Former Holly police chief facing 25 felonies

Charges involve alleged false salvage vehicle inspections in 2014 and 2015

By Tim Jagielo

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Elena Danishevskaya, a former Holly police chief, was chief of police in Bangor for just seven months, but she is facing 25 felony counts from her time there.

According to court records, Danishevskaya, of Davisburg, is facing 25 counts of uttering and publishing. Each is punishable for up to 14 years, according to a news release by the Michigan Attorney General's office. The definition of uttering and publishing is any person who utters and publishes as true any false, forged, altered or counterfeit record, deed, instrument

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FILE PHOTO Elena Danishevskaya of Davisburg is charged with 25 felonies from her time as police chief in Bangor from 2014 to 2015. She was Holly police chief from April 2011 to September 2012.

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Holly teen charged for alleged threat on Snapchat

■Released on tether, personal bond, under house arrest

By Sharon Stone sstone@tctimes.com

Kenneth Dane Parks, 17, of Holly, was arraigned via video

on Friday,

following

Thursday,



Parks

March 22 for allegedly making threats Kenneth Dane to his Snapchatfollowers, most of

whom are students at Holly Area Schools.

According to Holly police, students reported the incident to the school resource officer because the photo he posted allegedly had a title of "I feel like shooting up a school today."

The investigation was turned over to the Oakland See CHARGED on 5

Iconic Fenton scrap yard on the market for \$1.6 million



Fenton Auto Salvage owner John Abee, 72, has listed his business for sale after 38 years. During that time he has seen vehicles become more complicated and difficult to part out, but he said people will always need cars, and therefore, car parts. See story on page 5.

Grant aimed at funding more downtown Fenton perks

By Vera Hogan

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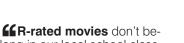
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Downtown Fenton could be a haven for kayakers and outdoor enthusiasts if the city is awarded a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) grant in the amount of \$300,000.

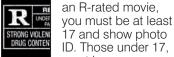
After a public hearing held during the regular Fenton City Council meeting Monday, March 26, officials voted unanimously to support the grant application.



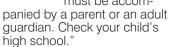
TRI-COUNTY TIMES | FILE PHOTO Visitors fill Mill Pond Park in Fenton during the 2016 summer concert series. This area could see some welcome improve-See FUNDING on 10 ments if grant monies are received.



long in our local school classrooms. To attend an R-rated movie,



ID. Those under 17, must be accom-





See BUILDING on 9

Argentine police

building getting

Renovations expected to

Renovations are underway at the Argentine

Chief Daniel Allen said, "It needs to get

Included in the renovations are redoing the

upgrades

By Hannah Ball

Police Department.

done."

cost nearly \$50,000

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CNine years of college? Maybe if you had paid more attention in school you could have had it done in seven."



GMy wife's 'bad manners' didn't exist prior to the introduction of smart phones, which means it wasn't bad 'upbringing.' Technology, in general, is creat-

ing a selfish society where we bury our nose in electronic devices. We are losing the ability to sympathize and empathize with our neighbors."

Why we love spring

Warmer, sunnier weather brings more benefits than you may think

By Sally Rummel

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Springtime in Michigan can be unpredictable, with sunshine and warmer temperatures, sometimes deluged with heavy rains and even sleet or snow in the same week.

This week is a perfect example of our state's rollercoaster weather. Today's high will reach 55 degrees and sunny, while Easter Sunday is forecasted to be a chilly 38 degrees, with snow showers the follow-

ing Wednesday. But there's a

promise to this season like no other, because we know where we've been (winter) and what we're heading toward (summer). This in-between season can empower us and build us up for what we know is coming, and while it sometimes disappoints, it's always heading us in the right direction.

Read how the arrival of spring might make a difference in your life; according to mentalfloss.com. Longer days are here

Following the spring equinox and Daylight Saving Time, you'll have hours of extra daylight to get things done. These extra doses of sun can be a major mood booster and can reduce depression and anxiety in some people, according to healthline.com.

Birds are coming home to nest

Birds chirping outside your window are one of the best harbingers of spring. Their northward migration can start as early as mid-February and last into mid-June.

While singing is especially joyful to humans as a sure sign of spring, it's actually a helpful way for birds to communicate. They can attract a mate or tell others

they have claimed a nesting territory, according to whyzz.com.

> Flowers are beginning to bloom

There's nothing like watching those first delicate shoots of crocuses burst frombeneaththe frozen ground in early March — sometimes even through the snow. These early bloomers give us the sure hope that spring is coming, and patience to see us through a few more flurries and the

cold temperatures of early spring. **The leaves come back**

Look closely and you'll notice leaves beginning to bud on the trees. In Michigan, you can expect the trees to "green



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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I FILE PHOTO By mid-April, flowers will be blooming at local greenhouses.

up" beginning in mid-April, after a stretch of warmer temperatures.

Watch for cute baby animals

Spring is the time of new beginnings, which means you'll enjoy the frolicking of new baby bunnies, ducklings, chipmunks and other furry animals that abound in the spring.

You are safer from crime

There's a hidden upside to springing forward for Daylight Saving Time. Robbery rates actually fall because of fewer dark hours of night. One study shows an actual drop of 27 percent in robberies. **You can go outside and play**

Spring is the rare season in Michigan when it's comfortable enough to go outside for long walks during the day — winter's cold is left behind and the heat of summer is not yet here. Research has found that taking walks in nature in warm, sunny spring weather makes you more relaxed and is linked to an elevated mood and better memory.

Spring weather boosts creativity

Spending time outdoors in sunny, spring weather not only boosts your mood, but also your creativity. University of Michigan researchers have found that being outdoors broadened participants' minds, leaving them more open to new information and creative thoughts. **It's good for the environment**

It's amazing what a little sun and warmth can do for plants and grass. Through photosynthesis, plants convert sunlight, carbon dioxide and water into food, releasing oxygen in the process. As plants begin to grow in the spring, they pull as much as 25 percent of carbon emissions out of the atmosphere, providing an important environmental service.

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New Tahoe in town

Fenton police get approval for new 2018 patrol vehicle

By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 The Fenton Police Department

will soon see a brand new, 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe pulling into the lot. The City Council voted unanimously on Monday, March 26 to approve the purchase.

Officials approved the purchase of the new patrol vehicle, which is four-wheel drive pursuit-rated, for fiscal year 2017-2018.

"Our current vehicle has over 100,000 miles," said Chief Jason Slater in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland. "Purchasing a fourwheel drive option allows us to use the vehicle for every day patrol and provide transportation capabilities in all hazardous weather conditions."

Slater obtained two quotes — one from Berger Chevrolet in Kentwood and one from a local dealership. Berger currently holds the state of Michigan contract for police fleet vehicle purchases.

Berger's quote is \$36,526, while the local dealership quoted \$38,023. Slater recommended the Berger quote, which is \$1,497 less. Although the council often prefers dealing with local businesses when it can, Slater said even if the council were to go with the local dealership, the \$1,497 would not stay local and would be forwarded to General Motors, said Slater. He said he was told by the local dealership that they would actually be losing money if the council chose to purchase the vehicle from them.

The cost to equip the new patrol vehicle is \$7,454 and \$400 to letter it, for a total of \$44,380.

Correction

It was reported in the Wednesday, March 21 Midweek edition that Cleanup Day in Rose Township would be held on March 19. Roadside cleanup will take place on Saturday, May 19, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.





Did you know that pickleball is fastest growing sport in U.S.?

competitive sport,

when you play

against someone

good, you play

harder. 77

Robert Baier

Argentine Township resident

Popularity increasing for low-impact, high speed paddle sport for all ages

By Tim Jagielo

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Fenton — The air is peppered with laughter, shouted game play strategy and the bright "thud" of the pickleball striking the Like any other

floor and paddle during an intense volley. On Thursday, March 22, the Fenton Community

and Cultural Center's main meeting room upstairs became a court for a popular yet less mainstream sport pickleball.

Though anyone can play, this group all hap-

pened to be over 55, mostly retired. Several were involved in public schools. Karen Morgan, a substitute teacher said it's her main form of exercise. "This is such a fun sport," she said. "It's a great sport to play with people you enjoy being with."

Pickleball is played in all 50 states. It's

been around for 50 years, yet it can fly under the radar of locals seeking a way to stay active at any age.

Now, Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation offers it on occasion in the Fenton Community and Cultural Center with \$4 drop-in games.

The game is played on a court the size of a badminton court, or half the size of a tennis court. The game is

usually played by teams of two. They play up to 11 points, following the basic rules of badminton, after the serve.

"It's like a cross between tennis and pingpong," said Robert Baier, 59, of Argentine Township. He has played for six years. He's connected to a group of community

members who play, and keep up on available games. Aside from these sporadic local opportunities, he usually plays at





TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO Pickleball utilizes a ball similar to a Wiffle Ball during game play.

the Genesys Athletic Club or the Cage Fieldhouse in Swartz Creek on weekends.

"It can be pretty aggressive, when you play a really aggressive player," Baier said. "Like any other competitive sport, when you play against someone good, you play harder." He said that players are rated on a number scale up to level 5. A higher level means more aggressive play and strategy.

The game originated in Washington, on Bainbridge Island. There are a couple accounts of how the game got its name, but the most popular story is that when the game was being played, one of the family's dogs, named "Pickles," would grab the ball and run off with it.

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A LOOK BACK at **1968**

"A look back at 1968" is a series that will be published throughout this year in the Wednesday Midweek edition exclusively. To subscribe to the Midweek edition, please call (810) 629-8282.



Detroit teammates (from left) Dick McAuliffe, Jim Northrup and Mickey Stanley celebrate the Tigers' 1968 World Series championship.

Detroit Tigers win 1968 World **Series**

Compiled By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 With the Detroit Tigers starting their 2018 baseball season on Thursday, March 29, we thought it would be fun to recall, with fondness, when our team won the World Series 50 years ago.

In 1968, the defending world champion St. Louis Cardinals once again dominated the National League on the way to their second consecutive Fall Classic as Bob Gibson remained at the top of the list of National League pitchers.

Along with his American League equal, the Detroit Tigers' Denny McLain, both had combined for a whopping 53 wins and 19 shutouts. Game 1

As was becoming the standard, pitching dominated the World Series See 1968 on 10



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If I Were King...

A simple solution ...

t's time we quit talking and actually take action to make certain that there is never again a school shooting in our country. It's important that we do this despite the fact that gun deaths are by no means the most dangerous form of death in America today.

In 2017, with 300,000,000-plus guns legally owned by Americans, there were

15,549 gun deaths (mostly due to crime). This is a little more than one-third the number of automobile deaths even though there are fewer cars in exis-



glass.

tence than guns. In 2017, there were 253,000,000 cars in existence and 41,000 auto deaths.

Nonetheless, a way forward needs to begin. Here are six simple steps that can and should be implemented overnight across the country. This list is not complete but it is a starting point where moms, dads and other people can begin to protect our kids. 1. Metal detectors in every school: This

maintains such common sense it's hard to believe that it isn't already happening. Our courts, government buildings, airports, sports stadiums, conventions, and plenty of other public gatherings demand them. Are they more important than our kids?

2. Enforce the law: Simple enforcement of existing laws would cut down on uncounted numbers of people owning guns, possessing guns, and utilizing guns. This is particularly critical with regard to those with mental health issues. Begin doing what laws already say must be done. 3. Perform active shooter drills: In many school districts in the nation earthquake drills are still performed. No children have died in earthquakes at an American school in 50 years.

Young people should be aware of action they can take to protect themselves, such as how easily they can move a teacher's desk to provide an entry barrier into a room.

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4. Reinforce doors, windows, buses, locks: At the Stoneman Douglas high

school, the shoot-**44** The mere er attempted to shoot through the **knowledge** reinforced glass of these of the classrooms obstacles in an attempt to shoot victims out- will likely side the building, discourage but was unable any attacker to because of the from ever technology of the attempting 5. Recruit Retired to enter a Military & Law school. 77 Enforcement from the com-

munity: These friends and neighbors have already received certification and weapons training. Most of them already own, possess, and carry firearms and would welcome the opportunity to retrain to learn the skills required. Have them man the access points at all schools, check every backpack and bag carried onto the premises, and engage every threat, be it a firearm, a pocketknife or any other form of contraband. 6. Publicize what you are doing: Have your local newspaper publish a story of your security measures. Talk about it openly. The mere knowledge of these obstacles will likely discourage any attacker from ever attempting to enter a school.

None of these steps infringe upon law-abiding people's second amendment rights. All of these measures are instilled to stop and engage mentally ill or combative individuals from entering our schools. Without these measures, our kids are sitting ducks. What in the hell are we waiting for?

Opinions offered in If I Were King are the author's alone and do not neces sarily reflect the opinion of the Tri-County Times or its staff. Email the Kin at king@ictimes.com. Some content adouted from the internet

FRIDAY, MARCH 23 driving on North LeRoy behind an older Buick, a lady was driving. First she hit a curb, then swerved back into the lane. Then missed hitting the phone pole head-on, but broke passenger side mirror. After first close call, you'd think she would've put her phone down.

IF TRUMP IS as ignorant as you claim, then why is there more money for the working folks, why is the unemployment rate so low and why is the economy growing? It would appear that the ignorance is all yours.

IF YOU HAVE not given your permission, robocalls to your phone are illegal. You can file a complaint at FCC.com.

FIRE DEPARTMENT IN Fenton on Saturday March 17 had free food and other stuff. It was great.

I'M READING THE King's column on March 21. He nailed it. How can people not be paying attention to the illegal immigrants getting better benefits that our military. Welfare, cellphones, food stamps, Bridge cards, you name it, something's wrong here.

THANK YOU TO the people in the black van that bought my breakfast last Monday at Tim Hortons. Have a blessed day.

YOU PEOPLE THAT drop off the stray cats, you are cruel. Somebody should do that to you, too. They're not starving to death, I've been feeding them.

YOU MAY HAVE to do duck and cover drills or nuclear annihilations, but how many nuclear bombs were dropped on you and this country? How many schools and churches and movie theaters have been shot at with assault rifles and bags of ammunition?

TO THE HOT-LINER who was saying the difference between liberals and conservatives, oh my gosh. You've got it completely backwards, my friend. Seriously, you do.

TO BE IN a better place, not only should the followers of Jesus go door to door, so should the followers of every religion.

SO WOMEN WHO voted for Trump only did it because some man told them to? I wonder how many times people told me they vote Democrat because their daddy votes Democrat and their grandpa votes Democrat and their great-grandpa voted Democrat.

AS FAR AS I'm concerned, if Heller and the King can make their opinions expressed, well then, are they really journalists? So why can't I, as just a regular person, why can't I express my views? It's just something I want people to think about.

PERHAPS TO THE less skilled and less informed, in certain situations, recognizing and responding could be difficult. Information, education and communication benefits many seemingly unpredictable situations and helps to avoid them. Listen and learn

See **HOT LINE** throughout Times



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Compiled by Ellie Bennett, intern

What activity are you looking forward to this spring?



"I'm excited to not have to drive in horrible weather anymore. Also excited to not have people driving fast down on the dangerous roads."

Paul Kenville

Fenton



"Our daughter's wedding is this August so I'm excited to enjoy that in the nice weather. Her wedding is in the Netherlands so it's going to be an exciting trip."

Michelle Waite Fenton



"Getting outside to walk without having to wear a coat. I'm looking forward to the warm weather because of this long winter that we have had."

Christine Mathews Fenton



"I'm excited to be able to go outside and enjoy riding my bike around. Also, being able to golf is something that I'm looking forward to with the upcoming warm weather." **Candis Sirbaugh** Holly

street talk



"I'm excited to get out and work in my garden. I've had the garden for 38 years and this year I want to get more natural plants that attract birds and bees."

CHARGED

Continued from Front Page County prosecutor's office for review. As a result of the review, Parks was charged with malicious use of a telecommunications device. If he is found guilty as charged, he faces six months imprisonment and/or a \$1,000 fine.

Det. Heather Wolkow obtained a warrant in the 52-2 District Court. Parks was represented by an attorney he retained.

A personal bond of \$50,000 was ordered by Magistrate Daniel Schouman of the 52/2 District Court. He will wear a GPS tether during a court-ordered house arrest and other conditions that include not going on any school property or possessing firearms.

As previously reported, School Resource Officer Michael Houck was familiar with the teen due to an unrelated contact with him the day prior to the Snapchat incident. Houck conveyed the information to the Holly Police Department. Approximately one-half hour later, a Holly police officer located the suspect's vehicle, which was occupied, and he called for assistance. A second officer arrived to assist. Two males were taken in to the station for interview and investigation.

While the officers continued the initial investigation, Houck interviewed the two males. As a result of the investigation and interview, one of the males was released. The other, Parks, was arrested and later transported to the Oakland County Jail.

"The swiftness was attributable to students immediately coming forward to our resource officer with this threat," Holly Police Chief Michael Story said. "His immediate assessment and forwarding critical information very quickly to officers led to an arrest within an hour's time."

Lifelong scrapper selling business for \$1.6 million

Six-acre Fenton Auto Salvage site more than just old cars for John Abee, 72

By Tim Jagielo tjagielo@tctimes.com; 810-433-6795

Fenton — When it rains, no one wants to scrap cars. On Tuesday morning, March 27, Fenton Auto Salvage owner John Abee pulls a hood over his head to walk to the edge of his 700-car lot, and watches employees strip parts out of a GMC van, which is suspended in the air with an excavator.

After 38 years, Abee has put his business up for sale. "I've worked all my life, ever since I've ridden a bicycle," he said. "It's all I know."

Prior to co-owning, and then owning the scrap yard, he owned a repair facility and worked at gas stations among others.

The business is lucrative, he said, but at 72, he's ready for a break.

This winter, he listed the business for \$1.6 million cash or land contract

according to the listing page. It features six acres and 5,200 square feet of building space. Abee said more than 100,000 vehicles drive past each day, because of U.S. 23.

Over the six acres, he has approximately 700 cars, featuring a bit of everything. There are picked over and semi complete vehicles, as well as parts. Starters, axles, alternators, drive

shafts, motors, transmissions, wiper and fan motors, tail lights, radiators and more are catalogued and shelved. He sells a large quantity of four-wheel-drive truck parts.

Vehicles are thoroughly stripped for parts, and most likely filled with scrap,



Jim Eder of Fenton Auto Salvage digs a drain channel for the rain on Tuesday, March 27.

and shipped out to the mass of five 80yard gondolas for scrap a week. He no longer crushes vehicles

on site. "As long as there's cars going down the highway you're going to sell parts, and you're gonna have scrap cars," he said. "Everything comes back to cars. Every family has at least two cars."

Over 38 years in the business, he's seen cars and the business change. He used to get old cars in, but not as much anymore. Now, an old car is from 2001. He's regularly scrapping cars from 2005-2006. "The cars don't part out like they used to," he said. "They don't fix them, they're not easy to work on."

He feels that there is less value placed on cars, and less knowledge and interest in fixing them.

As the new owner, he worked morning to night for years. Now he has nine employees to handle opening and closing the shop, and someone to handle computer and online tasks. "I opened and closed this place for probably 12, 14 years," he said. "Had to sacrifice a lot."

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Dog park temporarily closed

Weather conditions cause deterioration of driveway

By Hannah Ball

hball@tctimes.com; 810-433-6792 The Thompson Road Regional Dog Park is temporarily closed.

Due to extreme weather conditions over the past few months and the "overwhelming popularity of the park," the original driveway that was constructed did not hold up as well as park organizers anticipated, said Keri Kostich, one of the organizers.

"Upon the advice of our engineers, we need to improve upon the construction of the existing driveway," she said.

The two-acre dog park, on Thompson Road, just east of Wiggins Road, was unveiled in November 2017 at the soft opening. It is part of a larger 26-acre park.

The entire park was funded through donations from the community.

The cost of the improvement is \$20,000. Kostich said they currently have \$13,000 in the fund and they need approximately \$6,000 more in order to reconstruct the driveway.

The road will be fixed, and the park will reopen, after the county's restrictions on frost laws are no longer in



The Thompson Road Regional Dog Park will be closed until the driveway is fixed.

effect. Every year, the Genesee County Road Commission places seasonal weight and speed restrictions on all county roads.

Thompson Road, from U.S. 23 to Fenton Road, is a weight-restricted road.

Organizers had the soft opening for the park with the goal of added fundraising to add more features to the park. To donate, go to trrdogpark.com or the Thompson Road Regional Dog Park Facebook page. Donations are tax deductible.

As long as there's cars going down the highway you're going to sell parts, and you're gonna have scrap cars. **77**

John Abee Fenton Auto Salvage owner

Fenton installs new signs near State Road El

All are 25 mph signs, two of which are reduced speed school signs

There are a few new signs placed on the south side of the city of Fenton. On Monday, March 26, the Fenton

City Council approved the installation of the following signs:

A 25 mph speed limit sign was installed on the north side of Jayne Road, just west of the Fenton City limits and the Livingston County border.

A Reduced Speed School Zone sign was installed on the east side of Hartland Road near Jeffers Lane with approval of the Livingston County Road Commission.

A 25 mph school speed limit sign was installed on the southeast side of State Road near the city of Fenton sign at the Livingston County border.

The current 25 mph speed limit sign on southwest State Road just southwest of Plateau Street was replaced with a 25 mph school speed limit sign.

These new traffic signs have already been installed.

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FHS student's work does compute

Earns Aspirations in Computing award at MSU

By Vera Hogan

vhogan@tctimes.com; 810-433-6823 Laura Albrant, 17, a senior at Fenton High School, is among the 70 Michigan

high school women who received Aspirations in Computing (AiC) awards at Michigan State University on Saturday, March 24.

These award winners represent the state's upcoming technical talent among female computer science students.

Laura Dillon, MSU professor of computer science and engineering, said recognizing the accomplishments of these young women is just one of the goals of the AiC program.

"We need the talents of these young women to meet the country's technology needs," Dillon said.

Linda Ott, associate dean for special initiatives and a professor of computer science at Michigan Tech, said, "Honoring these very accomplished, technically strong, and creative students encourages them to continue in computing and helps Michigan build a larger and more diverse IT workforce to meet the growing needs of the state's industries."

Teresa VanderSloot, director for Women in Engineering, Recruitment and K-12 Outreach at MSU Engineering, said, "Women are underrepresented in computing fields. This initiative is helping us to increase the diversity pipeline." The keynote address was presented by Terry Morreale, NCWIT president and





TRI-COUNTY TIMES I SUBMITTED PHOTO Laura Albrant, a senior at Fenton High School, is all smiles after she receives her Aspirations in Computing (AiC) award at Michigan State University on March 24. Her father, Louis Albrant, looks on.

chief technical officer. "NCWIT knows that diversity of thought drives the innovation needed to solve our world's toughest challenges," Morreale said.

Albrant is the daughter of Louis Albrant and Brenda Albrant-Linn.

Laura Lemke, assistant principal at FHS, said Albrant was the only honoree from Genesee County. She is also one of the two female drivers for Fenton's First Robotics team that recently took first place in the Gaylord Competition the weekend of March 17.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

MY SON IS graduating from high school so we are looking at colleges. But there's no way we would ever consider EMU now that they've misappropriated funds and cancelled their sports programs. Just wrong EMU, just wrong.

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The actual ball is like a thicker, smaller wiffleball that can be smacked with a lot of energy without going very far. The paddles are larger than ping-pong paddles.

While the game holds its popularity with seniors, some high schools have introduced it as part of physical education, according to the USA Pickleball Association.



FLINT WOMAN STEALS FENTON MAN'S HANDGUN

On March 20 at 3:34 p.m., Fenton police responded to an apartment on Trealout Drive to investigate a break-in complaint. The 47-year-old resident said a 36-yearold Flint woman, who had stayed at his apartment for a few days, had broken into his apartment and stole his dog and his semi-automatic handgun. The woman then sent the man a video from her phone showing her pulling his gun out of her purse while she sat at a local business. She also allegedly sent him threatening texts. Fenton police called Flint police and Flint police located the woman at her home in Flint and transported her to the Genesee County Jail. Lt. Jeff Cross said the woman admitted to the breakin. Fenton police are seeking charges of breaking and entering, larceny, possession of stolen property and carrying a concealed weapon.

CAR WASH BROKEN INTO AGAIN

Fenton police and a Genesee County Sheriff's deputy responded to an alarm at a car wash on Owen Road at 12:40 a.m. on March 21. Nothing appeared out of the norm and police left. Police were dispatched again at 3 a.m. for a broken glass alarm. Responding officers looked inside and noticed the office door was open, which had previously been closed and a pry bar was near the safe. Contact was made with the manager and surveillance footage showed that the suspects turned the security cameras toward the ceiling. No entry to the safe was made, however, it was damaged. If anyone has information, they are to call Fenton police at (810) 629-5311. This same car wash was broken into on Feb. 19. Lt. Jeff Cross said there have been several similar break-ins at car washes in Genesee and Livingston counties.

MOVE OVER — IT'S THE LAW

On March 18, at 5:35 a.m., a Fenton police officer was conducting a traffic stop on southbound U.S. 23. As the officer was about to clear the scene, a 2005 Chevy Impala passed by traveling at a high rate of speed. The driver of the car had not moved over despite no other vehicles preventing her from moving over a lane. The law requires all drivers to move over a lane when possible or to slow their vehicle when passing a parked emergency vehicle. The officer initiated a traffic stop on the Impala and ticketed the 25-year-old Flint woman for not moving over.





Linda Brown and changing the law

It is likely that the name Linda Brown isn't familiar to many people. However, for those in the legal field it is a very well-known name. She was a black elementary school student in Topeka, Kansas in 1951, who tried to enroll in a segregated white student only school and was rejected. The reason given was that she had her own separate but equal school for blacks only that she could attend.

This rejection resulted in her father, Oliver Brown, and 12 other parents of 19 similarly situated students filing a lawsuit against the Board of Education of the City of Topeka, Kansas seeking to reverse the law that allowed this.

In 1954, the Brown v Board of Education of Topeka case made it to the United States Supreme Court and in a unanimous landmark decision, the court declared that separate but equal was unconstitutional.

Our country has come a long way since 1954 and numerous laws, both federal and state have also been enacted to ensure racial equality.

Many states and cities had racial segregation laws before 1954 and eventually these were all either repealed or declared illegal by the courts. This was as a direct result of the Brown decision and some other laws.

Linda Brown died this past Sunday but her legacy lives on.

Michigan did not have such laws but this doesn't mean that old laws which no longer make sense, are not needed, or illegal, shouldn't be changed.

Indeed, this is what traditionally has happened in Michigan. An example of this is seen in 2015 when our legislature passed a special statute repealing some archaic laws including the way the Star Spangled Banner is to be played; prohibiting the use of contemptuous language for not fighting a duel; and using vulgar or insulting language in the presence of a woman or child.

There are other examples of changes in the law, which I could cite. Suffice it to say that laws in Michigan and elsewhere are always being examined and where appropriate, changed. For we are a nation of laws and our legislature and the courts are there to make sure it's done correctly.

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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, March 23.

House Bill 5220: Increase allowable pepper spray concentration

To revise a prohibition on the use of pepper spray with more than a 10-percent oleoresin capsicum concentration in the reasonable defense of one's person or property. The bill would increase the maximum concentration to 18 percent, and allow the formulas to contain an ultraviolet dye. Reportedly, 45 other states allow 18 percent pepper spray concentrations. Passed 36 to 0 in the Senate Sen. David Robertson (R-Dist. 14) X YES Sen. Mike Kowall (R-Dist. 15) 🗙 YES Sen. Joe Hune (R-Dist. 22) X YES Sen. Jim Ananich (D-Dist. 27) X YES Sen. Ken Horn (R-Dist. 32) X YES

House Bill 5097: Cap fees on internet service right of way projects

To cap at \$300 the fee a county road commission can charge an internet or a cable TV provider for a permit to do work in a right of way, or a total of \$1,000 for all permits per project. These amounts would be doubled in large counties (more than 250,000 residents). The bill would also limit the bonding requirements that can be imposed on ISP or cable company right of way projects.

Passed 29 to 5 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 5257: Make possession of ransomware a felony

To make it a crime punishable by up to three years in prison to possess ransomware software with malicious intent. The bill defines ransomware as "a computer or data contaminant, encryption, or lock" that can be placed or introduced without authorization into a computer or network, and that restricts access in a manner that enables the perpetrator "to demand payment of money or other consideration" to remove it.

Passed 34 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 839: Revise mining permit amendment process

To establish streamlined procedures for a mining company getting certain restrictions in its state operating permit revised, subject to many exceptions. This would specifically apply to the process for determining that a permit amendment does not "result in environmental impacts that are materially increased or different" from those specified in the original permit. Amona other things, this refers to allowing a permittee "to relocate, reconfigure, or modify surface or underground facilities, buildings, or equipment, other than a tailings basin or a stockpile.' Passed 23 to 11 in the Senate Se YFS

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

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I'M VERY HAPPY to learn about the improvement at the animal shelter in Genesee County but the picture that you posted on the front page of your paper, I did not find that very necessary.

I SHOULDN'T NEED to tell you this, but Foster Childs is an idiot.

THE MAIN DIFFERENCE, and an important one, between Heller and the King is that one hides behind anonymity, and the other actually attaches his name to the things he says. Whether a person will own up to his or her words is a huge indicator of character.

OUR PRESIDENT IS trying to defend, protect and serve the United States of America. Thank God someone is finally stepping up to the plate.

I READ SOME of those comments in the Saturday paper. Some of you really make some stupid statements.

THANK YOU TIMES, for publishing something that supports teachers. The article in the Sunday addition by Andrew Heller highlighted areas where teachers have to address in their job of teaching children. These issues will likely lead to challenging times where we may have a shortage of teachers in the near future. We need to respect teachers but more importantly, we, as parents, need to raise our children.

WHAT IS ALL this talk about Democrats preventing or stopping Trump from doing his job? Republicans control the White House and Congress. The only people who may be stopping him, because they're the only ones with any kind of power to, are Republicans.

AUTO SALVAGE **Continued from Page 5**

He currently pays \$140 per ton for cars, and \$130 a ton for scrap. The price fluctuates by the month. He said it used to be steadier. Aluminum wheels and catalytic converters sell for more.

"There's more scrap out here in this Fenton, Holly, Argentine area than you can imagine," he said.

If the business sells, he assumes the but he can't be sure. He thinks plastic recycling might be part of the future of auto salvage. This would include the fascia of the vehicle and interior pieces.

Either way, he knows he'll be relaxing more, and spending time working on the cabin he owns with his wife at Houghton Lake. He said he'll have to get used to kicking his feet up. "I've never not worked," he said.

History

Recent changes to the business include the new vehicle scale, which cost \$100,000. Abee said it was the best investment he made, and in general, the city has been cooperative in recent years, though they had their legal wranglings in the past.

When the new "Fenton Scales" sign went up, the iconic "Fenton Auto Salvage" elevated RV sign had to come down, per the city.

Prior to "Fenton Auto Salvage," Abee said it was "McDonald's Travel-Rama," specializing in RVs and travel trailers. This is why for 40 years, an RV served as a landmark at Torrey Road and U.S. 23.

Abee knows Robert McDonald owned the site in 1966, but he's not sure when it was originally developed. He said there was a snowmobile repair shop on the site as well.



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She appeared in the Van Buren County 7th District Court on March 20. Her arraignment was held on March 22. An FBI Detroit-Area

Public Corruption Task Force investigation into improper salvage vehicle inspections led to the charges. It is alleged that several officers falsified Secretary of State documents for inspections

intended to detect stolen vehicles and parts.

Danishevskaya is one of seven current or former law enforcement officials being charged, totaling 100 charges.

FBI Detroit Area Public Corruption Task

In the news release, Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette said, "These public officials cut corners and fraudulently submitted paperwork taking advantage of the trust and responsibility they are given as police officers. It is important to hold these individuals accountable as there are many others who complete this job by the rules every single day." Schuette credits the Force and the Secretary of State's Office for their hard work on this investigation.

Danishevskaya was hired as the Bangor Police Chief in December of 2014, and abruptly resigned in July 2015, to the surprise and dismay of the community. According to the Bangor Herald Palladium, Danishevskaya quit due to a "culmination of a number of things."

Prior to this, she was the Village of Hollu police chief from April 2011 to September 2012. She resigned after being placed on administrative leave. She cited sexual harassment, accusations of discrimination at the time.

According to her LinkedIn page, she is currently a marketing manager for a department of one location of a \$28 billion company.

Her experience as police chief in Memphis, Holly and Bangor are listed as "department director."

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

I AGREE THAT cats stand a much better chance on the side of the road than at the humane society but do you know what it's like to be freezing and hungry? Lucky for them, there's someone who cares about these animals.

JUST MY OPINION, but the

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President's latest firing of either Secretary of State or whomever, I believe all of these politicians go on pension as soon as they're sworn in so I don't think they've got a complaint coming about losing a pension.

DO YOU THINK we're going to hear from that Michigan State bragger this year? Isn't this the second year they got booted out in the final four? And they got beat by Michigan twice this year? State is a powerhouse?



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MIDWEEK TIMES

BUILDING

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tile floors, painting the inside of the building, creating a holding room for short-term detainees, redoing the sign out front, resurfacing the parking lot, and redoing the garage. Additional improvements include installing a security

SUMMARY Renovations

include new tile flooring, resurfacing the parking lot, painting the interior and more.

camera, replacing the front door and redoing the two bathrooms. So far, the majority of the inside is painted, and they're working

to install a security door for the holding room. Later this week, they will start redoing the tile floors.

'The paint looks amazing in there," he

said. "It looks very very good in there." The township paid Milan Home Improvement \$16,000 to do the work on the garage, painting the inside of the building and installing the security door

on the front door. In the garage, the door will be removed and made into a regular room. Allen said they hope to use the space as a locker room, as well as for fingerprinting and gun cleaning.

RS Daley Electrical Contractor did some modifications for \$975, said Clerk Denise Graves. Ken Harden Heating and

Cooling fixed a broken furnace. AAA Softener Service and Sales installed a new softener, new water heater, and did

some miscellaneous repairs for \$1,800. The two bathrooms were remodeled by local contractor Ed Garrison for \$1,650. Fenton Fence Company built a fence

around the impound lot for \$2,964. The new sign outside, with the name "Argentine Police Department," is expected to be installed in June.

> "I'm looking forward to getting the sign up," Allen said.

The budget for the renovations was \$50,000, and Graves expects they will spend around \$49,000. She said she tried to find the best price with a local

contractor. "When the taxpayers are paying for it, you have to be very frugal with their money," she said.

The Argentine Township Board of Trustees voted to purchase the building for \$125,000 in September 2017. At the time, Treasurer Norm Schmidt estimated that they would need an additional \$35,000 to \$50,000 to improve the facilities and bring them up to standard. The board transferred \$200,000 from the general fund into the police department fund in September.





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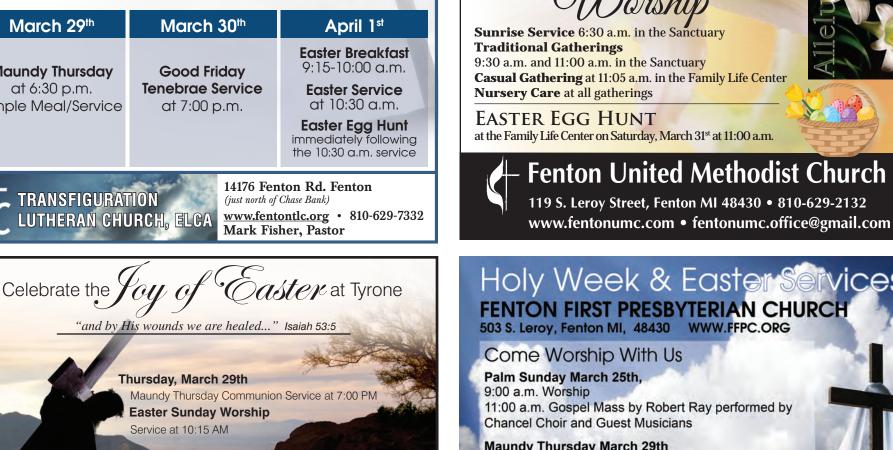
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HOT LINE CONTINUED

TO PARAPHRASE BENJAMIN Franklin, those who give up a little freedom to gain safety will lose both.

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TO THE PERSON stating what

conservatives believe, you are incorrect. Conservatives simply ask that you look at everything about the parties not just one side. Most liberals look at their side but are not open to looking into everything.

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every individual making life choices for themselves? Tell us what is the conservative philosophy on same-sex marriages? Why are they not legal and recognized in Michigan and throughout the country? I limit my examples to one because I am limited to 50 words.

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contest and nothing would change in 1968. Both aces met in Game 1 as Gibson threatened to break Sandy Koufax's Series record by striking out 13 Tiger batters through seven innings. **Game 2**

Detroit bounced back in Game 2 thanks to 17 game winner Mickey Lolich who held the "Redbirds" to six singles and added the only home run of his major league career for the 8-1 win. **Game 3**

Tim McCarver set the pace for the Cardinals in Game 3 and hammered a three-run homer in the fifth to take a 4-2 lead. Orlando Cepeda followed suit with a two run shot in the seventh and Lou Brock stole three bases on the way to a Seriesleading 7-3 triumph.

Game 4 Gibson returned for the fourth meeting and continued his unbeaten streak with a record seventh consecutive win in the Fall Classic. Embarrassing the Tigers 10-1, the





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\$30 residents, \$40 non residents Saturdays, 10:30am to 12pm April 21st - June 9th Location TBA right-hander aided his own cause with his second career homer in Series play (a record for a pitcher) while Brock dominated at the plate with a double, triple, home run and four runs batted in. The outfielder also recorded his seventh stolen base of this Series (tying a mark he had established in 1967).

McLain was once again bested by his counterpart and was lifted after 2 2/3 innings to no avail. Game 5

Although Brock's base running had proven to be a definite advantage in the previous four outings, his carelessness cost the Cardinals dearly in Game 5. After doubling with one out in the fifth, Brock tried to score standing up on Javier's single to left, but Willie Horton threw him out with a laser to home plate.

Detroit, trailing by a 3-2 score at the time, seemingly received a boost from the reprieve

and broke loose for three runs in the seventh. Mickey Lolich, who was knocked for a two run homer by Cepeda (in a three run St. Louis first), pitched scoreless ball over the final eight innings as Detroit stayed alive with a crucial 5-3 triumph. **Game 6**

McLain returned for his third appearance determined to get his first win over the Cardinals' Ray Washburn. Pitching his best game of the Series, the Tiger ace finished a 13-1 victor thanks to a rally sparked Jim Northrup, who slammed a bases-loaded homer in Detroit's 10- run blitz in the third. The Tigers' spree matched the one inning Series scoring record set by the Philadelphia Athletics against the Chicago Cubs in Game 4 of the 1929 Classic.

Game 7

Bob Gibson was the obvious choice for St. Louis in Game 7 and Lolich was given the monumental task of beating him. Both pitchers went head-to-head for six scoreless innings, but the Tiger ace was first to blink after allowing two Cardinal runners on base (Brock with his record-tying 13th hit of the Series and Curt Flood adding a single). Despite the mental setback, Lolich remained focused and struck out the following batters to snuff the Cards' first scoring opportunity. Then, with two out in the Detroit seventh, Norm Cash and Horton both singled. Northrup then hit a long rope to center field that Flood accidentally misjudged. The result was a two run triple and Bill Freehan made it three after doubling home Northrup.

Not to be outdone, the Cardinals responded with a run in the ninth thanks to Mike Shannon, but it was too little too late and had been matched by Detroit in their half of the inning. In the end, Lolich had beaten the odds (and the mighty Bob Gibson) with a five hit, 4-1 victory that gave the Tigers their first championship crown since 1945. Detroit also became only the third team in World Series history to rally from a 3-1 deficit to win in Game 7.

Source: baseball-almanac.com

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Source: mentalfloss.com

FUNDING Continued from Front Page

According to Public Works Director Dan Czarnecki, in a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland, "The project consists of replacing the playground at Mill Pond Park, construction of kayak/canoe launches on both sides of the dam, construction of a kayak locker to allow kayakers a place to lock up their kayaks so they can spend time and visit our downtown area, extension of the Riverwalk Trail from Caroline Street to Silver Lake Road with a connection to the proposed LAFF trail, wellness (exercise) stations along the Riverwalk and wayfinding signage."

Czarnecki said the estimated cost of the project is \$433,200. "We are requesting the maximum grant amount of \$300,900 with the city responsible for a match of \$133,200, or 31 percent," he said. "Matching monies have been secured utilizing DDA funds and park monies."



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Michigan grad Wright excited about Wolverines' Final Four trip

Ex-Linden basketball coach pleased about role he provided bringing program back to elite level By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 If Anthony Wright has a smile on his face this week, one can hardly blame him.

The current Fenton resident and ex-Linden varsity boys basketball coach remembers when he played at Michigan. The program was still stinging from the issues created during the Fab Five era,

Wednesday, March 28, 🏾

making the men's basketball program almost an afterthought at Michigan.

But now, less than 10 years after Wright ended his Wolverines' career, he's enjoying the program's recent resurgence under head coach John Beilein. He has every right to enjoy it, considering Wright was a sophomore player the season Beilein became the squad's head coach in 2007-08. One can argue that Wright was among the players that helped establish Beilein's future at Michi-

gan, during his second year as coach. T h e Wolverines qualified for the NCAA tournament for the first time in 11 years during the 2008-09 season, advancing to the second round of the tournament.

Since then, the Wolverines have quickly become a college basketball power. The Wolverines have qualified for the NCAA tournament eight times during Beilein's 11 seasons with the program, made it to the NCAA Championship game in 2012-13, and are now in the Final Four this season. Michigan begins Final Four ac-

tion on Saturday at The Alamodome See Wright on 13

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Anthony Wright

Cassidy adds his name to Oakland's dynasty

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Fenton graduate caps college career with three relays league titles

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 When Brant Cassidy joined the Oakland University men's swimming and diving team, he knew about the team's dynasty. And now, he's part of that dynasty.

The Fenton graduate completed his Oakland University swimming career at the Horizon League Meet, recently, helping the Grizzlies capture their 40th straight league championship. The men scored 731.5 points, 66.5 points ahead of second-place Cleveland State.

Cassidy played a huge role in the team's success, competing in three first-place relays and three individual events.

Cassidy was on three league championship relay teams. He teamed with Paul Huch, Tony Ericksson and Rudy Aguilar to win the 200 medley relay (1:27.76), setting the pool record. He also teamed with Huch, Andrew Binder and Erickson to take first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:19.58) and with Binder, Aguilar and Huch to win the 400 freestyle relay (2:56.97).

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Fenton resident and Oakland University swimmer Brant Cassidy celebrates a strong performance during a recent meet. Cassidy capped his Oakland University career with three first-place finishes in relays at the Horizon League Meet.

Fenton's McIntosh proves to be a hot shot

■ Ties for third in threepoint shooting event

By David Troppens

dtroppens@tctimes.com; 810-433-6789 Addison McIntosh proved to the rest of the state what Fenton varsity boys basketball fans already knew on Saturday.

Competing in The Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan's Top Shooters Challenge, during the state's boys basketball semifinals and finals at Michigan State University's Breslin Center, McIntosh came within one placing of earning a spot in the finals.

"He did well," Fenton varsity boys

basketball coach John Gilbert said.

Players qualified for the competition by being nominated by their head coach, and then by being among the top 20 three-point shooters among those nominated.

The sophomore netted 51-of-113 three-pointers, making 45.1 percent of his shots.

The shooters had to qualify for the finals through two rounds of 25 shots. Mc-Intosh made 17-of-25 in the first round, and followed that with 15-of-25 conversions. That placed him in the top 10, with a chance to qualify for the finals.

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TRI-COUNTY TIMES I mark bolen Fenton's Addison McIntosh tied for third at a state-wide three-point competition at the basketball state semifinals and final last weekend.

David's Dabblings

A few thoughts about the area's sports scene and others not dealing with sports at all.



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When I was in elementary school, I had a challenge every winter.

My challenge was to get my parents to allow me to miss a day of school so I could go to Tigers' Opening Day.

It wasn't the easiest task. It started with continuous hounding of my parents when I saw the ticket form in the Sunday edition of the Detroit News during the winter. I'd cut that thing out and give it to my parents, begging them to send in the order form for the home opener.

Once that step was accomplished, I had another issue. Usually there was a limit of four tickets for Opening Day back then. This was a problem because I had two brothers and a sister when I was in elementary school. That meant no more than three kids could go to the game if we got the four tickets. I always had to petition to be one of those kids. I always won out on that argument for one reason — I was the only real true Tiger fan in the house.

Oddly, the easiest part of the process was convincing my parents that missing part of a school day wasn't that big of a deal. I still remember vividly the first home opener I went to. I was in the second grade and all of my friends knew I was leaving class early to go to the game. It was like I was a celebrity until that moment I left the classroom. When I got my pass to go to the office to leave for the game, everyone said, 'Have fun.' Leaving class like that was almost as fun as the game itself.

Opening Day doesn't mean as much to me now as it did to that second-grader, but it still has great meaning.

I thought I'd look back at some of my favorite Opening Day highlights of games I've attended.

1977 - Kansas City 7, Detroit 4: This is on the list because it was my first home opener. Honestly, I don't remember much about the game. In fact, I forgot they lost the game. I also remember it being the day we created our Opening Day routine with my dad. During these early years, we'd always go to the Renaissance Center buildings and go up the elevators and let our ears pop. We'd also eat at McDonald's in the buildings as well.

1982 - Detroit 4, Toronto 2: Like 1977, this game is remem-See dabblings on 13

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in San Antonio, Texas against Loyola (Chicago) at 6:09 p.m.

"I played under him during his first three years," Wright proudly stated. "We got in the NCAA Tournament for the first time in about a decade and made it to the Round of 32. Back then it was a huge deal. They've gone to the Final Four twice since then. ... Fans approach me (and other players from my era) and say we created the foundation of where the program is now. If we failed significantly for three straight years, then Beilein wouldn't be there. It was important for us to show the people the potential in Beilein had in his second year. It gave him a longer lease and allowed him to focus on growing the program."

That's exactly what has happened, and Wright loves every minute of this current Michigan Wolverines' tournament ride. Third-seeded Michigan advanced from the Sweet 16 to the Final Four with a 99-72 victory against Texas A&M on Thursday and a 58-54 victory against Florida State on Saturday. They opened the tournament with wins against Montana and Houston in the opening two rounds.

"It's been a lot of fun, not just from the standpoint that they are winning, but how they are winning," Wright said. "Beilein is a big offensive guy, but they are winning on the defensive end. They have had three low-scoring games that have been very gritty, tough-it-out type of games. ... It's been a lot of fun watching them. I like this team. It's very well balanced."

Wright hasn't been able to go to any of the tournament games, but he's watched every game with enthusiasm.

"I am very emotional when I watch the

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bered more for something else than the contest. We had tickets for the opener, but it was postponed due to a blizzard. A couple of days later, the snow melted and we got to watch the Tigers play in beautiful weather.

1986 - Detroit 6, Boston 5: Prior to the start of the game, there's always a pre-game cheer going on within the crowd before the first pitch. It's a magical moment. But this one ended quickly when Jack Morris' first pitch of the season was lined for a home run by Dwight Evans into the lower centerfield bleachers. That firstgame pitch cheer ended quickly. The Tigers bounced back with two Kirk Gibson two-run home runs to win the contest.

1999 - Minnesota 1, Detroit 0 (12 innings): This game is on the list for one reason, it was the last home opener at Tiger Stadium before the team moved to Comerica Park. It's also the only home opener I've ever gone to with my wife, Anna. What I remember most is how cold it was and just the celebratory mood of the crowd, because it was the last opening day at Tiger Stadium. My wife also remembers the drunk guy walking on the rafters above us. I think that's still her favorite Tiger memory.



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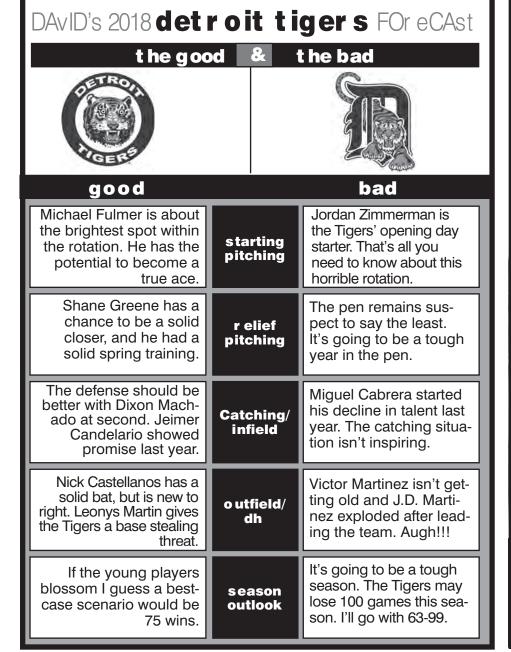
ex-Linden varsity boys basketball coach and current Fenton resident Anthony Wright (middle) talks to his team during a past game. Wright played for Michigan's men's basketball team and is a big fan of the team's recent performances that have landed the Wolverines a Final Four semifinal contest against Loyola (Chicago) at s an Antonio, t exas.

games," Wright said. "When Jordan Poole hit that (game-winning buzzer-beating) shot against Houston, I yelled and ran all over the place. When Florida State didn't foul (with seconds remaining in the game) for some reason, I screamed 'Final Four.' I was going crazy. It scared other people as well because I was going so crazy."

Wright, who was a forward, played for Michigan for four seasons, getting playing time in three of those years. His sophomore season, he started five games and played in 31 of the 32 games as the team went 10-22 during Beilein's first season. During his junior year, he played in 25 of the 35 games, starting seven of them during the Wolverines' NCAA-qualifying squad. Michigan finished with a 21-14 record overall. His senior year he played 28 of the 32 games and started in two of the contests. The team had injuries and finished 15-17 overall. Overall, Wright played in 84 games, starting 14 of them. He scored 265 career points and also had 178 rebounds, 51 assists and 28 steals.

After his playing career, Wright accepted the Linden varsity boys basketball coaching position starting with the 2012-13 season and spent four years as Linden's varsity boys basketball coach before resigning after posting a 5-16 mark in his fourth season.

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Obituaries

James "Jim" **Thomas Pence** 1925-2018

James "Jim" Thomas Pence age 92, of Linden, died Saturday March 24, 2018. Funeral services were held 2 PM Monday, March 26, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 East Broad Street, Linden. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery, Linden. Pastor Rich Williams officiating. Visitation was held 12 PM until time of service Monday. In lieu of flowers. memorial contributions may be made to the Heritage Baptist Church of Fenton. Jim was born in Milwaukee, WI, the son of Samuel and Anna (Korbel) Pence. He married Reda Moreland on April 10, 1977 in Linden. Mr. Pence retired from Eaton Corporation with 43 years of service. Surviving are: wife of 40 years, Reda of Linden; son, Thomas (Lora) Pence; daughter, Diane Pence and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Charles Pence. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Holly Township Clerk



Kelli Marie Green 1971-2018

Kelli Marie Green - age 46, of Grand Blanc, died Sunday, March 25, 2018. Funeral services will be held 4 PM Thursday, March 29, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Pastor Wes Morris officiating. The family will receive friends from 2-4 PM Thursday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Flint Odyssey House or the Fenton Alano Club. Kelli was born September 27, 1971 in Princeton, NJ, the daughter of James Edward and Sharon Louise (LeTissier) Roberts. She attended Grand Blanc High School and graduated from Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic School in Waterford. Surviving are: two children, Brandon James Green and Sarah Marie Green of Linden; sister, Lesli Litton of Grand Blanc; two nieces, Lauren (Brandon) Cadieux of Grand Blanc and Alyssa Litton of Grand Blanc; great-nieces, Sophia and Mackenzie Cadieux; and Grandma Mary Wiltrout. She was preceded in death by: her parents; and close friend, Jimmy Webber. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes. com.



Bancroft

1933-2018 M. Lucille Bancroft age 84, of Linden, died March 23, 2018. Funeral services will be held 11 AM, Thursday, March 29, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel 209, E. Broad St., Linden. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation will be held 2-8 PM Wednesday, March 28, 2018. An OES Memorial will be held at 7 PM under the auspices of Linden Chapter #175. Those desiring may make contributions to the family. Lucille was born in Argentine Twp. on October 17, 1933 the daughter of Earl and Burneice (Keller) Skinner. She married Dean R. Bancroft on May 9, 1953 and he preceded her in death on August 27, 1991. Lucille is survived by daughters, Irene Bancroft, Sally Crawley; grandchildren, John (Ashley) Lang, Jodi (Chad) Fuller, Jordan Crawley, Chance Crawley; six greatgrandchildren with one more on the way; brother, Floyd Skinner; sistersin-law, Shirley (Dave) Murray, Luann Hoyes, Julie (Richard) Dale; brother-inlaw, Ken Hitchcock; many nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. She was also preceded in death by her son, Carl Earl; daughter, Jean Lynn; five brothers and a sister. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes. com.



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Thelma C. (Womack) Burke

1925-2018 Thelma C. (Womack) Burke - age 92, of Fenton, died Sunday, March 25, 2018 Funeral services will be held 11:30 AM Thursday, March 29, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Pastor Jim Wiegand officiating. Interment will follow at Great Lakes National Cemetery. Visitation will be held 4-8 PM Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to the Freedom Center, 2473 W. Shiawassee Ave, Fenton, MI 48430. Thelma was born on November 5, 1925 in Ola, AR, the daughter of Olga A. and Molly Ann (Hill) Womack. She was à 1943 graduate of Casa High School in Casa, AR and married Rev. F.E. Burke on April 29, 1944 in Paris, TN. He preceded her in death on December 22, 2011 after 67 years of marriage. Thelma was a true pastor's wife, she was very active alongside her husband, in the ministry and administration of Fenton Assembly of God Church, now the Freedom Center. Surviving are: four sons, Billy E. and wife, Bonnie of Linden, Fredrick E. and wife, Debbie of Linden, Donald L. and wife, Margaret of Gaines, John and wife, Vicky; nine grandchildren; 19 greatgrandchildren; one great great-grandchild; sister, Jewell Wright. She was preceded in death by: her parents; husband, Rev. F.E. Burke; two sons, Mark and Robert; three brothers; and a sister. Tributes may be shared at www. sharpfuneralhomes.com.





Horoscopes

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, take some time to assess a situation before you act on gut instinct. Your initial reaction may not be the best way to go.

Ask a trusted friend for advice. TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, when you get an idea in your head, it can take a monumental effort to persuade you to think otherwise. This week your ideas may need tweaking.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21 Stop planning for the immediate future and start thinking long-term, Gemini. This way you can relax as much as possible and enjoy the ride knowing all things are in order.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22 It is very easy to become complacent, Cancer. Just when you thought your week would be routine, things get stirred up in ways you never would have imagined.

Leo, if a career change has been on your mind, it may be

better to dip a toe into the waters rather than jumping in all at once. Try an internship before making a commitment. VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, it's understandable that you want to prove yourself as capable as ever. But accepting a little help is not a sign of weakness. In fact, it is a sign of strength. LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Family matters push to the forefront, Libra. This may require all of your attention for the time being. Clear your schedule so you can give this the attention it deserves.

SCORPIO Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, overcoming challenges as they are presented to you is one of the things that makes you so successful. But even the best task master needs some rest and relaxation.





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SAGITTARIUS Nov 23/Dec 21

You may find yourself at the center of social occasions, Sagittarius. If you want to be the life of the party, then go ahead. If you want to remain on the sidelines, that's fine as well. CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

It's not worth getting into an argument to win a point with someone who doesn't have all of the facts, Capricorn. Rest your case and forge ahead with what you know is right.

AQUARIUS Jan 21/Feb 18

A change of direction may not be the right fit for you at this moment in time, Aquarius. If you have been pondering a move, you may want to devote more time to vetting the idea.

PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Splurge on something that you have been considering buying for a while, Pisces. As long as you can afford it, you can splurge without any guilt.

Wednesday Jumble THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME JUUR (B) by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek Here you go. I'll take the convertible hon Why do l always have to drive the Unscramble these SIDYA four Jumbles, one letter to each square, ©2014 Tribune Content Agency, LLC All Rights Reserved. to form four ordinary words. RASHH THIS JUMBLE PUZZLE SPONSORED BY DEPIME FENTON THU: THE HUSBAND AND WIFE WHO OWNED THE FUNERAL HOME HAD TWO CARS, ---Company **KHNIRS** Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as FENCING suggested by the above cartoon.

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