## Formerly abused puppy doing 'great'

■Harvey Dent is enjoying new home and family

#### By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Nearly four months after Harvey Dent, the blinded puppy, found his "furever" home, his owners say he's adjusted "great."

Fenton residents Megan and Jacob Pawloski adopted Harvey from Adopt-A-Pet after the dog was rehabilitated from severe burns and the removal of both his eyes. Harvey's exact age is unknown, but he was approximately 9 months old when

the couple adopted him in July.

**He's** 

amazing

with new

people. 77

Fenton resident

first birthday last month. "We randomly picked September 30th as his birthday because we figured it was pretty close," she said.

At the party, Megan gave him an ice cake with toys inside. "We had several people

Megan Pawloski from the original vet he was at and Adopt-A-Pet come out for

have been following his story," she said. Since the Pawloskis brought Harvey

home, Megan has been posting about Harvey celebrated his, approximate, his journey on the Instagram account @ adventuresofharveydent.

Harvey attends Paradise Dog Training in Fenton, which Megan said has been very helpful.

"He's amazing with new people. We are always taking him to Home Depot and AutoZone," he said.

The Pawloskis adopted his birthday, as well as some people that 2-year-old Bailey from Adopt-A-Pet two years ago, so Harvey has someone to play with.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO One-year-old Harvey Dent sits with his owner, Megan Pawloski, who adopted him from Adopt-A-Pet.

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#### **By Sharon Stone**

boat prop

Slips while helping remove boat from hoist on Lake Fenton

sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 Fenton Twp. — A man was killed Thursday afternoon, Oct. 12, when he slipped and his leg was severed on a spinning propeller while helping a friend remove his boat from its hoist on Lake Fenton.

Man dies after

leg severed by

In a press release issued by the Genesee County Sheriff's Office on Friday morning, the victim is 57-year-old Mark Harvey Elmer of Fenton.

At approximately 12:49 p.m., sheriff's deputies were dispatched to See MAN DIES on 19A



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO The victim of a fatal Thursday afternoon accident was helping a friend at these docks on Lake Fenton. He slipped and fell into the water trying to dislodge a boat from a hoist.



**You know when** it would have been brave for Meryl Streep to speak out?

when she knew what Weinstein was doing. Coming out now, doeeyed and feigning surprise, is superb acting. She was silent about it for over two decades. Hypocrites all."

The number of trick-ortreaters has dwindled over the years, due in large part to private parties, and special Halloween and harvest activities arranged by civic organizations and area churches.

There are, however, still droves of children dressed in costume, running from house to See SEX OFFENDER on 18A

**Creative**, masterful, apropos, delightful. These

hoping for a chance to break the North American record of 2,363 pounds.

Local sex offender list climbs to 174



■Seventy-one more

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two weeks away, it is good to

remind ourselves that there are

those out there that would prey

With Halloween just over

names on registry

than in 2015

**By Vera Hogan** 

on children.

Twenty-five years ago

are just a few of the words that describe the wonderful sculpture that

was donated. Thank you, Hagermans, It is a great landmark and I smile every time I go by it."

**should** have thought about fixing the roads



before giving

making a killing. We paid for it and outsiders are reaping the benefit. Vote 'no' on millage."

#### **Daycare owner's husband accused** of criminal sexual conduct

Charges involve inappropriate touching of two sisters under the age of 13

**By Sharon Stone** sstone@tctimes.com; 810-433-6786 The husband of a Linden daycare owner has been arraigned on four counts of second-degree criminal sexual conduct (CSC) involving

See DAYCARE on 19A



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Douglas William Walsh



**L** The entertainment industry that once gave us Jimmy Stewart, John Wayne, Ronald Reagan and so many other wonderful American patriots is now dominated by sick liberals who are child molesters. perverts, and sex offenders like Roman Polanski, Woody Allen, Bill Clinton and now Harvey Weinstein. Sick, sick, sick."

GOOD GOURD — On Friday morning, Oct. 13, an excited Mark Clementz (right) of Holly prepares to load his giant pumpkin onto the back of a truck headed to competition in Ohio. Clementz currently holds the state record at 1,947 pounds, but is



millions of dollars to out-of-towners who are now



# The stories behind our school mascots

Eagles, Devils, **Bronchos and** Tigers — oh my

#### By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Tigers, Bronchos, Eagles and Blue Devils. Our local schools? mascots are as ingrained in our area's history as much as the names Fenton, Holly, Linden and Lake Fenton.

But, how did these schools choose the mascots? Some were voted in, some have been challenged, and one is unknown.

#### **Linden Eagles**

The history of the Linden Eagles is elusive. Pete Maas, vice president of the Linden Historical Society who also used to work in the Linden athletic department, said he's searched for years for the origin of the eagle but he can't find anything definitive.

He knows the mascot was chosen around 1950, because that's when Linden schools became more involved with the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). The athletes chose a mascot to better identify themselves.

Barbara Kincaid, curator of the Linden Museum, said. "The first mention we have in the museum of the existence of the Eagles goes back to our first yearbook from 1949 where a girls sport team used the word 'Eagles.''

Maas said he's heard numerous stories on how the eagle was chosen.

"The one that's the most popular is they had a contest at school to choose the mascot," he said. Another story involves an old building in Linden called the Eagle Foundry that supposedly went back to the early 1900s.

Maas said it could have been named

after someone familiar with that foundry or descendant of that family. Another possibility is that the school got its mascot from a car dealership in town that used to be Murphy's. Maas said he's heard that the busi-

> ness used to have a big statue of an eagle sitting in the window.

Maas knows it was in the late 1940s or early 1950s because when the town of Linden got together in the '40s to build the bleachers for the football stadium and dedicate the field, the band didn't have

the Eagle fight song back then. "It's been an ongoing thing for the

last 15 years. I'm trying to figure it all out. It's just hearsay, we don't have conclusive information," Maas said.

#### **Lake Fenton Blue Devils**

✓ In the 1951-1952 school year, Athletic Director Dick Adams and Superintendent Russell Haddon decided they should have a mascot for, what was referred to back then as, the

> System. According to Haddon, they were reading a newspaper and noticed a professional team used the devil

Haddon wanted to use the

Over the years, the district has gone through three versions of the Blue Devil, from a full front face, to a cartoon-like drawing that resembled Casper the friendly ghost, but with tails and a horn. The Blue Devil mascot now

According to Haddon, some community members have tried to change the mascot over the years, but the Blue Devil has remained.

#### **Holly Bronchos**

In 1945, Holly students decided they wanted the school to have a mascot or a logo to put on varsity sweaters, arm bands, and other apparel. The high school's student council had many discussions on the topic, and found

a company that sold those types of logos. Students looked through a catalog from the company to find available choices. Some were instantly eliminated because they were taken by neighboring schools. Fenton already had the tiger.

At the time, Holly played in the Oakland County League, not against Genesee County schools, except for the occasional football game against Fenton every Thanksgiving.

Eventually, the student council presented the student body with two options the red cardinal or the broncho. The students voted in the spring of 1946.

Girls and boys voted separately, and the boys had a debate and spokespeople for both animals. The boys thought the picture of a wild, untamed broncho would be better for the school's image than a bird.

While the boys chose the broncho, the girls chose the cardinal. Because the male population was larger than the female population, the broncho was voted in.

"h" in the '40s, even though it's always been pronounced "bronco."

#### ..> Fenton Tigers

The Times contacted the Fenton Historical Society and Fenton High School, and the origin of the tiger mascot is unknown. The Times asked its readers on Facebook if they knew, and the president of the Fenton High School Alumni Association said their records have no history of



## What it knows about you

■How to better manage Facebook to suit your interests and privacy

#### **By Hannah Ball**

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Have you ever wondered how Facebook seems to know which ads to display on your page or what events you might be interested in? The short answer is your web

activity. The long answer is that Facebook remembers your political affiliations, the pages you've liked, your interests, who you interact with the most, the companies you support, and a lot

line medium for communication, and its online reach could be compared to George Orwell's omniscient Big

monthly users, according to money. cc.com. You might think that how See FACEBOOK on 20A

You might think that how much Facebook knows about you is dependent on the amount of information you have in your bio, what you like, and what you post about.

the origin of the mascot. **2017 FALL SPECIALS** 



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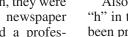
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## Come Heller high water

## **Troubling tunes!**

n NPR writer broke the rules this week by writing something with a pulse. By that I mean an opinion. (I saw the print edition, but if he read his piece on air, I'm sure he did so in a hushed voice, like he didn't want to set off a nearby time bomb.)

The writer's name is Bob Boilen. He said he was sick of certain songs, which immediately got my attention because as "The Person Who Should Be in Charge of Everything" I have often thought that some songs should be banned for life.

Boilen's choice was "Cats in the



Cradle," by Harry Chapin, which I completely agree with. That song has tortured fathers for decades now. "Ohmygod, I played softball with the guys for two hours instead of playing catch with my son. Now he's going to hate

me forever. Son! Son! I didn't mean it! Here, here's 20 dollars."

Enough. Ban it.

And while we're at it, we should also ban:

• Every Christmas song ever made with the possible exception of the Bing Crosby version of "White Christmas." No one did it like Bing.

• Anything by Kiss. Except for "Beth," which was their only ballad. For some reason, I like that one.

• Every rap song ever made. Hey, I'm old, OK? Gimme a break.

• "Muskrat Love" by the Captain & Tenille. If you're too young to remember this one, by all means, go listen to it. But be warned, it'll make you want to strangle actual muskrats.

• "Umbrella" by Rihanna. Why? Here are some of the actual lyrics: "You can stand under my umbrella, ella, ella, eh, eh, eh. Under my umbrella, ella, ella, eh, eh, eh. Under my umbrella, ella, ella, eh, eh, eh. Under my umbrella, ella, ella, eh, eh, eh, eh, eh, eh." Understand now?

• "Escape" (The Pina Colada song) by Rupert Holmes. Not because it's a terrible tune. It's not. It's actually kinda OK the first two times you hear it. After that you

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start analyzing the lyrics, especially the part where the woman he's meeting to go "make love in the dunes of the Cape" turns out to be his current girlfriend. And she's not mad at all. Instead she laughs and says, "Oh, it's you!" instead of "You bastard!" before punching him in the noogies.

• "You're 16, You're Beautiful, and You're Mine" by Ringo Starr. This is one of those songs that was perfectly acceptable for some reason back in 1973 when Ringo was, um, 33. These days when I hear it I think, "You put that song out today, dude, and you're gonna be slapped with a molestation charge."

• "Pinball Wizard" by the Who. It's just a dumb song, OK.

•"Elvira" by the Oak Ridge Boys. The actual lyrics, which are somehow much worse when you hear them sung: "My heart's on fire, for Elvira. Giddy up oom poppa omm poppa mow mow. Giddy up oom poppa omm poppa mow mow. Heighho silver, away."

• "We Built This City" by Starship. The sheer arrogance. Plus, how did Grace Slick ever end up playing second vocal fiddle to that wuss Mickey Thomas?

• "Piano Man" by Billy Joel. Great tune. But I've now heard it 7,679 times. Plus there's that lyric, "Man, what are YOU doing here?" Ego much, Bill? I welcome the list of songs

you'd retire or ban. Send them to andrewhellercolumn@gmail.com.

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I AM BURNED out by football. One of life's distractions has been distracted by politics. What's next? Baseball? Basketball? Hockey? Auto racing? It's all going to get ruined.

ARE YOU KIDDING, I just paid \$288 for a license plate tab. Why? This is just another tax disguised as a license plate purchase. I'm sick of the deceit and theft by government. 

ACCORDING TO ANALYSIS by The Washington Post, Donald Trump has made 1,318 false or misleading claims in the past 263 days. 

LIBERAL HYPOCRISY ON display again. It's perfectly fine to kneel during the national anthem, but how dare the vice president express his personal opinion by leaving after seeing people kneeling? It's OK for them to kneel, but not for Pence to leave?

LOGIC? YOU DON'T have any logic. Assault weapons are made to kill people. That's why it says assault. When they come up with assault fertilizer, assault cars, assault airplanes with bump stocks maybe they will boycott them or ban them.

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## Would you consider running for public office?



"I would, but it would be later in life. I'm still in college. I've thought about being involved with Linden City Council."

- Bethany Griffith

Linden

"Yes. Eventually I'll run for Fenton City Council, when I can get out of work early enough on Mondays to go to meetings. I've been thinking about this a lot, actually."





"No, because of my age for one, and you're never right. You can't please everyone and I'd assume not to try."

- Barry Gibson Fenton Township



Compiled by Tim Jagielo, media editor

"Me personally, I wouldn't. I have a lot of issues with society, but I don't feel like I'm the best person to make the change. I hope one day I'll be ready though."

- DaQuan Louden Linden



street talk

"I would say 'no,' because there's only so many hours in the day and right now I believe I'm doing what I'm supposed to be doing."

- Cinda Rachor Tyrone Township

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times Letters, 150 words or less, Readers

WHETHER YOU DIDN'T like the

outcome of the election last year, or you did like the outcome, either way remember, your local vote speaks

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IT'S NICE THAT the city's fathers share

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Vote, vote, vote.

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#### **Former Lake Fenton board** member supports upcoming bond

Dear editor.

I have been a resident of the Lake Fenton school district for over 35 years and was a proud member of the Lake Fenton Board of Education for over 32 years. After reading the school bond informational brochure regarding the upcoming November bond election, I'm positive in my support for these proposals. Our kids and our communities deserve to have quality infrastructure to reflect the excellent education provided by our district. Quality facilities are a key element in maintaining a thriving community and increasing economic development. I recognize that good schools have a direct relationship to strong property values. We need this bond to pass. This community will continue to grow and we need to support what is already in place as one of the best school districts in our state. Please support our children and community by voting YES for the school bond on November 7, 2017.





TRI-COUNTY TIMES I HANNAH BALL

The Linden Middle School football team and cheerleaders switch buses on Seymour Road on Wednesday, Oct. 11, after a power line cracked the windshield on the original bus.

## Power line falls on Linden school bus in 'freak accident'

## ■ Approximately 40 students were on board

#### **By Hannah Ball**

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 Argentine Twp. — The Linden Middle School football team had to switch buses on the side of Seymour Road in Argentine Township after a power line fell and cracked the windshield of the bus on Wednesday, Oct. 11.

Argentine Township police and fire departments, as well as Consumers Energy, responded to the accident at approximately 3:20 p.m. School administrators were on scene as students carried their football equipment to a Lake Fenton school bus.

Assistant Superintendent Mike Engelter described it as a "freak accident." While the bus was traveling north on Seymour Road to a game in Swartz Creek, a tree branch fell and landed on a power line, causing it to snap and hit the bus across the windshield. One Consumers Energy worker said it was perfect timing.

The windshield is cracked in the upper right-hand corner. About 40 students were on the bus. The driver sustained a small cut on his nose. No one else was injured.

Superintendent Russ Ciesielski sent an email to all Linden parents about the situation. "I want to thank all of our first responders for their immediate action, and a big thank you to our students and bus driver for their calm and safe actions," he said.



## **Stabenow donating Harvey Weinstein** political donation to charity

Debbie

Stabenow

**Compiled By Vera Hogan** vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823

Although she has not responded to the Times' emails, it was

reported by the Detroit News on Tuesday, Oct. 10, that U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow will donate to a charity the donation she previously received from Hollywood movie mogul, Harvey Weinstein.

Weinstein was fired from The Weinstein Co. on Sunday, Oct. 8, following last week's revelations of allegations of

sexual harassment by actresses and employees dating back three decades, including eight settlements reached with accusers.

Stabenow, a Democrat and Michigan's senior senator, received \$4,800 total from Weinstein in February 2011, according to campaign finance reports.

Stabenow spokesperson Matt Williams told the Detroit News on Tuesday that Stabenow is still deciding on the charity to which she will give the \$4,800. She is among several Democrats in

#### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

I'M WAITING FOR Budweiser to bring out a special can showing the NFL salute, the clenched fist with the black supremacy movement.

THE HARVEY WEINSTEIN situation is a perfect example of Hollywood, left-wing media and left-wing political hypocrisy for hiding the situation from the public and protecting Weinstein.

WOULD THE HOT line people please tell me what the 'Dreamer' is they keep referring to on TV? Is it about immigration? Thank you for your courtesy. Editor's note: Dreamers are recipients of the DREAM Act, an acronym for Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act.

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I SEE MOTHER Nature took part of the tree that Lake Fenton schools own on top of Jennings Road. Are you going to finally recent days to say they plan to send Weinstein's donations to charity.

Weinstein was a high-profile mega donor who contributed more than \$780,000 to Democratic lawmakers, party organizations and liberal causes since 1991, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

GOP groups including the Republican National Committee called on Democrats to condemn Weinstein's actions and return his contributions.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer of New York is donating Weinstein's \$14,200 in contributions to women's charities. New York Sen. Kristen Gillibrand is giving \$11,800 to the anti-sexual-assault group RAINN, according to news reports.

RNC Chairwoman Ronna Ronney McDaniel on CNN on Sunday praised the Democrats who have shifted their Weinstein contributions and called on the Democratic National Committee to follow suit.

cut it down before it kills somebody?

DONALD TRUMP'S ICE cream. Impeachmint.

AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT continues to get squeezed, one of the many things that is sacrificed is police and fire. This has resulted in general chaos on the roads. One of the apparent fixes is going to be the self-driving car. Sad to think one day we'll probably lose this because of the lack of self-control.

SECRETARY TILLERSON'S ASSESSMENT of Trump is correct and also applies to Trump's base. His base relied heavily on lies, rumors, and innuendo, resulting in the greatest sucker election ever. 

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# Waterworks building gets 30-day stay of execution

Holly Council gives commissioner one last chance to save structure

#### By Vera Hogan

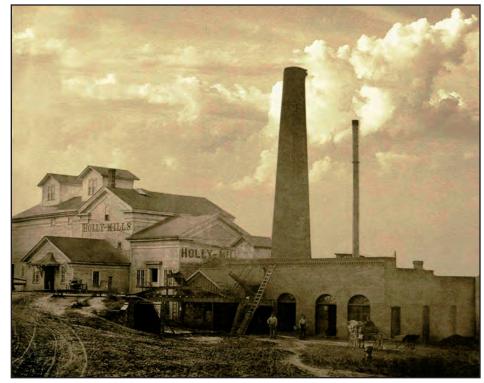
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Well, it was a done deal. On Aug. 8 the Holly Village Council voted unanimously to tear down the old Holly Waterworks Park building. But at the Sept. 27 meeting, Oakland County Commissioner Bob Hoffman (Dist. 2) was able to convince the Village Council for a stay of 30 days so that he can come up with a possible plan to save the building.

Hoffman, who owns properties in the downtown area of the village described a couple of the renovation projects he completed successfully. One of the historic structures he restored is on Battle Alley, and another is on the corner of Saginaw Street and Maple.

"They are now gems," he said.

Hoffman said he also purchased what became commonly known as the "Gray Lady," and it, too, was restored after a quick



This is what the original Holly Waterworks looked like. This photo was taken was prior to 1890 and before the first of three fires.

# Home is where your heart is

►TLC Adult Care can help your loved one stay at home more affordably than other elder care

#### **By Sally Rummel**

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Joe Gilbert of Fenton Township lost his dad, a sister and mom, all in a heartbreaking period of just 15 months. During that time when his family was using the services of a home care agency, he wasn't very pleased with the customer service provided and vowed that he could do better if he did it himself.

That was 17 years ago, and since that time, the agency he founded, TLC Adult Care, reflects all that he learned and experienced during his family's own time of need.

TLC Adult Care is a Private Duty In-Home Care Agency that prides itself in being an affordable, personable option to assisted living and memory care facilities. "If your loved one wants to stay at home, that's where we come in," said Carrol, home care coordinator.

Joe and Carrol and their own staff of Bonded and Insured caregivers provide daily companionship and assistance with Per-

sonal Care, Meal Preparation, Medication Reminding, Companionship, Laundry, Light Housekeeping, Errands/Shopping, Transportation and Respite Care. Their employees are either Certified Nursing Assistants or experienced Direct Caregivers.

"We are very hands-on," said Joe, who runs this family owned and operated business with his wife, Carrol. "We meet with the family initially to find out their needs



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TLC Adult Care home care coordinator Carrol Ruff-Gilbert and director Joe Gilbert stand beside their office bulletin board that displays some of the thank you notes received over the 15 years they've been in business. TLC Adult Care makes lives easier for families that need private duty in-home care. Services include personal care, meal preparation, daily living, companionship and errands.

and we provide a personalized Care Plan that we oversee. We know our clients personally and they know us." In fact, the Gilberts are well known in the Fenton Township area for their work with the Fenton Moose Lodge and as active members of this local community. TLC Adult Care is one of the few home care agencies to offer a flat rate for

a 24-hour shift as an option, instead of three eight-hour shifts. This provides more consistency of care at a reduced rate.

"This can result in a savings of thousands and thousands of dollars," Carrol said. "With our 24-hour care rate, we are usually less expensive or comparable to memory care/nursing facilities. Plus, your loved one will be getting one-on-one care, rather than waiting for someone to — PAID ADVERTISEMENT — respond when they push a button."

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"We work as a team with the client's family, doctor/gerontologist and skilled care company to provide the best quality of living possible for our clients," Joe said.

You and your family can meet with Joe and Carrol at the TLC Adult Care office at 5362 S. Dort Hwy, Flint, or take advantage of a free in-home assessment by calling (810) 235-8280. Our 24-hour line for contacting TCL Adult Care is (810) 714-1288. turnaround sale.

"I will take the lead on this," said Hoffman during public comment of the Sept. 27 meeting. He asked for time to come up with a plan to restore what he referred to as an historic landmark, including funding.

"Give me nine months, a short period of time to come up with a plan," he said. "I don't believe in tearing down old buildings. I believe Holly's was the first waterworks building in Oakland County.

"The DDA (Downtown Development Authority) is about to become a 501c3 (nonprofit)," said Hoffman. "So we will be able to apply for grant money."

Hoffman said he has been a member of the Holly DDA for a long time.

"I know we all voted to tear that old cockroach down," said Holly Village Council Member Bob Allsop. "But I would like to make a motion to give him three or four weeks to come with a plan.

"Bob's done wonders in town," Allsop said. "He does nice work."

At Allsop's request, the council took a vote with all but Council Member Dave Cruickshank voting for the motion. Hoffman would have a month to come with a plan to restore the building and a plan on how to pay for that restoration.

"He was given 30 days to present a viable plan that does not use village funds to save the building," said Cruickshank. "He was saying he can get an investor. I don't think he'll pay for the repairs. "We've gotten estimates in the \$200,000 range to fix the building."

On Thursday, Oct. 12, Hoffman said he is actively working with Oakland County Main Street on a restoration plan, and seeking funding. He plans to make a presentation to the Holly Village Council at its Tuesday, Oct. 24 meeting.

"I'm hoping the village will pony up the money they earmarked for demolition, so we can at least get a roof on the building to start," Hoffman said.

In August, the Village Council agreed to demolish the building this fall for \$25,000. Bruce Lowe Excavating has been hired to do the work.

#### **Background information**

The building on Saginaw Street, just east of the downtown area, has been vacant for years and is blighted to the point where restoration will be costly. Until this, the fate of the building has been tossed back and forth for 20 or more years between those who wish to preserve it and those who want it torn down.

One portion of it is covered with dark brick, the other has wood siding. The Shiawassee River flows beneath it.

The original waterworks building, built before 1890, burned down three times before the existing pump house structure was built in 1920.

"The building is not historical other than just being an 'old' building," Cruick-shank said.

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A motorist accidently drove a vehicle into a home on Bridson Street in Fenton Wednesday, Oct. 11. No one was injured.

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Drivers typically spend five seconds looking at their phones, which is enough time to cover more than the length of a football field going normal highway speeds.





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## Truck crashes into Fenton home

Ends up in family room of Bridson Street house

**Fenton** — The Fenton Police Department responded to a call around 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 11 that someone drove their car into the front of a house.

The incident took place on Bridson Street. The motorist was driving west down Hickory Street and failed to turn either left or right on Bridson. The car traveled through the yard and hit the front of the house.

A police officer on scene said it's possible the brakes failed. A building inspector assessed the damage. No one was injured. Interesting... odd news

## Montana mayoral candidate needs one vote, his, to win

#### **Compiled By Vera Hogan** vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823

There's one person running for mayor of Manhattan, Montana, and he only

needs to vote for himself to win. The Bozeman Daily Chronicle reports Glen Clements was the only person to apply to be a write-in candidate for the position on the November ballot. Under Montana law, any other write-in votes won't be counted because he's the only registered write-in candidate. If he had applied to be a formal candidate, all writein votes would be counted.

The Navy veteran and geological engineer has lived in the town of about 1,500 people for six years. Clements said his neighbors — the city's secretary and a police officer — told him no one was running and encouraged him to.

He says he's excited to fill the position that no one else wanted.

Sources: Associated Press and abcnews.com

Police&Fire report

#### SHERIFF WARNS RESIDENTS OF LATEST PHONE SCAM

Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell would like to make residents aware of a phone scam targeting Genesee County residents. Residents are being contacted by unknown callers claiming to be members of the sheriff's office or the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office. These callers are informing residents they have outstanding warrants or fines, which must be paid or they will be arrested. The sheriff's office would not do this. These callers have often used names of active members of the sheriff's office and cloned phone numbers similar to Genesee County governmental phone lines. On Tuesday, the sheriff's office received reports that residents have been contacted by callers identifying themselves as Lt. Don Mesnick and Dep. Ryan Walker. Do not give out personal information or perform any transactions of this nature. If anyone has questions, contact the sheriff's office at (810) 257-3407.

## HOT LINE CONTINUED

**BIG TIME MOVIE** producer has been accused of three rapes, molestations and numerous occasions where he exposed himself. And that's all so far. No wonder he gave so much money to Bill Clinton. They're like twin brothers from different mothers.

**A BUNCH OF** rich entertainers insulting our active military and our veterans? I'm done with the NFL.

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**Annual Dinner Awards** 

Fenton Winery & Brewery

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**November 3rd** 

**October 31st** 

1-6pm

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## **FENTON WINERY & BREWERY WILL HOST AWARDS DINNER**

Autumn setting with a Beer and Wine Tasting will greet annual Awards Dinner guests

#### By Sally Rummel

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 A beautiful autumn setting at the Fenton Winery & Brewery will await guests of the 2017 Chamber Annual Awards Dinner on Friday, Nov. 3, from 6 to 10 p.m.

This e v e n t recognizes businesses for outstanding achievements throughout the year, while guests enjoy a Beer and Wine Tasting at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and a Silent Auction throughout the evening. Bright

colors of purples, greens and golds will create a rich fall atmosphere amidst tables themed with beer, wine and hops.

"It's the first time for this event to be held at the Fenton Winery & Brewery. It's a beautiful and very fitting setting," said Lee Mitchell, chamber membership director and event coordinator. "It's good to have the Awards Dinner return to Fenton this year."

throughout the evening and receive notifications about the status of the bids," Mitchell said. SUMMARY The 2017 Chamber Awards Dinner will be Nov.

3, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Fenton Winery & Brewery.

All funds raised by the SilentAuctionwillbenefit the Chamber Scholarship Fund, which provides scholarship money for Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden students.

This year, the Silent Auction

will be online so diners can bid

from their phones. "You can still

browse all the items, but you can bid

Businesses and educators will be honored in the following categories:

- Entrepreneur • Community Service
- Enterprise
- Community Hero
- Ambassador of the Year Award

• Educator of the Year for Fenton, Lake Fenton and Linden Schools. Winners will be announced and recognized at the Awards Dinner.

The Fenton Winery & Brewery is at 1370 N. Long Lake Rd. in Fenton Township.

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## ´Holiday Happening, Jinglefest and Jinglejog on Dec. 1-2

#### **Bv Sallv Rummel**

news@tctimes.com; 810-629-8282 The Christmas holiday countdown is on with the season's first big events coming to Linden and Fenton on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1 and 2

#### HOLIDAY HAPPENING IN LINDEN

The city of Linden will be alive with holiday fun on Friday, Dec. 1, from 5 to 9 p.m. Watch for live reindeer, Shopping in the Moonlight, Community Sing-Along, Linden Mills Museum Tours, ice sculptures, food vendors, Masonic Temple Pasties Sales and more.

A Lighted Frosty Parade will step out at 6 p.m., followed by Meet Santa at the Gazebo, refreshments, horse carriage rides and a live nativity at Linden United Methodist Church.

#### JINGLEFEST IN FENTON

Holiday fun will continue in Fenton on Saturday, Dec. 2 with Brunch with Santa, sponsored by the Fenton Kiwanis Club at the Fenton Community & Cultural Center.

The Jingle Jog 5K Run & Walk will kick off afternoon Jinglefest events on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 3 p.m.. To sign up, visit: https://



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runsignup.com/fentonjinglejog Entertainment Jingle Tents will open at 3 p.m. with music,

ice sculptures and food vendors. A Live Nativity will be set up with reindeer, a donkey and more at the Fenton United Methodist Church. The Animal Health Clinic will offer its Santa Paws pictures for special photo fun.

Santa Claus will lead the Lighted Parade at 6 p.m., followed by the community treelighting and fireworks.

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## **Picture Day at North Road Elementary**



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

On Thursday, Oct. 5, North Road Elementary student Grant Sterling poses for photographer Kealey Humphrey with JD School Pictures, on picture day. The team photographed 500 students and 10 staff members that day.

## That's a lot of cabbage

#### Third-grader could win \$1,000 scholarship

In April, Tomek-Eastern Elementary School third-graders were given an opportunity to show off their green thumbs. Each student was given a young cabbage plant by Bonnie Plants. The instructions were simple. Take the cabbage plant home, plant it, care for it and watch it grow from April until September. Simple, but not so easy.

This challenge took perseverance, commitment, enthusiasm, and required problem-solving since a variety of cabbage-loving predators were invading their gardens.

At the start of this school year, 13 students turned in pictures of their cabbages. An Nguyen, Hyde Stack, Issabell Littleton, Jenelle Lemon, Madeleine Minock, Gavin Palmer, Addison Smith, Jonas Ritchie, Raeana Moreau, Torrance Willette, Kayla Kinney, Cameron Enberg and Ethan Hall stuck with it all summer



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I SUBMITTED PHOTO Torrance Willette shows off her Bonnie Plants cabbage that she grew for a class project at Tomek-Eastern Elementary School. See the other students' prized cabbages with this story at tctimes.com.

and completed the challenge.

Of these students, three were chosen by their third-grade teachers to have their names submitted to Bonnie Plants for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship in February 2018. These students are Jenelle Lemon, Hyde Stack and Torrance Willette. The decision was made based on the size and appearance of their cabbages.

One student in Michigan will be chosen by Bonnie Plants.





Hope for Hadleigh fundraiser Hadleigh Banks of Holly is 1 year old and has been diagnosed with Pediatric Mastocytosis, which is a rare and debilitating disease. There is little to no funding for research and currently no cure. Hadleigh requires daily medication, monthly treatments by a team of doctors, including oncology and immunology. Her medical bills have become a tremendous burden on her family. Organizers have planned a dinner, silent auction, raffle and dancing, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 20. The event will take place at Mt. Holly Ski and Snowboard Resort, 13536 Dixie Hwy., Holly. Tickets are \$25 per person, \$40 per couple and \$30 per person at the door. For more information go to www.hope4hadleigh.com/fundraiser.html.





# Meet JU WIEGAND

- Fenton Challenge founder and director
- Michigan football fan
- Fenton High School graduate

#### **By Hannah Ball**

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JD Wiegand, 23, has been involved with The Freedom Center for 20 years, and is the founder and director of Fenton Challenge. He has one dog, Charlie, a 75-pound English bulldog. He is the son of Jim and Dena Wiegand, both senior pastors at The Freedom Center. When he's not working on activities for Fenton Challenge, which is rare, JD watches Michigan football and will be an uncle in December.

What role does God play in your life? God plays a bigger role in my life than

anyone or anything else. Everything I am and everything I do is dictated by God. Without Him, I would be nowhere.

Of what work are you most proud?

Fenton Challenge. I had a lot of people answer the question "In 2016 I want to ...?" and they filled it in with whatever they wanted and I started creating events based on what our community wanted. I've done

everything from parenting conferences, and runs to training young adults how to "adult" and entrepreneur conferences to spark entrepreneurship in our area.

My newest event I have coming up is the Fenton Shark Tank happening on Oct. 24 where we're having people ages 15 to 30 present their entrepreneurial ideas in front of a board of local business owners to help the younger generation really become more entrepreneurial.

#### What do you do in your free time?

I don't often get free time because I love what I do so much, I want to do it every minute I'm awake. When I force myself to have free time I love watching Michigan football or traveling to new places and experiencing new restaurants and foods.



#### years?

In seven years, I hope that no matter where I am or what I'm doing I'm still able to make an impact on people and help them accomplish their dreams. I don't see myself leaving Fenton anytime soon so I think I'll be here trying to impact as many people as I can on a daily basis. What planet would you want to colonize?

Mars. Elon Musk is a huge inspiration to me and that's the planet he's actively trying to learn how to colonize so I would love to see his dream come true.

#### What's your favorite band?

My favorite band is Coldplay. I don't know how they manage to do this but it seems like at any major moment in my life they've released a new song that corresponds with my life like when I graduated they released the song "Paradise."

#### What did you want to be when you were growing up?

I had four different things I wanted to be and they were 1) pastor 2) police officer 3) doctor and 4) teacher. The closest one I've gotten to accomplish is the pastor one.

What's your favorite movie?

My favorite movie is "How to Train Your Dragon" and the line in that movie was "Thanks for nothing, you useless reptile."

TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO JD Wiegand, 23, is heavily involved with The Freedom Center, and helps coordinate many of the large community events at the church. Wiegand also does marketing for a local business and is a freelance video producer.

#### Star Wars or Star Trek?

"I've done

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**JD** Wiegand

Fenton Challenge

founder and director

Star Wars definitely. It's fun and easy to understand. If I got in to Star Trek, it would take up way too much of my time.

How did you feel about the University of Michigan vs. Michigan State game?

Michigan football is the one thing I allow myself to devote some minor down time to. The most horrible moment I can

so compared to that, this last game really didn't matter to me whatsoever. MSU deserved to win this past game and they did.

Why do you think younger people aren't as involved in church compared to past generations?

I have a ton of thoughts on this topic. The easiest answer is that throughout America's

history, church was almost a mandatory thing. If you were an American, you went to church. In today's world, that isn't at all the case. If we look in places like Europe, we see that the church wasn't able to keep up with how culture was changing and we saw a huge decrease in church attendance. A similar thing is happening in America right now.

We always see the number of Christians growing when under persecution such as what's happening in China right now and how fast the Chinese church is growing. The church hasn't been under any major persecution in America probably since its founding.

Where do you think you'll be in seven



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remember in sports was when MSU beat Michigan on that last second punt attempt in 2015, everything from

#### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

JUDGE GREGORY S. Ross, do humanity a favor and step down from the bench. You have no common sense or ability to assess the impact of your recent ruling in the 'Tiffany and child' situation. Shame on you.

IF YOU DON'T like walking your kids along a 55-mph road then next time buy a house that accommodates your needs better. You are your own keeper.

SO THE NRA is accepting of the idea of eliminating bump stocks.

#### IF I'M BENT on evil and want to commit mass murder, I don't need a gun to do it. What do the gun grabbers fear about gun owners? What are they planning to do to our country?

WOW, IT'S ABSOLUTELY perfect. What a beautiful gift to honor Fenton's history and charm. I love it.

FENTON VOTERS I beg you not to allow our city to increase millages from three years to 10 years. I can't support my family as it is because of all the taxes. Please vote 'no.'

#### 

I'LL ASK AGAIN. Why in God's name is that railroad light, the one before the actual traffic light, operational when there is no train coming?

## THE JOB LOSS report this month

reported that for the first time this month in seven years, we've had job loss. Look at who's president right now. Impeach this guy.

#### HEY CITY OF Fenton, go ahead and raise the liquor license fee. Who do you think is going to pay for that? The consumer. We need to clean house like

we did in Fenton Township. FOOTBALL IS, AND always has been, stupid and a waste of time. Get a life

## people.

ONE OF THE tenets of our country's founders was freedom from tyranny through excessive taxation. Here in Fenton, the number of restaurants and establishments needing liquor licenses have grown tenfold. To King George Fenton, don't raise those fees, lower them. The free market and level of competition demands it. 



COMPILED BY VERA HOGAN

#### **OCT. 15**

WEEKEND TIMES

1917: Margaretha Geertruida "Margreet" MacLeod, better known by the stage name Mata Hari, was a Dutch exotic dancer and courtesan who was convicted of being a spy for Germany during World War I and executed by firing squad in Vincennes, France.

#### **OCT. 16**

**1991**: George Jo Hennard drives his truck through a window in Luby's Cafeteria in Kileen, Texas, and then opens fire on a lunch crowd of over 100 people, killing 23 and injuring 20 more. Hennard then turned the gun on himself and committed suicide. The incident was one of the deadliest shootings in U.S. history. No clear motive for his actions was ever determined.



**OCT. 17** 

1973: The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) implements what it calls "oil diplomacy. It prohibits any nation that had supported Israel in its "Yom Kippur War" with Egypt, Syria and Jordan from buying any of the oil it sells. The ensuing energy crisis marked the end of the era of cheap gasoline and caused the share value of the New York Stock Exchange to drop by \$97 billion. This, in turn, ushered in one of the worst recessions the United States had ever seen.

#### **OCT. 18**

1867: The U.S. formally takes possession of Alaska after purchasing the territory from Russia for \$7.2 million, or less than two cents an acre. The Alaska purchase comprised 586,412 square miles, about twice the size of Texas, and was championed by William Henry Seward, the enthusiastically expansionist secretary of state under President Andrew Johnson.

#### **OCT. 19**

**1982**: Automaker John Z. DeLorean is arrested and charged with conspiracy to obtain and distribute 55 pounds of cocaine. DeLorean was acquitted of the drug charges in August 1984, but his legal woes were only beginning. He soon went on trial for fraud and over the next two decades was forced to pay millions of dollars to creditors and lawyers. Nevertheless, DeLorean occupies an important place in automotive history: Thanks to its starring role in the 1985 film "Back to the Future," his gull-wing sports car is one of the most famous cars in the world.

#### **OCT. 20**

**1977**: Members of the rock band Aerosmith inspected an airplane they were considering chartering for their upcoming tour — a Convair 240 operated out of Addison, Texas. Concerns over the flight crew led Aerosmith to look elsewhere — a decision that saved one band but doomed another. The aircraft was instead chartered by the band Lynyrd Skynyrd. During a flight from Greenville, South Carolina, to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Lynyrd Skynyrd's tour plane crashed in a heavily wooded area of southeastern Mississippi during a failed emergency landing attempt, killing bandmembers Ronnie Van Zant, Steve Gaines and Cassie Gaines as well as the band's assistant road manager and the plane's pilot and co-pilot. Twenty others survived the crash.

#### **OCT. 21**

**1910**: A massive explosion destroys the Los Angeles Times building in the city's downtown area, killing 21 and injuring many more. Since Los Angeles Times publisher Harrison Otis, a virulent opponent of unions, believed that the bomb was directed at him, he hired the nation's premier private detective, William J. Burns, to crack the case.

Source: history.com

## News briefs

#### LINDEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS **INFORMATIONAL SESSION ON SINKING FUND PROPOSAL**

An informational session to discuss the sinking fund proposal, which is on the Nov. 7 election ballot, is planned for, Monday, Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Linden High School auditorium. School administrators will be available to answer any questions community members may have.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES I TIM JAGIELO

Princesses Belle and Moana dance with the attendees of the Princess Tea Party at the Fenton Community and Cultural Center on Saturday, Oct. 7. The event benefitted the Zonta Club of Fenton, which works to raise the status of women worldwide, and end domestic violence.

## Zonta club hosts tea party for princesses

#### By Tim Jagielo

tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795 **Fenton** — A roomful of happy children experienced a little bit of magic on Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Fenton Community

and Cultural Center. Princesses Belle and Moana from the Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" and "Moana," came to sing, dance and make balloon animals for the 40 attendees of the inaugural children's party to benefit the Zonta Club of Fenton.

Secretary Candice Montie helped put on the event with her personal business Montie & Spencer Investment Team, which paid for the event, and gave \$315 in proceeds to the local Zonta club.

She said seeing the children enjoy the event was satisfying. "It gives them a moment to just be kids and be enchanted by the princesses they see on TV. It creates a fantasy right at their door," she said.

Montie received a lot of positive feedback, and in fact may make it a regular event. She's thinking about holding one in February with a superhero theme.



#### Zonta fights domestic violence

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, which the Zonta Club of Fenton observed by planting 478 orange flags to recognize all 478 reported victims of domestic violence this past year. The ceremony and flags were planted on the lawn in front of Penn Financial, 2415 Owen Rd. Fenton. The club held a moment of silence and prayer for all those affected by domestic violence. The next Zonta event is geared toward prevention of domestic violence through education of preteens on developing healthy respectful relationships. The "Safe Dates -Expect Respect" seminar for young teens and parents will be held Sunday, Nov. 12, at Fenton First Presbyterian Church. Learn the warning signs and skills to empower both teens and parents to recognize and remove themselves from unhealthy relationships. Registration begins at 4:30 p.m., program runs from 5 to 8 p.m. The curriculum is designed and facilitated by professionals of the YWCA. Email for reservations and/or questions to: zontacrazy@gmail.com.



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#### SEX OFFENDER **Continued from Front Page**

house on Halloween, gathering as much candy as they can. Using extreme caution is a necessity and should be a priority.

If not going along for the walk with their little ghosts and goblins, parents should talk to their kids about traveling in pairs or multiples, paying attention and watching carefully before running across streets, and the potential dangers of loose costumes too close to lit pumpkins.

There is another matter to consider sex offenders.

There are currently 174 registered sex offenders residing in the local communities. That is up from 103 in October of 2015. Seventy-five registered sex offenders are in the Fenton (48430) zip code, 74 are in the Holly (48442) zip code, and 25 in the Linden (48451) zip code.

Three of these individuals are women — two in Linden and one in Fenton.

Area police departments check on registered sex offenders regularly.

Holly police check on registered sex offenders unannounced, on a spot-check basis, said Chief Mike Story.

"As it stands, all our offenders are in compliance," Story said.

There are approximately 861,837 registered sex offenders in the United States, according to missingkids.com. Of those, 42,998 reside in Michigan, which is the state with the fourth highest number of registered sex offenders. California is first with 104,421, Texas

is in second place with 90,616, Florida is third with 69,917. New York is fifth with 39,708. As long as convicted sex offenders let law enforcement agencies know about where they are living and working, it is their right to relocate to a new home.

Since offenders frequently change their address, it is very important to always be informed.

Michigan began indentifying offenders in three different tiers in July 2011.

of possession of child pornography, aggravated indecent exposure if it is witnessed by someone under 18, misdemeanor sexual touching if the victim is under 18,

and taking photos of an unclothed person if that person is under 18.

All Tier 1 offenders must register with police once a year for 15 years.

Tier 2 offenses include soliciting minors for sex, distributing child pornography, using the internet to seek out children for sex, sexual touching if the victim is between 13 and 17 years

> of age, and soliciting a prostitute under the age of 18.

These offenders must register twice a year with police for 25 years. Tier 3 offenders include those convicted of rape, attempted rape, molesting a child under the age of 13, and

kidnapping a minor, even if there is no sexual component to the crime.

be aware that laws are strict in order to protect the public.

However, it is possible for someone to

get on the registry as a Tier 1 offender for urinating in public, for example. It also is possible for someone to be on the registry as a Tier 2 offender, if one person was 18 and the other 15 when they engaged in sexual activity. That couple could now be married and have children of their own.

If a person feels comfortable doing so, it is socially acceptable to ask why the neighbor is on the registry and get the reason straight from the source. It may give a clearer understanding of the offense and judge of character.

Those on the list face strict reporting requirements or face going back to jail or prison. They must report within three business days any changes in addresses and employment, new school enrollment, and the purchase or sale of a car. They also must report email addresses and screen names.

For more information, visit www. michigan.gov/msp and click on Sex Offender Registry, or simply Google Michigan Sex Offender Registry. Follow the instructions on the page. You may locate sex offenders by name and address. If those are unknown, type in your city and they will all come up according to zip code.

Tier 3 offenders must report four times a year for life. People concerned about sex offenders Tier 1 offenders include those convicted in their neighborhood and the type of offense that put them on the list should



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#### MAN DIES Continued from Front Page

12052 Brown St. in Fenton Township for a male who severed his leg in a boating accident. When they arrived, Elmer was in the water and was in full arrest. Deputies began CPR and additional medical personnel arrived, including the Fenton Township Fire Department.

Elmer was transported via ambulance, to Genesys Regional Medical Center where he died from his injuries at 1:35 p.m.

The sheriff's office investigation revealed that Elmer and his friend, Tom Mark, arrived at Elmer's father-in-law's house at 12052 Brown Street at approximately 12 p.m. They were planning to take Elmer's boat off the lake for the season.

Mark informed the investigators that Elmer could not get the boat off the hoist because the water level in the lake was low. In an attempt to break the boat free from the hoist, Mark was revving the boat's engine while Elmer was jumping on the back of the boat.

Mark informed investigators that he heard Elmer fall in the lake. Elmer shouted he had cut his leg. Mark stated it was not until he tried to get Elmer on the dock that



**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I TIM JAGIELO The accident that resulted in the death Thursday afternoon occurred on Brown Street, near the Fenton Moose Lodge and Fenton Township hall.

he realized Elmer had actually fell on the boat propeller, severing his right leg.

Mark was unable to lift Elmer onto the dock. Mark helped Elmer around the dock to the shallow water and made a tourniquet with his belt. Mark ran across the street to the neighbor's house and asked them to call 911. Mark returned to the lake and found Elmer struggling to breathe. At that point, deputies arrived on scene and began CPR.

The incident remains under investigation with the Office of Genesee County Sheriff.

#### DAYCARE

**Continued from Front Page** two alleged victims under the age of 13. On July 13 the state had suspended the license of the in-home daycare, which had been in business since 1994.

Douglas William Walsh, 60, of Linden was arraigned Oct. 3 in Genesee County 67<sup>th</sup> District Court. A personal bond of \$10,000 was ordered on each count and he was released from custody with a sheriff's tether. If convicted, Walsh could face up to 15 years in prison, according to the Michigan Penal Code.

Linden Police Chief Scott Sutter said his department investigated the allegations and presented its case to the Genesee County Prosecutor's Office for review. The prosecutor's office issued an arrest warrant on Oct. 2.

Sutter said there are no criminal charges expected against the owner of the daycare.

The license of the daycare was suspended July 13 by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), Bureau of Community and Health Systems, after investigators found that it violated the Childcare Organizations Act and administrative rules regarding family and group childcare homes.

The owner is prohibited from operating a family childcare home at any other address, and may not accept children for care. The owner has the right to appeal the suspension and revocation.

#### HOT LINE CONTINUED

HANNAH, YOU WROTE a wonderful article regarding carrying laws. I enjoy reading your work but you left out one typical category. No personal experience. I invite you to the range sometime. I'm certified and trained. I'd love to have you out on the range.

ALL NUISANCE TAXES, including license plates, will continue to rise due to Governor Snyder's delivery of the largest tax break ever to GM, Ford and Chrysler. He claimed the elimination of property tax levied on 'small business' would create jobs when it actually gave a break to the big three.



#### FACEBOOK

**Continued from Page 3A** much Facebook knows about you is dependent on the amount of information you have in your bio, what you like, and what you post about.

However, Facebook also collects information about other sites you visit, your location, what type of credit card you use, when your mother's birthday is, if you travel frequently, if you use coupons,

what type of car you drive, your relationship status, who you support politically and so much more.

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#### If you want to know what categories

#### Facebook puts you in, go to SUMMARY your general information page. By tracking On the left, there should be a tab that reads "ads." Click on that link. You should see the headline of "Your ad preferences," you post on along with the subheads of your Facebook, the most popular

interests, advertisers you've interacted with, your information, and settings, hide ad topics, and how Facebook ads work.

Clink on the information tab. There should be two more subheads right next to each other. One is about you, which lists your rela-

tionship status, employer, job title, education and the gender you're interested in. The next subhead, your categories, is aggregate data Facebook has collected on you. It may not be entirely accurate because Facebook makes assumptions to fill in holes. This section has information on your political leanings, what phone you have and post with, what email service you use, what generation you're from,

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and who you're likely to be friends with. If this data is wrong, or you don't want that data listed for you, you can hover your mouse over the suggestions and click on the X. This is only information the user can see. Your friends cannot see this information for a different user.

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#### **Online interest-based** advertising

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Facebook receives information about what websites you visit and caters the ads you see to those sites. For example, if you're researching to buy an RV, you'll likely see ads for RVs on your Facebook page. Under the add settings subhead, you can turn this off. This won't stop Facebook from showing you ads, but they will be more random.

On the Times Face-

book page, Heather Vadasz, commented, "Called a few insurance companies yesterday from my smartphone. Logged onto Facebook shortly after and an advertisement for insurance came up! Very creepy. I don't like it!"

This technology enables Facebook to create the Facebook Audience Network. This allows advertisers to display ads on your phone, computer, or other devices that have Facebook, without the app even open. You can turn this feature off as well. Users can also choose to hide all ads pertaining to a certain topic.

#### Websites that help track **Facebook activity**

There are a few websites that compile all Facebook activity information for every user. By using someone's name or email address, the site inteltechniques.com allows

> users to see the places that person has visited, apps they use, videos they like, statuses they commented on, along with every action they take on Facebook. Stalkscan.com is similar.

Source: popsci.com, washingtonpost.com,

#### **MORE FACEBOOK COMMENTS:**

Angela: When the ability to log on or dialup and connect to the internet was new, all we wanted was faster and more information available to us. WE NEVER asked what the cost to our privacy would be. So many

people are so afraid of our government and yet where our personal ease of access to information is concerned we SOLD OURSELVES for nothing. gave away our privacy. They not only track our internet searches but our not posted comments and statuses. Head shakes. We are mere lambs. **Nancy:** Several of my friends are giving up Facebook because of this issue.

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Participants in the adaptive soccer program, named Vipers, do dribbling drills on Saturday, Sept. 30 at Tomek-Eastern Elementary School.

## **Soccer program caters** to kids with disabilities

#### By Hannah Ball

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Instead of cheering from the sidelines at school sporting events, kids living with a disability and in the adaptive soccer program through Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation can be the stars of the game.

The adaptive soccer program meets every Saturday, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Jerry Davis, coach of the program, said the team is called the Vipers. The program accepts kids with a range of disabilities, from Down syndrome to Cerebral Palsy. Davis said they would even "figure it out" if someone in a wheelchair wanted to play.

"Sometimes the parents are just involved in the social aspect of it. Obviously, the physical activity is important, but the social aspect is important," he said.

They compete against each other at halftime shows at a few schools. Davis said the athletic directors have been very accommodating and supportive.

"Anyone who cannot participate in the mainstream soccer program, we like to think that we have place for you," he said. 'Our group of kids is no different from any other kids I've ever coached. We all have individual needs that we always try to do our best to accommodate."

Email jerry\_dav@msn.com for more information.

#### **HOT LINE** CONTINUED

ASK YOURSELF THIS. Where did Trump and Pence stay when they were at Puerto Rico. Did they spend the night? I think not. Not good enough for them? Then it's not good enough for the rest of American citizens. Get some more aid in there.

WHO DRESSES ME? Here, the day staff does the laundry. My valet lays out the clothes. When I travel, I have a personal assistant. At one of my other homes, it's the staff. At the island in the Caribbean? You don't need clothes.

WHEN ARE THEY going to learn and have Lake Ponemah Mobile Home Park shut down as a public nuisance?

MONDAY IS COLUMBUS Day. I hope you people have discovered your turn signals and your courtesy when driving.

MORE HEROIN WILL solve the heroin overdose problem. More income inequality will solve the income inequality problem. More gambling will solve the

gambling addiction problem. More guns will solve the gun violence problem. 

YOU DID A story a while back about the Holly water litigation and there's a lot of us here in Holly that would really like you to do a follow up so we know what's going on with our water.

THE LEFT IS still complaining about affirmative action. Who's been discriminated against for the last 50 years? People who are white are passed over for so-called oppressed people.

THIS MORNING, THE six insurance companies that are dealing with Obamacare have announced an average of 45 percent increases in premiums. This will also be accompanied by increased deductibles and less payouts.

**OUR LAST THREE** presidents gave billions to North Korea. It gave us failed policies regarding this country. Don't forget the billions that Obama gave Iran. President Trump inherited this mess and is wise to act tough. 



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The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is pleased to announce their endorsement of candidates running for City of Fenton Mayoral and Council seats. The Chamber's Political Action Team received approval for their recommendation from the Board of Directors to endorse the following candidates:

MAYOR Sue Osborn

#### **CITY COUNCIL** Scott Grossmever. David McDermott and Sean Sage

The election date is Tuesday, November 7, 2017. The Chamber's comprehensive endorsement process is based on several factors including the candidates voting record, public comments by the candidates, responses to the questionnaire, and their performance at the "Meet the Candidates" event. The categories listed in the endorsement policy scoring are Business Issues, Community Issues, Creativity/Policy Expertise, Experience/Community Service and Public Speaking and Presentation.

"On behalf of the Political Action Team and the Chamber Board of Directors, we appreciate the people of this community attending. This was our largest crowd in a non-presidential race year", said Shelly Day, Executive Director. The Fenton Regional Chamber of Commerce is proud to host this free event and will continue to encourage pro-business candidates at both the State and local levels of government. "Once again, this event proved to be informative and beneficial", said moderator and committee chairman Patrik Welty.

## **Registered Apprenticeship Seminar**



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## Fenton-Linden facing off one more time in district opener

#### **By David Troppens**

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 It wouldn't be a soccer season if the Fenton-Linden rivalry didn't have a rematch during the postseason.

Typically the two rivals collide, and this fall won't be an exception to that rule.

In fact, the Division 2 Goodrich boys soccer district will open up with a good ol' Fenton vs. Linden battle. Fenton will host Linden for a 6 p.m. contest Tuesday in the district opening round.

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The two squads who finished the Metro League season tied in second place have already faced each other twice this fall. On Aug. 23 the area rivals played in a non-league battle, with Linden earning a 2-1 victory. On Sept. 18 in the match that impacted the Metro League standings the two area foes tied 1-1 at Fenton High School.

The Holly Bronchos are in the same Goodrich district with Fenton and Linden. Holly hosts Owosso for a 6 p.m. contest on Tuesday. The other teams in the brackets are Kearsley, Flint Southwestern, Clio and Goodrich.

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Tuesday's Fenton-Linden winner will play at Goodrich at 5:30 p.m. against Tuesday's Kearsley-Flint Southwestern winner while the Holly-Owosso victor will play the Goodrich-Clio victor in Thursday's 7:15 p.m. semifinal. The two semifinal winners will play on Saturday at noon in the district title game.



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Linden's Ryan Gillespie (left) and Fenton's Dalton Wagner compete for a ball in a past game. Fenton and Linden will face each other in a district game on Tuesday.



## Tigers earn at least co-league title, beat Flushing

**By David Troppens** dtroppens@tctimes.com

**Fenton** — Every league championship team has its own characteristics.

This year's Fenton varsity volleyball team has one clear identity — no matter what the score is, no matter how dire the situation looks, the Tigers won't give up.

The Tigers didn't give up against Flushing, and eventually cruised to a four-set 25-15, 26-24, 13-25, 25-18 Metro League victory against the Lady Raiders, earning Fenton at least a share of the Metro League championship with one more match remaining.

The victory came a week after the Tigers fought off

three match points against Holly, eventually earning a five-set win.

"It's awesome. We fought so hard for this," Fenton outside hitter Chloe Idoni said. "We came back in Holly and we came back and won that second game against Flushing. You can tell by how hard we play, how bad we want it."

Fenton cruised to a relatively easy first-set win against Flushing, but the Tigers struggled mightily at the second set. Flushing scored the set's first three points and before the Tigers knew it, they trailed 16-5 after a Flushing kill by Quincy Davis.



**CONTINUED AT** Fenton's Chloe McKenzie attempts to get a kill in the Tigers' four-set TCTIMES.COM victory against the Flushing Raiders on Tuesday.

## Fenton golfers, Linden's Leedle headed to state meet

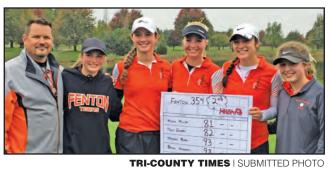
#### **By David Troppens**

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With four ranked teams and another just on the cusp of being ranked, the Fenton varsity girls golf team knew it would be a challenge to qualify for the state meet at the regional held at Fenton Farms on Thursday.

But the Tigers were up to the challenge. Fenton earned its sec-

ond straight team state invitation to the D2 state meet by taking second at the event with a team score of 354. St. Johns won with a 348 while Okemos earned the final team state bid in the 11-team field, taking third with a 365. Linden also had its own highlight at the event with Payton Leedle qualifying for state as an individual.



**CONTINUED AT TCTIMES.COM** Fenton's girls golf team gualified for the state meet Thursday.



Tuesday night will rank as one of the worst days in my sports fandom life. Of course, the reason has to do with the U.S. men's national soccer team's failure to qualify for the 2018 World Cup in Russia.

The United States spent the last two years bumbling around, capturing mediocre result after another, but somehow still had an outstanding chance to qualify for the World Cup entering Tuesday's road contest at Trinidad and Tobago (T&T). All the United States had to do was defeat this tiny country consisting of a population of New York, and we all could forgive the team for underperforming in its quest to qualify. We could argue now the team has time to establish itself under a new head coach and prepare itself for a deep run in the competition led by our teenage superstar Christian Pulisic and veterans like Tim Howard, Michael Bradley, Jozy Altidore and Clint Dempsey.

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Instead, the United States quickly fell behind 2-0 in the first half against T&T, with one of the US defenders scoring See DABBLINGS on 23A



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the first goal on a poor clearance attempt that went into the US goal.

The second half started fine enough with Pulisic scoring a goal about three minutes into the second half, cutting the gap to 2-1. It looked like maybe the Americans were going to wake up from this nightmare. Instead, the US dragged around like a bunch of aimless zombies on The Walking Dead. After the loss the realization hit hard — the US wasn't going to the World Cup.

#### How did this happen?

Tuesday's end result was only shocking to those who haven't been paying attention. As far as six years ago I could see this was going to be a tough cycle to qualify. As the young talent grew through the age-group World Cup cycles, they weren't showing much promise, either struggling at their age's World Cup or not qualifying at all. The US hasn't qualified for the last two Summer Olympics.

My hope was on the veterans, praying they could get this cycle through, but that never materialized. Seemingly always hungry during the earlier portions of their career, the vets were pushing themselves by playing in European pro league. But something has happened the last five years - many of those same hungry players decided to leave those leagues and return to the 'retirement league' - Major League Soccer — earning great contracts while playing weak competition in a secondtier league. They started to 'settle' with their professional league careers, and not surprisingly, this lack of ambition has oozed into the men's national team. We saw that lack of ambition the first day the US lost to Mexico in Columbus right to the final whistle against T&T. This team never proved it deserved a qualifying spot and has earned its embarrassing status as the first US team not to play in the World Cup since 1986.

There are certainly organizational issues within the men's program as well, but those discussions are too deep to detail in a column. What can be said is the organization needs a complete overhaul as well.

A country with the population and the resources of the United States should never struggle with qualifying in what is one of the weakest regions in the world to qualify. Qualification is basically set up for the US and Mexico not to fail. Yet, the US figured a way to do it.

And now, it's time for every single person who made this embarassment possible, to change how we approach this sport in this nation. If we don't, I could be writing this same article four years from now.

#### Fenton swimmers use depth to defeat Howell Highlanders By David Troppens

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**Fenton** — Howell has an enrollment that's about double of Fenton's student population.

Yet, when it comes to varsity girls swimming, the Fenton Tigers proved they are the elite squad between the two programs on Tuesday.

The Tigers took firsts in seven events and earned more depth points, collecting a 115-71 victory against Howell at Fenton High School.

"Our depth carried us in the second half of the meet," said Fenton varsity swim coach Brad Jones, who won his 300th career dual meet recently in a Brandon/Pinckney meet. "We able sweep the backstroke and the 400 freestyle relay to secure the meet."

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## LF volleyball continues to improve, beats Lakeville

It seems the fall of 2017 is the year of improving volleyball programs.

The Lake Fenton varsity volleyball team has struggled in recent years, but it seems under the guidance of first-year volleyball coach Caroline Ostrander, that is changing.

Linden beats Owosso, 6-0

The Linden varsity soccer team held up its part of the deal needed to earn at least a co-Metro League title last week.

The Linden Eagles crushed the Owosso Trojans 6-0.

Holly soccer crushes Clio

What was a tough season for most of the regular season for the Holly varsity boys soccer team, has become a pretty strong ending.

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#### VOLLEYBALL

▶ Brandon def. Linden 21-25, 25-20, 25-23, 19-25, 15-13: The Eagles were led by Alli Conly, who had 22 kills and 17 digs. Ellie Klocek had eight kills and five blocks. Ashley Kritzman had 27 digs while Jordan Moros had 23 assists and 19 digs. Cayla Turner had nine assists, nine digs and four kills while Linneau Wittbrodt had three aces on 19-of-20 serving.

► Linden freshmen vs. Kearsley, Swartz Creek: Linden swept Kearsley i straight sets, improving to 15-6 overall. Braylin Robbins played strong at the middle sposition while Sidney Sakalauskas was strong on the service line.

The Eagles also swept Swartz Creek.

Caden Reger played well at setter while Robbins and Maddie Shier had strong games at middle hitter. **SOCCER** 

▶ Oxford 3, Fenton 1: Chase Poulson scored Fenton's only goal. Draiden Jimenez-Hancock made seven saves in

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

▶ Fenton seventh-grade 40, Grand Blanc East 34: Fenton trailed at one time by 13 in the first half, but came back to earn the victory. Adrie Staib led Fenton with 14 points while Abby Logan had nine points. Sophia Ense and Erin McVey had six points each.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Delaney Fries competes in the 100-yard butterfly at a recent meet. The Fenton Tigers defeated Howell on Tuesday.

#### Holly volleyball goes 2-1 in quad, remains above .500

#### By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 It's been a breakthrough year for the Holly varsity volleyball team in many ways this season.

The Bronchos beat the Linden Eagles for the first time in recent memory during the regular season and even pushed the eventual Metro League champion Fenton Tigers to a thrilling five-set match in which the Bronchos had three match points.

But this week the Bronchos were able to get away from the Metro League and see how they are improving against other non-league foes. It appears they are doing relatively well in that area as well as Holly

**TRI-COUNTY TIMES** I MARK BOLEN Holly's Jessie Hepner attempts a kill in a recent match. ended up going 2-1 against three foes on Wednesday at Holly High School.

Holly defeated Rochester Adams 25-23, 25-21 and the Academy of the Sacred Heart 25-16, 25-15 but lost to Walled Lake Northern 25-22, 25-16.

"The team did well," Holly varsity volleyball coach Deena Maher said. "It was nice to have a night where we were not playing with pressure and we were able to try a lot of new things. Everyone got playing time and we tried some things to see how they worked out.

"I put a lot of girls in different situations to see what they would do. Some good things happened and some not so good things happened. ... Our lineup is an ongoing process. Many of the girls play multiple positions, so it's an ongoing process."

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