

“Spent Friday night in downtown Fenton with my wife and what a great time we had. It’s great to see the new businesses, restaurants and moreso, people out and about.”

Riding mower explodes, catches house on fire



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

At 3:40 p.m. on Monday, June 11, the Fenton Township Fire Department responded to a residential fire in the 2400 block of Golden Shores Drive. The homeowner reported that a riding mower exploded in a shed causing the house to catch fire. Fire departments from Mundy Township, and Linden and Fenton cities assisted with mutual aid.

911 Fire reports

911 FIRE ALERTS FROM
TUESDAY, JUNE 5 TO MONDAY, JUNE 11

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

Fenton City fire responds to North Road and Forest Drive on a report of arcing wires at 12:42 a.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to 100 block of Clarence Street at 8:20 a.m. for an emergency call involving an 86-year-old male with difficulty breathing.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to a medical call at 9:25 a.m. in the 3300 block of Grange Hall Road involving a 67-year-old female with difficulty breathing.

Fenton Township fire responds to a medical call at 9:44 a.m. in the 11000 block of Hogan Road involving an 80-year-old female, possible stroke.

Fenton Township fire responds to a medical call at 11:07 a.m. in the 4200 block of Crystal Cove Court involving a 78-year-old male.

Fenton City fire responds to a commercial fire alarm at 12:08 p.m. in the 2400 block of Shiawassee Avenue. A smoke detector activated.

Argentine Township fire responds to a medical call at 7:15 p.m. in the 8000 block of Haviland Beach Drive. A 23-year-old male sustained lacerations to his leg from a boat prop.

Linden City fire responds to a medical call at 8:15 p.m. in the 4500 block of Silver Lake Road. A 50-year-old female complained of leg pain.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

Fenton City fire responds to an indoor gas odor complaint at a business in the 1500 block of N. LeRoy Street at 8:16 a.m.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 10000 block of Silver Lake Road for a medical call at 1:56 p.m.

Fenton City fire responds to the 18000 block of Silver Parkway for an odor investigation at 6:07 p.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to a medical call in the 3300 block of Grange Hall Road at 8:21 p.m.

Fenton Township fire responds to 1400 block of N. Long Lake Road. at 10:53 p.m. on a medical call involving a 53-year-old male.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

Argentine Township fire responds to a medical call at 3:25 a.m. in the 10000 block of Silver Lake Road. A 77-year-old female was having difficulty breathing.

Fenton City fire responds to Old Wood Trail in Livingston County at 9:23 a.m. for a medical call involving a 65-year-old female with rapid heart rate.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 4300 block of Grange Hall for medical emergency at 10:08 a.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to a minor personal injury crash at 11:41 a.m. on Grange Hall Road, east of N. Holly Road.

Fenton City fire responds to the 11000 block of Center Road in Livingston County at 3:31 p.m. for a 34-year-old woman with allergic reaction.

Fenton Township fire responds to a medical emergency at a residence on Silver Lake Road at 5:16 p.m.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 14000 block of S. Seymour Road at 6:17 p.m. for an 84-year-old patient who had fallen.

Fenton Township fire responds to an odor investigation at 6:55 p.m. in the 6400 block of Silver Lake Road.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 10000 block of Silver Lake Road at 9:08 p.m. for a female having a seizure.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

Argentine Township fire responds to Linden Middle School for a commercial fire alarm at 9:08 p.m.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 12000 block of Seymour Road at 1:13 p.m. for a 54-year-old patient with high blood pressure.

Fenton City responds to Denton Hill Road, south of White Lake Road at 3:30 p.m. for wires down and a fire in a ditch.

Fenton Township fire responds to the 12000 block of Fairbanks Road at 3:38 p.m. for 63-year-old female having difficulty breathing.

Fenton City fire responds to 13000 block of White Lake Road at 3:36 p.m. for carbon monoxide alarm.

Argentine Township fire responds to Silver Lake Road by Linden High School at 4:07 p.m. for personal injury crash involving a motorcycle and vehicle.

Fenton City fire responds to the 3300 block of Owen Road at 9:34 p.m. for an odor investigation. Caller smelled gas.

Linden City fire responds to the 200 block of S. Bridge Street at 10 p.m. for a medical call involving an 86-year-old patient.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018

Linden City fire responds to the 200 block of N. Main Street for a commercial fire alarm at 2 a.m.

Fenton City fire responds to a dumpster fire at Walnut Grove apartments off North Road at 3:22 a.m.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 15000 block of Longfellow Drive for a large tree blocking the road at 6:49 a.m.

Fenton City fire responds to a commercial fire alarm in a laundry room at Walnut Grove apartments at 6:57 a.m. Linden City fire assists.

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Something for everyone at Frederik Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids

■ 158-acre park includes tropical plants, waterfall and nearly 300 sculptures

By Tim Jagielo

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Grand Rapids — Sculptures loom on the horizon, stretch overhead, and lay underfoot. Outdoor pieces are set in a variety of garden scenes like flowery meadows and woody walking paths.

While Fenton residents and visitors are used to strolling past public art and sculptures, several featured at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids can only be described as colossal. Many are stories tall, such as “Neuron” by Roxy Paine and “The American Horse” by Nina Akamu.

The park is just under a two-hour drive from Fenton, across I-69 and I-96.

Established in 1995, the Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park covers 158 acres, and is handicap accessible. It is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization led by a board of directors.

The garden landscape offers a dynamic walking adventure with visual depth that includes trees, water and sculptures. There are winding creeks, crashing waterfalls and calming coy ponds. There are indoor and outdoor exhibits. While it is an expansive facility, parking is close, and the various themed gardens are walkable.

The entire compound is family friendly, but the Lena Meijer Children’s Garden includes fun sculptures, the Treehouse Village, Kid-Sense Garden, and Great Lakes Garden.

The sculpture program

There are nearly 300 permanent pieces in the sculpture program, and a large interior exhibit space.



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(Above) “B-Tree II” by Kenneth Snelson reaches into the sky. It’s held in place by the cables and steel pieces. (Lower left) The greenhouse contains a variety of tropical plants, including these carnivorous pitcher plants. (Right) “Standing Woman” by Ossip Zadkine is an example of abstract sculpture at the park.



Outside, there are 30 acres of sculptures, all set in natural surroundings.

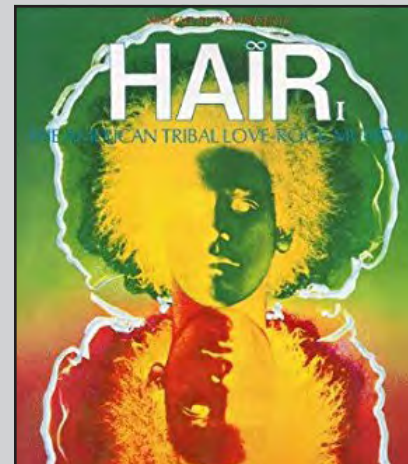
There is artwork for every taste, which includes three different collections.

Some of the giant sculptures, such as “Scarlati” by Mark Di Suvero, seem to take on different shapes as you wind around the sculpture.

See **FREDERIK MEIJER** on 6

A LOOK BACK at 1968

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Love-rock musical
‘Hair’
premiers on
Broadway in 1968

Compiled By Vera Hogan

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The show *Hair*, the now famous “tribal love-rock musical,” introduced the era-defining song “Aquarius” and gave New York theatergoers a full-frontal glimpse of the burgeoning ’60s-counterculture aesthetic. *Hair* premiered on Broadway on April 29, 1968.

Hair was not a brand-new show when it opened at the Biltmore Theatre on this night in 1968. It began its run 40 blocks to the south, in the East Village, as the inaugural production of Joseph Papp’s Public Theater.

Despite mediocre reviews, *Hair* was a big enough hit with audiences during its six-week run at the Public to win financial backing for a proposed move to Broadway. While this kind of move would later become more common, it was exceedingly rare for a musical at the time, and it was a particularly bold move for a musical with a nontraditional score.

See **HAIR** on 8

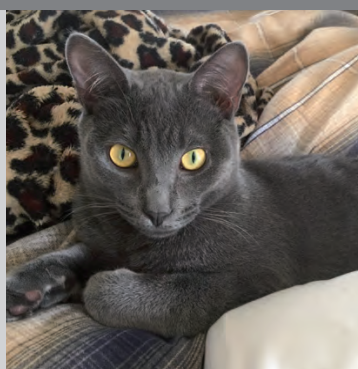
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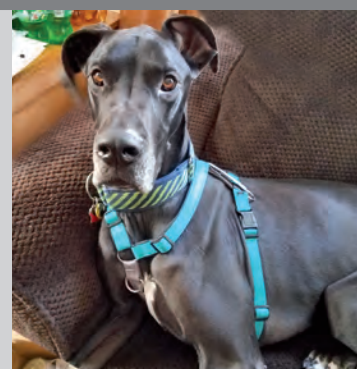
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If I Were King...

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Thank you, Dad...

Today is Father's Day. Today is the day we honor all dads, but especially those who stand on principle in the face of adversity — those who are models of courage, conviction and character for their families.

I was one of the lucky ones. The lessons my father taught me have been a rock in my life for as long as I can remember. He is gone now, but here are a few of his favorite 'father phrases.'



FOSTER CHILDS

- **Definition of a father:** A son's first hero. A daughter's first love.
- **Far too many sons** know that it is much easier to become a father than to be a father.
- **Stepdads step up**, when bio-dads step down.
- **Your child** will follow your example, not your advice.
- **When you teach** your son, you teach your son's son.
- **By the time** a man realizes that his father was right, he likely has a son who thinks he is wrong.
- **It doesn't matter** who your father was, it matters who you remember he was.
- **It is not possible** for anyone to love a girl more than her father does.
- **What you teach** your children, you also teach to their children.
- **It is far easier** for a father to

have children than for children to have a father.

- **A daughter needs** a dad that will stand with her on the day she marries the man she hopes will be just like her father.
- **The reason a daughter** loves her dad so much is that she knows there is at least one man in the world who will never hurt her.

- **A real father** is a man who expects his son to aspire to be the man he meant to be.
- **I would love** for all daughters to be able to see themselves as their fathers see them. Only then would they understand how wonderfully special they are to him.
- **There is no need** in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection.
- **Often it is the** poorest man who leaves his children the richest inheritance.

Good fathers are the result of good fathering. Sons of good fathers become good fathers. Daughters of good fathers marry good fathers. Being a good dad is the ultimate legacy to pass on to your children.

Happy Father's Day.

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“The greatest gift a dad can give his daughter is to be the standard against which she judges all men the rest of her life.”

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TO THE PERSON in the Wednesday paper complaining about the do-gooders. Unfortunately, at that particular exit, there is no light and it is close to the light on Silver Lake Road. Sometimes it is very busy there and it is common courtesy to let some cars come in, but not all at once.

REEFER MADNESS HOLDING on for dear life, but it's too late to stop the healing of a nation.

WOULD ONE OF you wealthy business owners please open a Dairy Queen or frozen yogurt place in Fenton? 'Build it, and they will come.'

PLEASE ADVISE YOUR employees that Sixth Street is not a racetrack. Basic traffic laws and speed limits need to be obeyed, even if they are late for work.

WRONG AGAIN, NOT all Democrats support abortions just like not all Republicans support banning all abortions, like for rape and a mother's life being in jeopardy. Why use such a broad brush?

TRUMP'S ASTUTE BUSINESS sense is baloney. If it weren't for Obama's quantitative easing there would be no economy or country. Enjoy while you can.

A HOT-LINER INCORRECTLY said that Republicans unanimously voted for

NAFTA. False. Over 20 percent of Republicans voted no. Democrats provided 44 percent of the yes votes and it was signed into law by a Democrat, Bill Clinton. It was Globalists promoting Global Government, not conservatives, who passed NAFTA.

TELEMARKETING SHOULD BE illegal. It's the most annoying thing in the world and they're all just a bunch of rip-off scams. How do you make them go away?

I'M GLAD TO hear a White Castle is coming to Fenton. It's about time we got some good food.

THE PHILADELPHIA EAGLES didn't kneel for the national anthem, they were worse. Some of their players gave the Communist, clenched fist salute, which is totally against all Americans. This salute is the equivalent to the Nazi salute, which is also anti-American. Neither should not be tolerated by the NFL.

ONE THING I am certain of — I am not going to whimper, whine, and blame my kids' generation for all of society's ills when I am old. Baby Boomers truly have no shame. Pitiful.

I WAS BORN at the edge of the definition of a millennial. Back then, when the president spoke, we listened, regardless of our political affiliation. There was once a respect for the office that no longer exists. Both political parties are responsible for this broken bond. Divided we will fall.

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Compiled by Hannah Ball, staff reporter

What's your favorite book?



"'Eragon.' I really like fantasy series. It's not very often you get to imagine a dragon. Plus, it's just a good storyline."

Donovan Vickers
Fenton



"I like the cat 'Warrior' series. I love cats personally and it's just an adventure. I really like to keep reading it."

Lizzy Henderson
Fenton



"I like 'The Golem and the Jinni.' It takes place in the early 1900s. I think it's Helene Wecker. It's just a really good story."

Ashley Kipus
Fenton



"I like a lot of different stuff, I don't have a favorite. I just got 'The Encyclopedia of Dead Rock Stars.' I usually go to the library."

Nancy Parhat
Fenton Township



"The book I read most is the Bible. I also like Max Kato. He's a positive author. He's a Christian author."

Joe Sauve
Fenton

| streettalk

Here's how to make more money at your bank

■ Keep an eye on the fees charged and take advantage of promotional rates on savings, CDs

By Sally Rummel

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Going to the bank isn't as simple as just stopping at the nearest financial institution, opening an account and hoping for the best.

Today, if you want to make money at your bank or credit union, you need to keep an eye on banking/ATM fees and savings and rates on certificates of deposit (CDs).

Here are a few suggestions:

Avoid overdraft fees

Know what you've signed up for if you have "opted-in" for overdraft protection. If you don't maintain a large enough cushion in your bank account, you could face fees when allowing the bank to cover an overdraft when using your debit card to make a purchase. There might even be cumulative fees, adding up to hundreds of dollars.

In fact, the average overdraft/ATM fees cost a consumer about \$150 per year. Nationally, overdraft fees cost consumers an estimated \$14 billion a year, according to Bankrate.com.

To avoid such fees, you can opt-out of overdraft protection on debit card and ATM transactions. Your card would then be declined at the point of purchase if there isn't enough money in your account

to cover the transaction. You might want to consider using cash for those small purchases that really add up, like a coffee on the way to work or your daily lunch out.

ATM operator fees

You pay extra to withdraw cash from outside of your bank's ATM network. This can cost you about \$2.50 for each transaction, or up to \$5 if you're abroad. This is just the fee your bank might charge; the operator of the ATM might take its own cut, according to a story in USA Today.

Use rising interest rates to your advantage

With more volatility in the stock market, you can expect to see continued increases in CD yields and other promotional offers. In general, consumers should compare offers at online banks, community banks and credit unions.

The average yield on a one-year CD is .59 percent, up from .43 percent in January and .35 percent a year ago, according to Bankrate.com.

The average on a five-year CD is 1.23 percent, compared to 1.01 percent in January and .91 percent a year ago.

Look for free checking accounts

Your best bet for a free checking account, meaning there are no monthly service fees, regardless of one's balance, might be at a credit union. About 82 percent of the largest credit unions nationwide offer free checking accounts, compared to about 38 percent of banks, according to a survey by Bankrate.com.

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FIRE REPORTS

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Fenton Township fire responds to an injury crash at Torrey and Lahring roads at 10:02 a.m. One passenger sustained an injury to their head.

Fenton Township fire responds to the 8300 block of Hidden Hollow Drive in Livingston County for a medical call at 11:28 a.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 1100 block of Marian for a 59-year-old patient who is dizzy at 3:05 p.m.

Fenton Township fire responds to the rest area on U.S. 23 for a 48-year-old motorist having seizure at 7:12 p.m.

Fenton City fire responds to the 600 block of W. Shiawassee Avenue at 9:04 a.m. for a smoke investigation.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018

Fenton Township fire responds to the 13000 block of Lakeshore Drive to assist police with large tree in the road at 2:06 a.m.

Fenton City fire responds to the 900 block of Grant Street for a commercial fire alarm at 6:10 a.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 4200 block of Grange Hall Road for a 58-year-old male having difficulty breathing at 2:27 p.m.

Fenton City fire responds to the Silver Lake Hills apartments at 3:31 p.m. The

caller smelled smoke in the stairwell.

Fenton Township fire responds to the 4300 block of Island View Drive for a residential fire alarm at 4:05 p.m.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 15000 block of Burrows Drive at 4:39 p.m. for a 69-year-old having a stroke.

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018

Fenton City fire responds to a dumpster fire at LaFonda apartments in the 1000 block of North Road at 1:11 a.m.

Argentine Township fire responds to the 12000 block of Harrington Road at 5:29 a.m. for an 81-year-old with chest pain.

Fenton Township fire responds to the 2400 block of Golden Shores Drive for a possible structure fire at 3:37 p.m. Caller stated that a tractor blew up in the shed and caught the house on fire. Linden and Fenton cities responded with mutual aid.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 15000 block of N. Holly Road at 5:39 p.m. for a medical involving a 70-year-old male who had slipped and fallen on concrete.

Holly Village and **Groveland** fire respond to the 300 block of Crescent Street for a 45-year-old female needing medical attention at 6:39 p.m.

Fenton Township fire respond to the 13000 block of Ripley Road for a medical call involving a 66-year-old female having difficulty breathing at 7:06 p.m.



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Tyrone police and fire assessment to be renewed

■ Same services and annual fees paid since approved in 2010

By Vera Hogan

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Tyrone Township residents recently received a notice in the mail regarding a Police & Fire Protection Public Hearing to be held at 7 p.m. on June 19.

According to a notice on the Tyrone Township website, "We've received several calls regarding the notices of a public hearing for Police and Fire Protection that were recently mailed to residents. The legal notice doesn't quite explain that this is the same special assessment that residents have been paying on their tax bills for police and fire service since 2010. The current special assessment expires next year, so this begins the process to have it in place for another five years. This is not an additional assessment."

The annual price is not going up either. Since 2010, owners of vacant land have been paying \$75 per parcel. Residential property owners have been paying \$150 per year and commercial/business property owners pay \$250 per year.

The annual amounts will remain the same for the next assessment period being proposed another five years.

In 2010, some residents spoke in favor of the township having its own fire station. At the time, then-Clerk Keith

Kremer said to build a fire station in the township, it would double or triple what residents would pay.

The township contracts with the Livingston County Sheriff's Department and area fire departments. The city of Fenton Fire Department serves residents in Tyrone Township east of U.S. 23. The Fenton Township Fire Department serves Tyrone Township west of U.S. 23.

Although nothing about it has changed, "Legally, it is a new assessment because the old assessment will be expiring so this may cause some confusion for some," Supervisor Mike Cunningham said.

"In a nutshell it is nothing more than a continuation of the special assessment that has already been established," he said. "We are not creating anything in addition to what we already have. We are not creating any additional costs to our residents. Having a fire department on contract lowers the ISO (Insurance Service Office) ratings for our residents. If we did not have contracts in place we would have the worst ISO rating, which could make it difficult for some to get insurance and increase the costs of insurance several hundred dollars a year.

"Having a township dedicated police car helps to curtail crimes and lowers response times," Cunningham said. "It is a good value proposition when we speak in those terms."

In the last year, the city of Fenton responded to 151 calls to Tyrone Township. Hartland Township responded 97 times and Fenton Township, 71 times.



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The Michigan State Police used equipment such as riot shields, ghillie camouflage suits, rifles and an armored support vehicle during the event on Hickory Street, Tuesday, June 12.

STANDOFF

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After learning that the woman was now at the police station with one child, officers returned to the police station. After further questioning of the woman, police learned that the second child was at school. They also determined that a felony had been committed. At this point, police returned to the home to apprehend and arrest the man.

As police approached the front porch of the house, they heard a single gunshot. Slater said police believed the man was alone in the house. After hearing the gunshot, police pulled back and called Michigan State Police (MSP) for backup.

MSP breached the front door and windows. Rounds of rubber ammunition were fired at the windows in order for police to toss in a robot, which is used to ascertain where the suspect was in the house. Slater said after the initial gunshot at 8:49 a.m., no other gunshots were fired except for the rubber rounds to break the windows.

Police obtained an arrest warrant for the man as well as search warrant to enter his home.

The man was later found dead in his basement.

Prior to learning of the man's death, police made numerous attempts to talk the man into exiting his home and to surrendering.

FREDERIK MEIJER

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The unsettling "Introspective" by Sophie Ryder is set in a semi-hidden area of tall grasses. Four humanoid jackrabbits display different postures for mourning.

While there are serious pieces like these, there are also frogs, children, and friendly dragons.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■■ **MOVIES I LIKE** are based on true stories like 'The Post' and 'All The President's Men,' where Hollywood must stick with the narrative and can be watched more than once. Good movies are rare.

■■■■ **IF YOU WOULD** not allow your daughter to hitchhike, why would you allow her to call an Uber driver?

■■■■ **THIS SHOULD BE** renamed from the Hot lines to the Hate lines. From, concerned Fentonian.

■■■■ **EVERYONE REJOICE! WE** have finally gotten a winner in Washington, DC. Way to go Washington Capitals.

■■■■ **GUNS DO NOT** kill people, criminals kill people. My weapons have never shot anyone and they are locked up. There are already laws against murdering anyone. Criminals don't care.

■■■■ **IF YOU WANT** to see a really good movie without any foul language in it, see 'I Can Only Imagine.'

■■■■ **DOES ANYONE THINK** that Colin Kaepernick is anything other than a poor to mediocre quarterback?

■■■■ **WHY DOESN'T 'THE King'** use his real name?

■■■■ **LAKE FENTON FOOTBALL** — It would be a good time for change.

■■■■ **TO THE TWO** small business owners, one who would not let my 10-year-old daughter use the bathroom and the other who reacted inappropriately to my daughter touching the wind chimes in the store. We will no longer visit your stores. If you don't want to hear wind chimes, don't sell them in your store.

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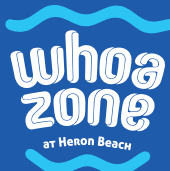
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Ask the judge

The Emoluments Clause

When President Trump was elected, the fact that he had a number of business interests, both foreign and domestic, was already being widely discussed and publicized as possibly creating conflicts of interest.

As it turned out when he took office, he did not completely divest himself of his ownership of the Trump Organization and instead transferred his ownership to a revocable trust with one of his sons and a Trump Organization executive as trustees.

Reportedly, he is allowed to receive money from the trust at any time upon request.

One of the cited possible conflicts of interest involves part of Article I, Section 9 of the United States Constitution, which is referred to as the "Emoluments Clause."

This Clause prohibits any "Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under (the United States) from accepting any presents, Emolument, Office, or Title of any kind whatever from any King, Prince or foreign state" without Congressional approval.

An emolument is defined as a salary, fee, or profit from employment or office.

An unanswered question here is does the fact that the Trump Organization conducts business with foreign states result in the President being in violation of the Clause?

This very question and others are the subject of three separate lawsuits which have been filed against him with any violations being denied.

Our founding fathers included the Emoluments Clause for a number of reasons including preventing foreign countries from actively trying to influence the affairs of our new country.

For example when the Constitution was drafted, gift giving to obtain favor was a common practice in European countries.

To underscore this concern, in 1810 Congress passed a proposed 13th Amendment to the Constitution, which would make a violation of the Clause result in the loss of a person's citizenship. It was never enacted as not enough states voted to approve it.

Other lawsuit questions are whether the Office of the President is even subject to the Clause, and did the plaintiffs have the right to bring the lawsuits in the first place?

There is scant case law on the Clause and the United States Supreme Court has never specifically interpreted its meaning. The lawsuits may provide the Court with this opportunity. We'll have to wait and see.

Are you sitting on a gold mine?

■ First editions of classic, well-loved books can bring big cash

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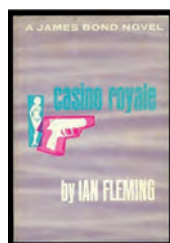
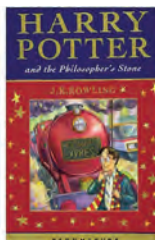
There are two kinds of people in this world — those who love books and can't get enough even though their bookshelves and boxes in their basements and attics are filled with them. Or those who don't care and can't wait to unload the books they've somehow accumulated over the years.

Either way, some of those books that have been sitting on a shelf somewhere forever may be quite valuable.

Here are just a few of them:

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone By J.K. Rowling

British publishers Bloomsbury released the first book in the Harry Potter series in June 1997. Only 500 copies were printed during its initial run, with 300 of those going to libraries and schools across the United Kingdom. The first edition of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* is the only book in the series that credits Joanne Rowling as its author (J.K. Rowling's birth name before she took a pen name) and a print line number that reads, "10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1." The American edition released in 1998 removed the "Joanne Rowling" author credit and also changed its title to *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. First editions of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* can fetch about \$40,000 to \$55,000 at auction, depending on its condition.



Casino Royale By Ian Fleming

Author Ian Fleming released *Casino Royale*, the first novel in what would be the James Bond book series in April 1953. The title's initial run was a big success with British publishers Jonathan Cape printing more than 4,700 copies. *Casino Royale* sold out in a matter of a few months, as the demand for more adventures with James Bond grew in the United Kingdom. *Casino Royale* became a rare first edition due to its dust jacket, which is nearly impossible to keep in near mint condition. A copy in good condition can get more than \$40,000, while pristine copies can garner \$130,000.

The Canterbury Tales By Geoffrey Chaucer

In 1998, a first edition of Geoffrey Chaucer's *The Canterbury Tales* sold at auction at Christie's in London. A billionaire philanthropist named Sir Paul Getty bought the English masterpiece for £4.6 million (about \$11.2 million today). Earl Fitzwilliam of the County of Tyrone first acquired the copy that was auctioned off at a sale of John Radcliffe's library at Christie's in 1776. He originally paid £6 million (about \$7.75 million today) for the first edition. Book



printer William Caxton made the first edition of *The Canterbury Tales* in 1477. There are only 12 copies still in existence.

The Hobbit

By J.R.R. Tolkien

Before J.R.R. Tolkien released his epic trilogy *The Lord of the Rings*, he wrote a smaller fantasy novel for children called *The Hobbit* in 1937. It would be the precursor and blueprint for what would later become the trilogy — with its first installment, *The Fellowship of the Ring*, released 17 years later in 1954. The London publishers of *The Hobbit*, George Allen & Unwin Ltd., printed only 1,500 copies for its initial run. The children's book quickly sold out three months after its release. However, newer editions would also be rare to come across at the time, due to a paper shortage caused by rationing during World War II. Since it's so limited, a first edition copy in near-perfect condition runs about \$65,000.

The Great Gatsby

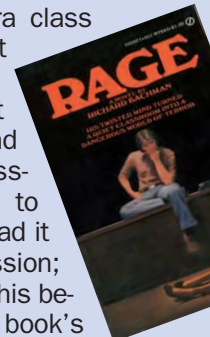
By F. Scott Fitzgerald

The first edition of F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* with the original dust jacket is a rare book to track down. It wasn't a best-seller

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Rare, out-of-print books people may find on their shelves, at thrift stores and garage sales

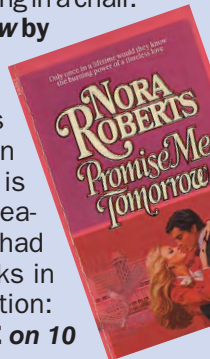
Rage by Stephen King (Richard Bachman): *Rage* was written while King was in his late teens and concerned a high school student who kills his teacher and takes his algebra class hostage. By 1997, at least three adolescents who had brought weapons to school and killed or injured classmates had admitted to reading the book or had it found in their possession; one said he modeled his behavior directly after the book's lead character. A distraught King convinced his publisher that the book was a "possible accelerant" and had no place on shelves. They complied; King has said that "I pulled it because in my judgment it might be hurting people, and that made it the responsible thing to do." Today, the book is selling for about \$600. There is another book jacket, yellow with a teen boy sitting in a chair.



Promise Me Tomorrow by

Nora Roberts: While Roberts might not be as celebrated as King, her success in the romance genre is impressive by any measure. As of 2011, she had over 400 million books in print. The lone exception:

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\$1.2 million N. Bridge Street project underway



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | TIM JAGIELO

The N. Bridge Street reconstruction project in Linden is three weeks ahead of schedule, said City Manager Paul Zelenak. The project includes a new curb and gutter installations, a new bike lane, a new water main, hydrants and a repaired storm sewer system.

HAIR

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Hair, after all, was the first rock musical to make a play for mainstream success on the Broadway. But the novelty of the show didn't stop with its music or references to sex and drugs. *Hair* also featured a much-talked-about scene at the end of its first act in which the cast appeared completely nude on the dimly lit stage.

It turned out that these potentially shocking breaks from Broadway tradition didn't turn off Broadway audiences at all. *Hair* quickly became not just a smash-hit show, but a genuine cultural phenomenon that spawned a million-selling original cast recording and a No. 1 song on the pop charts for the Fifth Dimension.

Forty years after its initial downtown opening, Charles Isherwood, writing for the *New York Times*, placed *Hair* in its proper historical context: "For darker, knottier and more richly textured sonic experiences of the times, you turn to the Doors or Bob Dylan or Joni Mitchell or Jimi Hendrix or Janis Joplin. Or all of them. For an escapist dose of the sweet sound of youth brimming with hope that the world is going to change tomorrow, you listen to *Hair* and let the sunshine in."

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of

Hair, which opened on Broadway in 1968, a new production of *The American Tribal Love Rock Musical* launched a national tour in April 2018.

Produced by Michael Butler, who also produced the 1968 and 1977 Broadway productions of *Hair*, performances are scheduled through June 30 at the newly renovated Palace Theatre at 630 South Broadway in downtown Los Angeles. Michael Arabian directs the new production.

Hair will have a new, revised book written by the original writer-lyricist James Rado, who has survived his co-writer-collaborator, the late Jerome Ragni. Galt MacDermot wrote the music.

The tour will then continue to the Laguna Playhouse, running Aug. 8–Sept. 2. Additional dates have yet to be announced.

In a statement Butler said, "*Hair* was the *Oklahoma!* of its time. It was as though all of Broadway stopped in its tracks as we were able to define relevancy, not just for a theatre audience, but for an entire generation. Everyone had to see it — more as an experience than a show — and the numbers of productions we oversaw really couldn't satisfy the demand at its height. And in the waning days of when popular music looked to Broadway for hits, it felt like the radio was stocked with our songs."

This production will be as much a movement for social awareness, as it is a musical event. The show will have a new staging, using period TV broadcasts and images from the '60s combined with the state-of-the-art projection technology of today.

Songs in *Hair* include "Aquarius," "Donna," "Hashish," "Sodomy," "Colored Spade," "Manchester, England," "I'm Black," "Ain't Got No," "I Believe in Love," "Air," "I Got Life," "Hair," "Easy to Be Hard," "Frank Mills," "Hare Krishna," "Where Do I Go," "Electric Blues," "Black Boys," "White Boys," "Walking in Space," "What a Piece of Work Is Man," "How Dare They Try," "Good Morning Starshine," "The Flesh Fails," and "Let the Sun Shine In."

Producer Butler and documentary filmmaker Richard Marsall are also assembling a new film about *Hair* that reflects today's tipping points in the youth social movement while celebrating *Hair*'s music, energy, influence and infinite cultural relevance. The documentary will include behind-the-scenes casting, rehearsals, and footage from the upcoming production.

Source: history.gov; playbill.com

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Sources: Freep.com, USA Today, Bankrate.com



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | HANNAH BALL

Annie VanLeuven of Burton, who turned 100 on June 8, sits in a golf cart modeled after a 1937 T-bird, owned by Christopher White, owner of Fenton Farms Golf Club.

Fenton golfer turns 100 Swingless golf club helps her drive ball 200 yards

By Hannah Ball
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Fenton Twp. — Annie VanLeuven, who turned 100 on Friday, June 8, celebrated her birthday the day before at Fenton Farms Golf Club.

The Burton resident golfed nine holes during the Thursday Ladies Day League, and didn't have to worry too much about driving the ball because of her new device — a swingless golf club.

"You have to have a power strip to put into it, and then you shoot it, but you have to aim it right, too," she said. "I'm having a little trouble with that now."

The power strip will move the ball anywhere from 75 to 200 yards, depending on the settings. Once the settings are correct, you place the ball by the club and press the button.

"A rod comes out and hits the ball," she said.

VanLeuven bought the club in April after seeing it on Facebook. It was costly at \$995. Users also have to buy the power strips. Once she gets the ball onto the green, she can chip and putt just fine. Thursday was the fourth time she's used it. She plays with her stepdaughter and granddaughter.

Owner of the club, Christopher White, let them use his own special golf cart, which is a replica of a 1937 T-bird. VanLeuven said it looked like the car from "Flintstones."

She won't play against anyone with the club, she said, because it's not fair.



TRI-COUNTY TIMES | HANNAH BALL

This swingless golf club belongs to 100-year-old golfer Annie VanLeuven. She loads power strips into the club, which can drive the ball up to 200 yards.

"I can still play regular golf. I was hitting the ball better this year than last year. I'm stronger," she said.

VanLeuven is still driving, as well. At her party this year, she said, "The kids had me lease a car two years ago. They didn't think I'd need to use it for three years. So what happens? April came and my lease went out so I had to lease another car for another two years. I'm still driving."

Last year at her 99th birthday party at Fenton Farms, she said, "I've made a lot of friends over the years. I'm with younger people. Maybe that's why I'm living longer. I don't know anybody my age. I have to be around younger people. I think that makes a lot of difference."

“I can still play regular golf.”
Annie VanLeuven
Fenton golfer

HOT LINE CONTINUED

WHO WAS THE greatest leader in the United States? Most would say Abraham Lincoln but it took him five tries before he found Ulysses S. Grant. George McClellan: (1861-1862); Ambrose Burnside (1862-1863); Joseph Hooker (1863); George Meade (1863-1864);

TO THE LADY that gave the two young men water the other day in front of VG's

while they were doing a fundraiser, thank you for showing some class. So many people walked past them and did not acknowledge they were even there and you went out of your way to be nice. Thank you.

COMPLAINING ABOUT THE casing on your hot dog — #firstworldproblems.

JUST HAVE TO wonder why Trump wants Russia back in the G7 group.

TENT

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The decision went to the council for a vote, but was tabled pending an opinion from the council's lawyer.

The councilors discussed if the changes would apply retroactively.

"If it is an existing structure, it would be a legal nonconforming status. So someone could have one of these structures in their yard right now but because temporary structures were not included in that section of the ordinance before, they are allowed to keep it up," said Paul Zelenak, city manager.

He further explained that because the ordinance did not specifically exempt that particular structure in that location before this ordinance change, the tents would be allowed with existing nonconforming status.

Councilor David Franz said, "My understanding was that anything that's there now, we didn't have any control over at one time but now with this new ordinance we would have control over it."

Franz asked Zelenak to contact the city of Fenton and look at the differences between the ordinances.

Councilor Ray Culbert said, "These

have never, I don't think, legally been approved. They never complied with the ordinance ... we've allowed structures but they have to be in the rear yard."

He said all the change does is subject these tents to the same rules as a wooden building, or another permanent accessory structure, which aren't allowed in front yards.

"The question is, in my mind, were those ever approved? To my knowledge they were not. If they were approved that would be a different matter," he said.

An accessory structure requires a permit, he said, and the residents have never received a permit for these structures.

Zelenak said he will have their attorney render an opinion on the matter.

Councilor Brenda Simons said, "I don't think it's fair to make people change what they've already got. Going forward, I totally agree, these things should be in a back-

yard. They're an eyesore."

She said two people complained about the tents in front yards.

The councilors voted to table the discussion until the next meeting on Monday, June 25.

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Paul Zelenak
Linden city manager

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

THIS IS IN response to the King who suggested students sit in the front row. I like that. In high school, I had a hard time with my geometry teacher who had a monotone voice. I asked him, please set me right in front.

■■■
IF THE U.S. economy would expand by just 20 percent, one fifth of what China does every year, our economy would be the strongest in over 40 years.

■■■
AM I THE only one that gets at least 10 calls from telemarketers a day? You won't even answer your phone if it's a number you don't recognize when it could be important. This should be illegal. How do they get your cellphone number? Are cell phone companies selling your numbers to them?

■■■
IT WAS RIGHT to fire Roseanne Barr from her show for what she said. But to be fair, the entire cast of *The View* should be fired as well as Jimmy Kimmel, Keith Olbermann on ESPN and Bill Maher on HBO for their abhorrent and repugnant statements on television. Disney and ABC should do the right thing and start firing some of these people.

BICYCLIST

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Michigan bicyclist deaths increased 15 percent in 2016, according to the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning. In 2014, there were 21 fatalities, which rose to 33 in 2015 and to 38 in 2016.

The bill, also called the Safe Passing Bill, states, "If it is impracticable to pass the bicycle at a distance of 3 feet to the left, at a safe distance to the left of that bicycle at a safe speed, and when safely clear of the overtaken bicycle shall take up a position as near the right-hand edge of the main traveled portion of the highway as it practicable."

The bill also allows drivers to cross the centerline of the road to comply with the rule, even if it's a no-passing zone.

Hughes said 39 other states have some type of law about motorists passing cyclists with a distance identified.

"It's basically for the safety of the kids and families, the general bike riders, to have some kind of distance named so

people pay attention to people on bikes," Hughes said.

Representatives Joe Graves (R-Dist. 51) and Hank Vaupel (R-Dist. 47) voted in favor of the bill. HB 4265 is currently in the Committee on Judiciary.

Another bill, House Bill 4198, would require that driving instructors teach laws about awareness of bicycles, motorcyclists, and other vulnerable roadway users. This bill passed in the House 106-2 and was sent to the Committee on Judiciary.

Victor Lukasavitz, who proposed the LAFF non-motorized pathway for Linden, Argentine, Fenton and Fenton Township, is also an avid cyclist. He said the bills are a good idea.

"You need to give anyone in the right-of-way space," he said, adding that even though the federal highway manual says to design roads for all uses, even bicycles, not all roads are designed properly.

"I think the next best step is to require a space allowance," he said. He also supports HB 4198 that would provide

“It's basically for the safety of the kids and families, the general bike riders...”

Holly Hughes
Michigan representative
(R-Dist. 91)

more education on the subject to youth in drivers training.

Lukasavitz rides his bike regularly, but has trouble finding a safe road to ride in southern Genesee County.

"That's why we proposed the LAFF trail," he said.

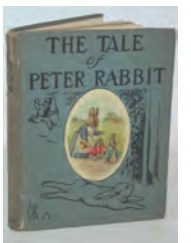
GOLD MINE
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when it was released in 1925 with only about 25,000 copies sold by the time of the author's death in 1940. However, a first edition with the dust jacket can get up to \$194,000. If you have a first edition, look for a typo on the back of the dust jacket: "jay Gatsby" with a lowercase "j." This spelling error was corrected by hand with ink or a stamp.

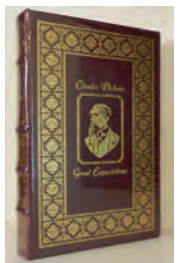
The Tale of Peter Rabbit
By Beatrix Potter

Before the first edition of *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* was released, its author Beatrix Potter commissioned a private publishing of the now iconic children's book a year earlier in 1901.

Only 250 copies were printed for friends and family, as one of these rare copies sold at auction for £43,400 (about \$56,124) in 2016.

**Great Expectations**
By Charles Dickens

British publishing house Chapman & Hall released the first edition of *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens, who was a master at procrastinating, in three volumes throughout 1861. While a complete set in pristine condition is hard to come by, a first edition set from its initial run sold at auction for \$137,500 at Sotheby's in 2008. *Great Expectations* is so popular that the desk Charles Dickens wrote the novel sold at auction for \$850,000 at Christie's auction house in the same year.



Source: www.rd.com

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Promise Me Tomorrow, a title she wrote early on in her career. Though Roberts had already finished well over 20 books by the time *Promise Me Tomorrow* was released, it doesn't appear she's eager for people to revisit it. In 2009, Roberts told *The New Yorker* that it was full of clichés and committed the most egregious of romance-novel sins: an unhappy ending. Today the book is selling for anywhere from \$85 to \$400.

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Lake Fenton's Lau headed to Saginaw Valley State

By David Troppens
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Kalaini Lau's powerful bat and quality glove at third base has terrorized many of Lake Fenton's varsity softball opponents over the last four seasons.

Now the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) will have to try to find a way to limit her great softball talents.

That's because the Lake Fenton graduate is going to Saginaw Valley State University to play college softball.

"It means a lot to me," Lau said. "It means all of my hard work has definitely paid off. I'm ready for it."

Lau has been one of the Blue Devils' top players ever since joining the varsity program as

a freshman. This season she batted .446, hit six home runs, drove in 29 runs and scored 52 runs. She actually scored more runs than she had hits (43). She also walked 11 times and stole 15 bases. She had at least one hit in all but five games this spring for the Blue Devils.

She had other school options but the Division 2 Cardinals won out. Others in the running were Illinois and Iowa.

See LAU on 13

David's Dabblings

Some thoughts about sports and others not dealing with sports at all



SPENCER HAS BECOME MY 'FAVORITE' PRO ATHLETE

- I was never a huge boxing fan.
- I grew up in the suburbia
- Detroit area, so, of course, I
- followed Tommy "The Hitman"
- Hearns growing up, and his
- classic bouts with Marvin Hagler
- and Sugar Ray Leonard. Any
- of Hearns' bouts during that
- era were hyped pretty well, so I
- naturally started pulling for him.
- In later years, I got caught up
- in the Mike Tyson's early career
- dominance and even in George
- Foreman's late-career success-
- es. However, even as I followed
- these guys, I never really felt like
- I was passionately supporting a
- professional boxer.
- That has changed during the
- last year. And the reason for the
- change is a Linden 18-year-old
- named Joey Spencer.
- Spencer competed in his third
- professional bout on Sunday —
- second on television — earning
- a first-round knock out against
- Thomas Howard. It is his third
- knock out in three fights and
- second in the first round.
- Spencer is different than any
- other boxer I've ever followed for
- one reason — I personally know
- him, and have known him since
- he became a teenager. His fam-
- ily alerted me about Spencer's
- and his brother Mickel's boxing
- talents years ago. When I first
- met the brothers, I didn't really
- know how talented they were.
- They would alert me occasion-
- ally of their amateur successes
- and I'd come over to their home
- and do a story about it.
- A couple of times I'd watch
- them train and they looked im-
- pressive, but I never saw either
- brother actually box.
- Well, over the last six months,
- the entire tri-county area has
- been able to see how talented
- Joey is. Despite being only
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Lake Fenton's
Kalani Lau

Sports Times

Spencer makes it three straight KO's

■Linden native posts second straight first round knock out on FS1

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During his weigh in for his third professional boxing match of his career, Linden native Joey Spencer, 18, said on his twitter account "all the suffering is done, now someone's gotta pay."

The person that ended up getting punished was Spencer's opponent, Thomas Howard.

Howard managed to deal with Spencer for about 90 seconds before the tri-county's most popular super welter-weight professional boxer began his pummeling. Spencer recorded two knock outs in the final 80 seconds, resulting in a first-round knockout of Howard during a live televised bout on Fox Sports 1 Sunday night at the Pioneer Event Center in Lancaster, California.

"I haven't got a chance to watch the whole thing yet, but it was a good experience," Spencer said Monday. "This guy had a lot more (professional) fights than me. That was his 15th fight and he's been in with some good guys. I knew

he's been a tough competitor for them and was able to absorb some of their punishment. I wanted to see how my power compared to the other guy's he's (faced)."

Spencer is right. Howard (8-8) enjoyed an experience advantage (50 professional rounds versus Spencer's three) and a size advantage (5-foot-11 to Spencer's 5-foot-9 frame), but it became apparent that Howard wasn't in the class of Spencer pretty early in the first round. Spencer's first knock out came after a left-hook, right-jab with about 1:20 left in the opening round. Howard went to the canvas and made it up before the end of the 10-count. However, it was apparent he was still hurt.

Spencer continued to attack the body with some shots to the head patiently until earning his second knock out right before the end of the first period, ending the bout. He got the stoppage with back-to-back rights to Howard's head with about 12 seconds left. The fight was

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Linden native Joey Spencer won his third professional boxing bout on Sunday, defeating Thomas Howard by knockout in the first round. Spencer's next bout has yet to be scheduled.



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One of the La Forza soccer clubs celebrate a trophy they earned during the previous season. La Forza turns 25 this season. The program has 35 teams and 400 players. Tryouts are on Saturday at Lake Fenton High School.

Family oriented La Forza turns 25 this season

By David Troppens
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In today's prep sports world, many teams like to emphasize family.

This is nothing new for La Forza. The La Forza soccer program based in Fenton has been family to the tri-county area soccer palyers for 25 years.

Tryouts for the program's 25th season start Saturday at Lake Fenton High School for the U8 to U19 soccer team for both genders and multiple levels of play.

"La Forza is a true community club," club director Mike Gilm-

our said. "Many of our teams stick together for many years and form life-long friendships. We have over a 90 percent retention rate of players from year-to-year, proving we have an educational, reasonably-priced and fun program for our players. Our club has steadily grown to over 400 soccer players. We are dedicated to promoting fitness, fair play, team work and sportsmanship within our local community."

For those who are familiar with the area soccer scene, it's easy to see how that family feel expands to the coaching staffs. Each area

high school is represented by the La Forza staff. Seath McVey is part of the Fenton program while Jolie Gregory is the current Holly High School girls varsity coach. Stan James represents Linden High School and Spencer Quick is the current varsity girls coach at Lake Fenton High School. Finally, Powers varsity girls head coach Art Moody also coaches within the program.

"Our club is comprised of international and local former college players that hold several different coaching licenses," Gilmour said.

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SPENCER

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called at that moment.

"I flipped his jab consistently and hit him with two right hands," Spencer said. "The second one was right behind the ear and that's a debilitating shot. He was unable to recover."

After the fight, Spencer had his first-ever on-the-air interview. Spencer credited his father and coach, Jason Spencer, for his patience while waiting for the second knock out.

"I got all of that from my father," Spencer said during his interview on Fox Sports 1 just minutes after his victory. "We've been talking boxing ever since I was a little kid, so thanks to him, and that's where I got that experience."

Spencer was pretty pumped about the interview.

"That was my first time doing a TV interview," Spencer said. "It was a really cool situation that you dream about when you're little — being interviewed on the ring on live TV."

Spencer recalled the first knockout.

"I feint (boxing terms for faking) hook and hit him with my right hand," Spencer said. "He was so busy defending my left hand, he may have not been ready for it. He may have noticed (my left) in my past fights. He defended the left hook, but not the right hand."



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Joey Spencer has his arm lifted after winning his third professional boxing match of his career, defeating Tom Howard by knock out in the first round.

Howard was more of a challenging boxer than the previous two fights. While he was only 8-7 entering the bout, Howard had faced some strong boxers in his past.

"He fought (ex North American Boxing Federation champion) Jason Quigley and he went five rounds with him and never went down," Spencer said. "His corner stopped the fight after five rounds, but he never went down."

The win raises Spencer's record to 3-0 and gives him back-to-back first-round knock

outs on bouts televised on Fox Sports 1.

He began his professional career on February 17 with a second-round knockout of Uriel Gonzalez. He followed that win with a knockout of Ousmane Sylla in less than a minute on April 13. This bout will no doubt continue Spencer on his quick rise among young prospects in the welterweight division.

He earned many accolades from the Fox Sports 1 announcing crew during the fight.

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A La Forza team celebrates under a rainbow during a recent event. La Forza celebrates its 25th anniversary during the 2018-19 season.

LA FORZA

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The program has steadily grown since Gilmour joined the program in 2005. At that time the club had two teams and 16 players. Now it has 35 teams and 400 players. The program also includes 60 players (ages 3 to 9) in the Youth Academy program.

"Soccer is my passion and I love my job," Gilmour said. "I get to play and teach the game of soccer every day to kids that also share a love of the game. Our goal as a club is to continually improve our program such as facilities, competitiveness of our teams and our coaching curriculum."

The typical travel season involves a schedule of eight to 10 games in the fall and spring and a winter league

at indoor facilities. Teams also play a fall and a spring tournament. All players starting in 2018 will have a pre-season training camp in July as well. Teams practice year-round from August through June. They usually meet three times a week in the fall and spring and twice a week during winter months.

Tryouts start at 8 a.m. and continue through the 3:30 p.m. on Saturday. Different age groups and genders try out for 90-minute periods at different times of the day. Tryouts continue on Sunday with hour sessions with some starting at 9 a.m. and others starting at 10 a.m. Check laforza.com for more specific times when each group begins.

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"I decided on Saginaw Valley because I could be closer to home," Lau said.

Lau played her travel softball with Finesee Fastpitch. Every single player on her roster has committed to a college to play softball.

"The level I play at right now for travel helps you get ready for the next level up," Lau said. "I couldn't tell you how excited I am. I'm excited for the next level and am excited to see what

it has in store for me."

Saginaw Valley finished third in the GLIAC with a 16-14 record. They finished 29-27 overall, earning a spot in the NCAA Midwest Regional.

They lost two games to 19th-ranked Illinois-Springfield, resulting in them being eliminated from the regional event.

The Cardinals are one of the most respected squads in the GLIAC, finishing third in three of the last four seasons.

ATHLETE

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18 years old, he's now 3-0 as a professional boxer, and has collected two first-round knockouts in his last two bouts on national cable television. And while watching these matches, it's super easy to get emotionally involved. Here's that kid I saw hitting a punching bag in his own basement about six years ago while I tried to take photos for a story. And now, he's one of boxing's most promising professional prospects regardless of division. Gosh, if this wasn't fun to experience, then I probably should change professions.

And now I clearly do have a favorite boxer. I haven't had a 'favorite' professional athlete since I was in my teens when I considered Lance Parrish my

favorite baseball player and Tom Watson my favorite golfer. As much as I enjoyed Barry Sanders growing up, I never considered him a 'favorite athlete.' However, now, I'm 49 and the athlete I'm most excited about watching is a Linden teen. He is quickly becoming my 'favorite athlete.' And I get the feeling I may feel similar sensations when Joey's younger brother Mickel (about four years younger than Joey) nears his 18th birthday.

Thanks Joey for making boxing exciting for me. Thanks for making me feel like I did when I watched sports when I was 12 years-old again. And I'm sure, there are thousands in the tri-county area just as excited as we watch you advance your career.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Linden High School Media Center, 7201 W. Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan, the Board of Education of Linden Community Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2018-2019 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2018-2019 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2018-2019 budget including the proposed property tax millage rate is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Linden Community Schools Administration Building, 7205 W. Silver Lake Road, Linden, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Steve Losey, Secretary

Horoscopes

For the week of
June 11, 2018

ARIES

Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, this week seems like a race, but you may be losing steam. With a lot of distance still left to cover, it's time to conserve your energy and find some assistance.

TAURUS

Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, your imagination is very active lately, so much so that it may make it difficult to concentrate on anything else. Make an effort to get work done in spite of the distractions.

GEMINI

May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, others may misinterpret your enthusiasm for a carefree nature. However, you are actually busy getting the job done even if you're having some fun doing it.

CANCER

Jun 22/Jul 22

It's possible you may misread someone's intentions, and it could get you in a bit of hot water, Cancer. Don't make any assumptions and apologize if you make mistakes.

LEO

Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, if your energy levels are waning, find a way to put some hop in your step. Take a break from work if necessary. This is a great way to recharge.

VIRGO

Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, you haven't yet found your groove at work, but don't get discouraged because it will happen. Pay attention to others around you and how they act.

LIBRA

Sept 23/Oct 23

Even if others think you are ambivalent, you possess a clear picture of what you want and where you are heading, Libra. Don't let others' misconceptions sway you.

SCORPIO

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, if left to your own devices, you can get your work done quickly. But overcoming distractions may be difficult in the days ahead. Do your best to stay the course.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, if you are feeling high strung or nervous, you may just need to take a little time away from a situation to reorient yourself. Come back with a fresh perspective.

CAPRICORN

Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, don't put others off by being too serious. Learn how to let loose a little bit this week and your friends will flock to you in no time at all.

AQUARIUS

Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, you're normally a people person, but every once in a while you enjoy solitary time to think and avoid crowds. This could be the week for that.

PISCES

Feb 19/Mar 20

Everything seems to be unfolding on schedule, Pisces. This is advantageous because you don't have to put in extra effort or sweat the details.

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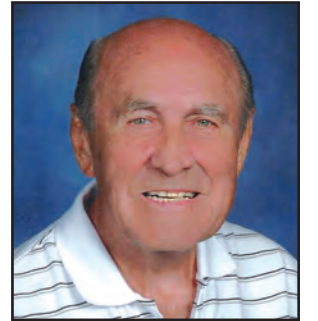
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James "Jim" Lawrence Byrne 1936-2018

James "Jim" Lawrence Byrne - age 81, of Howell, joined his loving wife, Rayola in Heaven on Monday, June 11, 2018. He retired as an Executive Engineer from General Motors after 40 plus years of service at the Milford Proving Grounds and Warren Tech Center. Jim spent his younger years on Long Lake in Union Lake, MI, and as an adult he maintained his love of the water. He spent many summers at his home away from home on Bass Lake in Pentwater, MI with Rayola, their family, and their dogs. He and Rayola attended the Church of Christ in Brighton and Ludington. Jim is survived and loved well by his children, Lorianne (Steve) Gallagher, Margie (John) Doherty, Karen Byrne, Kari Fedewa (Ayoub Bouchkouj) and Steve (Taylor) Fedewa; grandchildren, Chris, James, Alison (Chad), Adam, Noah, and Scarlett; great-grandchildren, Norah and Briggs; many nieces, nephews and their families; sisters, Barbara Wilson of Florida, Patricia (Tom) Vander Velde of Waterford, and the loving and caring staff at Vicinia Gardens and The Medical Team's Hospice Care group. He joins his parents; sister, Carol and beloved wife, Rayola for a great heavenly reunion. A service to celebrate his life will be held Saturday, June 16, 2018 at 10 AM immediately followed by coffee, pastries, and conversation at Church on the Street, 15113 Seymour Rd., Linden, MI 48451. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association at www.lbda.org/donate. Share memories at www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.

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Lloyd Lawrence Flewelling 1930-2018

Lloyd Lawrence Flewelling - age 88, of Linden, died June 11, 2018. Funeral service will be held 11 AM Thursday, June 14, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Rev. Dean Dumbtrille officiating. Interment will follow at New Calvary Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be held 4-8 PM Wednesday, June 13, 2018 and 10-11 AM Thursday at the funeral home. Lloyd was born May 21, 1930 in Flint, the son of Donald and Norma (Hall) Flewelling and was a 1948 graduate of Flint Northern High School. Lloyd retired from General Motors after 26 years of service and owned many different businesses in the Flint area for more than 35 years. He married Dorothy (Dunk) Dolliver on August 16, 2006. Lloyd was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Fenton. He loved painting and had painted most of his family's homes throughout the years. Surviving are: ten children, Carol "Susie" (Greg) Middleton of Durand, Kathryn Isham of Flint, Denise (Mark) Cavin of Flint, Pam (Chuck) Russell of Flint, Nicolette (James) Holman of Macomb, Bill (Debbie) Dolliver of Linden, Charles (Vicky) Dolliver of Linden, David (Cindy) Dolliver, Ann (Mike) Dimmer of Calumet, and Debbie (Brent) LaVanway of Fenton; daughter-in-law, Jean Flewelling of Flint; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by: his first wife, Veronica B. Flewelling; five children, Larry Flewelling, Jim Flewelling, Chande Crawley, Sharon Cowell, and Sandra Bucknam. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.

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TINYU

DONTER

NURREN

Print your answer here: " - "

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Midweek Crossword

ACROSS

1 Hamstrings

6 Poorly lit

9 Moreover

12 Take as one's own

13 Elizabethan, e.g.

14 Luau side dish

15 Suitor

16 Sponge

18 Logic

20 Clue

21 Sapporo sash

23 Drench

24 Papa

25 File's partner

27 Women's home, said John Gray

29 Power source

31 "The — Cometh"

35 Because

37 Portrayal

38 Pop

41 Expert

43 Feedbag tidbit

44 Reed instrument

45 Askew

47 In a temperamental way

49 Archipelago

52 Emeril's interjection

53 Lennon's lady

54 African capital city

55 Pigpen

56 A Bobbsey twin

57 Private student

11 Filthy

17 Second drink?

19 Lucky roll

21 Raw rock

22 Prohibit

24 French noble title

26 Showed affection

28 Sis' kid

30 Little louse

32 Having a romantic glow, maybe

33 Carte lead-in

34 Profit

36 Big gorge

38 Gets zero stars

39 WWII vessel

40 Spacious

42 Oust

45 Radius neighbor

46 Birthright barterer

48 Charged bit

50 Before

51 Pirouette pivot

DOWN

1 Legislation

2 Commotion

3 Dock doings

4 Duel tool

5 First Little Pig's material

6 Remove a stripe

7 Press

8 Chinese chairman

9 Garden pest

10 Incessantly

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