

# Body of missing man discovered in Hartland Township

■ Detroit man had been missing for 10 days

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The body of a 33-year-old Detroit man, missing since Wednesday, Dec. 6, has been located in

Livingston County's Hartland Township.

According to whmi.com, Aoki was last seen leaving his workplace in Livonia. His red 2013 Mazda 3 hatchback was found that same day two miles east of U.S. 23 near Clyde and Bullard roads.

An initial search in the area failed to turn up anything, but investigators with the Livingston County

Sheriff's Office returned to the scene Saturday morning, Dec. 16 and were able to locate Aoki's body at about 11 a.m., according to whmi.com.

Livingston County Sheriff Mike Murphy said while no signs of foul play were apparent, they are still investigating.

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Ryoji Aoki

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## U.S. Supreme Court refuses to hear Holly man's case

■ Claimed Snyder violated Michigan Constitution by funding Little Caesars Arena

By Hannah Ball

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A case submitted to the United States Supreme Court case by a Holly resident has been denied.

John Lauve submitted the case of John Lauve vs. Governor of Michigan, Richard Snyder to the Supreme Court on Sept. 25 and it was placed on the docket on Oct. 4. He received a letter on Saturday, Dec. 9 indicating that the court will not make a decision on the case.

"It should not have even had to go that far" Lauve said. "The Constitution is very clear. You need two-thirds vote, you don't give away public money otherwise."

The case claims that Snyder ignored the Michigan Constitution and signed a bill allocating hundreds of millions

See **COURT** on 11

## Soup kitchen an 'eye opening' experience for LF students



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Claire Crandell, 14, hands lunch off to a Flint North End Soup Kitchen client as Claire Osborne, 14, places an orange on the tray. On Monday, Dec. 18, 17 Lake Fenton Middle School eighth-graders volunteered as part of the semi-annual opportunity to go out into the community to learn about service and volunteerism. The soup kitchen is booked with volunteers for the holidays, but needs help after the New Year. See **story** on page 7.

## Victim testifies in hypnotherapist sexual assault case

■ Defense attorney accuses woman of making four prior rape allegations

By Hannah Ball

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The Grand Blanc Township hypnotherapist accused of sexually assaulting three women was in court Monday Dec. 18.

John Tomlinson, 65, of Flint, has been accused of sexually assaulting three patients while they were undergoing hypnotherapy.

See **HYPNOTHERAPIST** on 8



John Tomlinson

## Holly man killed in early morning crash

■ One of the drivers in two-vehicle accident lost control

An early morning crash in Groveland Township on Tuesday, Dec. 19 has claimed the life of a 32-year-old Holly man.

According to Michigan State Police, troopers from the Metro North post responded to Dixie Highway and Tindall

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Fenton Rotary Club member Mary Johnson looks for a spot for a gift in an already packed room on Friday, Dec. 15. This is the 30th year of the Fenton Rotary Angel Tree initiative, which gathered gifts for 229 children in 90 families.

## Rotary volunteers provide gifts to 229 kids

■ Christmas comes early with tradition of helping kids in Fenton schools during holidays

By Sally Rummel

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Delivering Christmas gifts to 229 local kids gives local volunteers through the Fenton Rotary Club a feeling of the true meaning of Christmas.

"It's like the best Hallmark Christmas moment you could ever have," said Tracy Boettcher, club president and organizer of the club's annual Angel Tree event for the past six years.

About 20 volunteers gathered Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Lake Fenton Sailing Club in Fenton Township to distribute gifts to 90 families on 24 different routes.

It's a 30-year Fenton Rotary tradition, but never fails to give Boettcher a huge dose of Christmas spirit. "We're Santa's helpers from the Fenton Rotary Club. It's such a feel-good thing."

when it's all done.

"It totally amazes me," she said. "It takes the Fenton Rotary Club and a town to make this all happen. It literally takes all the people in our community. It's the teachers, business owners, churches, fire department and more."

**"It's like the best Hallmark Christmas moment you could ever have."**

**Tracy Boettcher**  
Fenton Rotary Club Angel Tree event organizer

Boettcher said that one high school student saw the article in the Times and reached out to her, volunteering to buy gifts for one of the kids.

Even two snow days before the drop-off day didn't deter Santa from making his deliveries as planned on Saturday. "All of the bags ended up where they were supposed to be," said Boettcher.

The fun of buying gifts for kids in need is surpassed only by the experience of making the deliveries. "People show up at these homes, some don't even have any furniture," said Boettcher. "We say,



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Kim Fischer was one of several Rotary Club volunteers sorting gift packages at the Fenton Sailing Club that day.

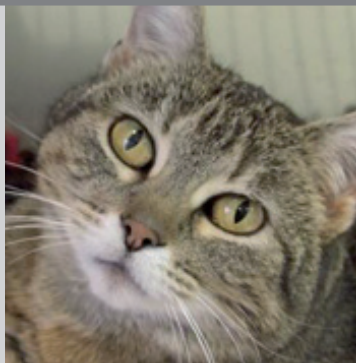
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## If I Were King...

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### A Christmas story

*This is a reprint of one of my favorite Christmas stories.*

I vividly recall the December day my big sister dropped the bomb on me — “There is no Santa Claus,” she jeered. “Even dummies know that.”

Numb with shock I sought out the smartest person I knew. My grandma — who lived with us. I found her, as usual, sewing in the little room at the back of the house. I told her everything.

“No Santa Claus?” she snorted. “That’s ridiculous!” She thought for a moment and then said, “Put on your coat and let’s go.”

“Go? Go where, Grandma?” I asked.

Where turned out to be Pellets Department Store, the one store in our town that had a little bit of just about everything. As we walked through its doors, Grandma handed me a \$10 bill. “Take this money,” she said, “and buy something for someone who needs it. I’ll wait for you in the car.” Then she disappeared.

I was only 8 years old. Though I’d often gone shopping with my mother, I had never actually shopped for anything all by myself.

For a few moments I just stood there, totally confused, clutching that \$10 bill, wondering what to buy, and who on Earth to buy it for. I thought of everybody I knew — my family, my friends, the kids at school — and then I suddenly thought of Bobby McAllister. He was a kid with ragged clothes and greasy hair who sat right behind me in Mrs. Vicker’s class. Bobby didn’t have a coat. I knew that because for the last six weeks he never went outside for recess. He always told the teacher that he had a cold, but all of us kids knew better. We knew that Bobby McAllister didn’t have a cold — he had no coat!

I fingered the \$10 bill with growing excitement. I could buy Bobby McAllister a coat. After much careful inspection,

I settled on a red corduroy coat that had a hood on it. I couldn’t find a price on it.

“Is this a Christmas present for someone?” the lady behind the counter asked kindly as I laid my \$10 down.

“Yes,” I replied. “It’s for Bobby, he doesn’t have a coat.”

She seemed to hesitate for a moment, then she smiled at me. I didn’t get any change, but she put the coat in a bag and wished me a Merry Christmas. That evening, while Grandma was helping me wrap the coat, a piece of paper fell out of the bag and I saw Grandma glance at it briefly before tucking it in her Bible.

“To Bobby, From Santa Claus” I wrote on the tag — Grandma said that Santa always insisted on secrecy. Then she drove me over to the McAllister’s house. We parked down the street and she and I snuck quietly up the walk and hid in the overgrown bushes beside the sidewalk. Grandma gave me a nudge. “Alright, Santa Claus,” she whispered, “get to work.” I took a deep breath, dashed for his door, set the package down on his step, rang the doorbell twice and, my heart pounding, ran back to the safety of the bushes and Grandma. Together we waited breathlessly in the darkness for the front door to open. Finally it did, and there stood Bobby.

Fifty years haven’t dimmed the thrill of those few moments spent breathless and shivering beside my grandma in Bobby McAllister’s bushes.

It was nearly 30 years later that my grandma passed away. For whatever reason, I ended up with her Bible. I was sitting in my living room late one evening not long after we buried her, fingering the cover on her Bible when, for no reason at all, I whispered softly, “Talk to me Grandma.”

I flipped the Bible open to a random page and a small tag fell out and fluttered to the floor. It was a yellowed, cracked receipt from Pellets Department Store. The price on it read \$19.95.

I still have the Bible and the tag today.

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■■■  
**WHEN I WAS** young I vividly recall my grandpa telling my father that diplomacy was the ability to describe others as they see themselves. A wise man was grandpa.

■■■  
**LET’S NOT FORGET** the original reason for the season — the winter solstice. Blessed Yule to all.

■■■  
**CRITICISM OF SPENDING** under Reagan is a joke. Congress was controlled by the Democrats. In order to destroy Communism and free 400 million people, without war, Reagan was forced to accept Democrat spending. Reagan wanted a ‘line item veto’ so he could cut wasteful spending.

■■■  
**DEMOCRATS CHEAT AGAIN** by busing in voters from all over the country into Alabama. This is why we need voter IDs.

■■■  
**WITH DIRTY POLITICS** at an all time high, the women coming forward after 30, 40, and 50 years, accusing men of sexual abuse should be required to take a lie detector test.

■■■  
**AM I THE** only one bothered by the incorrect color pattern on the Rubik’s Cube near The Laundry?

■■■  
**IF YOU FIND** yourself being angry with someone lower on the economic ladder than you, pretty good chance you’re

being manipulated by someone higher on the economic ladder than you. — Jimmy Dore

■■■  
**READ YOUR BIBLE.** Jesus would never be a Democrat or a Republican. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. How about being salt and light in the world instead of keeping this silly argument going?

■■■  
**THE VILLAGE ISN’T** putting the hotel in a residential area, the village manager is. He’s the one who got the zoning changes.

■■■  
**IT’S A SAD** day when we blame teachers’ unions for snow days. The unions have nothing to do with calling off schools. If you have a problem with the benefits that come with union jobs then maybe you should join one to really know how they work.

■■■  
**PEOPLE GO GET** food and drinks at the same time others are on their knee. Who cares? This is a way to protest without violence. Some of those players have done more good for people than we could ever do.

■■■  
**WHINING ABOUT TEACHERS** and mentioning Bert and Ernie? It looks like fourth grade isn’t going too well for you.

■■■  
**MANY THANKS TO** the kind-hearted gentleman who pushed my Malibu out of the snow on Wednesday evening on White Lake Road at Denton Hill. I truly appreciate your helpfulness more than you know. I will pay it forward.

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## What’s your worst holiday travel experience?



“One time my flight was cancelled three times and we got stuck in Atlanta for awhile before we finally boarded the plane. This is when we were trying to get to Florida.”

—Sharon McAndrews  
Fenton



“My worst travel experience was when we had to go up to Marquette to visit my son and we had to cross the bridge during a white out.”

—Luce Daly  
Fenton



“I was driving up to Traverse City and it was snowing out a lot, which was not fun. This was all about 15 years ago.”

—Nicole Chapman  
Tyrone Township



“I was going to see my son and daughter-in-law, who live in Indiana. Our car was rear-ended and was totaled. We had to stay overnight in a hotel. I always say God was watching over us.”

—Lynette Hitchcock, Fenton



“My worst experience was when I left late to fly to Philadelphia and I ended up missing my flight and having to stay overnight to make the next flight.”

—Ruth Ann Simpson  
Linden

## street talk



# MICHIGAN VOTES

## LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

*MichiganVotes.org is a free, non-partisan website created by the Mackinac Center for Public Policy to provide concise, non-partisan, plain-English descriptions of every bill and vote in the Michigan House and Senate. This report was released Friday, Dec. 15.*

### Senate Bill 702: Ban school districts and local governments from discriminating against charter schools

To expand the definition of "deed restriction" in a 2017 law that prohibits a school district or local government from refusing to sell property to a charter or private school, or from taking other actions designed to keep these potential conventional public school competitors from using property for a lawful educational purpose. The bill would close loopholes that cities and school districts have used to discriminate against charter schools.

#### Passed 26 to 11 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	NO
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	YES

### Senate Bill 469: Give some developers subsidies for rehabbing "historic" structures

To grant certain developers approved by state or local officials credits against the business income tax that are worth up to 25 percent of the amount spent to restore a structure that meets various criteria for being "historic." Up to 90 percent of credits valued up to \$250,000 would be "refundable," making them virtual cash subsidies.

#### Passed 36 to 2 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	YES

### House Bill 4207: Subsidize grocery stores in cities

To authorize state subsidies for grocery stores in urban areas. This would come from money earmarked to an existing business subsidy program, and is estimated to be around \$1 million to \$2 million annually. The money could not be given to the owner of a grocery store located within a mile of an existing store.

#### Passed 33 to 4 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	NO
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	NO
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	YES

### House Bill 4320: Spend more for environmental cleanups, borrow more for colleges

To appropriate \$52.8 million for various state departments and functions in the current fiscal year, including \$23.2 million for remediation activities related to recently reported instances of groundwater contamination by a chemical called perfluoroalkyl. The bill also authorizes \$74.6 million in new long-term debt for state university and college construction projects and \$57 million for a State Police construction project.

#### Passed 33 to 4 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	YES

#### Passed 109 to 1 in the House

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51)	YES
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	YES

# Becoming a 'company' can limit liability

■ Forming an LLC protects your personal assets in most cases

By Vera Hogan

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You and your significant other have a great idea to earn an income and want to start your own company. But it's only the two of you. What can you do to protect your personal assets should your company fail?

After selling their other business, one local couple decided to open a small online business, working from their home. It is a success story and they shared the benefits of forming an LLC (Limited Liability Corporation).

The husband opened an LLC, using the first three letters of each of their first names for the LLC name. "I registered the name with the state and the IRS," he said.

"My wife and I are the owners and the only employees. We got a federal ID

number, so we are 'officially' a company. We don't get paid, our clients write their checks out to our LLC company name.

"We can charge part of our taxes, heat, lights, subscriptions, some insurance and other business expenses against our LLC, plus every time we go out to eat it's a 'meeting' — sometimes with possible clients and/or customers, so it can be tax deductible," he said. "It's not a scam or illegal or weird, it's just a small-scale version of any corporation. We should be able to cover nearly all our income with expenses and owe very little or no federal taxes next year.

"An LLC is a legal way to pay for a vacation (fact-finding trip or visit to find new clients) and we could even buy / lease a vehicle if we wanted, because that's a normal, legal use for a company. We will have to file a corporate income tax document this year, but that's pretty simple — total our income, minus deductions and then pay tax (if any) on what's left. It's a great system, which makes sense.

"Why shouldn't a small, two-person business have a method of operating with the same possible benefits as a big corporation," he said.

There is more to know about LLCs and it is always wise to check with an accountant or attorney before getting started.

By forming an LLC, only the LLC is liable for the debts and liabilities incurred by the business — not the owners or managers. Before you get started on your business venture, you'll want to consider the potential liability risks of your business and the protection you'll get from an LLC. Specifically, you should think about the following liability risks you take on as an LLC owner: personal liability for your LLC's debts, personal liability for actions by LLC co-owners or employees related to the business, personal liability for your own actions related to the business, and the LLC's liability for other members' personal debts.

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# Domestic violence worsens during holidays

■YWCA has shelters for people seeking immediate help

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The holidays aren't happy for every one.

Genesee County has the fifth highest rate for domestic abuse victims in the state of Michigan, according to the Criminal Justice Information Center of the Michigan State Police. These rates increase during the holidays.

Genesee County Undersheriff f Chris Swanson said, "DV (domestic violence) is commonly on the rise when folks are closed in, families are brought together that may have unfinished business or past pain. Add alcohol, cloudy cold, dark days to the mix and it can be toxic."

Domestic violence occurs between family members or people in a relationship, and can include spousal abuse, child abuse and neglect, criminal sexual conduct, robbery, larceny, parental kidnapping, intimidation/stalking, fraud, arson, and aggravated/felonious assault, among

other crimes.

Heidi McAra, CEO of the YWCA said, "A lot of people don't seek counseling or immediate help until directly after the holidays. Many families try and hold it together for the kids through the holidays, and then we kind of see things fall apart."

McAra said she doesn't have immediate numbers, but their shelter operates at capacity or over capacity every day of the year, and there's a lull of people seeking help until right after the holidays. She said there are a variety of reasons why domestic violence worsens during this season, including the general stress of the holidays and financial stress.

The YWCA helps 2,500 to 3,000 people throughout the year with its Safe House and Safe Center, which provide people with shelter, legal counseling with obtaining a personal protection order, and sexual assault examinations and advocacy among other things.

"Every victim comes in with different circumstances," she said. "If you seek



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services, our crisis center operates 24/7." The crisis hotline is (810) 238-SAFE (7233).

People seeking shelter from domestic violence can now receive immediate help at the Genesee County Clerk's Office with help from the YWCA.

In the past, people seeking help from domestic violence would come into the clerk's office for a personal protection order, and the employees would give referrals.

"That's all we could do," said Leslie Raleigh, Genesee County chief deputy clerk.

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## Domestic violence in Fenton

Fenton Police Chief Jason Slater said, "Sometimes there is no rhyme or reason for an increase or decrease. Substance use/abuse albeit alcohol or drugs seem to play a significant factor in fueling domestic assault situations. Based on my experience 95 percent of the domestic-related calls are attributed to one or both individuals being under the influence of alcohol or drugs or both."

## Number of domestic violence-related incidents in Fenton

December 2016	14
January 2017	23
February 2017	7
March 2017	21
April 2017	15
May 2017	12
June 2017	17
July 2017	13
August 2017	31
September 2017	14
October 2017	29
November 2017	27

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### House Bill 5165: **Revise unemployment insurance rules to avoid impostors and fraud**

To revise state unemployment insurance rules and procedures to address the problem of impostors claiming and getting unemployment benefits. This is part of package comprised of House Bills 5165 to 5172 that among other things would facilitate reporting by employers and individuals that a particular claim is fraudulent; cancel benefits on those claims and not assess employers for them; reduce penalties and let some recipients keep improper payments; and more. The legislation was introduced after it was reported that an automated system wrongly determined that thousands of individuals filed fraudulent claims, and with this week's votes goes to the Governor for approval, which is expected.

#### Passed 38 to 0 in the Senate

Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14)	✗ YES
Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15)	✗ YES
Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22)	✗ YES
Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27)	✗ YES
Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32)	✗ YES

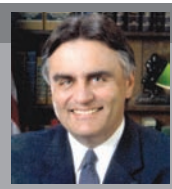
### Senate Bill 167: **Expand opioid prescription restrictions and reporting**

To require a doctor to have a "bona fide prescriber-patient relationship" before prescribing opioid and other painkillers that are subject to abuse, and authorize sanctions on a doctor who fails to first check the patient's prescription record on a state database that collects this information before prescribing.

#### Passed 83 to 27 in the House

Rep. Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51)	✗ YES
Rep. Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47)	✗ YES





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### The wedding cake case

In 2012, Charles Craig and David Mullins went into the Masterpiece Cake Shop in Lakewood Colorado and asked for a specially designed wedding cake for their upcoming wedding reception. They were to be wed in Massachusetts with a Colorado reception to follow.

At the time, same sex marriages were not legal in Colorado but were in Massachusetts as it was the first state to legalize such a ceremony in 2004.

As an aside since 2015 pursuant to the Supreme Court decision in Obergefell v Hodges, same sex marriages have been a constitutional right.

The owners of the bakery were one Jack Phillips, and his wife. Mr. Phillips told Messrs. Craig and Mullins that he would be happy to sell them any cake or baked goods that he had already baked, but because he was opposed to gay marriage due to his religious beliefs, he would not make one for them.

The two men took their case to the Colorado Civil Rights Commission claiming discrimination. The Commission found that they had been discriminated against due to their sexual orientation in violation of Colorado's Public Accommodations Law.

The bakery filed a court appeal and the Colorado Court of Appeals affirmed the Commission's ruling.

The case was then appealed to the United States Supreme Court and oral arguments were heard on Dec. 5, 2017.

The question presented in this case is whether the First Amendment's protections as to the owner's free speech and the free exercise of religion were violated or were his actions in not designing a cake for them not speech or expression and not protected.

This case has received extensive publicity and legal scholars have weighed in with a wide variety of opinions as to the merits. Indeed some 50 amicus curiae (Friend of the Court) briefs have been filed with the court with the vast majority supporting Masterpiece's position.

Of course, at this point, no one knows what the decision will be, but reports on the oral arguments indicate there is an even four to four split with the ninth Justice, Anthony M. Kennedy, holding the deciding vote and perhaps leaning in the direction of Masterpiece.

When the final decision is made, I will submit a full report.

### Guest viewpoint

BY  
State Rep. Joe Graves  
of Argentine Township



### House Oversight Committee prioritized transparency, accountability in 2017

Making state government more transparent, accountable and putting limits on excessive regulation were top priorities of the House Oversight Committee. As chair of the committee, I am pleased to announce that we advanced legislation to benefit and protect all Michiganders.

To increase state government's transparency, the committee passed a measure requiring executive branch departments to publicly post employee salary information online on the state's website. This information helps educate taxpayers on how their tax dollars are being spent and also reduces the likelihood of departments providing certain employees with excessive or unreasonable salaries.

It doesn't make sense for states to have more stringent rules than those enforced by the federal government. The committee passed legislation that limits excessive regulation to make sure Michigan is not put at a competitive disadvantage with other states. The federal government is an overregulated bureaucratic mess. We certainly do not want Michigan to become more regulated than Washington, D.C. if we want to improve our economy and create jobs.

The current state of the Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) lacks clarity, integrity and accountability. We passed a bipartisan bill package to improve the unemployment system for Michigan's unemployed workers, employers and the UIA. The reform package was developed by a work-group comprised of business leaders, claimant advocates and bipartisan legislators who spent 900 hours collaborating to find the best way forward for the UIA. Both the full House and Senate unanimously passed our plan and the legislative package has been sent to the governor for final approval. These reforms will make a basic government service run much more smoothly.

I want to commend the House Oversight Committee members on their hard work and endless commitment to making sure state government is open and honest, honorable and accountable. Although the committee has spent the year addressing issues that matter most to Michiganders, there is still much to be done.



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David Rampy, 13 (right), hands a food tray to Emily Zatelli, 13, while they volunteer as servers at the North End Soup Kitchen in Flint on Monday, Dec. 18.

## An 'eye opening' experience

### ■ Lake Fenton eighth-graders serve lunch at North End Soup Kitchen

By Tim Jagielo

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**Flint** — During the energetic adolescent lunchtime banter, something more meaningful is happening — Lake Fenton Middle School students are getting an education in service.

On Monday, Dec. 18, 17 eighth-graders volunteered during their homeroom hour at the North End Soup Kitchen, run by Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities is responsible for 197,000 meals being provided at its three soup kitchens and sack lunch programs, according to Director John Manse. Approximately 150 people are served at this location daily.

Volunteers are integral to the operation. Students help cook lunch, and when the guests arrive, they each have a different lunch line job. After lunch, they sweep and pick up chairs.

Others helped or ganize toys for the massive gift giveaway on Christmas Day, or move boxes. Teens from a more affluent area suddenly had the chance to work with inner-city clients.

Kaile Sackrider, 13, made sandwiches and packaged cookies. It was her first time volunteering. "You get to learn different

things about people who need help, and how you can help them," she said.

Christian Proulx, 14, also was having his first volunteer experience. He passed out doughnuts and chatted with the clients.

Twice per year each homeroom teacher at Lake Fenton takes their students out for a volunteer opportunity. In this case, it was Lauren Talsma, math teacher.

"I think they learn a little about service and serving others," she said. "(It's) kind of eye opening for them to see a different perspective." She said they gain an appreciation for the work that goes into running the soup kitchen.

Director John Manse said, "A lot of them are amazed at the need out there." It also instills values. He said they're surprised when clients express their appreciation. One man fist-bumped most of the group of kids after receiving his lunch.

Manse said there are 90 youth groups that come out to help during the week and on weekends. "Without the volunteers, we wouldn't be able to do what we do," Manse said. "We never close."

The soup kitchen is open every day of the year, including all holidays. Each year, October, November and December volunteer slots fill up quickly, while January volunteering drops off. They also need more help during the summer, because they're busier with clients, and there are fewer volunteers.

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**HYPNOTHERAPIST**  
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In court, one accuser a 49-yearold woman, took the stand to be cross-examined by Tomlinson’s defense attorney Michael Manley

According to abc12, Judge Nathaniel Perry’s courtroom in Genesee County District Court became heated when Manley said the accuser had made four prior allegations of rape.

The woman reportedly shouted, “That is incorrect.”

The prosecution said they have to establish that those allegations are true, but that none of that groundwork has been laid.

According to abc12, Michelle Most, a sexual assault nurse examiner , testified that the victim said Tomlinson was

“going up her pant leg and forcing her legs apart.” Most said the victim had soreness in her jaw and nasal area, which are signs of strangulation. The victim reported that Tomlinson strangled her to keep her in his office when she tried to leave.

The case was adjourned until Jan. 18, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

Deputy Chief Assistant Prosecutor John Potbury said, “The second case against Tomlinson involving two additional victims and four counts of criminal sexual conduct second-degree went to preliminary exam, and the judge found probable cause to support the prosecutor’s charges and the case is being bound over to Circuit Court for arraignment and a trial schedule.”

**The charges**

Tomlinson has been charged with one count of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, one count of unlawful imprisonment, and one count of assault by strangulation related to an incident with the 49-yearold patient from an incident that occurred April 17, 2017. She reported that he had sexually assaulted her while she was undergoing her fourth hypnotherapy session.

Tomlinson is also charged with three additional counts of CSC second-degree, involving two other alleged female victims who claim the hypnotherapist assaulted them between March 2013 and August 2015.

Tomlinson’s medical license has not been revoked and he can continue to practice.

**HOT LINE CONTINUED**

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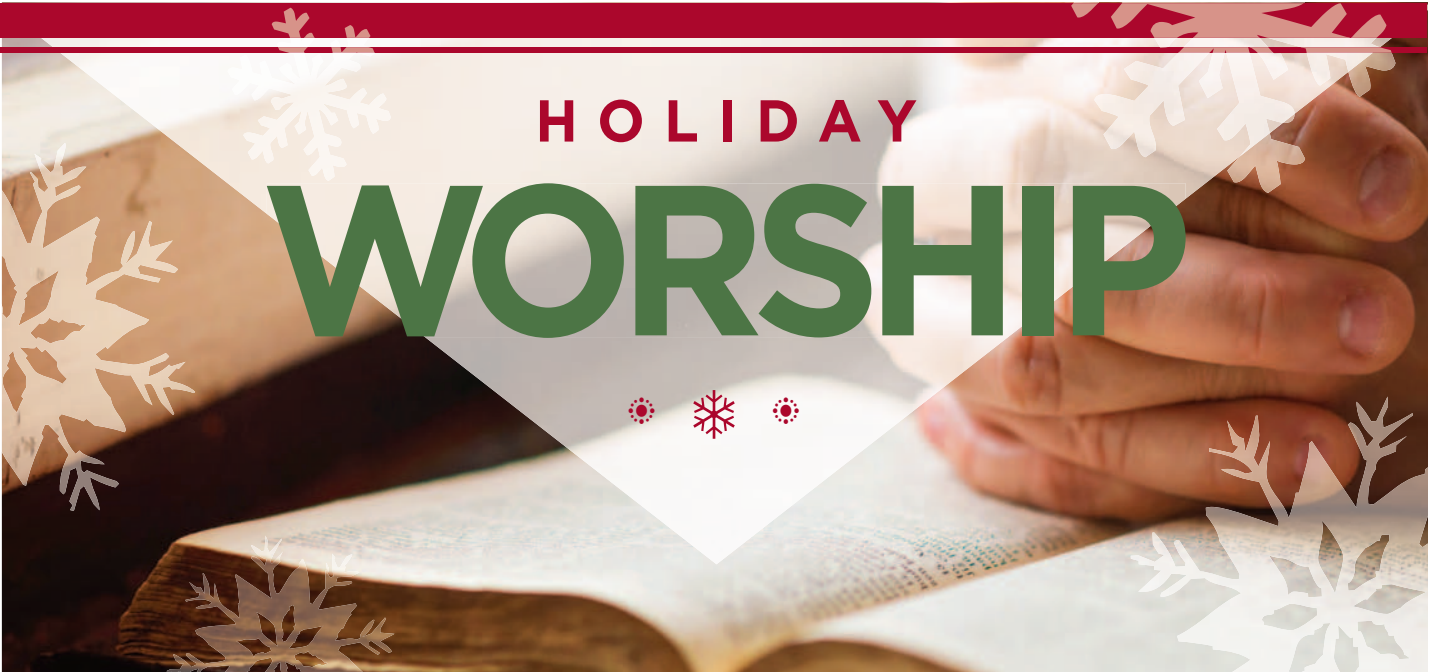


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**COMPANY****Continued from Page 5**

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Many creditors, however, don't want to be left holding the bag if your business goes under so they will demand that you personally guarantee any business loans, credit cards, or other extensions of credit to your LLC. In that situation, you would be personally liable if your LLC's assets fall short.

Having an LLC will protect owners from personal liability for any wrongdoing committed by the co-owners or employees of an LLC during the course of business. If the LLC is found liable for the negligence or wrongdoing of its owner or employee, the LLC's money or property can be taken by creditors to satisfy a judgment against the LLC.

But the LLC owners would not be personally liable for that debt. The owner or employee who committed the act might also be personally liable for his or her actions but a co-owner of the LLC who was not involved in the act or wrongdoing would not be.

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If, however, two of the three owners of Bobby's Bakery LLC knew that their driver was drunk, but let him make deliveries anyway, they can be sued and held personally liable for negligence by the victim's heirs.

Forming an LLC will not protect you against personal liability for your own negligence, malpractice, or other personal wrongdoing that you commit related to your business. If both you and your LLC are found liable for an act you commit, then the LLC's assets and your personal assets could be taken by creditors to satisfy the judgment. This is why LLCs and their owners should always have liability insurance.

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# Apple orchard rezoning goes to township board

■ Nearly 93-acre area would mainly be orchard, home to farm animals

By Hannah Ball

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**Fenton Twp.** — The Board of Trustees held the first reading on Monday, Dec. 18 for the rezoning of a parcel at 16362 Linden Rd.

The owner of the property, Ridgway White and Peregrine Ventures Properties LLC, told the board he wishes to rezone the roughly 93-acre property from R-3 single family residential to AG Agriculture in order to grow an apple orchard. The parcel is south of Grove Park and west of Swanee Beach.

In a memo to the board, White stated, "I sincerely hope that you find this request amenable as I believe that it will be a fun hobby for my family and I to pursue in the coming years."

Treasurer and Planning Commissioner John Tucker said multiple residents raised concerns about the conditions of the rezoning at the December Planning Commission meeting.

"Nobody has ever had an objection to the orchard part," he said.

According to Peregrine Ventures Properties, LLC, about 50 acres of the

land can be farmed. At the February Planning Commission meeting, White told the board that the property is approximately 50 percent high, dry land, and there's an area where he wants to initially plant 25 to 50 apple trees. White has said that he wishes to sell apples at farm markets.

Tucker said some of the residents who were in favor basically said "it's a minimal number of animals on a fairly large piece of property and we would rather have that than X number of houses."

Other residents took issue with the animals and the lack of planned setbacks from the residential areas. White established two conditions for the rezoning: the primary farming activity will be an orchard, and the amount of animals allowed are limited to wild life, five horses, 10 chickens, two goats, five cows and one donkey.

Tucker said it was a tough call. It was a 4-2 vote in favor of approving the rezoning change. Tucker and Donna Warren voted against it.

He said with conditional zoning, the owners bring the list of conditions and the township cannot bring its own list. His main problem with this rezoning is that there were no planned setbacks for the animals near the residential-zoned

areas.

"If you look at the aerial, there's plenty of room to do that, but that wasn't one of the conditions he proposed," he said. "There was nothing in the conditions that said there had to be some kind of setback for the animals at the north and west corner there."

Eric Slone, who lives on the north side of Grove Park, said he and a few of his neighbors oppose it. "We are against it primarily because we are sticking a barn in a residential area," he said.

He voiced his concerns about the animals, the sewer capacity, and said agriculture zoning was not proposed in the Master Plan.

"I don't see a problem with 120 houses put in across the street from me. I know there'd be sewers, it'd all be controlled, there'd be a developer. maybe there should be houses there and not a farm," he said.

Another neighbor, David Allen, said the applicant didn't place any limitations on his plans.

He said, "He was given an opportunity like Mr. Tucker said, do you want to maybe hone this thing a little bit and get specific and narrow it down?"

Allen voiced concerns about animals right up against people's houses, the smell of farms, especially during summer and the property taxes. Allen said there wouldn't be space for parking if people wanted to come buy apples.

"This is not the best place to put a farm in the middle of upscale, lakefront community," he said.

The second reading will take place at the Monday, Jan. 8 meeting.

## DOMESTIC

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About a year ago, they placed a full-time victim's advocate on staff, who is employed by the YWCA.

"She can help them right away. She can help them with legal advice, she sets them up with safe housing," Raleigh said. "A lot of victims, women or men, of domestic violence are running out the house for their lives with their baby in their hands, not thinking about 'oh I need my birth certificate.' A lot of times it's too dangerous for them to go back to retrieve them."

The victim's advocate helps people get a copy of their birth certificate, which people need in order to apply for housing and enroll their children in school. A birth certificate is needed to get any form of ID, Raleigh said, and the county charges \$25 for a vital record.

The victims do not pay for the records, and the county is able to get some of that money back through the Victims of Crime Act grant.

### Statistics

In Genesee County in 2016, 4,413 people were victims of domestic violence.

This includes 2,103 reports of non-aggravated assault, 651 reports of aggravated/felonious assault, 617 reports of intimidation or stalking, and 165 reports of family abuse/non-violent neglect. Victims of domestic violence are most likely a boyfriend/girlfriend, a child, or a spouse.

While 3,249 of the victims were female, 1,161 victims were male.

Source: Michigan State Police Criminal Justice Information Center

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Aoki's supervisor told police he had allowed him to leave work early that day because he, "...did not appear to be in a good state of mind." The supervisor attempted to contact Aoki the next day and when he was unsuccessful, went to his residence where Aoki's roommate told him Aoki had not come home the night before.

After verifying Aoki was not in any of the local hospitals, jails, or morgue, family members waited to see if he would show up at work this past Monday. When he did not, they made contact with his roommate, who indicated a notice had come in the mail that Aoki's vehicle had been impounded. That's when they contacted the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

Murphy says anyone who may have information related to the case is asked to call their tip line at (517) 546-8477.

**CRASH****Continued from Front Page**

Road in Groveland Township at approximately 7 a.m. for a two-vehicle fatal crash.

MSP's preliminary investigation revealed that a 2003 Ford Ranger pick-up was traveling south on Dixie Highway and a 2018 Ford F-150 pick-up was traveling north on Dixie Highway. At this time, it appears one of the vehicles lost control, crossed the centerline and struck the other.

The 32-year-old male from Holly who was driving a 2003 Ford Ranger pick-up, was killed instantly in the crash. His vehicle sustained front end damage.

The victim's name is being withheld pending family notification.

The 2018 Ford F-150 pick-up, driven by a 51-year-old male from Waterford, sustained front end damage. The driver suffered minor injuries to his arm and was transported to a local hospital.

Troopers are continuing to investigate the cause of the crash. Anyone who may have witnessed the crash is asked to contact the Metro North Post at (248) 584-5740.

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of public tax dollars to the building of the Little Caesars Arena in Detroit.

According to the Michigan Constitution Article 4, Section 30, "the assent of two-thirds of the members elected and serving in each house of the legislature shall be required for the appropriation of public money or property for local or private purposes."

In a lame duck Michigan House of Representatives session, the vote on House Bill 5463 fell short of two-thirds, but passed with a majority vote of 58-49. The bill appropriated \$250 million, according to the claim, to help build the stadium.

"The Governor ignored the Constitution and signed the bill as if it were proper on December 19, 2012," Lauve wrote in the case. "The project takes one-third billion dollars of school taxes for a private corporation, Little Caesars hockey arena and pizza headquarters. It provides no revenue for the bankrupt city of Detroit. This government tossed this case for frivolous reasons."

The case was denied by the Michigan Court of Claims, Court of Appeals, and Michigan Supreme Court.

The denial letter from the U.S. Supreme Court reads, "The petition for a writ of certiorari is denied."

A writ of certiorari means "to be more fully informed," and orders a lower court to deliver its record in a case so that the higher court may review it, according to Cornell Law School.

Lauve said he wrote a letter back asking for an explanation of why the case was denied.

"It just means that the Constitution means nothing, it's just a joke. People think it means something, judges don't. Nobody honors the Constitution in Michigan or in the country," he said. "They've taken an oath of office to support it. Nobody's going to rock the boat."

# Mueller's Orchard seeks to rezone, expand

■ Owner wishes to move petting zoo inside historical barn, create museum

**By Hannah Ball**

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**Fenton Twp.** — The owner of Mueller's Orchard on Linden Road is planning to extend the farm with the rezoning of a parcel next to the property.

Charles Mueller attended the Monday Dec. 18 Fenton Township Board of Trustees meeting, where officials held the first reading for the rezoning of 16362 Linden Rd., from R-3 single family residential to Agriculture. The property, which contains a barn, is next to Mueller's Orchard.

"Originally, of course, it was all part of the farm 100 years ago," Mueller said.

He added that the people who owned it at the time gave the property, and some property across the street, to their daughter. The most recent owners sold it.

"I thought I would buy it to protect the orchard. So that's what we did," he said. In order to combine the properties, they have to be zoned the same.

"We've got a petting zoo. We want to move it into the barn so it's better for the animals and a nicer area," he said.

The barn hadn't been painted for a



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long time, and there were large gaps in between the boards. Mueller put up sheet metal to protect it.

"I'd like to really recondition it as it was historically inside, and keep the animals in it and have it as a museum so people can see what a working barn used to be,"

he said. "The barn was the most important building on the farm."

Township Treasurer and Planning Commissioner John Tucker said the residents who spoke at the December Planning Commission meeting were in favor of the change.

"The Planning Commission's view was this is just a continuation of

existing AG (Agriculture)," he said.

The second reading will be held at the Monday, Jan. 8 meeting.

**“We’ve got a petting zoo. We want to move it into the barn so it’s better for the animals and a nicer area.”**

**Charles Mueller**  
Mueller's Orchard owner

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# LFLF gymnasts remain hot, defeat Huron Valley United in dual

## ■ Hutchings paces team in final meet before the winter recess

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This was a season that Lake Fenton/Linden/Fenton co-op gymnastics coach Nancy Holden was probably a bit nervous about when she became the first coach in the pro-

gram's history.

She knew that entering this season the squad would lose many key graduates and have to find a way to replace that talent. A couple of years ago, she probably would've looked at this year as a rebuilding season in some ways, but it hasn't proven to be one. The LFLF gymnastics team has three firsts and one second-place team finish so far this season. They've reached a team score of at least 140

twice as well. On Friday, the squad earned another win and came within .1 point of another 140, defeating Huron Valley United 139.9-139.525.

The squad's top performer was one that has been leading the team all season long, Blake Hutchings. Hutchings led the team on the vault (9.10), the bars, the beam and the floor (9.50). Sabra Robinson, Lauren Hayden and Apryl Smith followed Hutchings on the vault while

Smith, Hayden and Jessica Richert were LFLF's next three scoring performances on the bars. Hutchings was followed by Robinson, Richert and Emily Allor on the floor while Hayden (9.0), Richert (8.9) and Smith (8.8) followed Hutchings on the floor.

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Blake Hutchings tries to land one of her jumps during a routine during the LFLF gymnastics team's Friday dual.

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## Times Sports

# Fenton squads get the job done on the road

## ■ Tigers' girls, boys sweep Kearsley in tight Metro contests

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The trip to Kearsley probably wasn't an easy one for the Fenton varsity basketball teams on Friday night with the snowy and icy conditions.

So apparently the squads wanted to make sure the trip was worthwhile.

The Fenton varsity girls team captured a tight 65-64 road victory against the Lady Hornets in the first game. In the second contest, the Fenton boys earned a little bit easier victory while scoring 65 points as well, beating Kearsley 65-60.

The Fenton girls started a bit on the cold side, but were able to cut its deficit to 21-17 by the end of the first quarter. Fenton led 34-31 at halftime and slightly grew that gap to 53-48 entering the fourth quarter. Fenton held a slight lead through the final period, still leading 63-60 with 22 seconds left.

Freshman Korryn Smith had

her biggest game of her varsity career, helping lead the Tigers to victory. She finished with 18 points and 12 rebounds. Meanwhile, the Tigers' best known frontcourt player, Chloe Idoni, continued her outstanding play, netting 23 points, grabbing 14 rebounds, dishing three assists and blocking three shots. Maddie Carr also had 10 points, three assists and three steals.

Kearsley did its offensive damage with three talented players. Jakeira Walsh had 18 points while Zaria Mitchner and Saniaa Walker had 15 points each.

The Fenton varsity boys basketball team captured its second straight Metro League victory by jumping out to a large lead and then holding on for the victory. The Tigers nailed five three-pointers and led 21-11 after one quarter, but Kearsley slowly closed the gap as the game continued. The Tigers' lead was 38-31 at halftime and just 48-42 entering the final quarter.

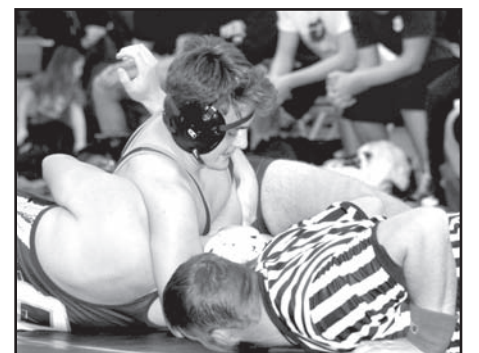
Addison McIntosh was on fire, leading the Tigers (2-1, 2-2) with 17 points.

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Fenton's Brandon Bossenberger drives to the bucket during a recent contest. He scored 10 points in the Tigers' victory against Kearsley on Friday.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | DAVID TROPPENS

Fenton's Thomas Conlon placed third at the county meet on Saturday.

## Tigers place second at county wrestling meet

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The signs of an improving Fenton varsity wrestling team continue to pop up.

Another one came to the surface on Saturday when the Tigers finished second at the Genesee County Championships.

Traditional state power Davison won the meet, while Fenton was second. Lake Fenton placed fourth while Linden placed sixth in the event that saw 16 teams score points.

Davison dominated and took the bulk of the firsts, but the tri-county area did earn one champion. Lake Fenton's three-time state champion Jarrett Trombley (135) won a county championship by beating Davison's A.J. Facundo by a 4-1 decision in the title match. He also beat Linden's Caleb White by pinfall in 5:22 in the semifinals.

The Tigers didn't have any champions but did record three wrestlers who competed in the county championship match in their weight class. All three lost to Davison wrestlers. Brady Triola (140) came the closest to winning a country championship, losing to Marc Shaeffer 7-4 in the championship match. Tommy Adams (152) advanced to the finals, losing to Alex Facundo 18-4 once there. Finally, Thomas Conlon (189) lost to Trevor McGowan in the final. Of course, all took home second-place finishes.

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Holly's Emma Tooley (defending) played a huge role in the fourth quarter of the Broncos' 30-25 victory against Swartz Creek on Friday.

## Holly overcomes adversity, beats Creek

By David Troppens

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**Holly** — It was a tough first half for the Holly varsity girls basketball team.

Not much was working on the offensive end, resulting in a nine-point first half against the Swartz Creek Dragons.

Life was just starting to get a little easier in the third quarter when the Broncos' only real scoring threat the entire night to that point, Rebecca Fugate, had to sit the bench with her third foul with 3:08 left in the quarter. And if that wasn't enough, Fugate fouled out with 4:46 remaining, the owner of 17 of Holly's 24 points at that time.

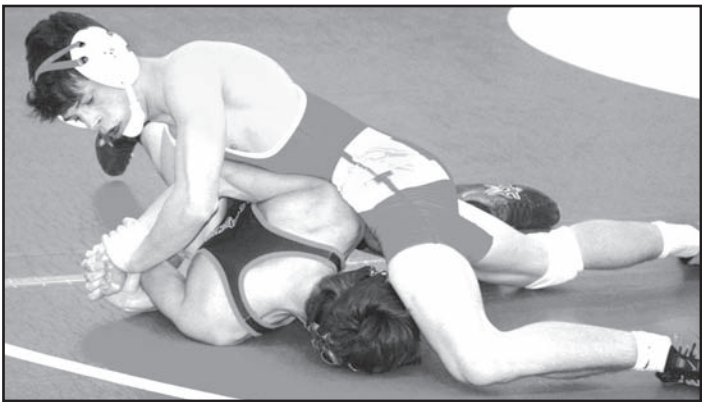
The near future looked dire. But, apparently the adversity didn't bother the

Bronchos. Without their leader and star player on the court, the Broncos were able to maintain the lead and ice the victory, earning the Broncos a 30-25 Metro League victory against the Dragons.

One of the big stars down the stretch was a freshman, Emma Tooley. When Holly had to look for someone who could right the ship and help control the offense, she ended up being one of the key players doing just that. She helped ice the game as well, making 3-of-6 free throws down the stretch, making a Swartz Creek comeback during the final minute darn near impossible.

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Holly's Wyatt Scribner (top) placed third at the Oakland County Meet on Saturday.

## Young Bronchos place fourth at Oakland County meet

By David Troppens  
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The Holly varsity wrestling squad is young. But it's a dedicated squad, and that appears to be paying dividends already this winter. Despite half of the squad being freshmen (12 of 24 wrestlers), the Bronchos still were able to place fourth at the Oakland County Championships, earning six wrestlers in the championship round or the third-place matches. The results didn't surprise Pluta. In fact, he thought the team could've done slightly better.

"We were hoping for third,"

Pluta said. "A couple of matches we didn't wrestle well that we could've won. We had our 145-pounder out with a concussion and we were two points out of third. Picking up two points in a two-day tournament is pretty easy, but we didn't get it done and Lake Orion edged us out (for third). But I was happy with the way the kids wrestled. I just wasn't happy with the fact we didn't get third." Oxford won the title, followed by Clarkston, Lake Orion and Holly. Walled Lake Central rounded off the top five, eight points behind the Bronchos.

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# Holly looking for consistency

By Dale M. Smith  
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Holly — Maybe it was the foul weather or maybe the officials were in a foul mood, but the Holly and Swartz Creek Dragons wore the soles of their sneakers just trekking to the free-throw line in a foul-laden fest Friday night at the Horseshoe. The Flint Metro League rivals combined to shoot 67 free throws but, in the end, a more experienced Dragons' squad was able to hold on for the win, 67-64.

Starting this season, the Bronchos have struggled to find any rhythm on offense. Last week at Flushing they only scored 35 points in the whole contest. On this bitter cold and snowy December night, Holly had 37 in the first half alone.

Holly came out on fire as sophomore Noah Baylis hit two threes in the opening minutes. That, combined with another long bomb from fellow sophomore Hunter Jackson and the Bronchos jumped out to a 9-1 early lead, before Creek shook off some of the cold and returned serve. Baylis had 11 points in the first quarter alone. After Creek came on, the



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Holly's Noah Baylis (left) scored 29 points in the Bronchos' 67-64 loss to the Swartz Creek Dragons on Tuesday.

teams were tied at 18 at the end of the first and an even 37 at half. Unlike the first half, both clubs started slow after the break with neither team warming up the score board until almost three minutes in when a Taquavias Humphries free throw to end the drought. After that the Dragons kept edging ahead and the Bronchos kept edging back. Holly struggled mightily in

the third quarter, scoring only five points, until senior Grant Tooley banked in a buzzer beater from 40 feet to pull Holly within four points entering the last stanza. Down 49-45 starting the fourth, the Bronchos looked to be doomed when sophomore Dylan Hignite fouled out at the 5:15 mark of the quarter.

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## Griffins, United capture prep hockey victories

It seemed like the Fenton/Linden co-op hockey team should be winning its contest against the Mid-Michigan Storm in Gladwin. The squad was dominating the Mid-

Michigan Storm with a 31-14 shot edge after two periods, but for some reason the Griffins trailed 3-1 entering the third period. However, the Griffins maintained the pressure and earned a 5-3 victory.

## Lake Fenton boys basketball falls to Beecher

Victories don't always come on the scoreboard. For Lake Fenton's first-year varsity boys basketball coach Brian McIner-

ney, his mission has more to do with creating an identity as the Blue Devils play some of the toughest teams on their schedule.

## Blue Devils stick close for awhile, lose to Bucs

The Lake Fenton varsity girls basketball team has been up to just about any challenge they've been asked to take on this winter. On Friday, the Blue Devils tried to re-

main competitive against Beecher, but the Bucs' talent kept Lake Fenton's offense under wraps most of the night resulting in a 60-33 loss.

### PREP REPORT

#### GIRLS BOWLING

► **Fenton 17, Linden 13:** The Tigers earned their first victory of the season while Linden posted its best team score of the season in the dual meet. The Tigers were led by Angela Hanners who won both of her singles posts with a two-game series of 308. Ashlyn Bristo had a 155 contest, winning a point with that game. Laura Albrant and Avery Logan also won single-game points.

#### WRESTLING

► **Fenton JV at Bay City Central JV Invitational:** The Tigers had a strong event earning four firsts and four seconds among their 14 wrestlers. Landon Lapa, Hunter Foster, Lukas Zywicki and Garrett Langford earned firsts while Josh Thompson, Morgan Murphy, Carter Steeves and Mason Church placed second. Beau Turnblom and Seth Sutter earned third-

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Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, if the ends don't justify the means, then pause and wait for a better plan and opportunity. It's not worth the risk or effort to get yourself involved in such a situation.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, your emotions will get a much-needed boost from people around you. Just do not let all this extra energy go to your head. Channel it in productive ways.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

Participating in some spontaneous activities will add some spice to your life, Gemini. Explore those things that you wouldn't normally think to try.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, if you put things into perspective the emotional strain and tension in your world can be dramatically reduced. Focus on the things that are working out well for you.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, even though people around you may be bearing down, you are able to think on your feet and come through the situation. You'll rebound stronger than ever.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

This is a great week for you, Virgo. You may feel like you can exercise more freedom at work or in your personal life, and overcome any obstacles that are holding you back.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, a situation in your life is getting testy. This is based on a misunderstanding, and things will ultimately work their way out. Take a deep breath and be patient.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, friendships go well for you during the next few days, so look to companions to provide the support you seek. Don't worry about future plans just yet.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

Lessons come in all shapes and sizes, Sagittarius, so open your eyes to all possibilities. Don't feel you need to make sense of every little thing. Just be aware of your surroundings.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

There are some unexpected surprises coming your way, Capricorn. But don't worry too much about them. Simply go with the flow and everything will fall into place.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, life may seem as if you were driving on a multi-lane highway and then all the lanes merge into one. Veer off your usual path for a while to get away from it all.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, if you can learn to distance yourself from the emotional side of situations and focus on the practical, it will be smooth sailing this week.

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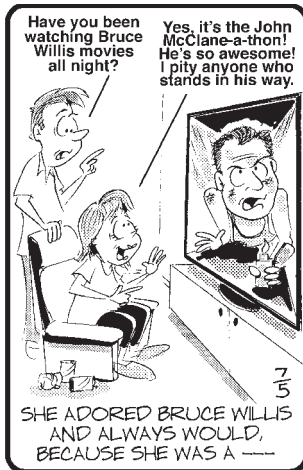
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- 5 Renders speechless
- 9 Obtain
- 12 Billions of years
- 13 Future stallion
- 14 Multipurpose truck
- 15 Avocado dip
- 17 Top card
- 18 Singles
- 19 Gordon and Ginsburg
- 21 Mad
- 24 It begins at 40
- 25 Toe woe
- 26 Zigzagged on skis
- 30 Eggs
- 31 Actress Witherspoon
- 32 Past
- 33 Clothing
- 35 Story line
- 36 "— She Sweet?"
- 37 Instant
- 38 From then on
- 40 Icelandic epic
- 42 Industrious insect
- 43 Port city of Ecuador
- 48 Eisenhower
- 49 Being, to Brutus
- 50 — Major
- 51 Caustic solution
- 52 "— of Our Lives"
- 53 Shade trees

DOWN

- 1 Lower limb
- 2 Thee
- 3 Genetic let-ters
- 4 Accompany to a party
- 5 Pinnacle
- 6 Courts
- 7 Right angle
- 8 Germ-free
- 9 Central American nation
- 10 Leave an impression
- 11 Golf gadgets
- 16 Whatever number
- 20 Aliens' craft
- 21 Enthusiastic, plus
- 22 PBS science show
- 23 Insure
- 24 Glasgow girl
- 26 Transmitted
- 27 Allow
- 28 Hollywood clashers
- 29 "... — protest too much"
- 31 Went back on an agreement
- 34 Karaoke need, for short
- 35 Award for a dentist?
- 37 Med. approval org.
- 38 Take to the seas
- 39 Black
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Lois L. Caryl – age 94, It is with immense sadness that we announce the death of our cherished mother, Lois L. Caryl (nee Schelp) on December 17, 2017, at the age of 94. Visitation was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 from 3-5 and 7-9 PM at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, December 20, 2017 at 11 AM, the Rev. Sharlyn Gates officiating. Lois was born in Holly, February 1, 1923, the daughter of Marion and Herman Schelp. She graduated from Holly High School in 1940 and married Melvin E. Caryl on May 17, 1947; he preceded her in death in 1997. Mrs. Caryl was a life member of the Northwest Oakland County Historical Society and a member of Calvary Methodist Church – Holly. Surviving are her two children, Cindy (Bruce) Sommers of Liberty Township, OH and Jeff Caryl (fiancée Diana Rushlow) of Holly; grandchildren, Jason, Jennifer, Brendon and Alex; great-grandchildren, nieces, special cousin – Beth Dryer and many dear friends. Mrs. Caryl began her early career as a comptometer operator at AC Spark Plug, Flint and also worked in retail sales at Smith Bridgmans, Grand Blanc. Her favorite pastime was as a wife, mother, homemaker and a collector of antiques. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Holly Historical Society. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com).

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