Dozens out for blood, brains, in third Linden Zombie Walk

On Friday, Oct. 13, dozens of residents decked out in zombie makeup, torn clothing and fake blood, participated in the third-annual Linden Zombie Walk, facilitated by the Linden Arts Council. The zombies slow-walked through downtown Linden, led by a hearse. The walk culminated into the “Thriller” dance orchestrated by the Linden Dance Academy.

DNR wants to know about dead deer

Could have died due to EHD, a fatal viral disease

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Every now and then, the Times receives information on its news tip line that is too cryptic not to investigate, such as “saw a deer drop into Lobdell Lake near the bridge …”

Since deer get most of the water they need to survive from their food, plant life, and puddles and streams found in the woods, it is not typical for them to hang out near an all-sports lake like Lobdell in Argentine Township, let alone get in the water.

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Dog goes to court for kids

Canine advocate from Fenton is ‘child’s best friend’ during abuse cases

By Sally Rummel
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Gayle and Daphne are best friends and condo roommates in Fenton who go to work together, train together and work out together every day.

What makes their story unique is that Gayle Hartwell, 35, is a forensic interviewer at the Weiss Child Advocacy Center in Flint, and Daphne is a black Labrador retriever that works by her side as a canine advocate for kids.

Hartwell’s job is to interview children from age 2 to 17, who are victims mostly of sexual abuse, but also severe physical abuse or neglect or are witnesses to violence. While doing so, she has to provide a sense of calm and comfort to these children, who have to face their abusers in court while taking the stand and giving testimony.

This is where Daphne begins her important work.

Daphne lies right by their side during the interview process, and also while being questioned by police, so she can be a reassuring presence and even petted or rubbed during difficult questioning. With about four such interviews daily at Weiss, Daphne has a busy work day.

She also goes to court with the kids with the victim advocate, to take the stand by their side. In court, when the child is on the stand, they can tell the prosecutor their story, or they can tell it to Daphne. “It’s a horrible thing for kids to go through,” said Hartwell. “This just makes it a little better.”

Daphne’s most recent court case involved a child rape victim under the age of 13.

“She was in court for five hours over two days and had to be perfectly still, while the child was being questioned,” Hartwell said. “She did awesome.”

Daphne also goes to work during support groups held every other Thursday evenings, for victims and their families. “The kids ask for Daphne,” Hartwell said. “She makes them feel better.”

Daphne was originally raised to be a Leader Dog for the Blind, but when her handlers saw that she was afraid of traffic, she had to go for a “career change.”

She went into training for Canine Advocacy in Michigan and was chosen for the program.

Not only did Daphne get a new career, she also found a new home. Hartwell adopted her through Leader Dog, and immediately began training her at home for her new position.

“She had to learn to be comfortable with commands like ‘sit-down-settle-stay,’” Hartwell said. “She had to learn how to lie still in the Weiss interview room for an hour at a time. Then we moved her over to the Genesee County courthouse, where she had to lie still while working with our commands.”

When Daphne is done with work for the day, her working bandana comes off and she becomes a playful dog with needs of her own. “At first, I was very overwhelmed and I didn’t know the line between working and playing at home,” Hartwell said. “But Daphne balances that well.”

Where she really shines, though, is at work with the kids. “The kids light up when she walks in the room,” Hartwell said.
Hollywood horror story

If there exists a more brutal and despicable human on the planet than Harvey Wein(e)stein, I have never met him—or her. It’s already been a tough couple years for the reputation of Hollywood. Fewer and fewer people are choosing to cough up their cash to see tired re-runs, remakes and redo’s of rehashed, reconditioned and recycled movies of the past.

With Harvey Weinstein’s sins finally seeing the light of day and the curtain of hypocrisy being pulled back, the truth nature of the self-interest mindset of the “stars” is shedding light on their counterfeit morals. Anyone in the movie business who claims they weren’t aware of the chronic deviant behavior by Weinstein is...well, a good actor. The truth is that nearly everyone in Hollywood knew, and yet everyone in Hollywood chose to protect their careers, rather than their consciences. A voracious sexual predator whose actions, were they perpetrated by you or me, would have landed us in prison for years.

I believe that in the coming days and weeks there will be a steady stream of actresses (and actors) ‘coming out’ to share their stories of shame and degradation at the hands of the most elite and adored powerhouse personalities in the business. Everyone wants a cut of this once-in-a-lifetime publicity opportunity. But they better step up to the microphone quickly. Hollywood has a very short memory when it comes to actual crimes committed by the kings (and queens) of LaLa Land.

And, by the way, don’t be surprised if Weinstein decides to drop a few names here and there himself. Hormone Harvey has both the motive and method to reveal where a lot of other people’s ‘bodies are buried.’ He is still exceedingly rich and powerful and it would be in his own best interest to spread the blame around and thereby take the spotlight off of himself. And we’re not just talking about actors, we’re talking about network heads and world famous politicians also. And we’re not just talking men. Everyone in Hollywood knows about child stars, both male and female, that paid their dues lying on their backs. Predators come in all sizes, shapes, genders and colors.

Hollywood attracts these types the same way a sewer attracts rats. Or how Washington D.C. attracts sexual sickos. Three women have accused a high profile, high-roller in the Democratic Party elite of raping them. Three different women, all unknown to each other, all accusing the same man of rape. Coincidence? I think not. Oh, you haven’t read about that? Me neither. Because it was never reported. And the Weinstein story will quietly disappear also unless all the victims step up and tell their story. It’s time to name names — both of the perpetrators and the enablers who aided, or knew and did nothing. If this opportunity for full outing of the sickos doesn’t happen now, it will never happen.

Heck, this is what Hollywood loves anyway—a sequel. Because if it ends where it is right now, well...it really doesn’t end at all.

The truth is that nearly everyone in Hollywood was...well, a good actor. American Vespuci did. That’s why it’s called America.

LOOK, I RESPECT that Pence has feelings about kneeling during the anthem, but protesting at a football game is ridiculous. Keep your politics out of sports.

LET ME SEE if I got this right. You Hotliners, and you know who you are, are you telling me the flag has no problem with people disrespecting the flag and pledge of allegiance?

YOU PROBABLY WON’T read this and you probably won’t care, but standing and placing my hand over my heart when the anthem comes on while I’m at home is nothing new to me.

WHO SHOULD BE TIPPED?

"The person who works hard to earn it; not those who don't give the effort."

Anne Surmann
Fenton Township

"We always tip the housekeeper of the hotel, and the delivery boy. I don't usually tip the bell boy because we usually do it ourselves."

Jane Turner
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Beverly Fikka
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"You tip a hairdresser, pedicurist, massage therapist. School teachers also provide a service, but don't get tipped."

Janet Green
Rose Township

"You gotta have a list every time you go out, of who you can tip, and who you can't tip. I always pay cash for restauran tips."

Barbara Cabanilla
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WAY TO GO Trump and Pence in standing up to the disrespectful NFL players. They are losing sponsors, ticket sales, ratings, and it doesn’t seem to faze them. It’s a free country and they are free to leave our country any time they like.

THIS PAST WEEKEND, an illegal immigrant broke into a home and raped a 6-year-old girl in New Jersey. In a separate incident, an illegal immigrant crashed into a family, killing the father and two beautiful little children and was only sentenced to two years in prison. These are the people the Democrats are trying to protect.

COLUMBUS DID NOT discover America. Amerigo Vespucci did. That’s why it’s called America.

Loser Lions are living up to their name. They scored enough at 38 points to have won most games, but injured players cost them the game.

As a Veteren I am sick and tired of some people speaking out and being offended on my behalf.

Do any other conservatives wonder if democrat Debbie Stabenow will donate her money from Harvey Weinstein to the Clinton Foundation ‘charity.’

In the Weekend edition the Street Talk question was ‘Would you run for public office.’ My answer? ‘In a heartbeat.’ I have many opinions and get frustrated when people say this town is ‘this or that,’ I would love to get involved to help fix those issues. Fenton is the best town to live in, let’s keep it that way.

To the Hot Liner demanding the San Juan mayor over Trump — look up $70 billion deficit, fiscal mismeangement, corrupt governance, and the island’s slave like obedience to Democratic party bosses. Puerto Rican voters are reaping the rewards for their ballot box decisions.

I would gladly vote for Gov. Snyder today! Thank you Governor for a job well done. Keep up the good work for the rest of your term.

You are right in your claim of the ‘greatest sucker election ever.’ Too bad you are off by two election cycles.

To Hot-Liner claiming the name ‘assault weapons’ justifies banning them, you prove your own ignorance. ‘Assault weapons’ is an anti-gunner term created to vilify guns. No professional military, law enforcement or producer uses that term. By your logic, Clinton is a crook simply because we call her one.

Thirty-three thousand jobs lost, they blame a hurricane, Obama had Katrina, and still got 16 million jobs. Don’t worry your kids will work under Trump, in a fox hole.

See Hot Line throughout Times
**Driver Responsibility Fees to end next year**

Law in place since 2003 will hit the road by October 2018

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So, you made a mistake on the road and received a major traffic violation, but you fulfilled all of your obligations with the court, paid your fines but still have one problem — you can’t afford the Driver Responsibility Fees, which can range from $100 to $2,000 dollars, tacked onto Responsibility Fees, which can range from $100 to $2,000 dollars, tacked onto

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According to the Michigan Department of Treasury, nearly 350,000 Michigan drivers still owed $634 million in Driver Responsibility Fees as of last Wednesday. The fee is projected to generate about $20 million in revenue for the state next year.

As a result of the fees, people, trying to keep their jobs may find themselves breaking another law by driving without their licenses, or inconvenience family members and friends by having them serve as chauffeurs.

Unlike traditional court fines and fees, the automatically assessed Driver Responsibility Fees cannot be waived or reduced by a judge.

There are packages of bills being considered in the Michigan House and Senate that could change all of that.

Last week, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson called on the House and Senate Michigan Competitiveness Committees in support of a bipartisan package of legislation that would eliminate Driver Responsibility Fees.

In a statement released by her office on Wednesday, Oct. 11, Johnson called much of the fees owed to the state “un-collectible” and an impediment to job creation. Johnson encouraged lawmakers to provide Michigan residents who still owe the fees ways to resolve the debt.

As a state representative in 2003, Johnson called on the House and Senate proposals are successful, the fees will be completely phased out by October of 2018. Under both, individuals who were charged the Driver Responsibility Fee wouldn’t be liable for paying it after it was completely phased out.

The Senate Competitiveness Committee approved the Senate legislation unanimously on Wednesday, Oct. 11, sending it to the full Senate. The House Competitiveness Committee did not take a vote on the House plan.

One young Fenton man, who wishes to remain anonymous, went through this situation two years ago. He said, “To be honest, it was a hardship to pay those fees. On the other hand, I put myself in a position where they could take advantage of me. You do stupid things when you get stupid results.”

According to freep.com, Driver Responsibility Fees were passed in 2003 to help fill a budget hole when Michigan’s economy faltered. And the money raised — between $99 million and $115 million a year — did help the state’s general fund.

As a state representative in 2003, Johnson voted against the Driver Responsibility Fees. As secretary of state, she has sought the repeal of Driver Responsibility Fee law, successfully pushing lawmakers to eliminate the most common fees in 2011, create a community service option for most fees in 2015, and begin phasing out all fees.

A move to phase out the fees has already begun. Under current law, they were cut by 50 percent starting in 2016, will be cut by 75 percent beginning Oct. 1, 2018 and will be completely phased out on Oct. 1, 2019.

If the current House and Senate proposals are successful, the fees will be completely phased out by October of 2018. Under both, individuals who were charged the Driver Responsibility Fee wouldn’t be liable for paying it after it was completely phased out.

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**October is ‘popcorn poppin’ month**

It has been a healthy, delicious snack for centuries

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There is nothing quite like walking into a room and taking in a big whiff of — yummمم, popcorn! Although popcorn has been around for thousands of years, it remains relatively unchanged. It is a seed that does some magical things when heated and turns into a healthy snack.

Popcorn has always been non-GMO, whole grain, naturally low in fat and calories, contains no artificial additives or preservatives, and it is sugar-free and gluten free. That is if you don’t put anything on it.

Enough of all that healthy talk. October is “Popcorn Poppin’ Month,” and a great time to try all kinds of flavorful ways to eat popcorn. There’s always the old-fashioned way of dousing it with melted butter and salt, just like at the movie theater.

Popcorn is also great when combined with other trail mix goodies such as Chex Mix, raisins, chocolate chips and more.

Go to www.popcorn.org and visit the recipe portal for recipes like Cinnamon Popcorn Crunk, Honey Matcha Popcorn, Red Carpet Popcorn Parfait, On the Go-jii Berry Trail Mix, Bee Jerky Chili Popcorn, Chocolate Popcorn Reineer, Coconut Crunch Chia Clusters, Ginger Turmeric Popcorn, Maca Almond Popcorn Bars, Minty Green Popcorn Clusters, Sweet and Savory Curried Popcorn and all time fall season favorite — White Chocolate and Pumpkin Pie Spice Popcorn Bites.

According to the History of Popcorn, the oldest ears of popcorn ever found date back over 4,000 years. During the 16th century, Aztec Indians used popcorn as decorations for ceremonial headdresses, necklaces and ornaments on statues of their gods.

During the early 1800s, Americans tried several methods of popping popcorn, including throwing kernals in hot ashes, and cooking in kettles filled with butter and cooking in a wire box over an open fire.

See POPCORN on 10

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Does anyone want your parents’ stuff?

■ ‘Disposable generation’ is divided on what to do

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When Richard Eisenberg, the Money & Work editor for Next Avenue, wrote “Sorry, Nobody Wants Your Parents’ Stuff,” he wrote in a subsequent blog that he was pleasantly surprised, as a journalist, over readers’ reactions.

“It was the most viewed article in Next Avenue’s history, garnering more than 1.5 million views, 32,000 Facebook shares and 5,500 comments, and was printed over 3,100 times,” Eisenberg wrote.

Those who responded were saddened by the whole idea of having to deal with disposing of parents’ items after they pass, or run the risk of hurting their feelings if they’re still alive. Mostly, they were disappointed about the lack of interest when they tried to sell much of the stuff they inherited from their parents.

Young people today are often referred to as the “disposable generation.” A hand-crafted furniture item, for example, may be cherished by a parent or grandparent, often becomes an albatross in the eyes of the young person likely to inherit it someday. Many young people, though they probably appreciate the hard work that went into creating hand-crafted furniture and other goods, would prefer to get something simple and inexpensive, something that can easily be replaced when and if the mood strikes.

We asked Facebook friends about their personal preferences.

“I loved receiving my families hand me downs,” said Becky Foley of Fenton. “I still have most of them. Today I purchase most things from resale shops.”

Sarah Stiles of Fenton said, “My family and friends gave me a lot but I also wanted to appeal to my own tastes. ‘Free’ is a beautiful thing when you don’t have much to start out with, but I started collecting things in totes with a friend in high school, so that we would have some things that we liked and would need once we did get our own place. It helped a great deal once the time finally came.”

Marnie Bo said “free” was the best thing when starting out. “My preference wasn’t a brand or style of toaster,” she said. “My preference was that I simply had any toaster. Now, as an adult, I enjoy a few sentimental pieces from my family, but don’t intend to incorporate most of their belongings when they pass. It’s natural to want to pass your possessions on to your children, and it’s just as natural for them to have already set up their own home and not desire those pieces, which can feel like a burden.”

Moira Tuttle of Fenton said she was “super excited” to receive her grandma’s dining table.

“I also have a coworker’s old dining table which I use as a desk,” Tuttle said. “My couch was my grandma’s. I use lots of stuff others have given me. As a young adult my goal is to save up to be able to afford a house. I’m not concerned with everything matching. I do have my own decorating style though. But I incorporate what I have already.

“I’m grateful for what my friends and family have given me,” Tuttle said. “In the future when I inherit my parents’ and grandparents’ things I look forward to adding them to my house. My husband really values what he inherited from his family and I know he will want to display them when we have the space.”

There aren’t too many adult children who would try to sell or throw away cherished items, such as family photographs and more. They will know what they want to keep when the time comes.

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Consignment shops like Fratz Consignment in Fenton can be a place to liquidate worthwhile items that relatives and parents have left their children.

Disposing of things you don’t want

As for the other items, do an online search to see whether there’s a market for your parents’ art, furniture, china or crystal. If there is, see if an auction house might be interested in trying to sell things for you on consignment.

Get the jewelry appraised. It’s possible that a necklace, ring or brooch has value and could be sold.

Look for a nearby consignment shop that might take some items. Or, perhaps, a liquidation firm, Fratz Consignment on Torrey Road is one of the oldest, successful resale shops in the Fenton area. They can give advice on what will likely sell and how to price it.

When it’s time, you may need to get some help and contact a reputable estate sale professional, like Caring Transitions, for example.

Caring Transitions offers a vast menu of services that includes professional estate sale solutions, online auctions and buyer’s sales, donation and liquidation sales and exclusive “invitation only” sales.

Donating the items to a charitable organization such as Goodwill, the Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul and others will earn you a little tax deduction.
HOT LINE CONTINUED

SO THE FENTON Chamber of Commerce has announced its endorsements for mayor and councilmen. Keep in mind, chamber members populate the DDA, build new monstrosities downtown, and support the razing of historical Fenton structures. Reject their endorsements.

SO YOU THINK the actors from the past were morally superior? They were no better, maybe worse. We didn’t have internet so there were some very nasty things we would never truly know. They took drugs they drank, they even raped.

FOOTBALL IS A game of gladiators. Very similar to the ancient gladiators in the Roman Coliseum where they fought to the death just for sport.

WHERE CAN THE plastic sleeves that newspapers are delivered in, be recycled?

DO YOU EVEN know what an ‘assault rifle’ is, other than it looks ‘scary?’ The leftist WaPo can’t get its facts straight, so use it for lining pet cages. With a couple of hundred dollars you can turn a Ruger 10/22 into that scary looking ‘assault’ rifle. The only weapon I would call an assault rifle is a full auto military weapon. Citizens cannot buy them. They can buy a semi-auto rifle that looks like them but that’s all. No rifle can kill anyone. It takes a criminal to do the deed.

TO THE PERSON complaining about the sick liberals dominating the entertainment industry like Roman Polanski, Woody Allen, Bill Clinton and Harvey Weinstein — I think you have forgotten someone on your list. Donald Trump was caught on tape bragging about grabbing women by the genitals. How is he any different than Harvey Weinstein?

REMOVING ARTIFICIAL TURF has been the mode in baseball stadiums in recent years due to increased stress and injuries to players’ knees. Linden schools want a milage passed to buy nearly $1 million of artificial turf. Please vote no in November.

P.S. CORVETTES Have Bose speakers.

IF YOU DON’T like how much it costs you to plate your vehicle every year, be happy with your Republican-led, and Republican-staffed congress, senate and governor. They jacked them all up last year and are supposed to be fixing our roads.

TRI-COUNTY SHOULD FORGET about worrying about the trash and wonder where the cash is going from those who are running people out of business by screwing up the downtown area of Fenton. Lots of little stores going.

DOES OUR TOWNSHIP or Republic Services have any idea what we’re supposed to do with the recycling Republic won’t accept?

LET ME GET this straight, marching around with a Confederate flag or a Nazi flag is not racist or disrespectful to your country; however, putting your hand over your heart or bowing your head in prayer is.

SAY WHAT YOU want about Hollywood but they excommunicated Harvey Weinstein. The Republicans on the other hand elected their sexual predator, President of the United States.

ROSA PARKS WAS speaking out against public transportation, the lunch counter sit-ins were about poor customer service and the NFL players are protesting our national anthem.

THE NEWS REPORTED that minutes before the Las Vegas massacre began, an unarmed security guard was struck by one round and over 200 were fired through the door at him. If that would have been a police officer, armed and on duty, would the massacre have even occurred? That’s why we have armed police.
Here’s a tip for you

Who should get a gratuity, and how much, is age-old question

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Although it is widely expected that restaurant servers and bartenders should be tipped for good service, there continues to be confusion about other professions and whether gratuities are necessary.

At home

In the personal care business, those who could earn tips are barbers and hair stylists, babysitters, home health employees such as personal caregivers, and manicurists. We often tip nannies, personal trainers, newspaper delivery personnel and lawn care people as well.

Whether these folks are tipped on a regular basis, those who provide you services on an ongoing basis throughout the year would love a one-time holiday gift.

While traveling

For many travelers, for example, the rules are murky. How much to tip often depends on the circumstance, and there’s a wide variety of opinions on the matter.

Tipping overseas depends on where your travels take you. According to travel experts, tips are appreciated no matter where you go, but tipping in Europe, for example, isn’t as automatic nor as generous as it is in the United States, and in many countries, they’re not expected at all.

A rental car shuttle bus driver should get $1 or $2 if they help with a heavy bag. Experts suggest tipping a skyscraper $2 for one bag and $3 for two.

At the hotel, housekeepers deserve a decent tip because they’re the lowest on the food chain and the hardest workers. A flat $2 per day is typical, but give more if you have messy guests with you. Tip your housekeeper each night instead of one large tip at the end of your stay, as you may have different housekeepers each day.

It is not necessary to tip a hotel employee who brings ice, an iron, or whatever to your room, unless he or she had to go to great lengths to procure the item.

Tip a bellhop who delivers bags to your room $1 or $2 per bag. Any more than that amount should depend on how far your room is from the front desk, how fast the bags are delivered, and how many bags you have.

A hotel doorman who helps you into a cab does not warrant a tip. However, if the weather is bad and cabs are hard to find, you might want to give him a dollar or two.

Part of the appeal of Uber is that you don’t need to tip, but you can if you like (in cash), and there’s some evidence that you could get a higher rating from your driver if you do. The amount is at your discretion. Taxi drivers usually get 15 to 20 percent.

Generally, museum guides do not need to be tipped, though if you want to offer them a few dollars for an exceptional tour, you may do so.

As far as a coach driver, most tour companies will suggest an amount to tip their drivers and guides at the end of the tour.

Most cruises these days are either “tipping not required nor expected” or the tips are included in your cruise fare. However, many passengers still tip cabin attendants and other crew members for special services, and they’re gladly accepted.

Who not to tip

Does everyone you meet while traveling deserve a tip? Never tip flight attendants, airport check-in agents, TSA agents, airport club-lounge agents, airport gate agents, airline pilots, or car rental agents.

Here’s what readers had to say about tipping non–restaurant/bar servers

Pat Lozano
We tip many professionals. Food, salons, barbers, hotel maids, hotel bellhops, delivery. Any who earn low to modest wages. But only if service is good (standard tip) or great (above norm tip).

Holly Purcell
When I lived in Arizona my hair salon boasted itself as a no-tipping salon. It was a studio salon with just two chairs and she would quote you your price for major color during a consultation so you knew what the cost was. The owner said that she’s just like a lawyer or a doctor and you don’t tip your doctor or your lawyer neither should you tip your stylist

Anita Woford
I don’t mind tipping hotel maids and bellboys. I always tip my hairdresser. If I get a really good waitress, he or she gets a very good tip. If they’re not attentive, they sometimes get nothing.

Bailey Palarchio
Would love to see us get rid of tipping (like most countries) and just pay people a fair wage. Tipping is just a scam that the service industry uses to pass hidden costs onto their consumer.

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Mark Harvey Elmer
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Elmer’s friend Tom Mark, who was with him on the boat when the accident took place, said, “Mark would do anything for you, 24/7. He was that friend, just pick up the phone and call him, he would be over within minutes.”

Elmer’s daughter, Nicole Dinser said her dad kept his boat in the water this late in the season because until the weather truly got cold, he was out there with his friends, family and grandchildren.

“He started teaching his grandkids how to water ski this year and kneeboard,” said Dinser. “He tried to teach them all he could in life.”

Dinser said her father worked in collision shops before getting into corrections. “He originally worked at the Macomb Correctional Facility and later the Thumb Correctional Facility in Lapeer, from where he retired.” She said her father believed in the new idea of helping younger prisoners retain their thinking so they could make it in society when they were released.

“He was all about youth and anything he could do to help them out,” she said. “Many of my friends, his children’s friends and my cousins say he was a father figure, doing anything he could to help guide and give insight in life.”

Dinser said her aunt taught fourth grade at Lake Fenton Elementary School and once a year her father would go in and give a presentation to the kids in order to help show them what prison was all about and educate them about his profession.

“He was all about youth and anything he could do to help them out with their parents more and his father-in-law more because they have gotten to the point where they needed help,” Dinser said.

Elmer also wanted to spend more time with his grandkids and play golf.

His granddaughter Isis Sharick said, “Grandpa was the kind of person who could fix anything for anyone. He would help everyone else out before he helped himself. He did everything for and with us. I’d never dream of skiing whether on snow or on the lake until he said it. He would insist on us doing something productive whether it be sports or music, as long as it got us out of the house. He was a huge inspiration for me and so many people…."

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Making Strides Against Breast Cancer will be holding its fifth annual fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at VG’s Grocery on Silver Parkway in Fenton. In previous years, they raised more than $2,500 in one day. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. In the past, local businesses, organizations and individuals have donated baked goods and/or items for their raffle. Baked goods are sold on site and monetary donations receive a raffle ticket to win the items their partners have donated. The group is looking for donations of exciting products. Call (810) 252-7709 to donate.

News briefs

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry and the Fenton Methodist Pantry will be sponsoring a community produce give away on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., behind St. John School near the Bush Park parking lot. Everyone is welcome to come and receive some free vegetables and fruit.

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DEER

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Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease (EHD), an acute, infectious, often fatal viral disease, which causes extensive hemorrhages. EHD has been responsible for significant outbreaks in deer in the northern United States and southern Canada. A similar hemorrhagic disease called bluetongue also occurs throughout the U.S. and Canada, but the two diseases are somewhat different.

The first occurrence and subsequent identification of EHD occurred in 1955 when several hundred white-tailed deer died in both New Jersey and in Michigan. Since the initial 1955 outbreak, this malady has occurred primarily among white-tailed deer, although occasionally mule deer and pronghorn antelope have died from the disease.

EHD has been present in the United States for over 60 years and large-scale regional deer population decreases have not been observed.

Deer contract EHD when they are bitten by a biting fly or midge. A deer must be bitten by a midge carrying the virus to become infected. The disease is not transmitted directly from one deer to another.

All documented outbreaks of EHD have occurred during late summer and early fall (August-October) and have ceased within two weeks of the onset of frost, which kills the midge.

The clinical signs of EHD and bluetongue are very similar.

White-tailed deer develop signs of illness about seven days after exposure. A constant characteristic of the disease is its sudden onset. Deer initially lose their appetite and their fear of humans. They grow progressively weaker, often salivate excessively, develop a rapid pulse and respiration rate, and fever.

Affected animals frequent bodies of water to in to reduce their body temperature and finally become unconscious. Hemorrhage and lack of oxygen in the blood results in a blue appearance of the tongue, hence the name bluetongue.

Eight to 36 hours following the onset of observable signs, deer pass into a shock-like state, become prostrate and die.

The cause and structure of hemorrhages of EHD have been characterized by, as its name implies, extensive hemorrhage. The hemorrhages range from pinpoint to massive in size, and involve different tissues and organs in individual animals. No organs appear to be exempt from hemorrhages. EHD has been responsible for a significant mortality of 1,025 deer.

In 2011, the die-off occurred in the southwestern/south central portion of the state in Allegan County and involved 100 deer dying. The 2006 die-off occurred in the southeastern portion of the state in Allegan County and involved 75 animals. The 2008 die-off in the southeastern portion of the state in Oakland and Macomb counties and involved 150 to 200 deer.

In 2009, the die-off took place in the southwestern/south central portion of the state in Livingston County and involved 400 to 450 deer. In 2010, the die-off occurred in the southwestern portion of the state in Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Ottawa, St. Joseph and Van Buren Counties with an estimated mortality of 1,025 deer.

In 2011, the die-off occurred in the southwestern portion of the state again in Cass and St. Joseph Counties with an estimated mortality of 600 to 700 deer. In 2012, the die-off occurred in 30 counties across the southern half of the Lower Peninsula with 14,898 deer reported dead.

In 2013, the die-off occurred in the southwestern portion of the state in Allegan, Berrien, Ionia, Mecosta, Oceana and Ottawa Counties with an estimated mortality of 140 deer. There were no confirmed cases of EHD in the state in 2014 or 2015.

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The Lake Fenton football team runs through a tunnel created by youth football players and cheerleaders right before Lake Fenton’s 56-0 victory against Lakeville begins on Friday.

In the girls division, Linden placed second with 87 points, 20 behind first-place Flushing. Holly took fifth with 112 points.

The boys’ race had a distinct local flavor on top of the leader board with each of the top three runners coming from the tri-county area, and five of the top 10 coming from Linden or Holly. Linden’s Tyler Buchanan won the race in 16:34.57 while teammate Tanner Blaney placed second (16:50.96). Not too far behind the Linden duo was Holly’s Samuel Schneider in third (16:52.16).

The rest of Linden’s top five runners were Nick McDonald in seventh (17:08.47), Nicholas Shrable in 22nd (17:36.89) and Ryan Crutchfield in 30th (17:50.49).

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Holly’s playoff chances take a huge hit, lose to Brandon

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The Holly varsity football team’s chances of qualifying for the state playoffs took a harsh turn for the worst at Ortonville-Brandon High School on Friday.

In a contest between two teams fighting for playoff lives, the Brandon Blackawks edged out Holly 28-21.

Brandon took a 21-14 lead into halftime, extended that to 28-14 in the third quarter and then held on the rest of the way for the victory.

The Blackawks (5-3) took the early lead with a four-yard TD run by Sincere Perkins, but the Bronchos responded right back with a Jacob Honstetter 24-yard TD run, tying the game at 6-all. Sami Hild’s extra-point made it a 7-6 Holly lead.

The Bronchos moved to it a 14-6 lead early in the second quarter when Colin Dallwitz caught a 15-yard TD pass from Cade Dallwitz. However, Brandon scored the final two TDs of the second half—one on a three-yard run by Kevin Grigereit and another on a 10-yard reception to Jlien Williams from Grigereit —putting the Blackawks up 21-14 at the half.

The lead grew to 28-14 early in the second half when Grigereit tossed his second touchdown pass of the game. This one was a 13-yard reception to Josh Manfroni. Holly was able to cut the gap to 28-21 on a Honstetter 17-yard TD run in the fourth quarter, but were unable to get any closer.

Jake Honstetter led the Bronchos’ offense with 103 rushing yards on 14 carries. He also caught a three-yard pass. Cade Dallwitz completed 10-of-23 passes for 152 yards and a TD. He also threw an interception. Grant Tooley and JD Lannon each had three catches for 40 yards.

Holly tennis, Fenton’s Hand headed to D2 state championship match

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The Holly varsity boys tennis team knew qualifying for the state meet would be more of a challenge than in recent years.

Holly and Fenton were placed in a regional with more of a suburbia Detroit flavor, meaning the competition was much tougher than in past years. It meant that Holly’s chances of qualifying for the top two places in the nine-team event would be considerably more difficult.

It ended up being more challenging, but the Bronchos found a way to sneak through, taking second at the North Farmington Regional.

Walled Lake Western won the regional with 26 points, creating a three-team battle for second. Holly placed second with 16 points, just edging out North Farmington’s 15 points and Farmington Hills Harrison’s 14 points.

Fenton also has a state representative going to the event. No. 1 singles player Gabe Hand. Hand was the flight runner-up at the top flight, losing to Farmington’s Manuel Yeh in the regional championship match. Hand won his first two matches in two straight sets.

Holly had two flight champions in the super-competitive regional.

PREP REPORT

GIRLS GOLF
► Holly at D2 regional at Huron Meadows Metro Park: The Bronchos placed eighth at the regional meet, posting a team score of 423. Megan McReynolds and Kate Brown led the Bronchos in 23rd (21:55.9).

GIRLS SWIMMING
► Fenton 140, Swartz Creek/Flushing 46: Fenton won 10 events, including seven individual events. The individual event winners were Abigail Dolliver in the 200 individual medley (2:26.48), Emma Snedden and Breanne Ferranti in the 100 freestyle (27.26), Shia Shegos in diving (267.25), Lillie Kromer in the 100 freestyle (57.65), Logan Harrison in the 500 freestyle (5:57.70), Malorie Johnson in the 100 backstroke (1:09.10) and Rachael Rittichier in the 100 breaststroke (1:23.17).

The Tigers won all three relays. John son, Dolliver, Snedden and Breanne Ferranti won the 200 medley relay (2:06.01). Hall, Dolliver, Snedden and Ferranti won the 200 freestyle relay (1:48.09); and Kromer, Mallard, Hall and Johnson won the 400 freestyle relay (3:56.02).

► Fenton at MISCA: The Tigers made the state cut at the MISCA meet in the 400 freestyle relay. The team of Sabrina Hall, Lillie Kromer, Megan Mallard and Dailey placed 10th in 3:45.42. The 200 freestyle relay team of Abigail Dolliver, Emma Snedden, Breanne Ferranti and Mallard came close to qualifying with a time of 1:45.15.

There were many individual competitive events. They were Hall, 25.72 in the 50 freestyle and 56.57 in the 100 freestyle; Caitlyn Dailey 1:02.12 in the 100 butterfly; Kromer 56.12 in the 100 freestyle and 1:10.52 in the 100 backstroke; Mallard, 58.34 in the 100 freestyle; Delaney Fries, 1:03.56 in the 100 backstroke; Rachael Rittichier 1:05.43 in the 100 backstroke; and Dailey, 1:15.03 in the 100 breaststroke. The 200 medley relay team of Kromer, Dolliver, Dailey and Hall had a time of 1:56.10.
ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, if you have a gut feeling about something but not much tangible proof to back up your suspicions, use your intuition as a guide. It seldom leads you astray.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, racing through all of your activities will get you somewhere fast, but the results may be sloppy. Slow down and see the bigger picture.

GEMINI
May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, if you continue to vacillate on a decision, pretty soon you will begin to doubt your decision-making abilities. Trust your intuition.

CANCER
Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, if you have a gut feeling about something but not much input can give you a more well-rounded perspective.

LEO
Jul 23/Aug 22
Leo, a newfound commitment to living healthy will benefit you in the short- and long-terms. Keep up the good work and enlist others to help you stay motivated.

VIRGO
Aug 23/Sept 22
Virgo, others trust your instincts when it comes to making big decisions. Follow your heart and explain your thought process along the way so loved ones feel in the loop.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 22
Libra, allow others to explain their position before you make an important decision. Outside input can give you a more well-rounded perspective.

SCORPIO
Oct 23/Nov 21
Scorpio, accept others’ offers to help when your schedule fills up. Simply return the favor when you get the chance, and that’s all that’s necessary.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 22/Dec 21
Sagittarius, a renewed passion for a hobby has motivated you to be more creative. Embrace this newfound vigor, even enlisting others if you so desire.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, embrace a newly presented challenge as an opportunity to hone your skills and illustrate to others your ability to adapt and thrive. Your efforts won’t go unnoticed.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 19
Aquarius, the prospects of a new relationship prove rejuvenating. Make the most of this opportunity and embrace the chance to experience new things.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20
Take a few minutes for yourself this week. Pisces, it is important to have some alone time so you can gather your thoughts.

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