Due to the internet, the crude profanity of music, movies and TV, along with rewarding every reality show jackass with 15 minutes of fame, we have become a crass, rude and obnoxious culture. Wake up parents, it all starts at home.

Would anyone reading this bet their paycheck on the accuracy of the weather forecast for tomorrow? If not, then why should this country bet billions on global warming predictions that have even less foundation?

Let me get this straight. We have enough money to relocate and supply housing and food to hundreds of thousands of immigrants, among which 5 to 10 percent will be terrorists, but not enough money to give Social Security recipients a cost of living increase?

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Changing trends in giving birth

Midwifery is on the rise, and more expectant mothers are pre-planning every detail

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The way a baby grows in the womb won’t change. The way the parents plan for the birth, however, is evolving.

Many new mothers and fathers create what is called a birth plan. According to babycenter.com, this is a plan that an expectant mother or couple makes that outlines what they would like to happen in the delivery room.

Stanley Frye, McLaren Flint M.D. OB/GYN, said he does encourage expectant mothers to have a plan, but plans will change if there’s an emergency.

“It’s great to have a plan. But I’m there to make sure everything’s OK. I don’t want them to have a really strict birth plan because emergencies can happen any minute,” he said.

This birth plan contains information on who you want in the room while in labor, while actually giving birth, and who should be in the room directly after the delivery. The mother can write down what pain medication she wants, if any, such as an epidural.

“If they want to play music, have the lighting a certain way, I don’t care as long as the mom and the baby are safe because it’s not about me,” he said.

Mothers can write down what kind of atmosphere they want, whether it’s a vocally supportive team with nurses who shout encouragements, or a quiet-as-possible environment. Mothers can identify what preferred position they want to deliver in, whether it’s squatting, semi-sitting, lying on their side, or on their hands and knees.

“If they want to do different positions and changes, I have no problem with that,” he said. Frye said people want to be able to get up and walk around, use a birthing ball, or walk the hallways.

“They don’t want to be strapped down on their back. I think that’s wonderful,” he said.

On the form, mothers can describe what they would like to happen in the event of a C-section, like who she wants in the room for it. Mothers can write down if they want to hold their baby with skin-to-skin contact directly after giving birth. People can specify what they want to happen with the umbilical cord, and if someone in particular wants to cut it.

However, in an emergency, the plan may be ignored. “I want to see that screaming, healthy child that they’re going to love and cherish and make fond memories with over the next 40-50 years,” he said.

Another trend is more people are choosing to use midwives instead of doctors. According to CNN, the number of babies born in birth centers has increased 56 percent since 2007.

While most babies continue to be born in hospitals, more mothers are choosing to have a midwife deliver their child. A rise in diabetes is causing babies to be born bigger.

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Amanda Youngs, 29, of Gaines and her husband Donavon are expecting their first child in November. They are in the process of planning their baby’s delivery, happily naturally, at Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc Township.

BABY-RELATED TRENDS

• The average age of new mothers is rising. In 2000, the average age of new moms was 25, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. In 2014, the average age was a little over 26.

• In 2016, the average age to have a child was 26.

• A after a downward trend of low birth weight, the number of babies born at less than 5-pounds, 8-ounces, rose from 8 percent in 2015, according to the CDC. However, women are still giving birth to big babies. A woman in Florida gave birth to a 13-pound, 5-ounce baby in June.

• The heaviest baby ever born was 22 pounds, 8 ounces, born to a woman in Italy, according to Guinness World Records.

• According to CBS, the oldest woman to give birth is a woman from India who was at least 70 years old. The oldest woman in America to give birth is Frieda Birnbaum, who gave birth to twin boys when she was 60 years old. Maria del Carmen Bousada de Lara of Spain gave birth to twin boys when she was 66, according to Guinness World Records.

• The most popular baby names of 2017 for girls are Emma, Olivia, Ava, and Isabella. The most popular baby names for boys are Liam, Noah, Lucas, and Mason.

In 1997, the most popular names for girls were Emily, Jessica, Ashley, and Sarah.

For boys, the most popular names were Michael, Jacob, Matthew, and Christopher.

In 1971, the most popular names were Mary, Helen, Dorothy, Margaret, John, William, James and Robert.

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Gimme a pod

A mall in China has installed what are being called “husband storage pods,” which contain a comfortable chair and video games to help him pass the time while she shops.

American malls and big box stores, please follow suit.

I don’t necessarily need the video games, although I wouldn’t be opposed if they had Galaga, which is an old-school arcade game I never quite mastered back in college but would still like to.

I’d be just as happy with a TV with Netflix.

I’m behind on “Orange is the New Black.”

Or a book. I have about 500 unread books guilting me at home. Books and chores are the worst at that.

It’d be nice to have some time to shut one or two of them up.

I’m frankly amazed malls haven’t come up with something like this before. I know it’s a stereotype — women love to shop and men hate it — but in my case it’s most true.

My idea of shopping is asking the lovely yet formidable Marcia to pick something up for me while she’s out. It never works. “I am not picking out underwear again for you,” is her usual response, which is why I have underwear older than my kids.

One of these days I’m going to have to break down and go to JCPenney to break down and go to JCPenney to break down and go to JCPenney.

My idea of underwear is a 3-pack of my usual boxers. No pattern, same brand as always, if possible.

Then I’m out of there. Five minutes tops. I do not “shop.” I “buy.” It’s one of my best traits, I think.

Marcia, on the other hand, is a shopper. To her shopping is recreational, therapeutic even.

Fine. I’m not going to judge. I just can’t do it. It’s just not in my nature, as I’ve explained, but I also happen to have a serious medical condition called “mall foot.”

Mall foot is a sharp, painful ache that starts in the arches and radiates up the shins, forcing me to find one of those benches outside the store. A lot of guys get this. It’s a real thing. Swear to God. Although Marcia doesn’t buy it.

“I don’t seem to bother you when you’re playing racquetball with your buddies,” she says.

I know. It’s the damnedest thing.

Medical science will find a cure someday, I’m sure.

But I hope not in my lifetime.

I also do not waste time on selection. I will not consider tighty-whities — what am I, a 6-year-old? I will not look at boxer briefs, I most certainly will not get bikini briefs — the world has enough troubles. Instead, I grab a 3-pack of my usual boxers. No pattern, if possible. Same brand as always, if possible.

When I do, there will be no messing around. I am a very focused clothes shopper. To her shopping is thought of as Princess Diana’s worst at that.

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What were you doing when you heard the news of Princess Diana’s death?

Joe Buzo

Fenton

Ken Lee

Fenton Township

Matt Verhele

Linden

"No clue, actually."

"That’s really far back to remember what I was doing. I think I was in the front room watching television."

"I think I was probably sleeping when it happened, but we all heard it on the morning news. I was drinking my coffee."

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"I was so young, but I remember. I was at our cottage playing with Barbies. It was scary because I heard my parents say that a princess had died."

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Children under 12 years of age competed in a doughnut-eating contest. The sweets were tied to a string, hanging from a tree. Competitors weren’t allowed to use their hands and they would be eliminated if the doughnut fell on the ground.

Dylan Beale, 8, from Fenton, won the doughnut-eating contest. “The hardest part was when I was trying to eat it off my knee because it wasn’t allowed to fall on the ground,” he said, adding that he’s excited to get free doughnuts for a year. All kids who participated won free doughnuts for a year.

The Fenton Winery and Brewery hosted the annual beer stein-holding contest, where people competed to see who could hold up a stein filled with water the longest. Debbie McIntyre won the women’s competition and Matt Bully won the men’s competition.

Philip Canup, owner of Beale St. Smokehouse BBQ, said they’ve been coming to Taste in Fenton for at least seven years. “This has been going really well,” he said. “We actually have done really well in this event ever since we’ve been coming here.”

They ran out of ribs about an hour before the event ended. Canup said he’s happy Fenton has events like Taste in Fenton where he can interact with people more.

“I like talking to customers and figuring out how they feel about the restaurant. I really enjoy talking to customers,” he said. “We just love what we’re doing.”

The Fenton Chamber of Commerce uses the proceeds to put on other events, and to fund its three scholarships.

The money from the car raffle will help the chamber build a “high-tech” room. Day said this room will contain video equipment, smart boards and other technology that the community will be able to use for conferences, webinars and other projects.

“We really appreciate all the people who volunteered because obviously without them we could not put on the event,” she said.

Day said they really appreciate their main sponsors, The State Bank and VG’s.
Local church blesses emergency vehicles

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To show its support for local first responders, the St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church hosted an event to bless emergency vehicles.

At the annual Blessing of Vehicles on Sunday, July 23, Fr. Gabriel Bilas blessed vehicles from the Fenton Fire Department, Fenton Police Department, Livingston County Sheriff’s Department and from the Grand Blanc area. First responders brought their fire trucks, police vehicles and motorcycles to be blessed. Families of first responders also attended.

According to the church, blessing the vehicles is an ancient custom of the Original Christian Church in honor of the Prophet Elijah, who ascended to heaven on a fiery chariot.

“It is so important for our community to pray for and recognize all of our first responders — the police and fire departments who keep us safe from the vicious acts of the devil,” Bilas said. “In a society that has slowly begun to vilify our first responders, most especially our local police, we wanted them to know that a majority of our local community loves them, respects them, and will always be praying for their safety, as they continue to protect and serve us.”

Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff said, “We feel it is very important to have a good relationship with those organizations that we provide service to. We felt honored that the congregation wanted us at their service and that they wanted to bless our vehicles that protect their community.

“It is always interesting to learn about different traditions or beliefs and we were welcomed by all of the members … In light of the current environment in our country I think it is extremely important for people to get to know each other and support each other. That was exactly what this event was all about,” he said.
World continues to mourn the ‘People’s Princess’

It’s been 20 years since the crash in a Paris tunnel that claimed Princess Diana’s life

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The world wept when they learned the news on Aug. 31, 1997, that Princess Diana, loved by everyone whether they knew her or not, had died from injuries she sustained in an Aug. 30, 1997 car crash in a Paris tunnel.

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BY SALLY RUMMEL
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$8.1-million renovation planned for local Mott campus

Construction is set to begin Spring 2019

By Hannah Ball
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The Southern Lakes Branch Center of Mott Community College (MCC) on Thompson Road in Fenton Township will undergo an $8.1-million renovation.

“This renovation project will enable us to perform nearly a complete remodel of the building,” said Larry Gawthrop, chief financial officer at MCC. “The renovations will enhance and upgrade classroom facilities and laboratories, replace and improve the operating efficiency of heating and cooling systems, upgrade water supply and building fire safety systems, and repair or replace exterior wall systems including exterior doors and windows.”

The Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget approved the project, as part of the Capital Outlay Request process, with a request that the state and college each pay 50 percent of the cost. The state and the college will contribute $4.05 million each.

“This work will help MCC maintain its mission to provide high quality, accessible, and affordable educational opportunities, while ensuring energy efficiency and health and safety of its students, staff, and community well into the future,” Gawthrop said.

The Southern Lakes Branch Center building contains the Law Enforcement Regional Training Academy, the physical therapy and occupational therapy degree programs, and general education classes, according to MCC. The college bought the building from Consumers Energy in 1994.

Construction is expected to start Spring of 2019.
OVERDOSE IN SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
At 8:50 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 2, Springfield Township Fire Department responded to Farley Road in Springfield Township/Clermont on a report of a deceased 60-year-old male, possibly from an overdose of Xanax.

HOLLY WOMAN ARRESTED FOR DRIVING WITH SUSPENDED LICENSE
On July 31, a Holly police officer noticed a vehicle traveling 56 mph on North Holly Road, which has a speed limit of 45 mph. A traffic stop was initiated on North Holly Road at Stoneridge. The driver, a 34-year-old Holly woman, provided her registration, however, her insurance was expired. A computer check revealed that her license was suspended in Fenton and that she was ineligible to drive. The woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license. She was taken to the police station for processing and a friend retrieved her vehicle.

HOLLY WOMAN’S LAWNMOWER STOLEN
On Aug. 1, a Holly police officer was dispatched to the 100 block of Bevin’s Street on a report of a stolen lawnmower. The owner reported that someone took her green Lawnboy push mower between 7 and 7:30 p.m., while she was taking a break from mowing. Police checked the area but were unable to locate the mower. The woman was advised to let police know if she located it. Value of the mower is nearly $200.

HOLLY COUPLE’S BICYCLES STOLEN
On July 28, a 31-year-old Holly woman reported to Holly police that sometime over the past day, someone had stolen two bicycles belonging to her and her husband, which were parked along the side of their apartment building on Grange Hall Road. One bicycle was described as red and black Huffy, with an aftermarket seat. The other bicycle was described as purple and having a large silver basket on the back.

HELEN HORCHA CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY
Lifelong area resident, Helen Horcha will turn 100 on Aug. 16, 2017. Helen was born in Youngstown, Ohio and moved to Michigan at an early age. She married Joe Horcha, and together, they ran an excavating company in the Flint area. After Joe’s death, Helen moved to Fenton. Helen has always been known for her cooking skills and her fabulous family meals. Her hobbies include reading, painting, crocheting and card playing. At 100 years of age, she continues to maintain a positive attitude, quick wit and great sense of humor. She has four children: Joan Horcha (Jerry Haddad), Jerry (Paula), John (Zoe) and Jan (Mike) Richards. There are seven grandchildren: Dawn (Mark) Nelson, Lisa Taylor, Matt (Brenda) Horcha, Kate (Jason) Bishop, Stacey Horcha, Bart (Karina) Horcha and Patrick Richards. There are nine great-grandchildren: Eric Nelson, Rachel and Luke Taylor, Hanna and Isabella Horcha, Benjamin and Bodin Bishop, Jonathan and Kaelin Horcha. Helen lived independently until a year ago, and now resides at Tanglewood Assisted Living of Fenton. There will be several birthday celebrations, and a family dinner celebration on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2017.

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Holly Education Foundation continues support for teachers

Since 2014, the Foundation has made grants available to Holly Area School teachers and staff to fund projects that need financial support. Over the past three years, the Foundation has awarded over $25,000 in grant monies to teachers. These grants have been used in a variety of ways for technology needs and supplemental materials, such as: wireless computer headphones, aquaponics sensors, supplemental books and software for literature and reading classes, non-fiction books to support science curriculum, hands-on math materials, trail cams, chrome books, high school community trail, and much more.

Two annual fundraisers keep the Foundation’s grant monies secure. Save the dates for next year:
• Golf Outing, May 12, 2018 at Fenton Farms
• Polar Plunge, Feb. 24, 2018 at Davisburg Mill Pond

Visit the Foundation’s Facebook page or website at hollyedfoundation.org for updated information on their events.

With federal and state budget cuts to public schools, the foundation has become even more important for educators. Ultimately, the foundation feels it is crucial to take a vested interest in the future of the Holly community, while also helping students enhance their education. The Foundation thanks each contributor, whether small or large, because every dollar counts.

It is a thrill for the Foundation to watch teachers receive their grant checks, to see a student’s eyes light up when they find out they are getting new classroom supplies, or to be handed a beautiful thank-you note from a grant recipient.

The Foundation also raises money in other ways, as through memorial gifts, insurance, policies, estate planning, cash contributions and payroll deductions.

For more information on how to help the Holly Education Foundation, send an email to: hollyeducationfoundation@gmail.com.

Lake Fenton High School’s Class of 2007 is planning its 10-year reunion for Saturday, Sept. 16 at 6 p.m. at the Redwood Steakhouse Brewery & Grill, Old Sequoia Lounge, 5304 Gateway Center, Flint. There will be heavy hors d’oeuvres, cash bar and a live band at 9 p.m. Go to http://lake-fenton2007.weebly.com/ for more details and a way to buy tickets.

News briefs
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WHAT YOU MISSED in the MIDWEEK TIMES
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The following are stories you may have missed in the Wednesday, Aug. 2, Midweek Times. To subscribe and receive both the Midweek and Sunday Weekend editions, please call (810) 629-8282.

$1.3-million Thompson Road project has begun
The Genesee County Road Commission began work on Thompson Road, between U.S. 23 and Torrey Road in Fenton Township, last week.

We need your tornado photos
Times prepares for 10-year anniversary of F2 tornado; seeks photos, videos, stories.

IRS and other phone scams on the rise
Phony calls primarily target elderly.

Pizza Hut coming back to Owen Road
Developer has gained site plan approval; Qdoba and Starbucks may be among other tenants.

Local state rep taking heat for Twitter post
Calls out fellow Republicans for failing to repeal Obamacare.

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MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, July 21. The Legislature is on a summer break with no sessions scheduled until Aug. 16. Rather than votes, this report contains some interesting or noteworthy legislative proposals to amend the constitution. To become law these require a two-thirds vote in the House and Senate and approval by voters.

House Joint Resolution L: Allow private school vouchers for special needs children

Introduced by Rep. Tim Kelly (R), to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to require the state to provide financial support for children with special needs to attend a private school, up to the amount that would be provided if the child were enrolled in a regular public school. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Joint Resolution M: Eliminate state board of education

Introduced by Rep. Tim Kelly (R), to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment that would eliminate the current structure of an elected state board of education that selects a superintendent of public instruction who also directs the state Department of Education, and replace it with a governor-appointed department director like other state departments. Referred to committee, no further action at this time.

House Joint Resolution N: Reduce number of legislators

Introduced by Rep. Michael McCready (R), to place before voters in the next general election a constitutional amendment to change the number of state representatives districts from the current 110 to 76, which is twice the number of state senate districts.

STABBING

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up to 10 years in prison and false report of a felony, punishable by up to four years in prison.

Winslow was arraigned on Monday, July 31. Bond was set at $800,000. He remains in the Genesee County Jail.

Kathryn Marie Serra, 32, of Fenton Township has been charged with accessory after the fact, punishable by up to five years in prison; false report of a felony, punishable by up to four years in prison and resisting and obstructing police, punishable by up to two years in prison.

Serra was arraigned on July 31 and her bond was set at $225,000.

The following are the details of what allegedly occurred the night of July 28.

The Genesee County Sheriff’s Office, with assistance from Fenton police, responded to a home in the 3000 block of Bay View Drive off North Road in Fenton Township at approximately 2:30 am on a report of a stabbing. The victim, identified as a 28-year-old man, who resides at the Bay View Drive address, had been stabbed multiple times in the face.

Responding officers found the victim outside the home with multiple stab wounds to his head, neck and face. He said his alleged attacker, Winslow, might have fled the scene. He added that his girlfriend, Serra, also was allegedly present during the attack but he did not know where she had gone.

Winslow and Serra were found a short time later near Lake Ponemah Mobile Home Park, approximately one-quarter mile away, by a Mt. Morris Township Home Park, approximately one-quarter mile away, by a Mt. Morris Township K-9 unit.

The sheriff’s office investigation revealed that Winslow, Serra and the victim met when they were all patients in a psychiatric unit at a Flint hospital in April. The two men became romantically involved with Serra. The men had a falling out because of their relationships with Serra and Winslow moved to Caro.

According to the sheriff’s office, the victim and Serra picked up Winslow in Bay City on July 27 and brought him back to the Bay View Drive home where they drank alcohol and took prescription medications.

The victim reported that Winslow at-
ECLIPSE
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Fenton resident Kim Weber is traveling to Virginia for the event.

“My husband and son are fascinated by anything to do with space and our solar system,” she said. “I am going with my husband, Joe Weber, son Eric Weber and his girlfriend, Sarah Farrar.”

People in Michigan will be able to see a partial eclipse, not a full one. The total eclipse path, called the path of totality, is only about 70 miles wide crossing the U.S. from West to East. It will start in Oregon at 9:05 a.m., and then go through Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, and North and South Carolina. It will end in Charleston, South Carolina at 2:48 p.m.

Weber and her family are renting a home 50 miles from the path of totality and are driving to a viewing point to see the total eclipse.

In Michigan, 75 to 90 percent of the eclipse will be visible, meaning the moon will block 75 to 90 percent of the sun. In Fenton, the eclipse will start at approximately 1 p.m., and peak viewing time will be around 2:30 p.m. The moon will move past the sun by 3:46 p.m. Everyone in North America, parts of South America, Africa and Europe will be able to see a partial eclipse.

“It’s dangerous to look directly at the sun without eye protection, except during totality. NASA recommends buying a filtering device that protects your eyes. Eclipse glasses are available on Amazon for less than $20.”

Weber said they might use a paper plate with a pinhole to watch. This involves taking a large box, cutting out a hole for your head. The longer the box, the larger the projection. Then you tape a small square of aluminum foil near the top on one end of the box, and poke a small hole in it. Tape a sheet of paper from the inside of the box, on the opposite side of the hole. Stick your head through the hole and stand with your back to the sun. The light will come in and you will see a small projection, a negative image, of the eclipse.

BIRTH
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“Midwives give more of that holistic experience, more natural experiences,” he said.

While there have been headlines about rising birth weights, Frye said he sees higher birth weights in populations with higher socioeconomic status.

“It depends on the genetics of the population,” he said. “Also we are seeing a rise in diabetes as we are unhealthy people and we eat fast food. With diabetes, you see larger babies.”

Pregnant women can also get gestational diabetes during pregnancy, which is caused by the placenta producing hormones that can lead to a buildup of sugar in the blood. Usually, the pancreas can make enough insulin to handle that. If not, blood sugar levels will rise and can cause gestational diabetes.

Frye said women who get gestational diabetes have a 50 percent chance of becoming diabetics later in life.

One trend is that moms are wanting more immediate skin-to-skin contact with their babies right after delivery. They also want to delay clamping the placenta to let more blood flow to the baby.

“I’m very pro that,” Frye said. “It’s only going to help you.”

This can help prevent heart bleeds and other issues that come along with prematurity, and helps the baby survive longer. He said they still tell expectant moms to walk away from deli meat and caffeine. Women should gain about half a pound a week during a pregnancy.

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The room you come laboring in, you stay away from deli meat and caffeine. Women should gain about half a pound a week during a pregnancy.

Frye said McLaren is the only hospital in the area that has a labor and delivery, and inpatient maternity unit.

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The Fenton Department of Public Works (DPW) uses a steel-clamp pipe to patch a hole the size of a grapefruit in the 12-inch water main pipe beneath Dauner Road in Fenton on Tuesday, Aug. 1. The break left approximately 60 city customers, including Dauner Haus residents with weak or nonexistent water pressure from 8 a.m. to approximately 6 p.m. The problem required the attention of most of the DPW and water departments. Repairs require powerful pumps to continuously pull the leaking water from the hole. According to the DPW, approximately 200,000 gallons leaked over the course of the day.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JASBLES

LOOKING BACK
at this week in
NATIONAL HISTORY

Compiled by Vera Hogan

AUG. 6
1926: On her second attempt, 19-year-old Gertrude Ederle becomes the first woman to swim the 21 miles from Dover, England, to Cape Griz-Nez across the English Channel, which separates Great Britain from the northeastern tip of France.

AUG. 7
1959: From the Atlantic Missile Range in Cape Canaveral, Florida, the U.S. unmanned spacecraft “Explorer 6” is launched into an orbit around the earth. The spacecraft, commonly known as the “Paddlewheel” satellite, featured a photocell scanner that transmitted a crude picture of the earth’s surface and cloud cover from a distance of 17,000 miles. The photo, received in Hawaii, took nearly 40 minutes to transmit.

AUG. 8
1974: In an evening televised address, President Richard M. Nixon announces his intention to become the first president in American history to resign. With impeachment proceedings underway against him for his involvement in the Watergate affair, Nixon was finally bowing to pressure from the public and Congress to leave the White House. “By taking this action,” he said in a solemn address from the Oval Office, “I hope that I will have hastened the start of the process of healing which is so desperately needed in America.”

AUG. 9
1969: Members of Charles Manson’s cult kill five people in movie director Roman Polanski’s Beverly Hills, California, home, including Polanski’s pregnant wife, actress Sharon Tate. Less than two days later, the group killed again, murdering supermarket executive Leno LaBianca and his wife Rosemary in their home. The savages, shocked the nation and, strangely, turned Charles Manson into a criminal icon.

AUG. 10
1981: The severed head of 6-year-old Adam Walsh, who disappeared from a shopping mall two weeks earlier, is found in a canal in Vera Beach, Florida. Two years later, career criminal Ottis Toole, then an inmate at a Raiford, Florida, prison, confessed to Adam’s abduction and murder. However, investigators were unable to locate Adam’s body where Toole claimed to have buried it and without any physical evidence the Florida state attorney couldn’t prosecute the case. Toole died of cirrhosis of the liver and AIDS in 1998 in a Florida prison, where he was on Death Row for another murder. On Dec. 16, 2008, the police department in Hollywood, Florida, announced that the case against Toole was strong enough to close the investigation into Adam’s death.

AUG. 11
2014: Actor and comedian Robin Williams, who rose to prominence in the late 1970s in the hit TV sitcom “Mork & Mindy” then went on to star in dozens of films, including “Dead Poets Society” (1989), “Mrs. Doubtfire” (1993) and “Good Will Hunting” (1997), is found dead at his home in Toluca, California, after committing suicide. After his death, it was announced the 63-year-old entertainer had been suffering from severe depression and was in the early stages of Parkinson’s disease.

AUG. 12
1990: Fossil hunter Susan Hendrickson discovers three huge bones jutting out of a cliff near Faith, South Dakota. They turn out to be part of the largest-ever Tyrannosaurus rex skeleton ever discovered, a 65-million-year-old specimen dubbed Sue, after its discoverer. Amazingly, Sue’s skeleton was over 90 percent complete, and the bones were extremely well preserved.

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JASBLES
HOT LINE CONTINUED

IF ADULTS ARE going to ride their bicycles on the roads, they should wear helmets. Had a guy wipe out in front of me on North Holly Road. I was able to miss him but he didn’t have a helmet and had I hit him it could have been a bad situation.

OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT was established by citizens who wanted to pay for their lack of upkeep.

THANKS TO FENTON Township for mowing the farm property on Lakeview Park Drive. Please send the bill to the farm, the taxpayers should not have to pay for their lack of upkeep.

I FEEL SORRY for the person who thinks he understands evolution. One day you will get on your knees and make amends for your folly.

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TORNADO
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If others took photos or videos, please share them with the Times so that these can be added to our tornado coverage, which will be published in the Aug. 20 Weekend Times edition.
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La Marsa
Meet
JULIE WILLIAMS

• Lake Fenton Community Schools interim superintendent
• Breast cancer survivor
• University of Michigan fan

By Hannah Ball
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Julie Williams, 47, took the position of interim superintendent at Lake Fenton Community Schools on July 1. In her 18 years at Lake Fenton, she’s worn many hats, including high school principal, director of curriculum and instruction, assistant superintendent, and many others. She and her family live in Clio, and are thinking about moving to the Fenton area once their fourth daughter graduates from high school.

What made you want to go into this field?

When I left high school, my first full-time job was as the high school secretary at the school I graduated from. I learned a lot about the educational system and decided that’s what I wanted to do.

My goal from the beginning was that I would be a teacher for a while and then go into administration. I taught psychology, sociology, government, economics, current events, world history, U.S. history and law. I loved it.

What’s your favorite thing about teaching?

The kids. I just love having an impact on students and helping them with their future. It’s great working with the teachers. Lake Fenton is awesome because it’s a family type of atmosphere. The relationships you can build in education are phenomenal.

What do you do in your free time?

I like to golf. I like to spend time with my family. We have four awesome daughters. Three of them are out of high school now. Two are in college, one has finished her college work and is working, and our baby is a senior. I love spending time with my husband, sitting around the campfire and just relaxing, floating in the pool. I’m also the president of Fenton Kiwanis, so I spend a large amount of time volunteering.

How was it raising four daughters?

Challenging and rewarding. My husband jokes about having all the women around him but at the same time feels very blessed because he’s very spoiled by all the girls. We have a blended family so that’s been very unique raising them together as one unit.

Do you have any pets?

We have Goldie the black cat, and she is not a nice cat. She’s not a snugly kind of cat, which kind of defeats the purpose of having a cat. She’ll get up and sit next to you but it’s all on her terms.

Do you like to read?

I’ve been reading two books this summer. The first is “Leading with Soul.” It’s a story about a guy who finds very good people, and then helps him through leadership. The second one is “Good to Great.” It’s about what helps a company or firm, or even school system, to go from good to great. It’s a great book.

What’s your favorite movie?

“Up close and personal.” It’s a story about a young woman who becomes a journalist. My favorite song is played in that movie so that adds to it. “Because you loved me” by Celine Dion.

What was your very first job?

I worked at an ice cream store in Mt. Morris. It was fun. You got to try all the different ice cream flavors.

Would you go to Mars if you had the chance?

I don’t think I would go and the only reason I’m extremely claustrophobic. Getting into a space shuttle to get there, I just don’t think I could do it. We have an astronaut from Lake Fenton, Mike Bloomfield. Star Wars or Star Trek?

Star Wars. Original.

Do you like sports?

We watch Michigan football religiously. Every Saturday, we watch college football. Our basement is obnoxiously decorated in Michigan colors. We have people over; we’re always the host house.

Where are you from?

I grew up in Mt. Morris. I had three brothers and sisters. I was that oops baby. They told my mom she had a tumor and the tumor kept growing and finally I had a heartbeat. I lost my dad when I was young, a freshman in high school. That was a very difficult time. He had an aneurysm rupture so he was in a coma for four-and-a-half months.

My grades fell off. I was a straight-A kid up until that point. That really was a driving force for me to finish my education. One of the big things we’re working on here is making connections with kids because no one connected with me at that time.

My mom died when I was pregnant with my first child. I’ve had quite a road. I’m also a breast cancer survivor. All of those things strengthens, that’s how I look at it. You can take your challenges and you can grow from them or you can use them as an excuse. That’s always my message to kids, is I know bad things happen to a lot of people but you have to grow from them.
Frederick leads our class of talented soccer players

All-State performer is our Female Soccer Player of the Year

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Some soccer players are pure scorers. Others are passers, physical players or high energy players.

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THE FREDERICK FILES

Here is a look back at the 2017 Tri-County Female Soccer Player of the Year, Alia Frederick's credentials...

• Not only was Frederick a first-team All-Metro selection, she was a Division 1 First-Team All-State performer for the Linden Eagles.
• Frederick scored 17 goals and dished a team-high 23 assists this spring. No one else on the team had more than seven assists.
• She was tied for the lead with six game-winning goals.
• Frederick helped lead the Eagles to a 22-3-1 overall record which included a first-ever state semifinal trip in Linden girls soccer history.
• She was a three-year captain.

Orange Runners club still running strong after 14 years

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For 14 years Brian Simmerman’s summer has been filled with events like they were on Thursday at Fenton High School’s track.

Surrounded by about 80 area elementary and middle school students, Simmerman was setting up a game of tag among the young athletes in the middle of the football field. While he was doing that, many of the children’s parents were doing their own workouts, whether it be walking or jogging, around the track.

Simmerman loves the scene. He loves running and he loves figure out ways to get future generations to embrace his passion. That’s why Simmerman has been the head coach for the Big Orange Runners Club for the last 14 summers.

“I want to get them to be excited about exercising and running.” Simmerman said.

“We are able to have the parents participate as well. We are able to get full families out here exercising. While playing the sport as well. It will be cool seeing it helps create that first-game excitement.” Simmerman said.

What I think I find bothersome about the format is starting games almost two weeks prior to Labor Day. Most schools don’t begin their academic years until after Labor Day, meaning teams play two games the kids even get into school. The first game of a new season is supposed to be the first game of a new season is supposed to be special, and when the season begins prior to the start of school, it just doesn’t feel ‘real.’

Special first-game events

• Last year Fenton opened the season with a game at Grand Valley State University. This year the Tigers open with a game at the University of Michigan’s football stadium against Brandon, and Linden football plays in another at Flint’s Atwood Stadium.
• I haven’t completely figured out what I think about these types of events. I think it’s cool for the kids to play in different venues, and I think it helps create that first-game excitement as well. It will be cool seeing both teams play in those venues.
• However, there’s also something cool about playing in your own home stadium. Teams only get four or five home games as it is. My gut reaction is I wouldn’t want to sacrifice one of my team’s home games to play in another at Flint’s Atwood Stadium.
• I’m sure my thoughts on this one are not entirely fashioned. I’m sure the kids love it, and that’s what probably matters the most.

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The Orange Runners Club, a Crim youth program, meets twice each week at the Fenton High School during the summer. On Tuesday, 70 children ran along the track while the track was being resurfaced.

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she could do it all. Well, almost everything.
“She’s extremely bright. She has great vision. She’s quick,” Fiebernitz said. “The only thing I can say she lacks is she hates to head a ball. A lot of girls don’t, but she can do everything else. She can serve balls in, do corners, her restarts are really good. She takes charge on the field and is a leader in our community. She’s one of those kids that has it all.”

Fiebernitz did it all for the Linden Eagles during the spring, helping lead the squad to a record-breaking season. She scored 17 goals and dished a team-leading 23 assists. She ended with 57 total points, also leading the squad. Her six-game winning goals also tied for the top spot in the state. Her performances and leadership helped the Eagles to a 22-3-1 overall record and a Division 2 district title. The team’s season didn’t end there. They also captured the first-ever regional title in girls soccer history at Linden, earning a spot in the state semifinals. That’s where the squad’s run finally ended.

“I was really happy with (the season),” Frederick said. “It was probably my best season of the four years so it was nice going out on a good note. It always feels good when you play hard and I felt we played hard the majority of the season. When the seniors are working hard, the others work hard too, so that helped for whole atmosphere.”

The Eagles always seemed to have a strong team, but this year the squad made their talent show in the postseason. One game that stood out over many others was the regional championship contest against Notre Dame Prep. Linden trailed 1-0 late in the first half when a rain delay hit the contest. It was good timing because it seemed at the time the Eagles were losing their grip on the game. However, when the teams returned to play about 50 minutes later with about 25 minutes to play in the first half, Frederick completely took over the contest. Her energy was infectious and she eventually scored the game-tying goal in the final minute of the first half. The teams were tied 1-all at the half. In the second half the Eagles took over, scoring two more goals and earning the 3-2 win.

“When we played Notre Dame Prep how good was she after we came out of that break,” Fiebernitz asked.

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the kids are running, we have the parents who run, walk or push strollers around the track.”

Simmerman’s program is one of many summer running clubs that are sponsored by the Crim Fitness Foundation. The summer season began with a 9 a.m. one-hour session on July 1. They have continued every Tuesday and Thursday since at Fenton High School’s track. The season continues until August 18 when all of the summer running clubs around the Flint area compete at the Kids Invitation- al at Flushing Country Park. While there, the runners ranging from 5 to 17 from the various clubs will compete in one of three races — either a ¼-mile, 1/2-mile or one-mile timed run. The club is remarkably affordable, costing $5 for the entire summer.

This year’s program has been a bit larger than past ones. Simmerman said 127 children are enrolled. Simmerman said that most sessions include between 70 to 80 of the children. Simmerman said the Fenton club is one of the largest of the summer running clubs the Crim sponsors.

“This is a great running community,” Simmerman said. “Fenton’s track and cross country teams have done very well in recent years and having a quality running store like the Red Fox in town helps.”

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