, including the empty lot at 106 Shiawassee, owned by the city.

“It’s for the people, for the neighborhood, for the city,” said Melrose, of his efforts to maintain this property.

Melrose’s garden includes more than 400 cannas, Japanese fibrous banana trees and stacked stone sculptures called “cairns,” created as a form of meditation. His garden is so unique that many visitors stop by to have photos taken there for weddings and graduations.

Other gardens on the tour will feature unique properties including a bonsai plant exhibit, amazing arboreal varieties, impressive hardscapes, private retreats, country acres and lakeside views. Experienced gardeners will be available to answer questions.

Advanced tickets are $8 from all Open Gate Garden Club members and from Bordine Nursery, Gerych’s Distinctive Flowers & Gifts, Heavenly Scent Herb Farm, Sweet Variations, Holly Township Library and The Weed Lady. Tickets will be available on tour day for $10 at the A.J. Phillips Fenton Museum.

The Open Gate Garden Club celebrated its 25th anniversary this year with a special event on June 21 and will also have an entry in the Fenton Freedom Festival parade.

For more information about the tour and the Open Gate Garden Club, visit www.opengategardenclubgardentour.com.
Bishop airport alleged terrorist consents to continued detention

By Sharon Stone
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Amor Ftouhi, 49, of Quebec, Canada and Tunisia, was in federal court Wednesday morning for his detention hearing. This follows an alleged terrorist attack in Flint Township one week ago, at 9:38 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21. The hearing was held at U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan in Flint.

Ftouhi has been charged with stabbing Lt. Jeff Neville, a police officer at Flint’s Bishop International Airport, in the neck with a large hunting knife. Neville fought back and he, along with other officers took Ftouhi into custody. The airport was evacuated and closed for several hours for the investigation. No other injuries were reported and all airport travelers were safe. After stabbing Neville, Ftouhi allegedly continued to yell “Allahu Akbar” pulled out a knife and stabbed the officer in the neck. Ftouhi has dual citizenship in Tunisia and Canada and has lived in Montreal, Canada for the past 10 years. He is married and has three children.

During the detention hearing Wednesday morning, Ftouhi’s federal defense attorney, Joan Morgan, told Magistrate Judge Stephanie Dawkins Davis that based on the nature of the charges and the fact that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has a hold on her client as well, that Ftouhi would consent to continued detention for the remainder of his case.

Morgan said that even if bond were an option, Ftouhi would not be able to be released from federal custody. She also said it would be the defense’s burden to prove that Ftouhi is not a flight risk, adding that he has no ties to Michigan. The judge asked Ftouhi if he agreed with continued detention and he said, “Yes I do.” The court set a preliminary exam date of July 5 at 1:30 p.m. at the same federal courthouse in Flint. During the exam, the government may call witnesses, with an opportunity for cross-examination. Following testimony, the judge will determine if there is probable cause to advance Ftouhi’s case to a jury trial.

The judge added that if the matter goes to a grand jury and they decide on an indictment, it would be an indictment on July 5 instead of a preliminary hearing. She explained that an indictment is a tool that government uses on this type of offense.

Morgan informed the judge that Ftouhi is fluent in English, French and Arabic but occasionally might not understand legal language. To hear the entire audio recording of Ftouhi’s detention hearing, click on the audio link included with this story online at tctimes.com.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

HETEROSEXUAL PRIDE MONTH is every month, especially when you discriminate against everyone who’s not like you.

STRAIGHT MARRIAGE WAS never illegal. You can’t be fired for being straight, you can’t be kicked out of your apartment for being straight, you won’t be denied service for being straight. No religion condemns being straight. You don’t need a heterosexual pride month.

TO THE PERSON who wonders why we don’t have stop signs, good question. Why don’t we replace them with yield signs and end the problem.

YOU WON’T HAVE to worry about health insurance because there won’t be any there for you.

AS TO THE outdoor dining, no, dogs should not be allowed. Leave your animals where they’re supposed to be.

IN AUGUST of 2018, Obama knew about the Russians’ attempts to disrupt and discredit our election process. He did not reveal this information and he did not respond. Who would have guessed the collusion with Russia was amongst the Democrats.

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Dr. Stacy Frye, is the ONLY Fellowship-Trained Non-Surgical Pediatric Orthopedist in Michigan. She will be discussing concussions and sports injuries affecting teens today. Josh Carlson, DPT, Hurley Physical Therapist, will discuss the variety of physical therapy care and treatment options related to sports injuries.

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with the new building they are constructing at the same site. The Planning Commission also gave site plan approval for the new, bigger restaurant.

The current restaurant will be completely demolished, with a new 5,218-square-foot McDonald’s constructed at the same site. In addition to the dual order drive-through window, parking improvements also are planned.

Reilly said there will be only one entrance and exit drive at the newly built McDonald’s.

“This will actually reduce turning movement,” he said. “The less turning movement there is, the safer.”

Reilly said one access entrance should reduce the number of conflicts, or accidents there.

It will take about 80 days from the start of demolition to completion of the new McDonald’s building.

“This store is being prepped for the ‘experience of the future’ concept at McDonald’s,” said owner Mark Pfau in February.

The Owen Road McDonald’s is one of eight owned by Pfau.

Elsewhere on Owen Road
It’s back to the drawing board for Owen Road Partners, LLC, the developers that purchased the Big Boy and Pizza Hut property on Owen Road.

They cleared one hurdle in March when the Fenton Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) approved requests for two variances, eliminating the need for the required 20-foot setbacks.

Carmine Avantini, planner for the city of Fenton has said previously, “The variances they are requesting will allow the cross access connections with the proposed development to line up with the Sunoco site to the east and the Tuffy site to the west.

In addition, the property narrows considerably for the current Big Boy site and makes it difficult to provide adequate parking while still meeting the ordinance parking setback requirements.”

The owners haven’t been as lucky with the Fenton Planning Commission, having been before the group on a few occasions without success.

Reilly said the partners, city administrators and city consultants planned to meet last week to see if they could ‘hammer out something the Planning Commission will approve.’

At issue is the space available to do what the owners wish while keeping with city requirements.

The Owen Road Partners’ concept includes up to a nine-tenant building. The property is zoned general business, which could include anything from retail and restaurants, to personal services like medical offices, banks, etc.

Bob Evans and Ruby Tuesday buildings purchased
It appears the Dedivanaj family won’t have to go far for reunions. In addition to Mega Coney Island and Boston’s, family members have purchased the Bob Evans and Ruby Tuesday restaurant buildings.

Although there was talk of a Whitey’s coming to the Ruby Tuesday building on Silver Parkway, those plans have fallen through, according to Reilly.

“Rocky Dedivanaj, who owns Boston’s on Owen Road, has purchased that building,” Reilly said. “His brother George is moving into the Bob Evans building.”

Reilly said George Dedivanaj will be offering “American cuisine” at his restaurant. What will become of the former Ruby Tuesday’s is yet to be determined.

Kmart
There is no activity with the former Kmart building on Silver Parkway — except maybe getting into trouble.

“We did a code enforcement on Kmart and cleaned up all the trash,” said Reilly. “They’re going to get a hefty bill. Even if a building is vacant the owners still need to take care of it.”

Other side of town
While construction on The Horizon Building at Silver Lake Road and S. LeRoy is about to get underway, construction on the CRUST expansion is nearing completion, said Reilly. They are down to working on the drywall and interior finish.

Waiting to enjoy some Korean barbecue? Well, you’re going to have to wait a bit longer. The restaurant on N. LeRoy Street that has featured several restaurants since the old Heritage Restaurant closed its doors, will be named “Goki Goki.” Reilly said it is still being worked on.
Boating

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seasonal deputies who must be at least 18 years old and most commonly are in college and recently graduated. It’s a great start,” he said.

Here are seven things to remember before going out on the water.

1. It’s not like driving a car

Swanson said, “Boats are unforgiving. They don’t drive like vehicles and many young drivers are driving them before they can drive a car. Boats have no brakes, seat belts or airbags. Gain as much experience as you can and never take operating a boat for granted.”

2. No drinking and driving

Michigan law prohibits driving a boat with a blood alcohol content over 0.08 percent. This is one of the biggest mistakes people commonly make, according to Swanson.

3. Don’t go near docks or swimmers

All watercraft, including boats and Jet Skis, are supposed to stay at least 100 feet away from any fixed objects, diver flags, and other boats.

Being aware of your surroundings and giving swimmers a wide berth is important. Earlier this month, a boat struck a 12-year-old girl who was swimming in Lake Pomenam.

4. Have enough life jackets for everyone

The boat must contain an accessible life jacket for every person on board. All passengers under the age of 6 must wear a lifejacket, and everyone tubing, skiing, or riding a Jet Ski must wear a life jacket.

5. Wrong way traffic

Dennis Finney, who used to be a deputy sheriff with the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office and now lives on Lobdell Lake, said watercraft are supposed to drive counterclockwise around the lake.

“That’s a big one,” he said. Finney worked in the marine department, patrolling lakes, doing human body recovery and boating accident reconstruction work.

6. Tubing with a Jet Ski/no spotter

Finney said another violation is people on Jet Skis pulling a skier or a tuber. The law requires that the watercraft have a spot for every person. With a driver and spotter on a two-person Jet Ski, there’s no seat for the person they’re pulling if they get injured.

“I see a lot of people skiing without a spotter now, without a second person in the boat,” he said, adding that a few days ago he saw someone with a blow-up doll in the passenger seat while the driver towed a skier.

6. Setting in the wrong part of the boat

Pontoons have an enclosed area, and passengers are not allowed on the outside front end or on the raised back area while the pontoon is moving.

7. Flying drones

It is illegal for people to fly drones over people’s heads at sporting events, public gathering or parks according to the Federal Aviation Administration.

Swanson said the best way to report wrongdoing on the lake is to call 911. The marine patrol is dispatched the same way as other units.

Dep. Brian Ross questions a group of boaters during a stop on their first pontoon ride of the year on Lake Fenton, in May 2016. He checked the location of their life jackets, and identifying “MC” number. The stop was more for training and demonstration purposes than any actual boating violations.

Boating safety class

• People who will be at least 12, or older, by Aug. 1, 2017 can take a Michigan Department of Natural Resources Boating Safety Certificate Class in order to drive a watercraft legally. Classes will be offered at the Argentine Township fire hall at 9048 W. Silver Lake Rd. on Tuesday, July 11 and Thursday, July 13, from 6-9 p.m.

• Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. and participants must attend both sessions. Adults are encouraged to attend.

• Participants must enroll by July 7 by calling Marty Vyskocil, president of the Lobdell Bennett Lake Association, at (810)-423-5674 or email martyv50@aol.com. The cost is $25.

Students are asked to bring a pencil, pen, and highlighter to class.

Tips for good breath:

1. Visit your dentist every 6 months to ensure the good health of your teeth and gums.
2. Brush and floss every day.
3. Brush your tongue every day. (Your tongue has more surface area than the rest of the mouth combined)
4. Keep well hydrated by drinking plenty of water.
5. After a meal of onions and garlic be sure to brush and floss.
6. If you drink alcohol, do so in moderation.
7. Don’t_smoke.
8. If you have concerns about halitosis, Call for your free consultation. I will be able to determine its cause and if there is an issue that needs further attention.

I welcome your questions and comments. Feed free to e-mail me dsulfaro@comcast.net or call TODAY for your Appointment (810)-634-4671

HALITOSIS

Halitosis (bad breath) can have several different causes. Many medical conditions such as sinusitis (sinus infection), digestive conditions such as ulcers or acid reflux, and diabetes can all cause bad breath. Certain foods such as onions and garlic can cause halitosis. Alcohol and cigarette smoking will also cause bad breath. A main cause of malodor is often times due to the poor condition of the teeth and gums. Probably the most common cause of bad breath is dehydration or dry mouth which allows for the proliferation of sulfur producing bacteria. This is why most people awake with nasty “morning breath.” It’s difficult to determine whether your own breath is bad. This is because your own sense of smell becomes dulled to oral nasal/ environment and doesn’t detect anything different even if it’s smelling bad. So breathing into your cupped hand and smelling rarely works to detect halitosis. A better way to determine if your breath is bad is to lick and then smell the back of your hand or scrape your tongue with a spoon and then smell the spoon.

Halitosis (bad breath) is the most common cause of bad breath is dehydration. The main cause of halitosis is when there is an issue that needs further attention. I welcome your questions and comments. Feed free to e-mail me dsulfaro@comcast.net or call TODAY for your Appointment (810)-634-4671.
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The Powers Catholic varsity girls soccer team celebrates winning a Division 3 state championship, recently. The squad includes many tri-county athletes.

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The passion to win a state championship began about a year ago.

The Powers varsity girls soccer team had a good squad last year. In fact, it was an outstanding team, advancing to the Division 3 state championship game before losing to Hudsonville Unity Christian by a 2-0 score.

With so many seniors coming back, Powers knew they would have another good team in 2017, and they knew something else — the Chargers didn’t want to experience what they did their junior year during their senior season.

The Chargers didn’t want to worry about this time. The Powers Catholic girls soccer team, a squad that included 13 area athletes, captured the D3 title this spring with a 4-0 victory against Free-

land at the state title contest.

“At the beginning of the year it was special because we had so many return-
ers and knew how it was like to lose in the championship game,” senior captain Rachel Philpotts said. “So to know how it felt like to lose and then actually come back and win it with the same people was a really cool feeling.”

The title game was never very close. Kennedy Myers, one of the other players from the area, scored two first-half goals. Myers scored 9:50 into the contest and at the 20:55 mark as well. The first goal was set up on a free kick by Rachel Rasins.

“The ball went into the box, hit off one of the defenders and I kicked it in,” Myers said.

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