Parolee assaults couple at local hotel

■Jailed, charged with felonious assault **Bv Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Michael Fisk, 41, formerly of Flint, has been charged with felonious assault after allegedly attacking and choking a man and woman in a Comfort Inn hotel room on Silver Parkway in Fenton on Aug. 5. Sgt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said officers were

dispatched to the hotel at 12:42 a.m. after they received the 911 call from one of the victims. Cross said responding officers arrived on scene and met with the victims, a 55-year-old woman and

her 50-year-old boyfriend. They,



Michael Lee Fisk

have no current address.

Police learned that the victims and Fisk knew each other after meeting in Flint at a shelter and were all in the hotel room. Police are unsure as to why the three were staying at the Fenton hotel. The victims reported that Fisk became angry and allegedly began choking the woman.

too, are formerly of Flint, however, Her boyfriend attempted to break up the fight and Fisk allegedly began punching and choking him until he couldn't breathe.

> Cross said alcohol was a factor with all three individuals.

> Fisk fled when the woman called 911. Police eventually located Fisk and arrested him for aggravated assault. See ASSAULT on 6



'I wish I had died'

■ Matthew Carrier speaks about crash that killed five people

By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com: 810-433-6792 Matthew Jordan Carrier, who's lodged at the Livingston County Jail without bond for the deaths of five people in a fatal vehicle crash on May 9, said he's sorry for what happened. See CARRIER on 6



Matthew Carrier, the driver in the crash that killed five people in May, said he doesn't remember not stopping at the stop sign.

Poplar Street construction begins



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the skewed connection we currently

have. New signals will be installed at this intersection as well, and then the

The contractor, Champagne &

See POPLAR STREET on 9

Marx Excavating, was awarded its bid

entire street will be resurfaced."

At the Poplar Street construction site, Fenton Department of Public Works Assistant Director Kelly Fletcher (right), chats with representatives from the engineering firm OHM and excavators Champagne & Marx about the project, which began with underground storm drain work Tuesday morning. The \$640,000 project will realign and repave the heavily used connecting road.

Project is expected to be completed in November

of the Department of Public Works.

sically involves some upgrades to

the storm water system, realigning

the Poplar Street intersection with

Silver Lake Road to be more of a

Czarnecki said, "The project ba-

By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 Work to realign and resurface Poplar Street from Silver Lake Road to North Road in Fenton has begun. It started at 8 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, according to Dan Czarnecki, director perpendicular connection instead of

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Linden city starts talks on building river walk

Councilors discuss developing commercial property on the Shiawassee

By Hannah Ball hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792

Linden — The Department of Public Works (DPW) site in Linden at 132 E. Broad St. sits along the Shiawassee River, hidden away from most other buildings, on a parcel not visible from the main road where the vegetation is overgrown near the water. At its work session Monday, Aug. 14, the

Linden City Council started talks to develop the property by building a boardwalk along the river and bringing in commercial and residential development. "There's not a lot

of walkways along

the river...imagine

if we decide to do

SUMMARY The Linden City Council discussed developing the current Department of Public Works property at 132 E. Broad St. into a commercial space with a boardwalk on the river.

something on this particular site," said City Manager Paul Zelenak. "In most towns that you go to, you see development right along the river and river walks that are really used a lot."

The city owns several pieces of property in the area, including the 9.1-acre site where DPW currently sits, the 6.8 acres of Eagle Wooden Park, and they're looking to acquire additional property adjacent to those. A new location for the DPW facility is

yet to be determined.

The council talked about leasing or renting out property to businesses along the river walk, and adding residential property nearby.

"There's limitless development on what we can do," Zelenak said. Councilor Ray Culbert said they could bring in eating and shopping places

along the river walk. Councilor Heather MacDermaid recommended zoning the property mixed use.

"Mixed use would work really well here. The ability to be seen by the road for some of this stuff is really highly advantageous,"



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Linden officials are considering the idea of relocating the Linden Department of Public Works building and developing the property running along the Shiawassee River to attract new businesses and visitors.

Zelenak said. "It's desirable. This is the type of space people want to be a part of, this is what people like to have within their downtown. People are going to want to be in our downtown."

In many communities with river walks, the boardwalk continues

This is the type of space people want to be a part of, this is what people like to have within their downtown. 77
underneath any bridges. Zelenak said in Linden, there's enough room under the bridge to continue the boardwalk, but they would need to acquire property on the east side of the bridge. The council talked about

Paul Zelenak

Linden city manager

The council talked about adding more parking in the area, and bridges along the river.

Zelenak said he hopes they connect the river walk to the Eagle Wooden Park.

"So many people don't know about this park," he said. "Unless you walk down Walmer, you do not even know that this park exists."

See DPW on 8



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Fenton man flashes gun at neighbor

Charged with assault with a dangerous weapon

By Sharon Stone sstone@tctimes.com;

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James Banks, 24, of Fenton was arraigned Aug. 10 in Genesee County District Court with carrying a concealed weapon without a license and assault with a dangerous weapon following an incident in Fenton on Aug. 7.

Sgt. Jeff Cross of the Fenton Police Department said police responded to an apartment off Torrey Road at 6:07 p.m. after a caller reported that a man, appearing to be working on his car, was holding a silver pistol in his hand.

Responding police located the man, identified as Banks, near his vehicle. When asked if he had a firearm, Banks said he was in possession of one. A search revealed a loaded 9 mm handgun in his pocket. Banks did not have a Concealed Pistol License (CPL). He was arrested for reckless use of a firearm and transported to the police station for processing.

Cross said the caller initially reported the gun to police because he believed Banks was flashing the gun at him in a threatening manner.

Banks was released after posting \$18,000 in bond. He has a probable cause conference on Aug. 24 at 1 p.m.



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If I Were King...

The buck stops here...

lame anyone for anything lately? I know I certainly have. And it's very likely you have also. You see, we've become a generation of blamers - nothing is ever our fault. But I blame my parents for that (just kidding, but see how easy it is).

Think about the last time you, or the person you were meeting, arrived late for an appointment. I'll wager my kingdom that the con-

versation went something like this --- "Sorry I'm late. Traffic was unbelievable. It was stop and go for two miles."



The actual conversation should have gone something like

this — "Sorry I'm late. Even though I know that traffic backs up every day on that road I didn't allow any time for it and consequently, through my own lack of planning, I am late."

But don't feel alone. Blaming something or someone for our own shortcomings is a trait that has recently become standard fare in society. Criminals are victims of parental or societal 'abuse.' The drunk isn't responsible for being a drunk, they 'suffer' from alcoholism. Drug addicts are the result of a 'dysfunctional' family upbringing. The rebellious teenager has 'low self-esteem' and the loser that hasn't worked for years 'just can't get a break.'

Horse\$#!+! The truth is that each one of these individuals makes choices every day of their lives. The criminal chooses to steal. The drunk chooses to drink. The junkie chooses to use drugs. The teenager chooses to rebel and the unemployed man chooses not to work.

The problem is that society doesn't make people accountable for their choices anymore.

I think the whole process starts as children. Responsible parents should allow their children to make choices and then live with those choices. If your second-grader informs you at 9:30 at night that he has to bring cookies to school the next day, don't stay up all night baking them. Teach him the consequences of being irresponsible. The humiliation of arriving at school emptyhanded will be an experience he will never forget.

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And no, it's not easy. It's actually much easier to just bake the cookies. But that's exactly the point — doing the right thing is almost always more difficult — and unpopular. But it's our job as parents to teach our children about the repercussions of choices while they are young and the consequences are minimal. Better to learn in second grade than in the courthouse.

Here's an idea — be the Blame Police for one week. Note how often you observe the people around you blaming someone or something (even inanimate objects like ladders, computers or cell phones) for their own shortcomings. And there's no better place to start than with your own children - blame-shifters are made, not born. Let's teach our kids to stop making excuses and start taking responsibility for their actions.

If I were King, we'd all live by the creed of the great Harry S. Truman -"The buck stops here."

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Hot lines

Dear Editor, The Hot line is pointless. I'm sure it sells plenty of copies, and I understand it's a necessity in that regard. However, it's just another form of anonymous internet posting that, oddly enough, so many posters seem to deplore. Zero fact checking required. Zero chance of being called out. Zero chance of meaningful discourse. A perfect example is a recent submission where someone bemoaned the use of Facebook as useless reading with short posts. Do you see the irony here? At least a Facebook post stands a chance at civil back and forth. But not with the Hot line. For every positive submission, there's a handful of degrading ones. The vast majority of which are only opinions masqueraded as facts. A news publication should strive for only presenting the public with impartial and verifiable facts. Feel free to use my name if this is published. I'm not scared of my opinions being known

- Nathan Squires, Fenton

Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church welcomes to the pulpit, Pastor Adam Thomas, on Sunday, August 20, 2017.



Tyrone Covenant Presbyterian Church is located at 10235 White Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430

Pastor Adam is the senior pastor at Christ Community Church in Pittsburgh, PA. He will share the message "The Importance of Listening in Faith" during our worship service at 10:15 a.m..

Adam graduated in 2007 with his Master of Divinity from Virginia Beach Theological Seminary. Upon graduation he was ordained and commissioned to plant Redeemer Community Church of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania where he remains as senior pastor. Adam is also a licentiate in the PCA through the Pittsburgh Presbytery.



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I AM CURIOUS if Fenton schools are ever going to burn the brush pile that's on their land and is at the end of Bancroft Court, off Shiawassee Avenue. We see it every day driving out of the Hills of Tyrone.

HEY DEMOCRATS, WE, the people are your term limits. Come election time, you're gone.

FENTON FIRE HOUSE restaurant has a weed problem. Pull your weeds. It looks terrible around there.

WHY IS IT that every time we get a Republican president we get into another war? Reagan and the Bushes opened Pandora's box in the Middle East. Now Trump is restarting a nuclear war with North Korea. Why all the conflicts?

MAYBE IT'S JUST me, but I find that LuLaRoe makes grown women look childish, and one step away from wearing the Emperor's New Clothes. We used to call them long johns. Put on some clothes.

BEST WISHES FOR a wonderful

retirement to Juanita, owner of Holly Donut Shop. The nicest lady around made the best doughnuts for years. Have fun Juanita, no more 3 a.m. doughnut making.

THERE IS NOTHING more amusing than hearing local Neanderthals complain in the Hot lines that evolution is just a "theory'.

NO PRESIDENT HAS had so many demonstrations and controversy as Trump. Hate groups endorse him and he does nothing to shut them down. His first six months in office is chaos. Can a nuclear explosion be far off?

THE CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGIN-IA incident shows how weak Trump is in calling out the extreme right for what they are.

WHAT HAPPENED IN Charlottesville, Virginia could have happened in any 'Bastion of Liberalism,' (college town, i.e. Ann Arbor, Lansing, Detroit).

I DON'T UNDERSTAND the problem with the Starrs' barn. If you don't like it, buy the property for market value, and then tear it down. It's not your problem to worry about.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times

Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter Do you think North Korea is a threat to the U.S.?



"Unfortunately, I do, because he is so off the charts with his rhetoric that you don't know where he's coming from. North Korea is in such bad shape. I think he believes he doesn't have a lot to lose." Brad Wright, Fenton



"At this time, I do unfortunately. They have a crazy dictator and he's launching bombs from what I see on the news. The quy's a nut. I just hope it doesn't come to that."

Theresa Rine, Fenton



"Yes, because they are a little nuts. My son lived there during Desert Storm. He was at the DMZ line and getting shot at 99 percent of the time. I don't think North Korea has ever been peaceful."





"Yes. because it's North Korea. For sure. 100 percent."



"I'm hoping that they won't be, and that they can continue diplomatic talkina."

Fenton Parks Master Plan gains approval

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Sean Sage

Parks and Recreation Board

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■ Will go to Michigan Department of Natural Resources for final OK

By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 The Fenton City Council unanimously approved the new 2017-2022 Parks and Recreation Master Plan at its Monday, Aug. 14 regular meeting.

A public hearing on the plan was held during the July 10 meeting. Some suggestions were made during that hearing to change some of the wording in the plan, changes that would make it more universal with other communities and prevent limiting grant opportunities.

As a result, the plan was sent back to the parks board to make those changes.

Sean Sage, chairman of the Parks and Recreation Board,

said, "The previous five-year plan was, in my opinion, slightly less ambitious in terms of physical projects. While there were changes, including transitioning Oak Park into a community garden, improvements to the brick portions of the Riverwalk sidewalks, cleanup of the water's edge between O'Donnell Park and the Millpond park, etc., the overall scope of the plan was limited."

Sage said the updated plan focuses

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THE POTHOLES IN the eastbound lane at the intersection of Owen and Silver Parkway (west side) are horrible. Please report them to www.michigan.gov. The more reports, the sooner they will be repaired.

WHITE SUPREMISTS DESERVE vilification. 'Black Lives Matter' is their mirror image, and deserves vilification. Public debate is between the extremes of right and left. It's time for the vast middle to get vocal, and get involved.

JOHN 1:1 — 'I'm not going to argue with you. You've been told.'

I SHOULDN'T HAVE to move by Center Road. They should clean up Fenton Township of old junk cars, trailers and boats in

more on connectivity. In addition to support for the Shiawassee River designation as a National Water Trail, and the LAFF (Linden, Argentine, Fenton, Fenton Township) pathway project, the plan introduces a broad plan for a riverwalk expansion and improvement project.

"In conjunction with the walking trail, we also wanted to improve the river portion of the Riverwalk with kayak launches, additional restrooms, and several other improvements that would

encourage and simplify those coming into and through Fenton via the river to be able to enjoy the city," he said.

The parks board will be pursuing a number of funding options ranging from the traditional methods such as general fund, millages, bonds, DDAs, private donations, etc., to the grant opportunities available for recreational, non-motorized, and

environmental restoration projects through sources such as the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Michigan National Resource Fund, etc.

"We hope to begin that pursuit as soon as the plan is officially approved by the council and submitted to the state for approval," said Sage.

The MDNR has final approval of the master plan.

driveways and yards that have not been used for years. With that remark, you're probably one with junk. I don't see this in Linden or Grand Blanc.

I AM PRO-gun, but the amount of gunfire in Rose Township is really getting out of hand. Is it going to take someone hit by a wayward or ricocheted bullet before the township addresses the issue?

SPEAKING OF THE big blue cans and all the lazy inconsiderate people who feel it is acceptable to leave them out all week, it is not. Chances are the exercise of wheeling them back and forth would do you some good, and we would not have to look at them all week. No excuses.

WAS SOMEONE SHOOTING off M-80s in the area of Jeffers Lane on Monday?



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Free registry blocks adultthemed content

■ Secretary of State promotes service to protect children while online or on cell phone

It's almost back-to-school time, and Secretary of State Ruth Johnson is reminding busy parents and school administrators that there's an effective way to protect children from unwanted online ads and solicitations whether they are online at home, in the classroom or meeting with friends.

The Michigan Child Protection Registry is a free and secure service that can block adult-oriented ads for products like alcohol, tobacco, pornography and online gambling from reaching their children's email inboxes, tablets, cell phones or instant messenger IDs.

"It can be a struggle to keep up with what our kids are doing online," said Johnson, who has a teenage daughter. "Internet service is available in schools, libraries, homes and on cell phones, tablets and laptops.

"Protecting your child from unwanted internet content can be a challenge, which is why I am pleased to promote The 'ProtectMiChild' website. It offers parents and schools a secure and simple way to put some controls in place regarding the internet content children see."

Concerned parents or schools may register the electronic addresses for any devices children use at ProtectMiChild.

com. The secured registry is housed on the Secretary of State website at Protect-MiChild.com.

Once the child's cell phone number, email address and Instant Messenger ID are entered into the system, the registry will block adult internet ads for all the registered contact points for three years or until the youngest child with access to the contact point reaches the age of 18. Companies that send messages that advertise or link to prohibited products or services are required to remove the registered contact email, phone number or IM within 30 days from their mailing lists.

ProtectMiChild registrations may be renewed at any time for an additional three-year period.

U.S Census figures from 2014 show that youth under the age of 18 comprise about 22 percent of the state's population. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, teens spend an average of 2.3 hours per day engaged in electronic communication and recreation (surfing the internet, playing video games, texting with friends, and viewing TV) and nearly twice as much time on the weekends. There are a number of internet games, devices and services produced just for preschoolers.

"We live in a digital age," Johnson said. "To keep our children safe from influences and products that are not age appropriate requires action."

For more information, visit the registry at ProtectMiChild.com.



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ASSAULT

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An ambulance was called, however, both victims declined medical care.

Fisk was arraigned Aug. 8. He was charged with two counts of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder and two counts of aggravated assault. A cash surety bond of \$8,000 was ordered on each count.

Because Fisk is a parolee from a 2009 offense, he must remain in custody. He was released from prison on June 27.

A probable cause hearing in district court has been set for Aug. 17 at 1 p.m.

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Jimmy Koledo, 9, of Fenton Township caught this 4.5-pound smallmouth bass while fishing with his uncle, Steve Thome, on Lake Shannon on Saturday, Aug. 5.



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Horizon Building under construction



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The Horizon Building site at the northwest corner of North LeRoy Street and Silver Lake Road is a busy construction site. Construction company Rhoads & Johnson is building the elevator shaft first, which is already taller than The State Bank building across the street.

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us to get home. 77

Matthew Carrier

Driver in crash that killed five

CARRIER

Continued from Front Page "I never meant to do what I did to those

people," he said, according to a Livingston Daily article published this week. "I can't imagine how they feel. I know how I feel and I feel terrible. I would love to take it all back, but I can't."

As previously reported in the Times, Carrier has been charged with 19 felonies. He is facing five counts of second-degree murder, five counts of operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OWI) causing death,

two counts of OWI causing serious injury, five counts of driving with a suspended license causing death and two counts of driving with a suspended license causing serious injury.

The five people who died in the crash are Justin Andrew Humberto Henderson, 18, and Preston Wetzel 24, both of Fento

Wetzel, 24, both of Fenton, who were riding with Carrier; Candice Dunn, 36, a state probation agent from Oakland County in the other car died, along with her mother Linda Hurley, 69, of Macomb County, and Hurley's boyfriend, Jerome Tortomasia, 73, of Macomb County.

Two other people who lived include Kyle Lixie, 23, of Fenton, a passenger in the car Carrier was driving, and the driver of the car traveling east on M-59 and Dunn's boyfriend, Albert Boswell, 39, of Oakland County.

Carrier said the crash was an accident. "I wish I had died," he said, according to the Livingston Daily article. Carrier was driving with a suspended license at the time of the crash. He has a long list of past arrests including crimes, such as stealing, speeding, possession of marijuana, minor in possession of alcohol and many others.

The 21-year-old was trying to turn his life around by working at a job pouring concrete. He has a 2-year-old daughter.

Carrier said he thought he could drive the night of the crash without a problem after he hung out with friends and drank. According to the Livingston Daily article, he remembers consuming most of a fifth of Smirnoff vodka. He remembers turning on Henderson's car, turning on the map app on his cell phone, and reversing the car into the road.

The next thing he remembers is waking up with a leg injury.

Carrier failed to stop at the stop sign at the M-59 intersection while driving southbound on Argentine Road and hit a Cadillac CTS that was traveling east on M-59. He learned later that he was approaching 100 mph.

Carrier said he doesn't remember anyone telling him not to drive and that he felt "OK," according to Livingston Daily. "I never felt that

drunk," he said.

His BAC was 0.18 that night, more than twice the legal limit of 0.08. Carrier said he doesn't remember

not stopping at the stop sign, nor does he remember the crash.

While in the hospital, Carrier said no one would tell him what happened. He eventually learned that five people died.

"I don't want people to think I'm a bad person," he said, according to the Livingston Daily. "But, I don't think I'm a particularly good one. I don't think I'm a good friend either. I was trying to be a good friend that night ... I could have found a different way for us to get home." Carrier said he thinks it would be fair

if he went to prison. "I just think they should know that everybody makes mistakes," he said.

Background

The Michigan State Police-Brighton Post responded to the crash, which happened at 10:40 p.m. at the intersection of M-59 and Argentine Road. Responders described the crash as "horrific."

Dunn and the others in her car were on their way home from East Lansing where Dunn had just accepted the Michigan Department of Correction's 2017 Parole/ Probation Agent of the Year.

Internet making slang words popular

Words like 'troll' and 'savage' now have different meanings

By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Staying up-to-date on popular millennial language on social media can be difficult, especially with the ever-evolving world of the internet.

Words like "fleek" can seem like a foreign language to some, and while words like "salty" and "woke" have been integrated into the English language for hundreds of years, they can have a completely different meaning online.

Here are a few words that have become popular under a millennial-controlled internet.

Adulting

Urban dictionary defines "adulting" as "to do grown up things and hold responsibilities such as a 9-5 job, a mortgage/rent, a car payment, or anything else that makes one think of grownups."

While it seems like the noun was used as a verb only in the past two years,

linguistics journal American Speech found a tweet back from 2008 that contained the word "adulted" when talking about paying the bills and raising a family.

With the way social media works, certain phrases and words become popular to describe a trend. In this case, "adulting" is describing someone who is coming of age.

Millennials are coming of age later in life than previous generations. More college graduates are moving back home with their parents, which takes away from the sense of being an adult. Millennials are becoming first-time homeowners later in life. The U.S. Census Bureau found that 31 percent of people aged 18 to 34, which is 23 million people, lived in their parents' home in 2015, while in 1975 only 26 percent, which is 15 million people, lived at home.

Millennials are also starting families later. The age of first-time mothers is 26, a historic high according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Woke

The Oxford English Dictionary describes "woke," an adjective, as "Originally: well-informed, up-to-date. Now chiefly: alert to racial or social discrimination and injustice; frequently in *stay woke*." According to the dictionary, while people used "woke" simply to mean awake for a long time, in the 1960s, people started using it to describe someone who's well aware or well informed.

Lit/On fleek

"Lit" describes something that causes excitement. For example, a fun weekend filled with parties could be described as "lit."

"On fleek" is a phrase like "on point." It describes something, maybe an outfit, that's stylish and perfectly conveys a trend.

Troll

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"Troll" refers to someone, usually on the internet, who says incendiary

comments, acts stupid, or says inappropriate things just to make people mad.

Salty/Savage

"Salty" does not refer to salty food in this instance. When used as slang, it refers to someone who is bitter or upset. "Savage" can describe someone who has witty comebacks and clever insults.

Extra

"Extra" describes someone who tries too hard. For example, a mom who cuts her children's sandwiches into hearts can be described as "extra."

Other words or phrases that sprouted roots years ago

OMG — This popular acronym, short for "oh my God," dates back to 1917, according to Time.

Selfie — The first photo considered a selfie was taken in 1839 by amateur chemist and photographer Robert Cornelius from Philadelphia, according to publicdomainreview.org.

GIF — GIF, which is short for graphics interchange format, just celebrated its 30th birthday this past June, according to Time. This word refers to moving photos or very short videos, maybe a second in length. GIFs are commonly used as reactions on social media. **Emoji/emoticon** — The first emojis were invented by a young Japanese engineer, Shigetaku Kurita in the late 1990s, according to Vice News. The word "emoji" combines the Japanese words for picture — e, and character — moji.



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The Linden Department of Public Works building off North Bridge Street may be replaced with a different building at another location.

DPW

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The council agreed that the DPW building should be moved, and the new location has not been decided. Zelenak said having a municipal building located in central business district is not the best use of the land.

"To move this DPW facility away from one of the most valuable pieces of property in the downtown would probably be for the best," he said, adding that they can consult their Master Plan to decide where to move it.

Plans are still in the early, conceptual stages. The councilors need to figure out exactly what they want, Zelenak said, and the city needs to get Department of Environment Quality permits to build walkways along the river.

"I think we continually move on this. This is maybe step 10 out of 80 steps that we have in this process," he said.



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO GearUp Academy students meet four days a week to complete online curriculum and participate in mentor-led life skill activities.

GearUp Academy offers nontraditional high school experience

Eight local students participated in the first year

By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 GearUp Academy is gearing up for the upcoming school year.

According to Executive Director Winston Stoody of Fenton, it is a nontraditional high school that provides opportunities for students to cultivate a growth mindset and develop the social and emotional skills needed to succeed.

Located in the Ferris Wheel Building, 615 S. Saginaw St., Flint, the GearUp program balances academic curriculum with experiential training in recognizing opportunities, critical thinking, problem solving, communication skills, and entrepreneurial thinking, said Stoody.

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"The work requirement is new," said Stoody. "We have over 15 area business partners.

"Our primary focus is to provide educational and economic opportunities to under-served youth," he said. "Our students will leverage the skills they build, the relationships they develop, and their work experiences, to become successful and independent members of society."

Six of the students from last school year are from the Fenton district, one from Lake Fenton and one from Holly.





Genesee County's specialty courts — part II

One of my favorite movie lines is from "The Shawshank Redemption" when Andy Dufresne tells his friend Red that "Hope is a good thing, maybe the best of things, and no good thing ever dies."

In Genesee County we have 11 sources of hope for criminal and family civil defendants, families, and society, in our specialty courts.

In each of these courts, the individuals who are selected have the opportunity to have a judge and support staff engage and require them to participate in treatment, drug and alcohol testing, counseling and other behavior changing disciplines which include regular court appearances.

In criminal cases, many of the successful defendants can have their cases dismissed or at least not go to jail or prison.

In the noncriminal cases, there can be a reunification of the family.

In Genesee County, six judges preside over the various specialty courts as follows:

(1) Judge Duncan Beagle presides over Truancy Court to deal with young students who don't go to school when they should and works with them and their families to improve attendance.

(2) There are four Drug Treatment Courts to treat substance abuse and recidivism. Judge Beagle presides over Family Dependency Court, Judge Mark Latchana over Adult Drug Court and Urban Initiative Drug Court, and Judge John Gadola over Juvenile Drug Court.

(3) Adult and Juvenile Mental Health Court deals with individuals in the criminal justice system with mental health issues. Veterans Court helps those who have served our country. Judge Jennifer Barkey presides over all of these.

(4) Infant and Toddler Treatment Court involves helping with parenting skills for neglected newborns to four year olds in Foster Care. Girls Court is a gender specific court that targets the commercial exploitation of adolescent females. Judge David Newblatt presides over both courts.

(5) Sobriety Court is for repeat drunk driving offenders to show them the path to sobriety. Judge Vikki Bayeh-Haley presides.

These courts have been shown to work and work well. Statistically Genesee County is a statewide leader in reducing recidivism for successful graduates. Of course, this is a plus for society.

Indeed, hope is a good thing as our specialty courts have proven.



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The section of Poplar Street north of the train tracks will be rebuilt as part of the project.

POPLAR STREET Continued from Front Page

of \$646,600 and the city is receiving \$522,500 in federal/state funding for the project.

"The city is on the hook for the remainder (\$124,100) plus the engineering costs," Czarnecki said. "We are fortunate, the federal appropriations came through before the project began so we do not need to go through the reimbursement process. MDOT will pay for the work completed as the project moves along."

In April, Czarnecki said MDOT had

been informed that federal funding was available to pay for the project. The funding would be available once the federal government approves its new appropriations bills, which has since been done.

The city's engineering firm will be paid \$71,000 for its services, with another \$6,500 to perform the signal study work to create a model to provide for the proper timing of signals at Poplar Street and North Road.

"We anticipate a completion in mid-November," Czarnecki said.



On Tuesday, Aug. 15, Champagne & Marx begins installing the new storm drain for the realigned Poplar Street. The berm was removed on Monday.



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Hudson Miller, 8, of Fenton, caught this bass on Silver Lake while fishing with his family.

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Tornado movies that still blow us away

Twister and the Wizard of Oz among the most popular

Compiled By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 "It really was no miracle. what happened was just this. The wind began to switch, the house to pitch. And suddenly the hinges started to unhitch. Just then, the witch, to satisfy an itch, went flying on her broomstick, thumbing for a hitch. And oh, what happened then was rich ..."

> Dorothy Gale Wizard of Oz



THE FOLLOWING ARE HOLLYWOOD'S 10 BEST TORNADO MOVIES:

Twister (Warner Bros., 1996)

Twister stars Helen Hunt as scientist Dr. Jo Harding and Bill Paxton as TV meteorologist Bill Harding as a married couple who are about to divorce. Bill is smitten with Dr. Melissa Reeves (Jami Gertz), whom he wants to marry after his divorce to Jo is finalized. The three soon find themselves thrown together in Tornado Alley, chasing storms as they try to implant a new scientific device into the hearts of deadly twisters.

The Wizard of Oz

(MGM, 1939)

A deadly Kansas twister plays a major role in this classic film, hitting the Gale farm and lifting the old house up from its foundation. Inside is Judy Garland as Dorothy, who is whisked away to the fantasy land of Oz where she meets with some old buds sporting new monikers, namely The Scarecrow (Ray Bolger), The Cowardly Lion (Bert Lahr) and The Tin Man (Jack Haley). The tornado doesn't prove to be all bad, as it sets the Gale farmhouse down in Oz where the latter crushes the life out of the evil Wicked Witch of the East. The tornado scene in Oz is really quite well done, ably convey-



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Actors Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt star in the 1996 movie, Twister.

ing the power and fury generated by what is probably an F3 or maybe F4 tornado. Rogers, Robert Moloney, Andrew Airlie and Ryan Kennedy head the cast in an all-

The Day After Tomorrow (TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX, 2004)

The deadly effects of global warming roar to life in this disaster movie spectacular. Dennis Quaid has the starring role of climatologist Jack Hall, with Jake Gyllenhaal (Sam Hall), Emmy Rossum (Laura Chapman), Dash Mihok (Jason Evans), Jay O. Sanders (Frank Harris) and Sela Ward (Dr. Lucy Hall) also along for the ride into global warming hell. The Day After Tomorrow begins with a series of monster tornadoes forming near Los Angeles, where they proceed to destroy the City of Angels. That is followed by torrential rains in New York and other meteorological disasters across the globe, all of which signal the beginning of a new Ice Age. Tornadoes in Los Angeles? Well, they come out in spades in this film, smashing skyscrapers, hurling buses and cars and even destroying the iconic Hollywood sign.

Night of the Twisters (THE FAMILY CHANNEL, 1996)

Devon Sawa (Dan Hatch), Amos Crawley (Arthur Jones), John Schneider (Jack Hatch), Lori Hallier (Laura Hatch) and Laura Bertram (Stacey Jones) head the cast of this made-for-TV disaster flick, which premiered on The Family Channel on Feb. 14, 1996. The setting is rural Nebraska, where a series of bizarre tornadoes wreak havoc among the God-fearing locals. Directed by Timothy Bond, Night of the Twisters features passable special effects, but nothing on the order of its more famous big-screen cousin Twister (1996).

Tornado!

(FOX, 1996)

With the release of Twister in 1996 came a series of made-for-TV knockoffs. One was Tornado!, starring Bruce Campbell as storm chaser Jake Thorne, Shannon Sturges as Samantha Callen and Ernie Hudson as Dr. Joe Branson. Like Twister, the brave meteorological gang is out there in Tornado Alley, trying to gauge the effectiveness of a new device, which can detect the formation of tornadoes and provide earlier warnings. "Hell has no fury like a twister," the movie promised TV viewers.

Storm Cell

(LIFETIME, 2008)

The aptly named Storm Cell was first telecast in the United States on the Lifetime Movie Network on April 26, 2008. Mimi

Rogers, Robert Moloney, Andrew Airlie and Ryan Kennedy head the cast in an alltoo-familiar yarn involving an estranged parent/storm chaser, a teenager and monster tornadoes, which, amazingly, follow Ms. Rogers from Oklahoma to Seattle.

Storm Chasers: Revenge of the Twister (THE FAMILY CHANNEL, 1998)

Kelly McGillis, Wolf Larson, Liz Torres, Adrian Zmed and James MacArthur come out smokin' in this made-for-cable movie, with McGillis playing storm chaser Jamie Marshall. Jamie, who had lost her husband while out storm chasing, is sent to Colorado to investigate the possible sighting of a tornado. Do tornadoes really hold grudges? They apparently do in the movies.

NYC: Tornado Terror

(KALEIDOSCOPE ENTERTAINMENT, 2008)

New York City, the hapless site of a number of disaster films, is pasted with a series of unconventional tornadoes following a split in the atmosphere. Nicole de Boer plays the requisite concerned meteorologist Dr. Cassie Lawrence, with Sebastian Spence (Deputy Major Jim Lawrence), Jerry Wasserman (Mayor Leonardo), Winston Rekert (Dr. Lars Liggenhorn), Colby Johannson (Brian Flynn) and Tegan Moss (Lori Lawrence) also knee deep in swirling debris.

Devil Winds (LION'S GATE, 2003)

LIUN S GAIE, 2003

Joe Lando plays Peter Jensen, an exmeteorologist now working in law enforcement in Portland, Oregon, who lost his wife in a Tulsa twister. Peter returns to Oklahoma in order to attend the college graduation of his estranged daughter Kara (Erica Parker). Just in time, too, as it's the 10th anniversary of his wife's death and another killer tornado may be on the way.

Atomic Twister

(TBS, 2002)

Atomic Twister debuted over superstation TBS on June 9, 2002. Sharon Lawrence, Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Carl Lewis, Corbin Bernsen and Jonathan Blick head the cast. The plot: a monster tornado hits a nuclear power plant, setting off a fatal countdown as the people inside — all four of them apparently — struggle to halt the impending meltdown. This one's full of basic nuclear power goofs and Hollywood embellishments, but those type of things never get in the way of a good/bad Tinseltown disaster film.

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Lake Fenton athletes headed to college squads this fall

By David Troppens

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Jalen Miller will be remembered as the best basketball player to ever play at Lake Fenton High School.

Miller ended his remarkable four-year varsity career by leading the Lake Fenton varsity boys basketball team to a Class B state quarterfinal game, the first Blue Devils' male squad to go that far.

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One of his teammates, Andrew Foerster also

helped that team advance that far. Foerster also had a pretty remarkable basketball career, but will probably be remembered

for his football play. Meanwhile, four other 2017 Lake Fenton graduates made quite a name for themselves as well. That list includes soccer player Ashlyn Skidmore, runners Thomas Mueller, Remington Clements and Natalie Gallamore.

All six graduates are continuing their athletic careers at college institutions. Mueller and Gallamore will pursue Division 1 athletic careers. Mueller will run track and cross country at The University of Detroit Mercy, while Gallamore will be swimming at The University of Massachusetts Amherst. Meanwhile, Miller is headed to St. Clair County Community College and Foerster is headed to Concordia (Ann Arbor) University to play foot-See LAKE FENTON on 13

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Lake Fenton's 1 imes Ashlyn Skidmore

Team unity, not wins, inspires Fenton soccer

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Fenton — Last year was a magical

season for the Fenton varsity boys soccer team. Most would think the magic had to do

with what the team tournament success. The Tigers played in their first-ever state semifinal contest. The Tigers ended the season with a strong 14-3-4 record overall as well.

If one asks the returning players that were at Monday's practice about last year, the kids will say they want to repeat what the team did last year, but they aren't necessarily talking about wins. They are talking about the brothership their team had.

"Last year was a lot of fun," Fenton senior Matt Sullivan Jr. said. "There is nothing better than spending that much time with your brothers and seeing your hard work pay off like that in the end. But our ultimate goal wasn't to win championships. Our goal was to love the time we had with each other, cherish the moments we had together and focus on being with our brothers and treating each other with respect. Winning comes if you have good team chemistry.'

"I just remember having a lot of fun and remember the group of boys we had together," fellow senior Owen O'Brien said. "I'm just hoping to bring a lot of that fun back into this year. We focus on each other and don't try to set the bar (in terms of wins and losses) too high. We focus on each other."

Reading quotes like these that shrug the importance of wins probably bothers



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I DAVID TROPPENS

Fenton keeper Noah Martin makes a diving save during Monday's Fenton varsity soccer practice.

some, but for the Fenton Tigers, it's become a formula for success that has defined both Fenton varsity soccer programs over the last decade.

"We find that if they are playing for each other, they enjoy it more, they play better

and they absolutely fight for each other," Fenton assistant soccer coach Steve Burrows said. "We always hear the negative aspects of peer pressure, but this is a positive

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A FEW RANDOM THOUGHTS

I know I probably say it every year, but it's hard to believe in just eight days I'll be covering my first prep football games of the 2017 season. For those interested, we'll be presenting our prep football season previews in the our regular paper this season. The goal is to present two of them in the Weekend edition and the other two schools in next week's Midweek edition. We're guessing it's going to be a fun season for area football teams this fall, once again. The Tigers' fall

From day one this year, the Tigers have been a hard group to watch play baseball this year. I'm certain I've watched less of the Tigers this year than I have the last 30 years. That's saving something because during that span I actually lived in Illinois for four years without any true access to Tiger games on the television. Whenever the Tigers played the White Sox, I never missed a game. Plus, I drove home frequently to attend games.

Some of the Tigers' stars of the past — Miquel Cabrera, Justin Verlander, Victor Martinez and Ian Kinsler — are just getting too old. If the Tigers were smarter, they would've started a transition period during the past offseason. Now, they are kind of stuck finishing off contracts with aging stars that will help you get nowhere fast. I'm surprised Verlander remained a Tiger beyond the trading deadline. But, even Verlander lacks appeal with his contract these days.

• I get the feeling the Tigers are go-

- ing to go through some slim seasons • for the next couple of years.
- Winter Olympic countdown

Wow, four years can go mighty fast these days.

For those who don't have it on their radar, the Winter Olympics are just 175 days away. I have to admit it. I used to enjoy the Summer Olympics way more than the Winter games. But the 'X games' feel to the winter events have made them pretty cool. I'm not counting down to the days in dying anticipation, but I certainly look forward to them more than I did 20 years ago.

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peer experience."

Annual CANUSA Games bring international flavor to Fenton's pool

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Fenton's swimming pool has hosted its share of quality events.

It has been the host of the Metro League meet many times, regional diving and the Genesee County meet. It has seen state-ranked teams compete at the pool and has had children compete in various events from five to 18.

But on Saturday, Fenton's pool experienced a little international flavor.

Flint-based CANUSA The

Games hosted the swim portion tri-county area. of the competition at Fenton High School on Saturday.

The CANUSA Games annually present young athletes from the Flint area and from the Hamilton area in Ontario, Canada in a competition that involves 18 sports ranging from baseball to pickleball.

For swimming there are many events involving students in four different age groups ranging from 10 and under to 17 and under. More than 100 athletes competed during the event with some being from the

The United States won this portion of the competition pretty deci sively, 821-444.

"This is only the second time in the last 20 years the United States won swimming. Although we expected to win, it is not something that has been the norm," Jones said. "It is always easier to compete when you are the home team (because you have more athletes). Next year when we travel to Hamilton, it will be more of a challenge." **CONTINUED AT TCTIMES.COM**





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Competitors from the CANUSA Games huddle for a large photo at Fenton High School's pool. Fenton hosted the event pitting Flintarea athletes against Canadian athletes from the Hamilton area.

Flint area swim coach legends working together

Fenton's ex-FAST program merging with YMCA Flint Falcons; Falcons will train at Tigers' pool

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 For over two decades Brad Jones has been the face of the Fenton varsity swim programs.

For over two decades Adam Cooper has been the face of the YMCA Flint Falcons. And now for the first time the two coaches will be combining their efforts to make their talents really shine.

This fall the Fenton Area Swim Team (FAST) created by Jones will merge with Cooper's YMCA Flint Falcons, creating a working relationship that both coaches are excited about. The nowdefunct FAST team will now train as Flint Falcons.

"We have talked about having one club for some time," Jones said. "This seemed to be the right opportunity to explore the idea and how it would be beneficial to both clubs. ... Moving forward I can see only good things for Fenton's High School programs."

"Brad and I have known each other for 20-plus years and over the last couple of years we both came to the conclusion we'd like to do this together before we were done, so we tossed the idea around a little bit," Cooper said. "Through the spring and early summer we came to the conclusion that it was to our interests to merge the Flint Falcons and the Fenton Area Swim Team."

Fenton's FAST program was created by Jones about 10 years ago, and had its share of success, usually fielding a team of about

60 swimmers from a variety of different ages. However, due to the varsity girls and boys swim seasons, quite frequently there would be issues with the FAST program's practices because the school's event activities had priority to the club's practices.

The Flint Falcons host practices in a variety of venues including Kettering University, Kearsley High School and Carman-Ainsworth High School. With FAST members now competing with the Falcons, this will allow the Fenton resident-based swimmers to get quality club training during the varsity seasons primarily at Fenton High School, but also at other venues when the practices need to be changed. When the varsity swim seasons end, Jones will help assist with the Falcons program. Cooper said the Falcons "bring eight professional coaches to the table and we are going to add a couple."

"This is their hometown and for us for the (youngest age programs), it's much easier for me and much easier for those in the community to get younger kids to the pool area," Jones said. "We will have a lot more kids in the younger division, which means we'll have more kids in the older deivion which means good things for me."

The coaches expect the Falcons' numbers to grow to over 200 immediately and to larger numbers in the future.

"We put our heads together. ... We have had a lot of good coaches come up in Genesee County but nobody had been able to



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Fenton varsity boys and girls swim coach Brad Jones (top left) has worked with longtime Flint Falcons swim coach Adam Cooper to combine the two program's clubs. Many of the FAST swim members are now members of Cooper's YMCA Flint Falcons' group. The Falcons will hold practices at Fenton High School.

get the right page for high school and club together," Cooper said. "I think the sky is the limit now. We'll shot for 200 and maybe a couple of years get to 300 swimmers. That's the goal."



LAKE FENTON

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ball. Finally, Skidmore will continue her soccer career at Davenport University.

"It's cool we are all representing Lake Fenton in athletics," Skidmore said during a signing day held by Lake Fenton. "We are all from different sports so that means we are a wellrounded school."

"Lake Fenton teaches you how to be strong," Miller said. "You have a great group of people around you helping you succeed. My friends and teammates really helped push me and we became winners. It had an affect on me."

Miller also looked at a couple of other junior colleges as well as Spring Arbor University.

"St. Clair said they will give me the opportunity to get to the next level beyond JUCO," Miller said. "Coach (Dale) Voss will push me to get me to reach my potential."

Miller reached heights no one ever has while competing on the Lake Fenton's boys basketball program. He finished his career as the team's all-time leading scorer while averaging 23.2 points, 8.2 rebounds and 3.4 steals a game a year ago. He also led the team to its two greatest postseason tournament runs in school history. His junior year the squad advanced to the regional championship round before bowing out of the tournament. During his senior year the squad won a regional title.

Mueller and Clements also had pretty remarkable conclusions to their athletic careers at Lake Fenton, being a members of the boys track team's state champion-



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO Lake Fenton 2017 graduate Jalen Miller is headed to St. Clair County Community College to play basketball this fall.

ship 3,200-meter relay team. The pair teamed with Elijah Bourdeau and Isaac Golson to win the state title with a time of 7:50.92. And now both will continue their running careers at the next level.

Mueller decided to go to Detroit Mercy. He's still fairly new to the sport, competing in running for just three years. He also was the team's top runner on a cross country team that finished 15th in the D2 state meet. Mueller will be on the cross country and track team.

"I feel like I've come a long way as a runner," Mueller said.

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John A. Jones 1930-2017

John A. Jones - age 87, of Holly, died Saturday, August 12, 2017. Memorial services will be held at 11 AM Saturday, August 19, 2017 with Deacon Frank Wines officiating at Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. Burial will be in Rose Center Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 10 AM until the time of the service on Saturday. Mr. Jones was born in Roseville, MI on June 8, 1930 to Robert and Ethel (Glass) Jones. He was a U.S. Army veteran and was retired from the GM Ternstedt Coldwater Rd. Plant in Flint after 30 years of service. He was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather who was loved by all his family and friends. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. Surviving are his wife, Lucille; five children, Ronna Hayward of Holly, Elaine (Frank) Wines of Howell, Gerald (Kelly) Dodd of Thompsonville, Linda Giles of Clio, and Sheila (Donald) Young of Holly; and many grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, and greatgreat-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Beth Leckner, son, John R. Jones, and siblings, Art, Bob, and Norm Jones and Kay Hazen. Memorial donations may be made to Susan G. Komen for the Cure. www.dryerfuneralhome holly.com.

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ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you see the wisdom in someone else's idea and you are willing to go along for the ride. Express your support and your utmost confidence in this person and his or her idea.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21 Taurus, it is unwise to make any impulsive commitments or decisions right now. Too many things are in flux, and you have to work through all the scenarios for a little bit longer.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

The key to creating some spark in your love life this week is through your social life, Gemini. Spend time with an eclectic group of friends who can offer a new experience.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, exercise patience in regards to a financial situation in the coming months. Patience may pay off if you can simply

wait things out. Lean on a loved one for support.

LEO Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, you might have your mind set on a vacation to an exotic location. If that is your ultimate goal, work toward making it a possibility in the near future.

VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, even though you know what needs to get done, you may experience difficulty adhering to a schedule. Look to a friend to get you back on course.

I IBRA Sept 23/Oct 23

Keep a spouse's or special someone's feelings in mind before making a decision that impacts you both, Libra. Otherwise, you risk damaging the relationship

SCORPIO Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, this week you may get the chance to revisit an issue from your past. Use the opportunity wisely, as second chances are rare and this is a unique opportunity.

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36. Reverences

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49. Cologne

Sagittarius, although you may appear reserved on the

Nov 23/Dec 21

SAGITTARIUS

surface, underneath it all the wheels are turning in your mind at a rapid pace. You have plans you're not yet willing to share.

CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

A calm demeanor may help you get through a situation unscathed, Capricorn. Try not to attract any attention right now and everything should be fine.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18 Aquarius, coworkers may demand more from you this week, but you don't really have the time for extra work. Find someone who can share in some of these additional tasks.

PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Every action carries extra weight this week, Pisces. People may be watching you more closely, so exercise caution.

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