### Fenton Township home destroyed by fire

■No injuries; state police investigation continues

#### **By Sharon Stone**

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Multiple fire departments responded to a fire, which destroyed a family's home in

Fenton Township early Sunday morning. At 12:54 a.m., on Sept. 3, the Fenton Township Fire Department was alerted to a structure fire in the 1600 block of Wenwood Parkway, just off North Fenton Road. Fire departments from Fenton See FIRE on 7

TRI-COUNTY TIMES TIM JAGIELO The family, whose house caught fire on Wenwood Parkway in Fenton Township, lost all their belongings, including their vehicles.





### Sell alcohol at college sporting events?

■ More and more universities profiting from alcohol sales

#### **By Hannah Ball**

hball@tctimes.com;810-433-6792 Should colleges allow beer companies to advertise during sporting events, which are attended by students not old enough to drink?

This would include advertising and selling alcohol at football games and baseball games.

The answer is a growing "yes" across the U.S. Multiple universities and athletic departments have made hundreds of thousands in revenue from selling beer and wine during these events.

In 2011, West Virginia University opened up stadium beer sales to all legal drinkers and generated \$500,000 in extra revenue its first year. In 2012, the TCF Bank Stadium at the University of Minnesota sold \$907,000 worth of alcohol the first year.

See ALCOHOL on 6

## Calming first-day jitters



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Linden Elementary School kindergarten teacher Teresa Hanak comforts an overwhelmed student on his first day of school on Tuesday, Sept. 5. Linden Elementary welcomed approximately 380 students to kick off the 2017-2018 school year. As a new first-day practice, the students assembled by classroom in the gym, and then left as a group to start the school year. See video and more photos at tctimes.com.

### Local businesses helping with hurricane relief

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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The aftermath and devastation of Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana has hit the hearts of tri-county residents in a big way.

Many local people have expressed interest in helping with relief efforts, but don't always know where to start. Many large that have been displaced, lost or injured in lolletries and other items are collected at corporations have made donations of more

than \$1 million each, including several with local stores, such as The Home Depot and Walmart.

But local businesses are stepping up to help. Here are a few places that can use your donations of money and supplies:

• Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton is collecting items for "Hurricane Harvey Animals'



our president. The media does enough of that

without you having to add to it."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO See RELIEF on 6 Michigan Smiles in Fenton on Tuesday.



**L** Thank goodness for Andrew Heller as the 'King' goes on with ridiculous drivel and nonsense. At least Heller has a real sense of humor and insight."



**If I hope the** day comes soon that we all realize we are not African Americans or European Americans or Hispanic Americans but proud Americans who work together and leave politics and our differences at the door."

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Tracy Boettcher of Fenton stands with Carly, her Yorkie, in her 200-square-foot bathroom addition in her new home on First Street.

# Small home, big design

**A** People say

building is

stressful, but

to me, it's fun.

It's all what you

make of it. 77

**Tracy Boettcher** 

New owner of 1930s-era home

in city of Fenton

■ Fenton homeowner downsizes from 3,200 to 950 square feet — and loves it

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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Homeowner Tracy Boettcher has always enjoyed watching television shows about "tiny house" living and thought she would enjoy the challenge of living in one.

While her new 1930s-era home in the city of Fenton is hardly tiny, its 950 square footage is much smaller than the 3,200 square foot "dream home" she gave up to live there. But if you ask Boettcher, she didn't give up a thing, and wouldn't change her new quality of life in a much smaller home for anything.

"I've always wanted to be a part of the downtown life in Fenton," said Boettcher, 54. "You see tons of people and I can walk

and bike with Carly (her four-legged companion) everywhere. I never even have to worry about parking. It's the best ever."

Best of all, her ability to turn her own home design concepts into reality with her own sweat, saws and hammers has put new life into her house's small spaces.

See HOME on 9

**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO Tracy Boettcher has kept Republic Services busy, with several loads of debris including this pile of wood from her home at each stage of renovation.



### Are TV subscriptions disappearing?

Less costly options influencing younger viewers

#### By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 More and more Americans are cutting the cord.

A report by The Convergence Research Group found that approximately 25 percent of U.S. households will not have a traditional TV subscription by the end of 2017.

The report, called The Battle for the American Couch Potato: Online & Traditional TV and Movie Distribution, found that more Americans are choosing to cut the cord. The number of Americans without TV subscriptions by the end of 2016 was 22.3 percent.

Quarterly reports confirm this trend. According to a report by MoffettNathanson LLC, the pay cable industry lost 762,000 subscribers in the first quarter of 2017, compared to 141,000 the first quarter in 2016.

Normal TV subscription services could become obsolete if this trend continues. Why are consumers cutting the cord?

#### See TV on 8

We were paying way too much for cable. We were paying \$200 for the lowest package with DVR on three TVs. **77** 

**Christina Duso** Fenton resident



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If I Were King...

### **Death spiral of America?**

n case you missed the memo, it is no longer a good thing to 'judge' behavior in America. In fact, we've become so 'non-judgmental' that the majority of Americans can no longer discern the difference between good and bad behavior.

Case in point, there used to be a social stigma attached to getting a divorce or having a child out of wedlock. That's no longer true and the consequences for society have been

horrific. Today about 40 percent of all mar-

riages end in di-

vorce and half of

all children born

to women under

30 in America

now are illegiti-

mate. Three in 10



FOSTER CHILDS

white children are

born out of wedlock, as are 53 percent of Hispanic babies and an astounding 73 percent of black babies.

That stat alone can kill a country. Every study (as well as plain old common sense), tells us that children raised without a mother and a father are statistically worse off in every measurable arena imaginable. Example: Children from single-parent families account for 63 percent of all youth suicides, 70 percent of all teenage pregnancies, 71 percent of all adolescent drug/substance abuse and 90 percent of all homeless and runaway children.

And fatherless homes is why America has the largest prison population of any other country on the planet, including China and India, each of which have populations four times our size.

More than 110 million Americans are on welfare. That is more than one-third of the population. Fully half of them are parasites who are beating the system with the help of scumbag lawyers, who then run TV commercials praising the virtue of themselves while encouraging more Americans to steal from other Americans by 'getting what they deserve.'

That makes it not just an economic problem, it's a moral problem and it's one that is likely to get larger as an everdecreasing share of workers are asked to

"All I ever do is Netflix. I'm

watching 'Ozark.' It's just

cable; I just never use it."

Grand Blanc Township

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shoulder the load **44** America for the people who has the won't work. Does anyone care largest how many of these prison people are legitipopulation of any other country sistance to get back on the on their feet versus

certainly doesn't seem like it to me. Most

of them don't even feel bad about living

off our dime. In America today it's more

of a social faux pas to suggest that people

should have some shame about living off

off the taxpayers without regret. What the

other people's labor than it is to sponge

hell ever happened to personal pride?

Today, we live in a country that re-

wards sarcasm instead of wisdom, rude-

ness instead of insight and the squeaky

wheel instead of the patriot. You're more

likely to get your way in America if you

I ask you, how well is this working out

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claim to be angry or offended than if

The answer is simple. It's not.

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## We reserve the right to edit for clarity, length and liability HOUSE BILL 4720 introduced by Abdul-

**MIDWEEK TIMES** 

lah Hammoud will ban investigation or enforcing immigration law violations. It will prohibit state or local law enforcement agency funds, personnel or resources from being used to investigate, interrogate, detain or arrest individuals for immigration enforcement purposes. Call your congressman.

THE CIVIL WAR was over states' rights. Unfortunately, textbooks overemphasize slavery while minimizing the other issues. Slavery was a disgrace. Rewriting history for political correctness is wrong.

MOST PEOPLE GET into politics for their own personal gain, not the good of the people. It all starts at your local area government and grows from there. Old dogs teaching young pups the way of corruption.

ANYONE THINKING THE Civil War was fought over states' rights is correct- the right to have slavery. Read the articles of secession from those southern states to the union. Every one of them expressively state that slavery was why they were leaving America

FENTON CITY COUNCIL needs to inform the road commissions in both Oakland and Livingston counties about installing signage for the restrictions of truck traffic inside Fenton City limits. 





## How do you watch your favorite shows?



#### "I don't watch a lot. When I do, it's cable. I don't do Netflix or any of that. I liked 'Fargo' when it was on and 'Sons of Anarchy.""

Linden

- Sophia Thurston Fenton

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**NEO-NAZIS ARE** a group of thugs financed by the left to create sympathy for left-wing causes. Antifa is the latest name of the left's anti-American groups. They are not anti-fascist, they are anti-American.

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YOU CAN EASILY access the min-utes of each city council and DDA meeting by visiting www.cityoffenton. org and looking under the 'Government' tab.

NOT EVEN 70 degrees in August, normally the hottest month of the year? Be prepared for the leftist alarmists to now promote 'global cooling.' The rest of us call it the weather.

ANY BUSINESS THAT has received assistance from the DDA should start repaying it back to the city so we can do more road improvements throughout town.

#### IT APPEARS THAT Trump has

trouble emptying the swamp because most of Congress and the Senate is the swamp.

OBAMA WAS NOT responsible for the war in Iraq but he definitely is responsible for the problems with ISIS because of his total troop withdrawal.

SLEEP APNEA IS on the rise because obesity is on the rise. Unfortu-nately, even with children. Turn off the TV. Let your children do yard work, chores, help the elderly or neighbors in need. Look around, way too many obese people. Give up sugar, stick to only natural.

HURRICANE HARVEY PROVES that the internal combustion engine wins again.

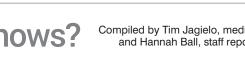
MY THOUGHTS AND prayers go out to my fellow Utah nurse who was illegally arrested. The violence that occurs in healthcare has been swept under the rug for so long, and to see it acted out by another public servant

is deplorable. SLEEP APNEA MIGHT be increasing because people are eating so much more and moving so much less. I'm seeing kids all over our neighborhood riding golf carts constantly. This is not

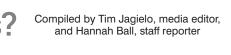
### healthy exercise. What happened to bicycles, walking? YOU CALL A 4-percent unemploy-

ment rate 'the worst economy in 70 years?' That's the funniest thing I've heard all day. Obama left office with an unemployment rate similar to the good economy Clinton left office with. We all know how that movie ended: Bush and the Republicans caused a second Great Depression.

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



and Hannah Ball, staff reporter



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"I personally watch more of the cable, because I watch HGTV - home improvement or craft shows."

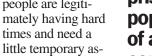


"Usually we watch through streaming services. We have Netflix, Hulu and Chrome Cast. The kids like Netflix movies and documentaries, but you can watch live TV with Chrome Cast." - Patty Paris, Gaines Township



"I use Netflix. I just find

shows like 'Fuller House.""



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### Police don't need search warrant to 'stop and frisk' if they suspect wrongdoing

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electronically or

by fax. **77** 

**Mark McCabe** 

Genesee County 67th

District Court judge

#### What the Fourth Amendment guarantees you

#### By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 This is the continuation of a series on landmark decisions made by the Supreme Court and what these decisions mean to American citizens.

Since 1789, the Fourth Amendment has guaranteed American citizens protection from illegal search and seizure.

Numerous times, the Supreme Court has declared that a law enforcement agency cannot use certain

evidence in court because it was illegally obtained. What exactly does the

Fourth Amendment guarantee people? Can police search someone's car? If police have a search warrant for drugs, but also find illegal weapons, is that evidence admissible?

Typically, the search has to be by a governmental entity, not a private entity," said Genesee County 67th District Court Judge Mark McCabe. "If

police come into someone's home without a search warrant and decide 'I want to look through the house' and seize contraband and something that might be evidence of a crime ... under the U.S. and Michigan constitution, that very well may constitute an illegal search resulting in seizure."

If police suspect someone might have drugs in their home, they are required to obtain a warrant from a judge to search the house. If police discover evidence of a crime without a search warrant or consent. that evidence might not be admissible in court.

The U.S. Supreme Court has regularly upheld the rights of citizens in illegal search and seizure cases. In Mapp v. Ohio in 1961, police in Cleveland forced their way into Dollree Mapp's home without a proper search warrant because they suspected she was harboring a suspected bomber. Police found obscene photos in her basement and she was arrested. The Supreme Court ruled 5-3 that the evidence was seized unlawfully and could not be used in court.

Police need a warrant to enter a home, unless they have consent from the homeowner. If police have a search warrant for drugs and find illegal weapons or something else illegal, that evidence is usually admissible. If police don't have a search warrant, but can see something illegal while standing at their front door, that evidence is also generally admissible.

"There are a myriad of exceptions and caveats," McCabe said. When police suspect someone of wrongdoing, a search warrant isn't always needed.

In Terry v. Ohio in 1968, John Terry was stopped and searched by an officer who believed Terry was going to rob a store. Police found a concealed weapon and Terry was arrested. The Supreme Court ruled that police did have the right to, by what's now known as, "stop and frisk."

"Police can briefly detain a person who they suspect is involved in criminal activity. They can do a search of their clothes to find weapons and other stuff," McCabe said.

There are special rules for automobiles.

McCabe said police do need a search warrant to search someone's car, unless that person was arrested and their car was impounded. They then do an inventory search.

"You don't need a warrant for an inventory search. Police have a right after the car has been confiscated to basically look through the car," he said. Police also need a warrant to search through computers and phones. If the owner gives their consent, a warrant is not needed.

In driving under the influence cases, police also need consent or a search warrant to administer a Breathalyzer the middle of the test or draw blood.

"It's something I'm quite familiar with. I'm called in the middle of the night and there's a special statute that allows a search warrant to be done either electronically or by fax. I've handled quite a few of those search warrants at the house, or sometimes during the day," he said.

One incident recently receiving media attention is the case of a police officer arresting a nurse at a hospital in Utah because she refused to let him draw blood from an unconscious patient. The patient could not give consent, police did not have a warrant, and he wasn't under arrest so it would have been illegal search and seizure. The nurse, Alex Wubbels, is being called a hero for protecting the patient's privacy rights.

Search warrants must be specific. They state what police are looking for and describe the place to be searched.

"It's specific, it's not just a general description. Police can't just go in and search for everything," he said. "That's why search warrants are done in certain ways, so that Fourth Amendment rights of whoever are protected."

Holly Police Chief Michael Story said search warrants are essential to democracy.

"There are frustrations as the rules change depending on the latest court rulings on them. When they get restrictive or expansive it's usually in response to a stretch of the rules or by the circumstances of the case," he said. Search warrants can take two hours or less to obtain, with most time spent on preparing the document.

"Probable cause has to be established before judicial review, then they have to agree it exists before allowing one (search warrant)," he said.

#### The Fourth Amendment

"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized."

Source: U.S. Constitution

### Jennifer Eden named new **Tyrone Township treasurer**

Jennifer Eden

■ Will serve the remainder of Marna Bunting-Smith's term

#### **By Sally Rummel**

news@tctimes.com;810-629-8282 Jennifer Eden, 44, of Tyrone Township, will fill out the remaining term of Tyrone Township Treasurer Marna Bunting-Smith, who resigned from the position for undisclosed reasons about

six weeks ago. "Marna had held the position for over six years," said Mike Cun-

ningham, township supervisor. "We re-interviewed a candidate, Jennifer Eden, who had applied for the clerk position awhile ago. Her skills and experience are a perfect fit for the position of treasurer."

Eden's first day on the job was Aug. 28. She had formerly worked as an administrative assistant for a trucking company for six years, until the owner retired.

She and her husband, Chris, have lived in Tyrone Township for four years with their daughter, Chloe, 12, and two sons, Matt, 18, and Kyle, 21.

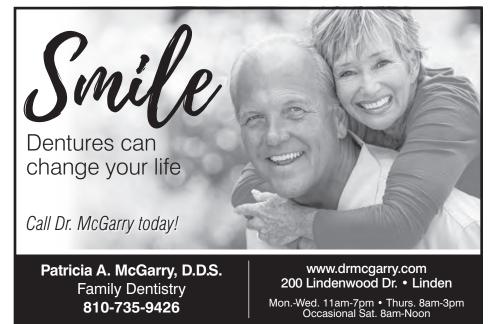
Next year, Eden's name will be on the ballot officially to run for the treasurer position.

#### **Her (Jennifer Eden)** skills and experience are a perfect fit for the position of treasurer. 77

**Mike Cunningham** Tyrone Township supervisor



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In 2015, the University of Texas earned \$1.8 million from alcohol sales at football games.

Selling beer allows for more marketing and branding opportunities. If a beer company wants to

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sponsor a college, they can get the school's logo on their product.

For example, the University of Louisiana has raised more than \$2.5 million with a promotion with Maker's Mark Distillery. They sell bottles of the 80-proof bourbon

with coaches' faces on the label. Their athletic department said the money goes toward a new academic center for student athletes.

The University of Connecticut partners with Coors beer. They had billboards of their Husky mascot next to a Coors bottle. However, the billboard was met with backlash and the decision to associate the Husky with Coors beer was quickly reversed, according to courant. com (Hartford Courant newspaper).

The University of Houston named Bud Light its official beer this past summer. It's now available to buy during athletic events, and the company can use the elements of the university's brand in its marketing.

More and more universities are allowing alcohol sales at sporting events. Over the summer, Purdue University, Marshall University and California State University-Fresno have either begun selling alcohol or expanded their programs

at sporting events. In 2015, Vinepair, an alcohol indus-

try news site, reported that 34 college stadiums allowed the sale of alcohol. This number doubled over the previous six years.

Opponents of allowing alcohol sales at college sporting events say, while it may bring in revenue for the school, it will increase arrests and excessive drinking. Some numbers show that allowing alcohol at sporting events decreases arrests.

In West Virginia University in 2011, arrests dropped to 79 arrests from 117 the previous year. The college attributes these nearly 35 percent decrease to fewer people tailgating before the games. When people had access to alcohol during the event, fewer people engaged in tailgating that often led to excessive drinking.

One point of contention is advertising alcohol to minors. Colleges are already common places for minors to be arrested for drinking underage.

According to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 60 percent of college students age 18-22 drink alcohol, and almost two out of three engaged in binge drinking. Alcohol is a factor in an average of 1,825 college student deaths between the ages of 18 to 24 from unintentional injuries including motor vehicle crashes.

Source: USAToday.com, Forbes



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Volunteer Kathy Hickman of Flushing (right) helps load the trailer with Dee Tressel (left) for Fit Box owner Christa Plante (in trailer) on Tuesday afternoon. The trailer will be available for donations for Hurricane Harvey relief until Sept. 18.

#### RELIEF

**Continued from Front Page** floodwaters. Items needed include: quality dog/cat food, leashes and collars, litter/ litter boxes, water bottles/jugs, bowls (non-glass), dog/cat toys, blankets, towels/rags, monetary donations for mailing. A donation box has been set up behind Adopt-A-Pet at 13575 Fenton Rd.

• **The Fit Box** in Fenton is collecting items for cleanup, household, personal hygiene and more in a 53-foot semi at 14330 N. Fenton Rd., Fenton. Donation times are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, through Friday, Sept. 15.

"What we really need are things like water, non-perishable foods, cleaning supplies, rubber boots and gloves, first-aid kits, blankets/bedding, toiletries, diapers, and more," said Christa Plante, owner of The Fit Box. "We're not taking clothes at this time because another semi-truck that left from Scooter's (in Flint Township) has taken care of that."

For a complete list of needed items, visit The Fit Box on Facebook.

The Fenton Seventh-day Adventist Church is working with their Adventist Disaster Response Team that has been contacted to help in the Hurricane Harvey Relief. The church will be collecting supplies to use in individual meal kits and children's kits. Items for the food kits must be non-perishable and must be individually wrapped from the manufacturer. Examples would be small cereal box/bowl, breakfast bars, granola bars, cheese or peanut butter and crackers, granola bars, fruit snacks, dried fruit, juice box, fruit and pudding cups, cookie bars. Items for the children's kits would include crayons, coloring books, activity books, colored pencils. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Items will be accepted at the church at 408 Fifth Street on Wednesday, Sept. 13, from 3-7 p.m.

Serendipity Wellness Spa in Linden is collecting underwear this week only, for people of all ages, to help with Hurricane Harvey relief work. Bring in new and unwrapped packages to 129 E. Broad St.. You'll also receive a gift card and discount on services, said owner Jessica Skop.

To help with relief efforts on a larger scale, residents can donate to charitable agencies that are experienced in disaster relief including:

• The American Red Cross — redcross. org (text the word HARVEY to 90999 to



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO Michigan Smiles employee Jennie Gregus (right) and her mother, Kathy Tarrance, both of Grand Blanc Township, were there to collect items for Hurricane Harvey relief on Tuesday.

make a \$10 donation) or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Technology giant Apple has also set up a direct donation link to iTunes and the App Store that will go directly to the American Red Cross.

• The Salvation Army—Helpsalvationarmy.org or call 1-800-725-2769

Catholic Charities USA — visit CatholiccharitiesUSA.org to donate
Global Giving — text HARVEY to

80100 to donate \$10 to Global Giving's relief fund.

• Save the Children — their emergency response team is on the ground meeting the needs of children and families. Donate to Savethechildren.org

The Greater Houston Community Foundation has also established a way that people can donate online with their credit card at www.ghcf.com.

Local residents can also make donations to a children's hospital, including Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, which was directly in the path of Hurricane Harvey. The hospital transported many of its patients out of harm's way, but will need funds to continue operating its 189-bed pediatric facility, according to a recent story in USA Today. Donations may be made online to Driscollchildrens.org.

Blood centers anticipate a shortage and are putting out an urgent plea for donations. You can donate blood on Thursday, Sept. 14 at Linden Presbyterian Church, 119 W. Broad St. from 12 to 5:45 p.m.

Formore upcoming blood drives, visit Redcross.org/give-blood.

**MIDWEEK TIMES** 



#### WOMAN RUNS NAKED OUTSIDE **APARTMENT**

At 4:15 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 1, Fenton police responded to Georgetown apartments on a report of a naked female running around outdoors. She went into her apartment and onto her balcony, still naked. Police attempted to make contact with the woman and heard screams from inside her apartment. They gained entry to check on her and observed her walk out of her bathroom, still naked. Police could smell alcohol. Police learned the 28-year-old Fenton woman had three misdemeanor warrants out of Fenton and one felony warrant from the Genesee County Sheriff's Office. She put on clothes but struggled with police as they placed her in handcuffs. Once inside the patrol vehicle, she kicked the partition, the housing unit for the camera, and spit at police. She was transported to the Flint City Jail on the warrants and arrested for resisting and obstructing police, and disorderly conduct. She had previous contact with Fenton police when she lit a campfire late at night in a city park.

#### SUSPECTED LSD FOUND DURING **TRAFFIC STOP**

At 2:42 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 2, a Fenton police officer noticed that the license plate on a Dodge Avenger was expired. A computer check revealed that the registered owner had an arrest warrant. A traffic stop was initiated. The officer detected the odor of marijuana and alcohol from inside the car. The driver, an 18-year-old Fenton resident, was asked to exit the car. A breathalyzer came back negative and the officer asked if he had any marijuana. He was unsure if his passenger, a 21-year-old Fenton resident, had any. Because of the warrant, police searched the driver and found a folded tin foil packet containing paper with blue dots, possibly LSD dabs. The passenger was intoxicated and was in possession of marijuana. The car was searched and police found a plastic bag in the console, which contained LSD paper with a Blue Devil printed on it, as well as open intoxicants belonging to the passenger. The driver posted bond on the warrant and was released pending further investigation on the suspected LSD. The passenger was lodged until sober and issued a court appearance ticket for open intoxicants and possession of marijuana. The car was impounded.



#### **Pioneer Day Festival**

Celebrating 50 years as an organization, the community is invited to attend the Pioneer Day Festival in Fenton Township, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 9. The main entrance is at 2436 N. Long Lake Rd. An alternate entrance is off Main Road, across from the Lake Fenton Middle School ball field. Guests may visit Podunk House and Pioneer Museum, as well as enjoy live entertainment and activities. Admission is \$6 per family, \$2 per adult and \$1 per child. All proceeds benefit the Podunk House and Pioneer Museum, a non-profit organization.



#### The statute of limitations

Let's hypothetically assume the following set of facts.

Mr. Smith is driving his car on a public road in a lawful manner when without warning another driver (Mr. Jones) runs a stop sign and strikes Mr. Smith's car on the driver's side.

Mr. Smith is injured in the crash and for some unknown reason Mr. Jones gets out of his car and starts assaulting Mr. Smith causing him further injuries.

The police are called to the scene and do not issue a ticket to Mr. Jones or file any criminal charges.

Mr. Smith was severely injured and when he gets out of the hospital he goes to see a lawyer who agrees to take the personal injury and medical malpractice cases. As it turns out, when he was in the hospital, Mr. Smith did not receive proper medical care and his doctor committed malpractice.

Six years and one day go by and no lawsuits or criminal charges are filed. What is the result?

To begin with, in every case, criminal and civil, people and the government are given a certain amount of time to proceed in court. If they fail to act, their claims are barred forever. This is what is called the statute of limitations.

The answer to our hypothetical fact situation (with certain exceptions) is that it is too late for anyone to do anything because the statute of limitations has run on the personal injury claim (three years), the assault and battery claim (two years), the misdemeanor criminal charge (six years) and the malpractice claims against the doctor (two years) and the lawyer (two years).

The statute of limitations exists in every state and has as its rationale the idea that both people and the government should be encouraged to bring claims promptly so that witness memories are fresh and defendants can have closure if nothing happens.

The length of time to act varies depending on the type of case. Importantly, certain serious

criminal offenses such as murder have no statute of limitations.

Exceptions to the running of the statute can include the victim being a minor, incapacity due to insanity, or discovery of the claim.

Normally the law has good reasons for doing what it does. This is an example of just that.



### FIRE

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City, Linden City, Holly, Burton, Grand Blanc Township and Mundy Township responded with mutual aid.

While the residents were home at the time of the fire, no one was injured. An adjacent home was at risk of catching fire, but was stopped by fire personnel.

The cause of the blaze is unknown, and the State Fire Marshal is investigating.

According to the gofundme. com account, Baughman Family Fire Recovery, created by the homeowner's son, an electrical line caught fire and their home was destroyed. The family was unable to recover any belongings. Media Editor Tim Jagielo contributed

to this story



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On Tuesday, Sept. 5, the Michigan State Police and Fenton Township Fire Chief Ryan Volz (right) investigate the scene of a fire on Wenwood Parkway.



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# Young people prefer YouTube over T

■YouTube offers kids mode, educational tutorials and videos

#### By Hannah Ball

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The days of children coming home from school and turning on the TV are over.

Instead, most children and teenagers are turning on the computer or using their phones to watch YouTube, causing a major shift in how young people consume entertainment.

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**Megan Wood** 

Fenton resident

19-month-old daughter and a 22-month-old nephew that I nanny. Both love YouTube and have for many months. We watch YouTube videos more than TV shows and almost never watch movies."

AwesomenessTV, which produces video for 31 different platforms, surveyed 1,500 U.S. teens and found that on average, 34

percent of their time watching videos is on YouTube compared to 14 percent watching TV.

Streaming services in general are rising in popularity, with teens spending 27 percent of their video time watching Netflix. Not only is the medium different, the type of content varies more. On YouTube, there are tutorials and how-tos for almost everything, and a lot of the content is educational.

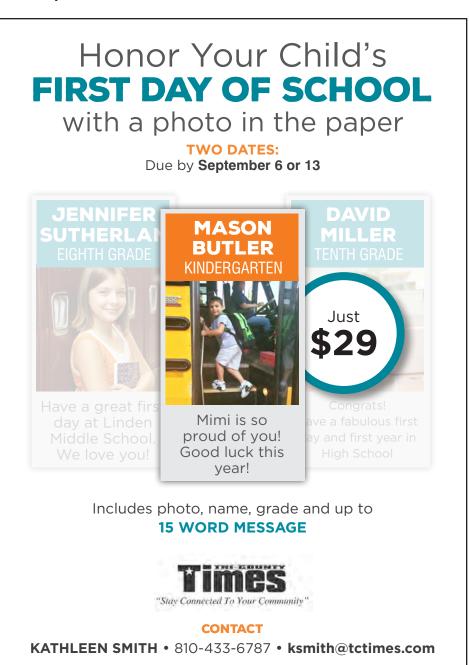
"They watch all sorts of videos and shows (Teletubbies, Barney, etc.) but they also watch these weird videos made just for kids on YouTube. Some are nursery rhymes ... some are families acting," Wood said. "Obviously I try to limit it and they get very upset, but I do think a lot of the videos are educational so that gives me some comfort. They've learned many things from the videos alone. There are countless videos of the alphabet, counting, colors, animals, how to brush

your teeth."

There is a Kids Mode on YouTube, which filters out inappropriate content for kids. But local resident Ali Brown said some inappropriate content still gets through.

"I love YouTube and use it all the time for news, home improvements, tutorials and more. But my kids never just get to view video

after video of these 'kid channels.' We don't allow YouTube unless completely monitored. Even with the YouTube kids app or restriction mode on- inappropriate content can be viewed," Brown said. However, this trend signifies a major shift in home entertainment for the future



METRO CREATIVE SERVICES As more and more young people choose streaming services and YouTube for entertainment, they see less of a need for cable and satellite TV.

#### generations.

According to businessinsider.com, only 8 percent of college students don't have a Netflix account.

With the rise on streaming services, more and more teenagers and young adults are ditching cable. A recent Piper Jaffray survey found that 55 percent of U.S. teens don't see the need to have cable or satellite TV, and number that rose from 32 percent in 2012.

When the Times published a Facebook post asking parents if their kids watched YouTube more than TV, the post received dozens of comments within a day.

#### TV

#### **Continued from Page 3** Cost is one reason.

On the Times Facebook, Fenton resident Christina Duso said they cut the cord this year and now have Netflix,

Hulu and an antenna for local channels. "We were paying way too much for

cable," she said. "We were paying \$200 for SUMMARY the lowest package with DVR on three TVs." This trend, in part, is thanks to the rise of streaming services like Netflix, Amazon

Prime, and other on-

line entertainment me-

diums like YouTube.

Americans are pursuing other entertainment options when it comes to watching shows and movies.

As cable

costs rise,

Fenton resident Karen Fox said they got rid of their cable almost two years ago and opted for a \$100 antenna from Walmart that delivers them the local news. They get ABC, NBC, and CBS.

"We do have Netflix, which costs us \$8.99 a month and \$5 a month to get everything on PBS. Recently we vacationed in a place where there was cable and agreed we weren't missing anything," she said. "We watch Netflix nearly every evening and like it better for movies."

Maddie Newcombe, who works at Family Video in Fenton, said, "Most of my customers have said they no longer have cable and rely on streaming services and us for entertainment."

Netflix continues to grow its user base. This April, Netflix passed the 100-million subscribers mark and it

Argentine resident Brea Zilisch, said her 7-, 5-, and 3-year-old love watching gadget reviews and fishing videos and watch YouTube any chance they get.

"I would rather them watch old fashioned cartoons but they think cartoons are old school and lame. It really is a whole new way of life. Everything is quicker and they can change videos every minute instead of watching something through," Zilisch said.

Linden resident Heather Vadesz said her 17-year-old son probably watches around two to eight hours of YouTube a day, which Vadesz considers a lot.

"I think what he watches is better than say a sitcom or cartoons. He usually watches educational stuff. Automotive, science, photography," she said.

#### Facebook comments

Kara Robinson I'm convinced my 3 year old learned how to read at age 2 from YouTube. He's not quite 3.5 years old yet and can read full books that he's never seen before and reads labels and signs while we're out shopping or running errands.

Dave McDermott Mine rarely watch "regular" TV. It's all YouTube and streaming (Netflix).

Debi DeBolt Murray YouTube is a staple here. 10-year-old watches video gamers - 16 and 46 year-old watch music videos. And sometimes we have pizza and YouTube nights and watch funny vines and try not to challenges!

continues to grow, according to foxbusiness.com. The company's stock price has jumped more than 18 percent since the beginning of January, and Netflix added 1.42 million U.S. customers and 3.53 million international subscribers in the first three months of the year.

YouTube, which is now the preferred entertainment medium for young children, is also rising in popularity.

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With the younger generations choosing Netflix and YouTube over TV subscription services, the entertainment industry is projected to experience a huge shift when more and more young people show their decisions with their wallets.

#### When did cord cutting start?

The beginning of the cord-cutting era started in 2010, according to The Battle for the American Couch Potato: Online & Traditional TV and Movie Distribution. Recent numbers show that in 2015, 1.16 million Americans got rid of their cable. In 2016, there was a decline of 2.05 million, and 2017 is estimated to see a decline of 2.11 million TV subscribers.



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This "bump out" expands her bedroom significantly, and uses a 500-pound piece of glass.

#### HOME

#### **Continued from Page 3**

"I'm the general contractor," said Boettcher, who bought the home on First Street in February and moved in during April. She does a lot of the work herself, but relies on professionals to handle the plumbing, electrical and drywall. "I also collaborate with my dad," she said. "He's a retired engineer, and has much the same ability as I do to visualize a space."

Boettcher has spent the last three months renovating the house, starting with the exterior siding. Just recently, she completed a 200-square-foot addition that included a new state-of-the-art master bath/walkin closet and a "bump out" in the master bedroom.

"People can't believe it when they see it," said Boettcher. "The 'bump out' overlooks a new deck in the backyard with floor to ceiling windows. It's where Carly and I spend most of our time."

That is, when she has time to sit. Boettcher built her own bathroom vanity and mirror, raw maple shelving, installed the subfloor, tongue and groove ceiling, insulation and more.

She added a new front porch, extended the eaves and also has undertaken a major landscaping project in the backyard. She added flowerbeds along the perimeter of the backyard, using dirt and bricks from her project's excavation work.

Soon, she'll be adding a colorful flower border around her deck, as well as flower beds along the perimeter of the backyard. She can't wait to dig in to her front yard, creating new flower beds and landscaping.

Her other renovation plans include updates to her small kitchen, the guest bath and painting and cleaning up the basement.

To her, all these projects are an exciting part of home ownership. "People say building is stressful, but to me, it's fun. It's all what you make of it."



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | SUBMITTED PHOTO Tracy Boettcher bought her 950-squarefoot home this summer and has already added two rooms.

Her secret to keeping workers at her house is to make sure there's plenty of food and beverages to keep them on the job. "I don't give them a reason to leave," she said. "They all say this is the most fun they've ever had on a project."

### HOT LINE CONTINUED

FOX (FAKE) NEWS is for mini-minds. They don't want to be confused with the facts. CNN is for disaster-enthralled minds. For minds that want to base decisions on facts, watch MSNBC.

### THE HATE THE Democrats have

displayed toward Trump and his family in riots, rants and threats from the Hollywood elite, 24/7 Trump-bashing on liberal TV stations, a play depicting the murder of Trump, and resistance from all Washington Democrats is something Obama never experienced from the Right.

DID ANYONE ELSE see the meteor fireball at 3 a.m. Friday morning? It was in the north toward Flint, heading east. It was greenish blue, moving slowly, with a long white tail. Amazing.

#### LAST WEEK STATE Rep Abdullah Hammoud (D-Dearborn) introduced legislation that will ban investigation and enforcement of immigration laws in Michigan if it passes. Call your legislator today, not tomorrow.

HEY VILLAGE OF Holly, not another dollar store. Are you kidding me? What we really need is a White Castle.

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TO THE LADY in the black SUV, who paid for my McDonald's at the drive-thru Friday morning. I thank you for your kindness.

REMEMBER, CNN IS fast but they are not factual.

WHAT IS WRONG with following the U.S. laws when wanting to enter this country? Would you expect other countries to bend their rules for you? No, you wouldn't.

IKE SENT 300-400 advisors at a time to Vietnam armed only with pistols. Kennedy sent in actual combat troops.

ONCE AGAIN, WHERE is help from our foreign allies? The U.S. always is first to help other countries in a disaster but we never receive help. Thank you President Trump for donating, personally, \$1 million.

WHY HAS THE cost of college tuition in Michigan increased over 150 percent in the past 13 years, when the state has cut funding by only 30 percent? Even when adjusted for inflation, the numbers don't add up. Why is the cost increase five times the cut?



Sponsored in Part by: a grant from Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency, Village of Holly, Holly Moose, VFW Post 5587, American Legion Post 149, Holly Area Veterans Resource Center and private donations I WOULD LIKE to give a big thank you to whoever paid for our dinner at Boston's Aug. 31. I was there with my 83-year-old uncle who is a marine and served in the Korean War. He had his ball cap on that indicates he was a vet. Thank you for recognizing his service.

A GREAT BIG 'thank you' to the Fenton community for supporting the varsity football team at Michigan Stadium last Saturday. The crowd, atmosphere, and game were awesome.

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**THE DDA LAW** is the problem; it needs to be repealed. Using tax money to support businesses has warped Fenton's economy.

**PEOPLE YOU NEED** to read more of history instead of getting it from the lame-stream media. Slavery was the core issue that drove the states' rights debate.

TYPICAL LEFTIST DEMOCRAT response to a valid point. Bush and the UN attacked Iraq after several warnings about shooting at the coalition's planes, gassing the Kurds and killing his opponents.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### Notice of Public Hearing Lake Improvement Project for Lake Ponemah Charter Township of Fenton, Genesee County, Michigan

#### TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on motion of the township board, as authorized by PA 188 of 1954, as amended, the township board proposes to continue a lake improvement program on Lake Ponemah consisting of the eradication and/or control of aquatic weeds and plants and related services, and to create a special assessment district for the recovery of the costs thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment district within which the foregoing improvements are proposed to be made and within which the costs thereof are proposed to be specially assessed are more particularly described as follows:

#### All parcels of land with frontage on or legal access to Lake Ponemah

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the township board has received plans showing the improvements, together with an estimate of the costs in the approximate amount of \$368,113, has placed the same on file with the Township Clerk, and has passed a resolution tentatively declaring its intention to make such improvement and to create the aforementioned special assessment district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that said plans, estimates of costs and proposed special assessment district may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours on regular business days from the date of this notice through the date of the public hearing and may be examined at such public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing on the plans, district and estimates of costs will be held at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, commencing at 7:30 p.m. on Monday September 18, 2017.

At the hearing, the board will consider any written objections and comments to any of the foregoing matters which are filed with the Township Clerk at or before the time of the hearing, and any objections or comments raised at the hearing; and at the hearing (or any adjournment of the hearing which may be made without further notice), the township board may revise, correct, amend or change the plans, estimates of costs or special assessment district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if written objections to the improvement are filed with the township board, at or before the hearing, signed by record owners of land constituting more than 20 percent of the area in the proposed special assessment district, then the township board may not proceed unless petitions in support of the project, signed by record owners of more than 50 percent of the area to be made into a special assessment district, are filed with the township. Written comments or objections may be file with the Township Clerk at the address set out below.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the township board determines to proceed with the special assessments, it will cause a special assessment roll to be prepared and another hearing will be held, after notice to record owners of property proposed to be specially assessed, to hear public comments concerning the proposed special assessments.

All interested persons are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place in person or by representative and to submit comments concerning the foregoing.

ROBERT E. KRUG FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK 12060 MANTAWAUKA DRIVE FENTON, MI 48430-8817 (810) 629-1537 MY PARENTS TAUGHT me the importance of finishing one project before starting another. Why wasn't Caroline Street finished before Poplar Street reconstruction was begun? How much longer will we be looking at weeds and a less than half-finished job downtown at the Caroline Street project?

WHY DOES IT concern you that Hillary Clinton may be receiving \$240 for a meetand-greet? It is not illegal. You would do the same thing if someone would pay to meet you.



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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on motion of the township board, as authorized by PA 188 of 1954, as amended, the township board proposes to continue a lake improvement program on Dollar Lake consisting of the eradication and/or control of aquatic weeds and plants and related services, and to create a special assessment district for the recovery of the costs thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment district within which the foregoing improvements are proposed to be made and within which the costs thereof are proposed to be specially assessed are more particularly described as follows:

All parcels of land with frontage on Dollar Lake and the channel between Dollar Lake and Little Long Lake

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the township board has received plans showing the improvements, together with an estimate of the costs in the approximate amount of \$34,592, has placed the same on file with the Township Clerk, and has passed a resolution tentatively declaring its intention to make such improvement and to create the aforementioned special assessment district.

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## Fenton, Holly boys XC teams prepare for Metro jamboree at A2 meet

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#### **By David Troppens**

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The Holly and Fenton varsity cross country boys teams both had reasons to feel good about their performance at the A2 Early Bird Invitational held at Huron Meadows Metro Park.

The Holly varsity boys cross county team had eight runners finish within the top 40 of the Blue Varsity Division of the event, while Fenton had five place in the top 50 in the even-stronger Gold Varsity race.

Holly had five finish within the top 22. Cooper Frederick placed sixth (17:11.2) with Samuel Schneider taking seventh (17:11.6). The rest of Holly's top five runners were: Jose Vivanco in 13th (17:40.0), Nolan Weisdorfer in 1 8 t h

(17:56.5) and Tyler Thomason in 22nd (18:00.6). Adam Snitgen (26th in 18:07.7), Kyle Carroll (35th in 18:35.0), Victor Ruiz (36th in 18:35.3) and Bradley Baxter (38th in 18:38.2). also finished in the top

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The Fenton boys were led by Adam Jesse, who finished 14th with a personal-best time of 16:38.4. Nolan Day (23rd

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in 17:03.6) and Mitchell Chabot (24th in 17:04.2) also finished in the top 25 of the Gold Division. The rest of Fenton's top seven runners were Kennings Peter (45th in 17:31.3), Sheffield Ben (47th in 17:32.6),

> Holly's Samuel Schneider (left) and Fenton's **Mitchell Chabot**

Samuel Cox (49th in 17:33.8), and Logan Canada (59th in 17:51.8).

The Tigers are a young squad, with five of the top seven finishers being underclassmen.

Fenton and Holly finished 1-2 in the Metro League standings a year ago, with Fenton winning each of the three jamborees. Holly placed second in all three events. Fenton graduated its top two runners from last season - Dominic Dimambro and Andrew Bond - but remain a serious contender to defend their title.

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David's **Dabblings** Some thoughts about sports and others not dealing with sports at all



Fenton stings the Hornets, 63-27

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### Tigers' offense leads way once again in home opener of season

#### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 **Fenton** — Friday night may have been a great example of just how good the Fenton varsity football team appears to be this season.

The Tigers, recently ranked fourth among state D3 teams by thedzone. net, scored 63 points, collected nearly 400 yards total offense and forced the 35-point continuous mercy clock against Kearsley.

Yet, to anyone who witnessed the game, it was obvious the contest wasn't what the Tigers would label their 'A' game, or maybe not even their 'B' game.

Kearsley scored the game's first TD, but Fenton responded with the final 35 points during the first half, eventually leading up to a 63-27 drubbing of Kearsley at Fenton High School.

"I think we are in a good spot," Fenton senior lineman captain Trevor Edgar said. "We are 2-0 and that's where we want to be. But we have to come out better in the first quarter.

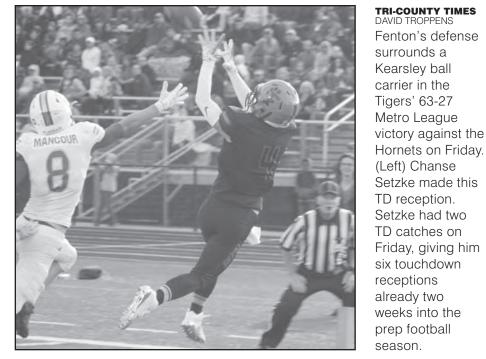
"We came out flat against Brandon, and it was 14-14 at halftime. (Tonight) they got the first touchdown and they were up 7-0. That can't happen if we want to get to the level we want to get to."

Of course, human nature may have played a role in the slow start as well. Just six days earlier, the Tigers opened the season with a pretty impressive victory against Brandon at Michigan Stadium, a venue one could see it may take awhile to forget about.

"I believe a little bit of that," Fenton quarterback Josh Czarnota said. "Nothing is better than playing at Michigan Stadium. We came out slow at the beginning, but we came out fast in the second quarter. We bounced back."

"We had it all week long in practice," Fenton varsity coach Jeff Setzke said. "We just didn't practice well. Everyone is coming off the emotional high. Bran-





don was a big win and we were playing in the Big House. It wasn't our best practice week, and Kearsley is much improved. ... We were a little flat and then we got it going. Then in the second half, we came out a little bit flat as well. It's unfortunate, but we'll learn some things from that."

Kearsley jumped to the early lead when Thomas Plunkey rambled right, broke a tackle and scored on a 49-yard TD run, giving the Hornets a 7-0 lead with 7:31 left in the opening quarter. From that point, the Tigers pretty much dominated the first half, scoring on its final five possessions of half.

A Josh Mahar kickoff return to the Kearsley 17 set up the first score, just two plays later. Czarnota completed an eightyard slant pass to Ryan Miller. Braden Moore kicked the extra-point, tying the See FENTON on 13

**TWO WEEKS DONE, WHAT TO EXPECT THE NEXT SEVEN** 

Whew, it's been a pretty busy first two weeks of the prep football season for the sports staff.

Of the eight games played in the first two weeks, our staff was able to cover seven of them (we couldn't get to Linden's game at Clio on Thursday), and I was at five of those games.

My ventures included a football doubleheader on the opening Thursday at Flint's Atwood Stadium to watch Linden edge out Flushing, followed by a quick run to Swartz Creek to watch Holly's opener. Amazingly, I arrived just as the kickoff was happening. Two days later, of course, we were at Michigan Stadium watching the Fenton Tigers' offense crush Brandon. This week, I was able to see two more games. On Thursday, I watched the Lake Fenton Blue Devils' defense shut out Montrose 21-0 at Montrose High School, followed by Fenton's second impressive offensive outing of the season at home against Kearslev.

So if anyone has the right to guess what's going to happen the rest of this year, I guess it's me. Let's give it a whirl.

#### **Fenton Tigers**

As was expected at the start of the season, the Tigers appear to be the class of the Metro League again this season, as they make a run for a seventh straight league title.

Fenton's offense, led by quarterback Josh Czarnota, has already scored 109 points this season. Czarnota already has well over 500 yards passing and eight TD passes. He's also run for three.

The question isn't if the Tigers are going to make the playoffs. That's a lock. This team has a great chance to go 9-0 and earn a high playoff seed. The real question is does Fenton have what it takes to finally clinch a regional championship? Their offense certainly is potent enough. The answer will depend on the defense improving, and it needs to.

#### **Holly Bronchos**

Holly is off to a strong start, but it's hard to gauge exactly where the Bronchos are at just yet because See DABBLINGS on 13

## Fenton's Keiser, Holly's Ruiz star at A2 event

#### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com It looks like Fenton's Alexa Keiser is in midseason form.

With the first Metro League jamboree set for Wednesday at Goodrich Middle School, last season's defending Metro League champion proved she was more than ready to begin her defense of her title by crushing the field at the A2 Run Early Bird Invitational held at Huron Metro Park on Aug. 31.

Fenton competed in the Gold Varsity race while Holly competed in the Blue Varsity race.

Keiser won the Gold Varsity race at the event with a time of 18:43.6, about 40 seconds ahead of the rest of the field. Fenton's sophomore's closest reason to feel good about competition was Pinckney freshman Vivi Eddings, who finished second in 19:23.5. The pair were just two of 10 girls who finished the 5K event in under 20 minutes.

In fact, Keiser's time was the best of any of the three races held at the event. Her time was about 24 seconds better than the Blue Varsity Division's

winner Lily Durham, who completed her event in 19:07.8. She finished just ahead of Holly's top performer at the meet, Andrea Ruiz. Ruiz finished the Blue Varsity race in sixth in 20:28.8.

Fenton's varsity girls posted six other runners with times under 22:15 at the Gold Varsity division of the event.

Abbey Lee was Fenton's top runner, placing 16th in 20:19.2. The rest of Fenton's top seven finishers were: freshman Kaitlin Bayer (55th in 21:31.1), Avery Logan (77th in 22:07.1), Coral Lefever (78th in 22:07.9), Hanna Chapin (79th in 22:08.3) and Chloe Lefever (82nd in 22:14.7).

Holly's girls also had the event. The Bronchos had six runners finish in the top 50 of the Blue Varsity division, and had two runners finish within the top 10.

Freshman Ruiz led the Bronchos, but not far behind was her sophomore sister Monica Ruiz. Ruiz placed sixth in 20:28.8.

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strong showings at the A2 Run Early Bird Invitational held at Huron Metro Park on Aug. 31.

Devils didn't really show any great explosiveness to their offense against Montrose. If we start seeing the bigplay capability we've come to expect out of Lake Fenton's ground game, I think they will be fine. The Blue Devils have that five- or six-win feel to them right now.

tough road to six wins for one big reason — for the third straight season the Eagles have state-power DeWitt on the regular-season schedule. This meant the Eagles' first contest against Flushing was pivotal. Linden defeated the Raiders at Atwood Stadium and it has opened the door to some nice possibilities. Linden finds itself at 2-0 with plenty of room for improvement, and I think we'll see them only improve as the season

ing just two touchdowns in two games. The offense is still a work in progress, but it's getting better as well. I suspect Linden will get at least get six wins, but my gut says seven wins seems more likely. . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

yard drive, capped by Czarnota's 19yard TD run, making it 14-7. Just two minutes later, Fenton scored on its first play of its next offensive possession. Czarnota hit Chanse Setzke on a 38yard fade, making it a 21-7 lead with 9:05 left in the half.

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### Area prep football schedules

#### **Fenton Tigers**

46-21W 1-0 Aug 26 Brandon Sept 1 Flint Kearsley 63-27W 2-0 Sept 8 Owosso Sept 15 Linden Sept 22 Clio Sept 29 Holly Oct 6 Flushing Oct 13 Swartz Creek Oct 20 Watrerford Mott

Aug 25 Swartz Creek 32-18W 1-0 Aug 31 Owosso 61-12W 2-0 Sept 8 Linden Sept 15 Kearsley Sept 22 Flushing Sept 29 Fenton Oct 6 Det. Univ Prep Oct 13 Brandon Oct 20 Clio

HOLLI

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Fenton's Alexa Keiser (left) and Holly's Monica Ruiz (right) had

#### Lake Fenton Blue Devils

Aug 24	New Lothrop	22-28L	0-1
Sept 1	Montrose	21-0W	1-1
Sept 8	Mount Morris		
Sept 15	Goodrich		
Sept 22			
Sept 29			
Oct 6	Corunna		
Oct 13	<b>Otisville LakeV</b>	ille	
Oct 20	Williamston		

#### Linden Eagles

Aug 24	Flushing	27-22W	1-C
Sept 1	Clio	49-0W	2-0
Sept 8	Holly		
Sept 15	Fenton		
Sept 22	Kearsley		
Sept 29	Swartz Creek		
Oct 6	Brandon		
Oct 13	DeWitt		
Oct 20	Owosso		



Check our web site calender for League start ups and New Shooter nights

Fees discounted for club members and Family memberships are currently available



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they've played two of the teams expected to be near the bottom of the Metro League standings.

That said, the Bronchos can't be faulted for that. They have to play the schedule in front of them, and they've performed well in both games so far. Heck, the Bronchos broke a school record by scoring 61 points against Owosso on Thursday.

If Holly wins the games they are 'supposed' to, the Bronchos should get to six wins. The coin-flip or tough games are contests with Linden (Friday's game), Flushing, Fenton and Brandon. All they'd need to do is win one of those four, and I think they are more than capable of doing that.

#### Lake Fenton Blue Devils

The Blue Devils are in a pretty interesting position. I thought their first game against New Lothrop was going to be a big key. If they won that game, they were going to make the playoffs. If not, then things were going to get dicey.

Well, they remain a bit dicey after the win against Montrose. With contests against Goodrich, Corunna and Williamston remaining on the schedule, the Blue Devils need to win every game ...........

#### FENTON

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contest at 7-all with 6:35 left in the first quarter. It was the first of five Moore would have in the half.

In the second quarter, Fenton scored four TDs. The first second-quarter score came during a nine-play, 64-

they are 'expected' to win and must earn at least one against the big three. The Blue Devils can do it. Defensively,

they look capable. On offense, the Blue

Linden Eagles

Linden entered the season with a continues.

The defense has been strong, allow-



ARIES

some time.

TAURUS

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

Apr 21/May 21

Mar 21/Apr 20

This week you may be very

interested in technology,

Aries. This interest could

spur the purchase of a new

have had your eyes on for

Friends may be surprised to

hear you requesting things,

Taurus, since you're not usu-

ally one to ask for help. It is

okay to need some assis-

tance this week to get by.

Gemini, you may need to

ask yourself some difficult

questions this week if you

future. If you're looking for

adventure, the goals will be

different from stability.

plan to map out more of your

technological device that you

#### **MIDWEEK TIMES**

### Horoscopes

For the week of September 4, 2017

#### CANCER Jun 22/Jul 22

Try to show others this week that you are a thoughtful person who has many life experiences to share, Cancer. Try to assert yourself in a calm but effective way.

#### LEO Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, trust the people you love and your close friends. There is a good reason why you hang in certain social circles. It's not the time to doubt your alliances

#### VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

Self-confidence and enthusiasm helps you to be a natural-born leader this week, Virgo. Show coworkers just how much you can handle and they'll take a step back.

#### LIBRA Sept 23/Oct 23 Libra, changes to your

financial status may have you looking at various ways to cut costs or ways to splurge. Research all of the possibilities before making drastic changes. SCORPIO

#### Oct 24/Nov 22

There are many changes waiting to unfold in your personal life, Scorpio. Take the time to listen to what the stars are trying to tell you and make the best decisions. SAGITTARIUS

#### Nov 23/Dec 21

Bringing together people and socializing is what you desire this week, Sagittarius. Therefore, why not host a party or organize a night out with friends?

#### CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

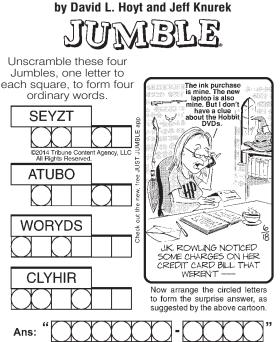
It is important not to let others make decisions for you, Capricorn. If you feel strongly about something, speak up for yourself and others will notice your assertiveness. **AQUARIUS** 

#### Jan 21/Feb 18

Someone close to you may be having difficulties he or she is not able to verbalize, Aquarius. Be patient with this person and help work through all of the angles.

#### PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, when you act as a leader your behaviors may be different from others around you. It is okay to stand out for the right reasons.



Wednesday Jumble

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

Answers in this Sunday's edition of the Tri-County Times

Wednesday Crossword

### KING FEATURES

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#### THE WEDDING PLAN

At 32, Michal (Noa Kooler), an Orthodox Jewish woman, is finally looking forward to the comfort and security of marriage, when she is blindsided by her fiancé's decision to call off

the wedding with only a month's notice. Unwilling to return to lonely single life, Michal decides to put her trust in fate and continue with her wedding plans, believing Mr. Right will appear by her chosen date. Confident she will find a match made in heaven, she books a venue, sends out invitations and buys a wedding dress, as her skeptical mother and sister look on with trepidation. During Michal's month-long search for a spouse, she enlists the help of two different matchmakers & goes on a series of disastrous blind dates

#### PG, 1 hr. 50 min.

Art House & International, Comedy, Drama, Romance



**DVD RELEASES** 

**BAND AID** Band Aid, the refreshingly raw, real, and hilarious feature debut from Zoe Lister-Jones, is the story of a couple, Anna (Zoe Lister-Jones) and Ben (Adam Pally), who can't stop fighting. Advised by their

therapist to try and work through their grief unconventionally, they are reminded of their shared love of music. In a last-ditch effort to save their marriage, they decide to turn all their fights into song, and with the help of their neighbor Dave (Fred Armisen), they start a band. A story of love, loss, and rock and roll, Band Aid is a witty and perceptive view of modern love, with some seriously catchy pop hooks to boot. NR, 94 min. Comedy



Wednesday Sudoku										
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way	9	3	1			2			7	
that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square	4		2		7		6	9		
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