Pulling out the paczki

On Monday night, Feb. 12, Alpine Marketplace Bakery Director Michael Mingo, of Linden, sugarcoats and glazes paczki, while Bakery Manager Robin Clark fries the dough. The pair finished 1,152 paczki through the night and early morning. See story on page 3.
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By Tim Jagielo

Popular fried treat enjoyed ahead of the Lenten season

Marketplace.
p.m. on Monday, Feb. 12, at Alpine Marketplace.

Bakery Director Michael Mingo, and Bakery Manager Robin Clark are in the middle of a very long shift, but they have the sounds of Motown to keep them going, along with the smell of 1,152 paczki in production.

Ahead of “Fat Tuesday,” the unofficial celebration of high calorie pastries before Lent begins, many local bakeries are in high gear to provide for the influx of paczki sales.

During Lent, some sects of Christianity will give up certain items or activities until Easter as a form of fasting.

Alpine Marketplace has been selling pre-stuffed paczki all month, but will proof, fry, stuff, and coat it in sugar or glaze specifically for Fat Tuesday, all night the evening before.

Their shift will end at 6 a.m., and the next crew will box the pastries and display them on the sales floor. Until then, Mingo, of Burton, teases the dough with wooden chopsticks while the dough fries in shortening.

Alpine Marketplace Bakery Manager Robin Clark drops proofed dough into the fryer Monday night.

Did you know?

“Paczki” is the plural word for the fried desserts served on Fat Tuesday. A “Paczek” (pronounced “pon-check”) is the singular form of the word. Source: metrotimes.com

Many baked items, fried breads and pastries need to be “proofed” before they can be fried. This is the process of raising the bread in special boxes that provide the right temperature and humidity. Source: seriouseats.com.

Michael Mingo glazes paczki once they are cooled from being fried.

South African surgeon performs first successful heart transplant

Compiled By Vera Hogan


Barnard was born to Dutch descendants on Nov. 8, 1922, in Beaufort West, South Africa. He grew up extremely poor and attended the local public schools. Barnard then went on to the University of Cape Town, where he received a

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The perfect proposal. “I remember how romantic it was. We talked about mar-
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packed? They’re just socks!

Here was the process: First, there were stickers, which I removed, no big deal. Then there was a plastic four-pronged hanger thing that looked like a Ninja weapon. Fwiw, off that went. Next I tore off a flap of cardboard that informed me my socks were a rayon acrylic blend and were of “superior softness” and contained “Spandex for better fit and stretch.”

Why did I need to know that? Then I had to cut off those dreaded plastic T-wires that hold the socks together. So off I went to find the scissors, no small feat in my house, as my family hides them from me because they think it’s hysterical when I stomp around sputtering about where the $#@%! scissors are.

Found them! The only problem is I couldn’t get them between the socks or under the T of the T-thingy without ripping the socks. So I did what every guy does – I yanked that mother apart, errrrraaww! Which, of course, ripped the socks. AND caused the now severed T-thingy part to hide deep inside one of them like a frightened turtle.

So now, I was mad. But I had my socks! Ha ha! Except then I noticed there was another one of those plastic T-things at the OTHER end of the socks. So I repeated the previous step, including the yanking and tearing. Because I’m stupid, that’s why.

I thought I was done when I noticed a little metal clip holding the top of the socks together. What, the T-things weren’t enough? I mean, god FORBID we have floppy sock tops. The world might end.

So I took off the damned clip. Then, getting smart, I looked at the other end of the socks. Sure enough: there was another one. Fool me once, Croft & Barrow, shame on me. Fool me twice, I don’t think so, pals.

Finally, I repeated these steps for the other two pairs of socks. Then and only then did I declare victory. The socks were mine at last. Whoohoo.

Then I put on one to see how it felt.

Sure enough, the broken bit of plastic from the T-thingy had somehow woven itself into the toe area. It took me three minutes of close inspection to find the little bugger and root it out.

Somewhere a packaging engineer was chortling.

I ADMIRE TRUMP for unmasking the entire GOP and exposing their underbelly of lies and spinning innuendoes at the rate of 2,000 per year.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE’s Census reported that, for only the second time in the past century, the number of farmers under age 35 is increasing. Sixty-nine percent of them had college degrees — a much higher rate than the general population.

TYRONE TOWNSHIP BOARD and Supervisor granting hike did zero percent pay raise. Remedy for being underpaid? Maybe. Agree with clerk to level out over a few years, not all at once. Not bad for four days a week work schedule. Sorry, just looks bad folks.

The number of girls playing on boys’ high school football teams doubled in the past decade to more than 2,000, and leagues for females are expanding. If I remember correctly, Fenton had a girl kicker this year. Gasp! Is this the 1960s?

What a missed opportunity by having Amazon say ‘no’ to Michigan. Can’t blame them — crumbling roads and bridges, school districts that perform below nationwide standards, crime, etc. Our state government and infrastructure are embarrassing.

For presidents day, let’s review the human rights record of Democratic presidents. Thousands of Native Americans were marched to death by Andrew Jackson. Andrew Johnson veted the Civil Rights Bill of 1865. Wilson segregated government offices. FDR jailed Japanese Americans. Obama’s open border policy aided human trafficking.

It has to be a very difficult, disgusting, and dangerous job for fire, police, and emergency personnel. Would be nice if they are paid as much as they are worth. Definitely takes a special person to do that job.

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What do you remember the most about your marriage proposal?

“I was amazing. We were hiking in Tennessee and at the top of the mountain was our family and he got on one knee and proposed. It was the perfect proposal!”

“Sherrie Steen  
Fenton”

“The one thing I remember the most is how unexpected it was. We talked about mar-
riage but I didn’t think he was going to do it.”

“I remember that it was the Fourth of July and it was a full moon that night. We raced out to the boat and he proposed on a sandbar.”

“We dated for six weeks before we got married. There wasn’t really a proposal per se more of just knowing we loved each other and wanted to get married.”

“I remember how romantic it was. It was after the Flint symphony so I was already happy and then he proposed. It was the perfect night.”

“Erin Wood  
Fenton”

“Linda Myers  
Linden”

“Linda Schmidt  
Linden”

“Teena White  
Flint Township”

Compiled by Ellie Bennett, intern
Former Holly Village president dies at 70

Jeff Miller remembered by Times staff as ‘most quotable’ politician

By Vera Hogan
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Jesse Jefferson Miller, Jr., known to his friends and colleagues as “Jeff,” died Friday, February 9. He was 70 years old. Miller served five terms as the Holly Village president. Consecutive terms were from March 1996 to 2004 and then a fifth term from November 2010 to 2012.

At one time, he held the record for being the most “quotable” in the Tri-County Times due to his outspoken comments at Holly Village Council meetings. He graduated from Oakland University with a degree in history, and said he “almost” minioned in English.

In a 2003 Talk of the Times interview, Miller said he has very eclectic tastes, that he loves to read and travel. He also described himself as a Titanic buff. “Eating is also a favorite pastime. I love a southern-cooked meal of catfish, cornbread, fried okra and a glass of tea,” said Miller, who was born in Hartselle, Alabama.

Miller was a man of faith, having named Jesus Christ as the One whose made the most impact on his life. He also showed his sense of humor when he said, “There is a God and I’m not him.” He said if he could switch to another occupation he would sit down at the typewriter and have the courage and ability to discover the results quicker, especially the failing tests, can lead to quicker response towards a water issue, he said.

Failing a water test requires further investigation of the water lines and a minimum additional flushing of the system. “If we can address the failed result quicker, it will allow us to provide better service to our customers in Fenton,” Czarnecki said.

New water testing machine to provide faster results

Fenton water plant and supplier helped get unit approved by MDEQ

By Vera Hogan
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The Fenton City Council voted unanimously Monday, February 12 to approve the purchase of the TECTA B-16 water testing and analysis machine for $13,500.

The testing equipment is being supplied by Kennedy Industries in Milford. According to Public Works Director Dan Czarnecki in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland, the water plant supervisor, Steve Guy, and his facility operator have utilized the new water-testing machine extensively since last summer.

“They have found this to be a useful tool for analyzing water samples,” said Czarnecki. Their use of the machine and their work with the machine manufacturer and with Kennedy Industries has helped get this new testing and analysis unit approved by the MDEQ for testing of water samples.

Czarnecki said the machine can analyze a water sample much quicker than the current process. “Having the ability to discover the results quicker, especially the failing tests, can lead to quicker response towards a water issue,” he said.

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Jeff Miller after learning he was voted in as the Holly Village president again in 2010.
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Boiled bats!

In early January, livescience.com reported that more than 200 bats lost their lives to southern Australia’s ongoing heat wave. As temperatures rose to 111.5 degrees Fahrenheit (44.2 degrees Celsius) in Campbells town in the Australian state of New South Wales, a colony of flying fox bats that live near the town’s train station felt the effects. Volunteers struggled to rescue the heat-stricken bats but at least 204 individual animals, mostly babies, died. “They basically boil,” Kate Ryan, the colony manager for the Campbells town bats said. As the dead bodies were recovered and placed in a pile for a head count, the numbers had reached 200, not including the many hundreds that were still left in trees and unreachable.

No more monkeying around

Several news agencies, including USA Today and theguardian.com, reported last month that wildlife managers in Florida want to remove roaming monkeys from the state and set of a new study, which finds some of the animals are excreting a virus that can be dangerous to humans. Scientists studying a growing population of rhesus macaques in Silver Springs State Park say that rather than just carrying...
The Antiquities Act
In the latter part of the 19th century, our country was faced with a significant problem when private collectors and others began removing, desecrating and destroying Native American artifacts from abandoned settlements on federal land in the Southwest.

Preservationists of the time urged Congress to protect these sites. This led to an investigation and ultimately the passage of a federal statute called “The Antiquities Act of 1906.” It was signed into law on June 8, 1906 by President Theodore Roosevelt.

The Act gives the president the right to declare, by public proclamation, historically or scientifically significant property on federally owned or controlled property to be protected “National Monuments.”

It was the first law of its kind and recognizes the importance of preserving historical landmarks, structures and cultural sites which are generally referred to as “Antiquities.”

President Roosevelt eventually designated 18 areas as national monuments and there are currently over 151 of these designations all over the country under the protection of the Act.

Presidents have also decided to reduce the size of these areas for a variety of reasons.

For example, during World War I, President Woodrow Wilson reduced the Mount Olympus National Monument by half to allow timber harvests to build navy ships.

There were some 18 of these reductions prior to President Trump taking office.

Recently the Act has received new attention. On Dec. 4, 2017 President Trump ordered two previously designated national monuments in Utah, Bears Ear and Grand Staircase Escalante, reduced in size by a total of almost two million acres.

There are strong feelings on both sides of this issue with those in favor of private economic development applauding it and conservationists condemning it.

The unanswered question here is, “Does a president have the right to do this?”

The Act is silent as to the answer and no legal challenges were ever made to the previous 18 reductions.

This has now changed as two separate federal lawsuits have been filed (one for each site) alleging the Act does not allow such shrinkages.

Legal analysts predict that no matter the outcome in the lower courts, these cases will eventually make their way to the United States Supreme Court where we will have the final answer.

**PRESIDENT**

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Council member Dave Cruickshank, along with the rest of council, learned about the resignation on Monday, Feb. 12. Walker said he notified the village clerk’s office citing “family illness and a death in the family.”

Perkins was elected to the office of village president in 2016.

“It’s all still new to us, so we’re not sure what’s going to happen immediately,” said Cruickshank.

Until a replacement is appointed, council will have six members, and could potentially split votes.

Musgrave will speak for the village at the upcoming State of Holly joint address on Thursday, at 7 p.m. at the Karl Richter Community Center Auditorium.

The last time this happened was when former Village President Jason Hughes resigned in August of 2013 because he was moving out of the village, to Rose Township. President Pro-Tem Ryan Bladzik was appointed to be president, and Suzanne Heiple was appointed to his vacant seat.

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Snowy ice-fishing tourney lures 150 to the lakes

Second annual event has more women, children, competing and winning

By Tim Jagiels

Tri-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO
While the ice-fishing tournament goes on around him on Byram Lake, Roger Smith fishes comfortably in his shanty.

2018 Linden Ice Fishing Tournament Winners

Bluegill winners: First: ......Name not entered, 9 ¾ in. Second: ........ Jeff Miller, 9-1/8 in. Third:............... Aj Stadler, 9 in.
Crappie winners: First:.......... Jason Brown, 11-1/4 in. Second: Pat Rogers, 12.5 in. Third:......... Ron French, 11.5 in.
Youth winners: (14 and under) Devin Austin, bluegill, 7.5 in. Maya Willson, 6 ½ in. Devin Austin, crappie, 7 ¾ in.

The snow held some people back, but we still had a nice increase over last year and we expect the event to grow every year.
Steve James Organizers, Linden Ice Fishing Tournament

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DID YOU KNOW that California spends over $25 billion a year on illegal immigrants in the form of law enforcement, medical expenses, education expenses and public welfare costs. These are the same folks who will fight the wall and fight legal immigration policies.

TRUMP’S TENURE AS President is all about growth and jobs for our economy and it’s all about American First. He has created a friendly environment for jobs where he welcomes and does not punish American job creation like Obama did. Trump is working for the forgotten men and woman who actually work for a living.

LOOSE, IT’S A shame that you close for the snow day but you also allow your workers and members to travel by bus to go gambling.

I’M SORRY TO say this but Fenton Township postal carriers are wimps. Where I come from, this little amount of snow wouldn’t do nothing. They actually got out of their warm vehicles and hand-delivered it if need be.

IT’S A WITCH hunt. Former FBI director, Robert Mueller, is touted as being objective because he’s a Republican appointed by Bush and Obama as director. Mueller was interviewed for FBI director and rejected by Trump. Now, Mueller is investigating Trump.

GENESEE COUNTY ROAD Commission is a joke. You go to Livingston County, all their roads are just fine. What’s wrong?
Fenton appoints new clerk

Deputy clerk Sue Walsh moves up to top job

By Vera Hogan
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Sue Walsh, who has been serving as the deputy clerk for the city of Fenton, has been appointed to the clerk position. She replaces Renee Wilson, who resigned recently to become the deputy clerk for the city of Lapeer.

Walsh has worked for the city of Fenton for more than 22 years. She started working for the city in 1995 as a part-time dispatcher, according to City Manager Lynn Markland. In August of 1995, Walsh became a full-time dispatcher.

In July of 2002, Walsh was promoted to the position of dispatch supervisor, working in that capacity until she was appointed deputy clerk in September 2012.

Walsh has successfully completed the Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute at Central Michigan University and according to Markland, “…she is well qualified for the position.”

The Fenton City Council voted unanimously to confirm the city manager’s appointment at the Monday, Feb. 12 regular meeting.

A journey of friendship and love

Junior high sweethearts Chris and Jessie Weir weather the ups and downs of a real marriage

By Sally Rummel
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Chris and Jessie (Brandow) Weir of Tyrone Township have been married for 21 years, but their romance actually began with a friendship dating back to their junior high years in the 1980s in their hometown of Oxford.

That was back in the day when “Dirty Dancing” was the popular movie, big hair was in and a lot of “hooking up” among teen couples took place at the mall.

During their years at Oxford High School, things got a little more serious, at least for Chris, now 46. “I suffocated her a little,” he said. “I heavily pursued her for three years with no success.”

Jessie said they were always good friends, but the romance really got off to a fresh start when Chris stopped trying so hard. “He looked more attractive to me when he wasn’t pursuing me,” said Jessie.

The couple went to Central Michigan University together. He pursued a future career in the building trades and she studied food science administration and nutrition. Chris transferred to Michigan State University to study construction management, and their romance became more on-again off-again, due to the rigors of a long distance relationship.

“But I always knew he was the one,” she said. After college, Chris worked in Brighton and Jessie worked in Bloomfield Hills, and their relationship grew and matured. They bought an old farm house in Holly to equalize their commute, and they fell more in love with each other every day.

They knew they were going to get married, but Chris hadn’t formally proposed yet. He went to the mall, bought an engagement ring and threw the small box in a shopping bag in the backseat of the car. Jessie inadvertently found the ring and he ended up proposing in the car at that moment.

“It wasn’t exactly what he had planned but it was just fine,” said Jessie.

Two decades, two businesses and three kids later, the Weirs have weathered the ups and downs of grownup life. “Some marriages are fairytale, then there’s reality,” said Chris.

Two and a half years ago, the Weirs hit a fork in the road of their marriage, “We fell into the pitfall of being too busy running our businesses and raising kids,” said Chris. “We re-committed ourselves to each other, sold the (Crossfit) gym and got back to being best friends.”

They also built a brand new home, and in May 2017 they moved in. “Things are fun again,” said Chris. “We’re trying to really enjoy the journey.”

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master’s degree in 1953. With the hope of pursuing his research interests and gaining new surgical skills and experiences, he enrolled at the University of Minnesota Medical School in 1955. After two years of study he received his Ph.D. (doctorate degree) and returned to his native country to embark upon a career as a cardiothoracic (heart) surgeon.

After a decade of performing heart surgeries, Barnard felt ready to accept the challenge posed by the transplantation of the human heart. In 1967 he encountered Philip Blaiberg, a 58-year-old retired dentist. This time the drug dosage was lowered, and Blaiberg lived for 20 months after the operation. On Dec. 2, 1967, the heart of a young woman killed in an accident was removed and the United States began performing transplant operations.

What makes this area so accident-prone?

Caimduff said there are a few factors that add to the danger of the area. “The on ramp from Silver Lake Road to northbound U.S. 23 and the off ramp to Torrey Road form northbound U.S. 23 are so close together that the traffic has to slow or change lanes to allow cars on and off in a short distance,” he said.

Another reason is that because it’s an overpass, it typically ices over more quickly than a normal section of the road. The road also curves and motorists have a hill to contend with. The White Lake Road area of U.S. 23, Caimduff said they’re seeing more crashes there this year than normal.

“Typically, the area between Center Road and White Lake Road has seen its fair share of accidents over the years. We have called it the ‘Center Road triangle’ for a long time,” he said.

In years past, police and fire personnel have referred to that area as the “Bermuda Triangle.” The hill on northbound U.S. 23 from Center Road always plays a part in accidents because people are going too fast on the expressway. “Add in slippery road conditions and it creates problems,” he said.

Here are the accidents that around that area in the past few days alone:

On Saturday, Feb. 10, a car was at a stop sign.

On Friday, Feb. 9 around 11:50 a.m., emergency responders were on the scene of a multi-vehicle crash just north of Silver Lake Road on northbound U.S. 23. Northbound was shut down due to a fatality.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, a car fire on U.S. 23 northbound between Thompson and Grand Blanc roads slowed traffic to one lane.

On Sunday, Feb. 11, traffic was at a crawl on southbound U.S. 23 starting at Lahring Road going north, due to an accident that left three semis in the ditch.
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Trombley a step closer to four state titles

Blue Devils advance six to regionals; Trombley sets new national takedown record at districts

By David Troppens
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The individual state wrestling series has just begun but Lake Fenton’s three-time defending individual state champion wrestler Jarrett Trombley is already earning national recognition.

During Saturday’s individual district round, Trombley broke the all-time season takedown record by recording his 541st takedown during the championship match. Trombley has spent the season working on his conditioning, allowing him to work on getting the takedown record in the process. During Saturday’s meet, Trombley scored 81 points before earning two technical fall victories and a pinfall victory.

“Only Jarrett would think about setting the national takedown record,” Lake Fenton varsity wrestling coach Vance Corcoran said. “He mentioned it at the beginning of the season and I was all for it. Trombley remains undefeated this season, as he has been all three years he’s been a Blue Devil wrestler, defeating Alma’s Jarrett Fermer by technical fall 24-9 in the championship match. Trombley has spent the season working on raising his conditioning, allowing him to work on getting the takedown record in the process. During Saturday’s meet, Trombley scored 81 points before earning two technical fall victories and a pinfall victory.

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Fenton swim ends busy week with win, state times

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The Fenton varsity boys swimming and diving team had a busy week last week, but it was a successful one.

The performances started with a 148-32 victory against Kearsley, concluding the Metro Fenton’s Marty Braunn
League season with a perfect record.

Then the team went to the MISCA Meet in pursuit of quality times, and earned a few of them at the meet.

At the MISCA Meet, an event designed to bring the fastest swimmers in the state to the same event so they can push each other, resulted in the Tigers getting two more state cuts. The 200 medley relay team of Joel Diccion, Noah Mayer, Evan Bartow and Hunter Smith (1:44.16) earned one of them. Meanwhile, Diccion also earned an individual state cut. He dropped his 100 backstroke time to 57.98 seconds, earning him a state cut and 51st place in the event.

Bartow already had state cuts in two individual events, but got a chance to compete in them again. He took 18th in the 500 freestyle (4:55.26) and also 34th in the 200 individual medley (2:45.2). Lake Fiddings didn’t qualify for the state meet in the 200 individual medley, but he nearly had a second drop in the event, taking 68th in 2:08.29.

Fenton/Linden girls ski team come within a point of a divisional title

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The Divisional Meet involved two ski performances from each competitor on each team in two different races. Yet through all those races, the difference between Fenton/Linden and Grand Blanc in the varsity girls competition came down to just one point.

Grand Blanc edged Fenton/Linden 68-69 in the five-team meet.

Fenton won the giant slalom (GS) portion of the competition 21-37, but Grand Blanc won the slalom 31-37. Holly/Oxford finished fourth overall with 86 points.

The Fenton/Linden girls had two competitors in the top five in the slalom, the only team to do so. Emma Hiscock took third (1:02.13) while Lilah Dagenias took fifth (1:03.29). The team’s final two scoring competitors were Annie Koste in 13th (1:07.20) and Rachel Smith in 16th (1:07.82).

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**Fenton, Lake Fenton finish 1-2 at Tiger Invitational**

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As the season nears the postseason, it’s always a good thing when teams earn confidence-booster.

The Fenton varsity competitive cheer team earned a nice one during Saturday’s Fenton Tiger Invitational.

The Tigers took first place overall with a season-best 271.22 total score at their own event. Other area teams had strong performances as well. Just a couple of days after earning a GAC title, Lake Fenton placed second with a season-best 273.90. Linden also competed and took fourth out of seven teams, with a 690.98.

Fenton and Lake Fenton battled back-and-forth for the title. Fenton took the early lead with a 222.70-210.40 edge after round one. In fact, Lake Fenton’s score put them in fourth after the opening round. However, the Blue Devils rebounded back with a 213.90 round two score, about 15 points better than any other team in the competition. That put Lake Fenton in first with a 424.30, just ahead of Fenton’s 421.32.

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Now that he’s set it with seven matches remaining, I couldn’t be happier for him.”

The seven matches Corcoran is talking about, of course, are three more at Saturday’s regional tournament and four more at the state meet, if all things go as expected.

The Blue Devils two other champions were Jarrett’s brother Sean Trombley (145) and Jackson Nevadomski (160). Sean Trombley (42-1) earned three victories, posting pinfall wins in his first two matches. In the final he defeated Perry’s Jacob Spiess 4-0. Nevadomski’s (36-2) earned three first-period pinfall wins to start the tourney, and capped it with a pinfall win in 5:19 against Portland’s Devin Miller in the championship match.

**TWENTY**

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Two other wrestlers competed in district championship matches, but had to settle for second like Ritterbush. The Bronchos had two of them. Cade Dallwitz (171) lost to Goodrich’s Juwan Vines 6-4 in the final while Carsen Cuthbert (145) lost to North Branch’s Hunter Murphy 9-4 in the final.

Linden started the competition with a 216.90, putting them in third entering round two. The Tigers competed in a recent competition. Fenton’s competitive cheer won the Fenton Tigers Invitational on Saturday.

The Tigers respond with a strong 310.30 in round three, earning the Tigers the victory. Lake Fenton scored a 289.60 in its final round.

Linden’s Luke Thronton (103) made the title match as well, losing to Brandon’s Corbin Hallberg 10-2.

Linden had five wrestlers advance out of districts. **CONTINUED AT TCTIMES.COM**
**Funeral Announcement**

**Jesse Jefferson “Jeff” Miller**

1947-2018

Jesse Jefferson “Jeff” Miller - age 70, of Holly, died Friday, February 9, 2018. Memorial services will be held at 11 AM Thursday, February 15, 2018 at Calvary United Methodist Church of Holly, with Pastor Cliff Schroeder officiating. Visitation will be from 9-11 AM prior to the service. Memorial donation can be made to Calvary United Methodist Church, Hospice of Michigan, or St. Luke Lutheran Church of Ann Arbor, MI. www.dryerfuneralhomeholy.com.

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**Richard Paul Ronald Tatus**

1958-2018

Richard Paul Ronald Tatus - age 59, of Fenton, known to everyone by his signature, “You can call me Rick. Mr. Tatus is my father,” passed away February 9, 2018. Visitation will be held from 2-8 PM Thursday, February 15, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. A celebration of his life will be held at 1 PM Friday, February 16, 2018. In lieu of flowers please make contributions to Freedom Service Dogs of America, Semper Fi Fund or The Independence Fund in his honor. Rick was born March 25, 1958 in Detroit, the son of Peter and Irene Tatus. He will be forever remembered and is irreplaceable in the lives of wife, Kristin; children, Brett (Jenny) Rashleigh, Taryn (Cod) Carlston, Kacy Tatus and Cally Tatus; granddaughter, Marlee; brothers, Ronald (Kathy) Tatus of Arizona; Philip Tatus of Fowlerville; and Jeffrey Tatus of Arizona; sister, Michelle Tatus of Fenton; and brothers-in-law, Karen (Joe) DeMars of Fenton, Larry (Sharon) VanLeuen of Columbiaville, Collin (Patty) VanLeuen, and Brad (Jackie) VanLeuen both of Fenton; as well as many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and an extensive dance family. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Susan and her husband, Jack McCarty. Tributes may be posted at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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**Donna Jean Bell**

1939-2018

Donna Jean Bell - age 78, of Linden, died February 9, 2018. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Pastor Larry Burk will officiate. Visitation will be held from 3-7 PM Tuesday. Those desiring may make contributions to Beauty For Ashes, PO. Box 344, Linden, MI (www.beautyforashesmi.org) 48451. Donna was born September 16, 1939 in Portsmouth, OH, the daughter of Donald and Dorothy Johnson. Donna was a graduate of Piedmont Bible College in Winston-Salem, NC. During her college years, she was a member of the chorale and traveled with the Ladies Quartet. Donna was gifted by God with an exceptional soprano voice and played and taught both piano and voice. She was an avid reader and loved animals. Donna was a longtime member of the South Baptist Church, where she was involved in the choir and served in a ministry teaching handicapped people for over 30 years. Donna is survived by her husband, W. Larry Burk; four children, David (Linda), Beth (Glenn), VanLeuven, and Brad (Jackie) VanLeuen and grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, nine, and one sister, Janet Gullion. She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Susan and her husband, Jack McCarty. Tributes may be posted at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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**Willard L. Allen**

1937-2018

Willard L. Allen - age 80, of Fenton, passed away peacefully on Friday, February 9, 2018 at Wellbridge of Fenton. Funeral services will be held at 2 PM Thursday, February 15, 2018 at the O’Quinn Family Funeral Home, Cremation to follow. Family will receive visitors at the funeral home on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 from 1-8 PM and Thursday from 10 AM until the time of service at 2 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton. Willard was born August 10, 1937 in Wheeler, MI to the late Lee and Lena (Sadler) Allen. He graduated from Arthur Hill Trade School in 1955 and Arthur Hill High School in 1956. Willard married Janet M. Schlarer on May 21, 1960 at Grace Lutheran Church in Saginaw. She preceded him in death January 14, 2017. Mr. Allen served in the Army National Guard for six years. He was a member of the Fenton Moose Lodge #430. He was an avid bowler and Willard also enjoyed hunting, fishing, and wood carving. He loved all animals, especially dogs. Surviving are: son, Willard James (Amy) Allen of Saginaw; daughter, Kathrine (Todd) Wilkinson of Fenton; grandchildren, Sarah Allen, Kait (Jeff) Brady, Alexandra Wilkinson (Nathan Hunter), and Jessica Allen; great-granddaughter, Remmi Mulder; brother, Clifford Elmer (Pam) Allen; mother-in-law, Vera Schlarer; sister-in-law, Linda Allen; brothers-in-law, Ronald Kniebbe, and John (Andrea) Schlarer; many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews. Willard was also preceded in death by his brother, Robert Jay Allen; sisters, Twila D. Kniebbe, and Linda Marie Lagalo; brother-in-law, Ronald Lagalo. Please sign our online condolence with the family at www.oguinnfh.com.
**Horoscopes**

**ARIES**
Mar 21/Apr 20

It can be difficult to focus with so many things running through your mind. Aries, give it your best shot, especially at work where it counts the most.

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Apr 21/May 21

Focus on fun experiences that will pop up this week, Taurus. They will brighten your mood and make you more inclined to interact with the people you love.

**GEMINI**
May 22/Jun 21

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**CANCER**
Jun 22/Jul 22

Someone you haven't seen in a while makes an appearance in your life. You don't know if you should be excited or relinquish some responsibilities.

**LEO**
Jul 23/Aug 23

You are called on to be a leader this week, so make sure you do your homework on pertinent issues. This way you can make decisions with confidence.

**VIRGO**
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Virgo, even when you think you know best, you may want to let others voice their opinions. You never know the value of another’s perspective until you hear it.

**LIBRA**
Sept 23/Oct 23

Surround yourself with your closest friends and family members. Libra, these are support pillars you can lean on in tough times and the people to laugh alongside when things are good.

**SCORPIO**
Oct 24/Nov 22

The next few days provide opportunities to relax and have fun, Scorpio. With no pressing matters on the calendar, you can reinvigorate some responsibilities.

**SAGITTARIUS**
Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, getting your point across may seem like your primary goal, but you can let things simmer for a little bit. Others have things that they want to share as well.

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Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, romantic notions are popping into your head lately, and they may only be spurred on by the Valentine's Day magic. A relationship gets to the next level.

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**Wednesday Jumble**

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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**Wednesday Crossword**

**ACROSS**

1 Tiny bits
6 “I, Robot” writer
12 Catch in a net
13 Household
14 Treeless Asian plain
15 Each piece
16 Corn recipe
17 Experts
19 Ultramodern
20 Reverberate
24 — Khan
27 Get better
29 “Two and a Half Men” role
32 Arguably, best-known line from Shakespeare
35 Still
36 Peacenik
37 Performance
38 Blushing
39 Iodine source
42 Pitch
44 Spud’s buds
46 Scored 100 on
50 Hard to find
52 Guarantee
54 Yearly
55 Tradition, perhaps
56 Forward a story
57 Leg parts

**DOWN**

1 Grooving on
2 Portent
3 Reservation
4 Nile siltherer
5 One often seen with a crook?
6 Bullets etc.
7 Quake
8 Hostel
9 Hawaiian volcano
10 Curved molding
11 Kill a bill
12 Sixth sense
13 Virginia city
14 Comedian
15 Marguerite
16 Feedbag
17 tidbit
18 Noshed
19 Head of state.
20 Staying
21 Smitten, maybe unrequited
22 Jimmy
23 Kimmel’s
24 Employers
25 Lepidopterist’s prop
26 Away from
27 VSW
28 Adorable
29 Cupid’s alias
30 Rep’s rival
31 Regret
32 Sister
33 Aviv
34 — Aiv
35 Sticker
36 Old hat
37 Despot
38 Dermatology
39 Subject
40 Holier
41 Cupid’s alias
42 Unrequited
43 Subject
44 Rep’s rival
45 Cupid’s alias
46 Regret
47 Sister
48 Employers
49 — Aiv
50 Sticker
51 Aviv
52 Cupid’s alias
53 Regret
54 Sister
55 Employers
56 — Aiv
57 Sticker

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**Wednesday Sudoku**

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9 box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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