

'No contest' plea in crash that killed five people

■ Two others injured in drunk driving crash

By Vera Hogan

Matthew Jordan Carrier, 22, of

Fenton appeared in a Livingston County courtroom Friday, Aug. 24, where he entered "no contest" to 19 counts, including five counts each of second-degree murder and operating

a vehicle while intoxicated causing death.

Carrier was charged after a traffic crash at M-59 and Argentine Road in Oceola Township on May 9, 2017 that

resulted in the deaths of five people and serious injury to two others.

According to the investigation, Carrier ignored a stop sign as
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Matthew Carrier



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Multiple charges for Fenton Township man

■ Arrested for aggravated stalking, assaulting police, bringing weapon into jail

By Sharon Stone

Michael Wayne Copeman, 45, of Fenton Township, was arraigned July 22 on one felony count of aggravated stalking, one count of bringing a weapon into a prison, and one count of resisting/assaulting a police officer.



Michael Copeman

A cash surety bond of \$31,000 was ordered, however, on a separate earlier case, the Genesee County 67th District Court revoked his bond July 20 and he is currently lodged in the Genesee County Jail. During his Aug. 15 pretrial, the court scheduled a preliminary exam for Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 11 a.m.

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Fenton gets jump start on new school year



Craig Salter, the new Tomek-Eastern Elementary School principal, holds the door to greet students on their first day, Tuesday, Aug. 28. This is Salter's first day in the district after working in Goodrich for 12 years. **See story on page 6.** Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

Wax wants tax abatement for former Union Block site

■ Establishing commercial redevelopment district is first step of application

By Hannah Ball

Linden — On Monday, Aug. 27, the Linden City Council established a commercial redevelopment district that will allow Dr. Nicole Wax of Wax Orthodontics to apply for a 12-year tax abatement for her property at the old Union Block site.

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This is an artist's rendition of what Dr. Nicole Wax's property in downtown Linden could look like. The building will be two stories with commercial businesses. Photo: Submitted rendering

Summer's 'last hurrah' is this weekend

■ Labor Day will mean busy roads for travelers

By Sally Rummel

If you're traveling out of town this upcoming Labor Day weekend, you'll be among about a million other Michigan travelers who will hit the road for this three-day national holiday, estimated from 2017 travel numbers from AAA.

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“As a mother of Millennials, I found Hannah Ball's last article 'The killer of industries — Millennials' to be refreshing, witty, and well said. Thanks for the reminder Hannah that we shouldn't blame other generations for life's happenings, we are all in this together.”



“Don't you worry about where I am breastfeeding. When baby is hungry, I feed him whether I'm home or not. Next time you see a nursing mother kindly look away.”



COMMENT
OF THE WEEK

“Animal cruelty and human trafficking are bigger issues than a continuously polluted ocean? If the oceans die, we die.”

Linden hires Fenton City for assessing services

■ Contract is for \$22,000 per year

By Hannah Ball

Linden — At the Monday, Aug. 27 meeting, the Linden City Council hired the city of Fenton to provide assessing services for a two-year contract at a cost of \$22,000 a year.

This is a \$2,000 increase from past years. The contract runs from Sept. 1, 2018 to Aug. 31, 2020. Linden City Manager Paul Zelenak said the budget will have to be amended.

Fenton Assessor Tonya Lall said the

increase is to pay for the people who work in the assessing department.

For the past four years, the city of Linden has hired Fenton for assessing services, according to Zelenak. The vote passed 6-0. Councilor Charlie Ross was absent.

An assessor is a local government official who estimates the value of property within a municipality. Assessing information is available for Linden properties at lindenmi.us. Click on "Departments" and then under "Assessor." You can also go to "Most Requested" and then "Assessments."

ABATEMENT

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According to City Manager Paul Zelenak, Wax came to the planning commission seeking approval for her two-story, mixed-use development at the old Union Block site. The council approved the plans in July.

She is seeking incentives for her building from Michigan Economic Development Corporation and the city of Linden.

Commercial Redevelopment Act

The Commercial Redevelopment Act, Public Act 255 of 1978, encourages "the replacement, restoration and new construction of commercial property by abating the property taxes generated from new investment for a period of up to 12 years."

The primary purpose of the property must be a commercial business enterprise, including offices, engineering, research and development, warehousing parts distribution, retail sales, hotel or motel development and other commercial facilities.

According to the Act, mixed-use developments can be eligible, but the abatement will only apply to the commercial portion of the property. The facilities must be located on property for mixed

use with high-density residential, and must be in a qualified downtown revitalization district.

To establish the district, the city held a public hearing at the Monday, Aug. 27 meeting.

The seven parcels in the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) district boundary that could qualify under the Commercial Redevelopment Act include 101, 103, 107, 111, 115 and 117 E. Broad St., and 120 N Bridge St.

The resolution to establish the Commercial Redevelopment District was passed 5-0. Mayor Danielle Cusson was absent during the vote, and Councilor Charlie Ross was absent for the meeting.

SUMMARY

■ Linden City Council approved the creation of a commercial redevelopment district, which allows for certain properties within downtown to seek tax abatements in certain cases.

Dr. Wax property, with and without abatement

At the July 23 Linden City Council meeting, Marilyn Crowley from Kincaid Henry told the council that the future value of Wax's building will be less than the cost to build. According to the meeting minutes, the development was appraised at \$2.5 million and the cost to build is approximately \$3.2 million.

With the abatement, Wax would pay 50 percent of the property value.

If the abatement is not supported, the project will pay approximately \$50,000 in taxes captured by the city, and it will also pay about \$22,000 in taxes to the DDA. If the abatement is supported, the DDA will receive 50 percent of that revenue, which is \$11,000, for the community, according to meeting minutes.

Mayor Danielle Cusson said without the abatement, there is no money coming to the city from the property and the DDA loses \$11,000 a year, according to meeting minutes.

At the July 23 meeting, members of the DDA spoke in favor of allowing the abatement.

With the council establishing the commercial redevelopment district, Wax can apply for the abatement. The council has 60 days to approve it or deny the request after a public hearing. The abatement and amount of taxes captured could be different than what council discussed at the July 23 meeting.

Gas leak concerns

The Department of Environment Quality will install and pay for a vapor mitigation system due to past gas leak issues from a neighboring gas station, but the maintenance for the system will be the responsibility of Wax.

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News briefs

Linden City sets new mosquito control millage

At the Monday, Aug. 27 meeting, the Linden City Council voted 6-0 to set a new millage rate for the city for mosquito management. The rate is .3859 mills. The contract has been awarded to Advanced Pest Management.

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Janet Ruggirello of Fenton pushes her husband, Mike, across the Crim starting line at 7:32 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 25. Their team of friends and family who started the race with them took turns pushing him to the finish line. Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

Fenton man, former marathon runner, crosses Crim finish line in wheelchair

By Sally Rummel

Flint — Before the Crim Festival of Races began on Saturday, Aug. 25, downtown Flint was electric with thousands of excited people, pounding pre-race music and darkening skies.

Still, Mike and Janet Ruggirello of Fenton shared a quiet moment before their race began. Janet told her wheelchair bound husband, “Enjoy the race, I’ll catch up with you at the finish line.” Mike, a seasoned marathoner and recovering stroke victim would be pushed by Janet at the start, and then their team of friends the rest of the 10 miles.

Finally, the announcer gave them the signal at 7:32 a.m., and Janet launched her husband forward as the cheers erupted around them, her team of helpers running on either side.

It didn’t matter that a relentless morning rain soaked through his shirt and that thunder and lightning caused a one-and-a-half-hour start delay for the majority of Crim runners.

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Mike Ruggirello stands up as part of physical therapy at Level Eleven Physical Therapy in Grand Blanc on Wednesday, Aug. 22. Trainer Mandi English of Fenton is assisting him while his wife, Janet, watches. Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

A LOOK BACK at 1968

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Harry Belafonte and Petula Clark made history with one simple gesture in 1968. Photo: tvbanter.net

She dared to place her hand on arm of black friend

Compiled By Vera Hogan

If you had asked anyone in 1968 to pick the British female singer most likely to become embroiled in a race-related TV scandal, no one would have said Petula Clark — not the British pop star that brought us songs like “Downtown,” “Don’t Sleep in the Subway,” “I Know a Place” and many more chart-topping hits.

Clark swam with the tide of the Beatles-led British Invasion to top the U.S. charts in early 1965, helping her become the first British female singer to win a Grammy.

And yet it was Clark who found herself at the center of a media controversy involving race, censorship and endemic bigotry in a newly desegregated yet depressingly divided U.S. All because she had dared to place her white, English fingers upon the black

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If I Were King...

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Not everyone is celebrating Labor Day

Like many of you reading this, I will be celebrating Labor Day with my family. Despite the dismal weather forecast, we will grill our dinners outside, go for a couple of boat rides, do some fishing, and the little ones will likely roast some marshmallows around the campfire at night while we adults sip on a beer or two.

What most of us won't be doing is giving any thought whatsoever to Labor Day. Because Labor Day, whether accurate or not, is often viewed as one of those manufactured holidays that, while we are happy to enjoy the fruits of a day off from work, most of us really don't have a clue about what we are 'celebrating.'

Don't worry — I'm not going to give you the history of Labor Day. If you're interested, you can look it up on the internet.

But I do think that Labor Day is also an opportunity to show some respect for those who do work on Labor Day, and most other holidays for that matter.

The tens of thousands of families that will travel to Northern Michigan this weekend will all be traveling home and back all weekend long. That means that an army of fast food workers will be away from friends and family as they clean dining rooms and cook burgers and fries for hungry travelers.

Convenience store clerks will be slugging down endless cups of their own coffee to try to stay awake on the midnight shift.

Gas station attendants will be somehow keeping track of a dozen pumps while watching warily for drive-a-ways.

At hundreds of small, family owned restaurants, waitresses and cooks (many of them family members) will be on the job to feed us at all hours.

Speaking of armies, nearly all of our military will also be on the job, here at

home as well as overseas.

With all these vehicles on the road there will also be thousands of police officers on duty patrolling the highways to keep us safe from drunk drivers. They'll be directed by dozens of dispatchers and 911 operators trying to prioritize the thousands of calls they'll field.

And there most certainly will be several accidents this weekend with all the boats, cars, games, campfires, kids and alcohol that will be at play and in play in 'celebration' of Labor Day. That means we will certainly need another army of ambulances drivers, EMS personnel, and doctors, nurses, cooks and aides at the dozens of hospitals and emergency rooms across the state.

On these same roads will be thousands of truckers logging millions of miles in the dead of night while we sleep peacefully.

There will be a squad of janitors at each of our schools spit-shining the last of the floors before the first day of school on Tuesday.

And, let's not forget the dedicated staff at the Times who will be working to collect and compose the content of the very newspaper you are reading so that it can be delivered directly to your doorstep by a 12-year-old paperboy or girl dreading the end of summer, or a driver working a weekend second job to earn a few extra dollars to pay the bills.

To all these people, and many more, I say a heartfelt thank you for giving up your weekend to make my, and my family's, weekend a little more enjoyable.

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FOSTER CHILDS

“Labor Day is also an opportunity to show some respect for those who do work on Labor Day, and most other holidays for that matter.”

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YEAH, YOU MIGHT support the rich getting richer and the middle class staying the same and the poor for getting handouts. However, under Trumpism, that's not what is happening. The rich are getting filthy rich, the middle class is disappearing and the poor are getting even poorer. It's called Trumpism.

TO THE PERSON who said they can't fly the flag because of what the King says. You are still an American, right?

IF YOU THINK the King uses humor in his publication, you're mistaken. All he does is insult and demean. It's just a plain mean person.

TO THE HOT-LINER who thinks that other people that don't think like them are closed minded and wants to know where is the love thy neighbor. How about you? Let it start with you and love your neighbor in the White House?

THE NEW STANDARD for choosing a leader includes that we now have elected a savvy businessman who became a billionaire by working smart. But compare that to electing an unaccomplished socialist who was merely elected because he was a minority. Big difference.

DISBANDING THE DDA in Fenton will not solve our deteriorating road problem. The money that the DDA captures from

businesses in their district will then be redirected primarily to the state of Michigan.

MOST PEOPLE WOULD not be against raising taxes if they felt the government was fiscally responsible.

THE SWAMP IS full of witches.

RECENT SURVEY SAID Millennials don't think America is all that great. With their most recent history being the Obama Administration, I can see how they could say that.

BEAUTIFUL MOLLIE TIBBETTS was murdered by an illegal alien. But I'm sure that Dems will try to protect and defend this criminal and that he was just misunderstood. They are also anti-law enforcement, anti border patrol and anti-ICE, anti-wall and they hate our country.

THANK YOU TO the Fenton High School Alumni Association Steering Committee for planning the recent banquet. Getting together was great.

WHAT IS THE deal with people being bit by dogs in Holly? Two within just three days of each other.

A MONITOR TELLING drivers their speed has been posted at Fifth Street and N. LeRoy, but on the wrong side of LeRoy.

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Who was your favorite teacher and why?



"My favorite is Mrs. Shaughnessy at Lake Fenton. She's always the nicest and she was fun in class for fourth grade."

Jack Valentine
Fenton Township



"It was probably my typing teacher, Mr. Hicks, back when they taught typing in ninth grade. He was just a lot of fun. He made typing fun."

Peggy VanEckoute
Fenton Township



"I have to say Mr. Sullivan. He was not only my SRT teacher, he was my soccer coach at Fenton High School. He was like a second dad to me."

Amanda Bailey
Fenton



"My daughter's teacher, Mrs. Moser, at Lake Fenton (West Shore). She was really good with all the kids. She's good with discipline, but she's good at knowing what each student needs."

Rachel Callan
Fenton Township



"Mr. Averill. I had him for literature class. He was able to communicate with students and he accepted their ideas as much as he gave ideas. He's the reason I became an English teacher."

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First day jitters for students — and new principal

■ Fenton schools start year pre-Labor Day, kick off the school season

By Tim Jagielo

Fenton — On Tuesday morning, Aug. 28, Craig Salter greeted 461 students, and their parents, as they filed in past him for the first day of school. "It's strange not knowing all their names," he said.

Salter is the new principal for Tomek-Eastern Elementary School, after working in Goodrich for 12 years.

This is also the first day Fenton Area Public Schools (FAPS) has started before Labor Day in more than a decade, making them the first to start school in the tri-county area.

Salter fist-bumped, shook hands and held the door for 30 minutes until he went inside, and bounced from class to class, introducing himself again to the classrooms.

As principal, he'll spend the first part of the school year familiarizing himself with the policies. "It's not new to me; it just feels rushed, just being in a new district in a new position," he said. "It's a great staff around me to support what's going on."

He was an assistant principal before, but now he said, all questions and decisions fall on him.

He's been at the school for 11-hour days for the last week getting ready. "I'm excited, ready to get the school year started, and meet the students," he said.

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Craig Salter
Tomek-Eastern Elementary School principal



Tomek-Eastern Elementary School Principal Craig Salter makes the rounds to various classrooms on the first day for Fenton schools, Tuesday, Aug. 28. Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

HOT LINE CONTINUED

PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS made illegal immigration the number one issue in the United States today. So, come November, we need to vote for the safety of our own families.

ROCK BOTTOM IS where Obama left? That's where he picked up from what he got from George W. Bush. The stock market was around 6,000. When Obama left, it was over 20,000.

HEY FOSTER, I glanced at what you wrote today. Don't flatter yourself. I might glance at your column but read it? I don't think so.

REALLY? PRESIDENT TRUMP said the Tri-County Times paper was fake news?

THE MINIMUM WAGE earner must realize that he's being paid according to what he is worth.

TO THE UNGRATEFUL minimum wage complainer. It's a free country with many work opportunities.

HEARTFELT THANKS TO VG's on North LeRoy for safekeeping my cellphone and my credit card and driver's license until I arrived to retrieve it.

SO WHAT IF some men and women trade sex for movie roles.

ABOUT USING FEWER plastics, you talk about animal cruelty. What about the creatures living in the oceans and waterways? How cruel is it that they have to live in a polluted environment? Let's get rid of what plastics we can.

NOTICED THAT THOSE people keeping such close count on the amount of taxpayer money being spent on Obama's vacations have been silent since Trump took office.

A CHINK IN Trump's core. Missouri, the 'show me' state, has defeated the GOP backed 'Right to Work Law,' lending support for union organizing. Apparently,

they're fed up with Trump's promise to make America great on the backs of cheap labor?

MANY SMALL BUSINESSES are struggling and can't afford to pay more than minimum wage.

MILLIONS OF ILLEGAL immigrants are in the country today and many of them are criminals. Just ask the families of Kate Steinle, and now the family of Mollie Tibbetts.

URBAN MEYER SHOULD have been suspended for a year and/or lose a player. Wins are more important to Ohio State University.

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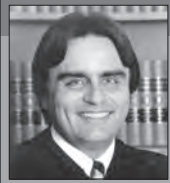
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Immunity

Last week's jury trial convictions of Paul Manafort, the former campaign chairman for President Trump, and the guilty pleas of Michael Cohen, his former attorney, were interesting from a number of legal perspectives.

I won't go into all of them, but notably these cases have a very significant common element — to help obtain these convictions, the United States Attorneys gave certain witnesses "immunity" so that they could be compelled to provide testimony or information against the defendants in exchange for not having any incriminating statements used against them in a subsequent criminal proceeding.

Prosecutors giving witnesses immunity is a procedure that has been used in the criminal law for a number of years in various types of cases. It has been described as being the "compulsion of self-incrimination" and allows for an exception to a person's Fifth Amendment right to not be a witness against himself.

Generally speaking, there are two types of immunity — use and transactional.

Use immunity gives a witness protection from the government directly using the immunized testimony against them, but does allow for a criminal charge to subsequently be brought if the government can show that the evidence for the offense was obtained from a source independent from the testimony.

Transactional immunity is much broader and the immunized witness cannot subsequently be charged with the offense for which they gave testimony.

By statute the federal government only allows use immunity.

In 1999, virtually all of Michigan's immunity statutes were amended to provide for "use immunity" only and subject to the requirement of giving truthful testimony.

Notwithstanding the grant of immunity, a witness can still be prosecuted for perjury if the testimony is false.

Federal law requires the United States Attorney to apply to the court for a grant of immunity.

Under Michigan law, the prosecutor has a similar requirement unless the specific statute under which the proceeding is governed already provides for it. An example of this is Michigan's arson investigation statute, which grants automatic immunity to any called witness.

There is broad federal and state prosecutorial discretion as to when to grant immunity. The decisions are very fact-intensive and are made on a case-by-case basis.

1968

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Caribbean-American arm of her friend and fellow singer, Harry Belafonte.

"It sounds stupid now," said Steve Binder, the TV director responsible for encouraging their contentious intimacy, as reported by theguardian.com. "But back then it became an international story in Newsweek and Time magazine. It wouldn't even have been an incident if the show's sponsor hadn't said anything. Petula touched Harry's arm and the next thing they went bonkers."

Binder was a 35-year-old pop TV veteran when he was hired by NBC to direct Clark's first one-hour U.S. TV special. The sponsor was Plymouth motors, a division of Chrysler, and the catalyst for all the ensuing hullabaloo was its head of advertising — a 49-year-old decorated U.S. Air Force pilot and former World War II POW named Doyle Lott.

Lott's military record almost certainly had something to do with his evident opposition to Clark's choice of guest star. Once the "King of Calypso," by 1968 Belafonte was using his celebrity to become a prominent civil rights activist. That February, he'd stood in for Johnny Carson as host of the Tonight Show, discussing Vietnam, poverty and racial inequality with political ally Bobby Kennedy, and his close friend, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Belafonte's liberal, anti-Vietnam stance wouldn't have sat well with Lott's Silver Star medal for valor in combat, nor his waiting plot in Arlington cemetery. Whatever his motives — political or racial — from the moment Binder first brought Belafonte's name into discussion, Lott attempted to veto him.

The Belafonte sequence was a 10-minute solo spot with minimal staging, climaxing with Clark's reappearance on screen for a duet of her own song "On the Path of Glory."

The script said nothing about Clark and Belafonte touching. It was improvised, Binder said.

Lott stormed crimson-faced out of the green room and on to the set. "Screaming, because a white woman had touched a black man on screen," Binder said. "... He was literally shouting 'You'll never work in this

town again' and threatening to fire me."

In his 2011 autobiography, "My Song," Belafonte admits he was prepared to give in to Lott's demands, if only for the sake of damage limitation to Clark's stateside reputation. "Perhaps, I told her, we should pick another fight, another day — at least while her best interests were at stake. 'Forget my best interests,' she said. 'What would you do?' I grinned. 'I'd nail the bastard.' 'So we will,' she replied."

Binder and Clark's husband, Claude Wolff, grabbed all the tapes while Lott was on the phone, and had a technician erase all the earlier edits. The only one NBC had, the only one they could broadcast, was the last one where they touched.

A month before Clark was scheduled to be broadcast, it was Belafonte who took the story to the papers and generated a media storm, publicly disgracing Lott for what he described as "the most outrageous case of racism I have ever seen in this business." A mortified Lott pleaded he'd merely been tired and had overreacted to the staging, not to any feeling of discrimination. He also

telephoned Belafonte, offering an apology. It wasn't accepted.

An embarrassed Chrysler further distanced itself from Lott, insisting the matter resulted solely from the reaction of a single individual and by no means represents the Plymouth division's attitude or policy on such matters. When Clark was finally broadcast on Tuesday, April 2, 1968, "the touch" intact, Lott had been relieved of his post.

Source: theguardian.com

“It sounds stupid now, but back then it became an international story in Newsweek and Time magazine.”

Steve Binder
TV director

Police & Fire

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FLINT WOMAN CHARGED WITH STEALING CREDIT CARD

On Thursday, July 19, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 4000 block of Sadler Drive in Fenton Township for a fraud complaint. Kristina Marie Green, 34, of Flint, was charged with four counts of stealing/retaining a financial transaction device (credit card) and larceny from a building. Green was arraigned July 26 and released on a \$5,000 personal bond. A preliminary exam is scheduled for Aug. 29 at 9 a.m.

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Replacement dump truck approved

■ Total cost from Lansing dealership is \$45,498

Fenton's Department of Public Works will be able to replace a 1997 Ford F3350, 2-yard dump truck that is at the end of its service life.

In a memo to City Manager Lynn Markland, Daniel Brisson, deputy DPW director and Daniel Czarnecki, public works director said the replacement was budgeted for \$45,000.

According to Brisson and Czarnecki, "Traditional build of a replacement unit is typically a two-step purchase process. The cab and chassis are purchased from a vehicle manufacturer, and a second purchase of the dump body, accessories and installation is typically sourced from a local truck body builder." The time to build will be six to eight months.

The 2019 chassis pricing is not yet available which will further extend build time and will likely increase final build cost.

Brisson and Czarnecki asked that the council approve the purchase of a new 2017 Ram 5500 Cab and Chassis with 3-4 yard Monroe Stainless Dump Body from Lafontaine CDJR of Lansing at a cost of \$45,498 per their quote dated Aug. 21.

The City Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase.

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North Road briefly closed for repairs



On Monday, Aug. 27, the Fenton Department of Public Works (DPW) closed North Road, between Adelaide and North LeRoy streets, for road repair related to a water main break in May. DPW Director Dan Czarnecki said the repair will cost \$1,750. The road was re-opened by Tuesday. Here, DPW worker Dan Wayne spreads the new asphalt. *Photo credit: Tim Jagielo, Times media editor*

CHARGES

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Copeman's latest case dates back to Wednesday, July 18, when Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to 11000 block of Main Road in Fenton Township for a neighbor dispute and a disorderly individual.

D/Sgt. Curt Harrington said Copeman refused to answer the door and was screaming and shouting at the deputies through a window. He said deputies began to leave and Copeman followed them off his property. While he was being placed under arrest, he began fighting with the deputies.

Copeman is also facing multiple charges from a Jan. 20 incident in Fenton Township. He was arraigned Feb. 14, when he was charged with false report of a felony, stalking and malicious use of a telecommunications device. On July 20, his bond on this case was revoked and he was bound over to circuit court for a jury trial.

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HIGH SCHOOL GOES INTO SECURE MODE ON FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

Fenton High School was placed in secure mode from 12:10 to 1:29 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 28, the first day of the school year. Fenton Area Public Schools announced this on its Facebook page. Fenton police responded to investigate. Superintendent Adam Hartley, announced, "FHS is currently in secure mode (in classrooms with no transitions) due to a low credible threat called into the Fenton Police Department." Fenton police and school administration assessed the situation and local law enforcement bomb sniffing dogs were brought in as a precautionary step. At 1:29 p.m., Hartley announced the school was safe and secure. Hartley thanked Fenton police, FHS administration and staff, as well as the students for following protocols.

CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT COMPLAINT

On Tuesday, Aug. 21, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the 14000 block of North Fenton Road for a criminal sexual conduct complaint. The incident is under investigation.

LARCENY ON TUPPER LAKE WAY

On Wednesday, Aug. 22, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to 4000 block of Tupper Lake Way for a larceny complaint. The incident is under investigation.

FENTON MAN CHARGED FOR PULLING GUN ON JUVENILES

On Thursday, Aug. 23, Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area of Torrey Beach and Eastview drives in Fenton Township on a report that a male had pulled a gun on two juvenile males of Fenton Township. There were no injuries. Jason Stone, 37, of Fenton, was arrested and lodged over the weekend at the Genesee County Jail on two counts of assault with a deadly weapon and violation of carrying a concealed weapon. Stone was arraigned Aug. 26 by Judge Christopher Odette and he posted bond Monday, Aug. 27. Bond conditions include no alcohol/drugs, no firearm or other dangerous weapons, GPS tether and no contact with victims.



Jason Andrew Stone

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE ON NORTH LAKE DRIVE

Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to 11000 North Lake Drive in Fenton Township on Aug. 23 for a domestic disturbance complaint. A white male was arrested and lodged at the Genesee County Jail. The incident is still under investigation.

LARCENY ON TORREY GROVE COURT

Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to 2000 block of Torrey Grove Court in Fenton Township on Saturday, Aug. 25 for a larceny from auto complaint. The incident is under investigation.

PROPERTY DAMAGED ON HOGAN ROAD

Genesee County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to 14000 block of Hogan Road in Fenton Township for a malicious destruction of property complaint Saturday, Aug. 25. The incident is under investigation.

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The Generation GAP



Hannah Ball

By Sally Rummel

Editor's Note: This column about "The Generation Gap" will feature viewpoints expressed by Times Associate Editor Vera Hogan, 65, a Baby Boomer and Reporter/Social Media Editor Hannah Ball, 25, a Millennial. The column will run weekly, exclusively in the Midweek edition.

Marriage ... are you for it or against it?

By Vera Hogan

I'm very much in favor of marriage — my husband, Mike, and I will have been married for 30 years this October.

I know it's not politically correct right now, but I believe marriage should be between a man and a woman. I'm not judging someone else for what they believe. But marriage between a man and woman is for me, that's what I believe in.

When you decide to get married, marry the right person. I was divorced once myself because I don't believe you should have to stay with someone who's going to be abusive. You only go around one time in life.

Once you're married, make every effort to stay married. I think people give up too early. People separate over things that can be fixed.

I married late, but if you're planning to have a family, earlier is better. You want to be physically able to do that. My son's getting married soon — he's 28 and I think that's a perfect age. You have to be mature enough that you're done partying and can take care of the business of being a good spouse.

What qualities should you look for in a spouse? I'd say someone who is nice-looking. I don't think I could be with someone that I wasn't physically attracted to.

He has to have a sense of humor. We have to be friends; we have to like each other. Mike and I can sit at home for hours and not say a word. We're just glad to be with each other. I don't think money has anything to do with having a good marriage. I just like being comfortable enough to be able to pay our bills and do things with my family.

He cooks and does his own laundry. We do have very different views on discipline, however. I always listened to the children, to find out their point of view when there was a problem. He's more of an "act now, ask questions later" kind of person. It was always important to me to have fun with the kids. Mike's idea of fun was doing some kind of work, like cleaning the garage together.

“I believe marriage should be between a man and a woman.”

By Hannah Ball

I'll eventually get married, but I'm not in a rush. People my age are waiting because we have a lot of debt.

I think my generation is moving away from believing that marriage is a religious institution and is more of a government-sanctioned institution. This is huge reason why my generation is overwhelmingly supportive of marriage equality. My generation is also losing the stigma that divorce is always a bad thing.

What qualities would you look for in a spouse? I haven't really had a long-term relationship yet, but I know what I'm looking for.

A good conversationalist is important to me. Someone who can look at multiple points of view, and has empathy. Someone who treats his mother well and can talk sports with my dad (and be the son he didn't have!).

I need someone who is as diverse as I am, someone who I can have a disagreement with. I'll argue about anything; I don't think that it's necessarily a bad thing. It's okay to argue, but let's not fight. I've seen in other people's relationships when a person isn't willing to talk about certain issues that could possibly cause an argument. That's wrong.

I can't deal with people who have to have drama in their lives. And oh, he has to love (or least tolerate) dogs, because I'd like to have at least four.

He'll also have to be okay with me setting five alarms before I wake up. I will fight to keep those, because I need to wake up slowly. And a king-size bed would be nice.

“I am part of a generation that overwhelmingly supports marriage equality.”

TRAVELERS

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You'll find gas prices averaging about \$2.92 in Flint, according to GasBuddy.com, with perhaps a small spike coming for the holiday, depending on crude oil prices, but then a drop after Labor Day weekend.

Michigan Department of Transportation will be suspending most of its construction work during the busiest part of the weekend, from 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31 to 6 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4. Travelers across the Mackinac Bridge will need to keep in mind that the bridge will be closed to public traffic on Monday, Sept. 3, from 6:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., to accommodate the annual Bridge Walk.

Labor Day weekend is the least traveled national holiday, according to AAA, mostly because of its position at the start of September. Once this holiday weekend arrives, it's followed immediately by the first day of school on Tuesday, Sept. 4 for most local school districts.

Fenton Area Public Schools, which started classes on Tuesday, Aug. 28, will have a break from Friday, Aug.

SUMMARY

■ Labor Day weekend is the least traveled holiday weekend throughout the year, but it will still bring out about a million travelers in Michigan.

31 through Monday, Sept. 3, resuming classes on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

Always observed on the first Monday in September, Labor Day is celebrated as a national holiday — a tribute to the American workers movement. Schools, post offices, governmental offices, banks and some businesses will be closed.

The first Labor Day was celebrated on Sept. 5, 1882 with a parade organized by trade unions in New York City, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. It evolved out of decades of tensions between workers and unions on one side, and state security forces and employers on the other side. Between 1870 and 1914, about 800 American workers were killed during strikes, almost entirely by state security forces or the military.

The event was overseen by the Central Labor Union, forerunner of the American Federal of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO). While the first rally was held in New York, Oregon was the first state to institute Labor Day as a holiday, in 1887. It became a national holiday in 1894.

Today, the holiday is most often celebrated with barbecues, parades, festivals and picnics, and of course, getting ready for the start of the new school year.

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CRIM**Continued from Page 3**

As a former marathon runner and a Crim 10-mile runner from 2006 to 2015, Mike knew how good it felt to cross that finish line.

A 24-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force in aircraft maintenance, Mike was in the best shape of his life until a massive stroke in 2015 took away his mobility, mostly confining him to a wheelchair. His prognosis wasn't very good, with a brain hemorrhage and stroke majority affecting his left side, affecting his speech, swallowing, continence and mobility.

But Janet Ruggirello, a retired cardiac nurse, insisted on keeping Mike out of a nursing home and never gave up on helping him improve his quality of life. She had kept up her weekly Crim training group runs during the Crim training season, and trained with Mike every day to get him out and about from their small Fenton apartment, where they moved to in 2016 for accessibility purposes after his stroke.

She became his legs, pushing him daily for three-mile walk/runs around the Silver Parkway area of Fenton. He also undergoes physical, speech and occupational therapy every week, trying to regain some of what he lost with the stroke.

What Janet wanted more than anything for Mike was to once again experience the exhilaration and pride of a Crim race day. She began to research the possibility of using a lighter, more agile wheelchair that could handle the hills and bumps of the

Crim race course better than his heavy, cumbersome everyday chair.

She found just what she was looking for through Ainsley's Angels, a group of volunteers dedicated to making endurance events accessible to everyone and building awareness about America's special needs community.

Janet borrowed a wheelchair from this group, then went about building a running team that could help her push Mike throughout the 10-mile course, including the notorious Bradley Hills. Volunteers signed up quickly, including Mike's brother, Steve, 63, a 23-year Crim veteran; his daughter, Kristy Wheeler; a neighbor, Brian Wallace; Sue Imig, a running friend of Janet's and another couple, Jeff Mitchell and his girlfriend, Jennifer Krieter. Also offering her support was Kim Turner, owner of Advanced Physical Therapy, a big supporter of the Crim community.

"It was amazing how this came together," Janet said. "There's nothing like the running community. It's a close-knit group." They had an opportunity to get in sync with one another during the final Crim practice training on Sunday, Aug. 12.

"Mike was loving the speed so that's when we decided the faster runners of the team would cross the finish line with him, while I would catch up with them once I finished the race, at about a 14-minute mile pace," Janet said.

Race day dawned cloudy and steamy, with Mike and Janet at the starting line at 7:30 a.m., ready to race just after

the "wheelers" (those who control the wheelchair with their hand), as well as 30-year-plus Crim veterans. "They let us leave a half-hour before the 8 a.m. start time," Janet said.

Three miles into the wet, rainy race, thunder and lightning started, signaling a need for runners to take cover. Mike and his team were ahead of Janet, but they all met at Kettering for a 15-minute undercover reprieve. "Then I started the race with Mike again," Janet said.

Mike's team crossed the finish line in less than two hours, with Mike smiling and giving a thumb-up to the spectators cheering at the finish line. "He had a big grin on his face," Steve said. Janet ran in about 25 minutes later. "I was okay with that," she said. "I felt good at the end."

Steve said that all of the fellow team members felt really good about helping Mike cross the finish line. "They all made the comment, 'This was the best Crim I ever ran,'" he said. "It was all worth it."

Media Editor Tim Jagielo contributed to this story.

To read all about Mike and Janet Ruggirello's journey since a massive stroke left him confined to a wheelchair in 2015, go to tctimes.com and search "Ruggirello," to read the story, "Running for their lives."

To watch a video of Mike Ruggirello crossing the finishing line at the Crim Festival of Races on Saturday, Aug. 25, go to tctimes.com.

'NO CONTEST'**Continued from Front Page**

he traveled south on Argentine Road and smashed into a vehicle as it traveled eastbound on M-59. Investigators have said that Carrier was traveling in excess of 100 miles per hour and his blood alcohol level was well over the legal limit at the time of the crash.

Those killed include Justin Andrew Humberto Henderson, 18, and Preston Wetzel, 24, both of Fenton, Candice Dunn, 36, of Oakland County, along with her mother, Linda Hurley, 69, of Macomb County and Hurley's boyfriend, Jerome Tortomasia, 73, of Macomb County.

Those injured include Kyle Lixie, 23, of Fenton, and Albert Boswell, 39, of Oakland County, who was driving the second car.

Dunn was a probation agent who had been honored at a Corrections Department banquet earlier that evening.

According to whmi.com, Livingston County Prosecutor Bill Vaillien-court said the court made the decision to accept a "no contest" plea, which is treated the same as a guilty plea, because Carrier claimed a lack of memory due to his intoxication.

When Carrier is sentenced Sept. 12, the victims and their families will have a chance to explain how this tragedy has affected them.

State sentencing guidelines recommend a minimum prison sentence of between 225 months (18.75 years) to 375 months (31.25 years) or a possible life sentence. Vaillien-court said a final decision by the judge will await the preparation of a pre-sentence investigation and victim impact statements.

The Michigan State Police-Brigh-ton Post responded to the crash. Responders described the crash scene as "horrific."

HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■
I'M SURPRISED ARETHA Franklin is not lying in state at the Capitol rotunda in Washington, D.C. Maybe they asked but were turned down.

■■■
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■■■
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Fenton City officials agree to Tyrone Township fire contract

According to Fenton Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff, Tyrone Township has approved a contract for fire services with the city for the five-year period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2024. Fenton City officials discussed this contract at their Feb. 7 work session. The flat rate per incident for the first year remains the same and increases by 1 percent after that. The first year is \$1,419, year two is \$1,433, year three \$1,447, year four \$1,461 and year five will be \$1,476. "The current contract we have with Tyrone Township has worked well and I feel is beneficial to both Tyrone Township and the city," Cairnduff said.



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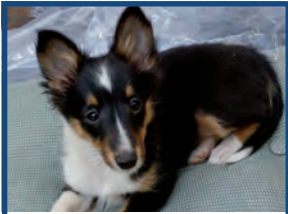


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The Fenton varsity girls golf team of (from left) Angela Hanners, Olivia Herbert, Ava Stebbins, Brook Herbstreit, Charlotte Cunaud and Lily Horning won the first Metro meet of the season on Monday.

Fenton golfers ace first Metro League meet, win by 55 strokes

Bronchos take second, Eagles place seventh

By David Troppens

It looks like the Fenton varsity girls golf team is still the squad to beat in the Metro League if the preseason Metro Meet was any indication.

The Tigers dominated the field, taking first place with a team score of 335. The Holly Bronchos were second with a 390 while the Linden Eagles were seventh with a 504.

France foreign exchange student and Fenton player Charlotte Cunaud made a huge impact in league play by earning match medalist honors with a 34-40-74 at Fenton Farms Golf Course. The second-place score was posted by Swartz Creek's Neeley Peterson with an 85.

The rest of the Tigers' scoring four were Angela Hanners with a 41-41-82, Lily Horning with a 44-43-87 and Brook Herbstreit with a 44-48-92. Olivia Herbert also had a sub-100

score with a 50-45-95. Hanners and Horning had career-best rounds.

"Both Angela and Lily are seniors and they are playing pretty well," Fenton varsity girls golf coach Kurt Herbstreit said. "They did a lot of things over the summer and played in a lot of tournaments. That's definitely helped. We kind of said, 'If you want to step up as seniors, you have to play more in the summer.' They did and it has paid off."

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Sports Times

Many excited about Linden's new field

First varsity football game on Linden's Claude Cranston Field's new turf is Thursday night

By David Troppens

Linden — Russ Ciesielski has seen Claude Cranston Field make several changes during his lifetime.

The 1991 Linden graduate remembers attending football games on Saturdays when he was a kid because the field didn't have lights.

And now as superintendent of Linden Community Schools, he attended the Aug. 21 ceremony officially opening Claude Cranston Field most recent renovation — its new artificial turf.

Ciesielski was of about 250 people in attendance for the official opening. Most were football players, ranging from youth players to high school players. But also attending were many parents, coaches and other Linden Community School officials.

It seems everyone was excited to see the new turf field, especially the kids. Many hosted their first 'unofficial' practices on the field, having races with friends waiting for the ceremony to start.

"This is not just a great day for myself, but for a lot of the Linden residents, students and alumni," Ciesielski said. "It's a pride factor."

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Linden's Lewis Walterhouse (left) battles for the ball in a recent Eagles' game against Powers. Photo: Mark Bolen

Eagles scoring goals in bunches

By David Troppens

It doesn't matter if the Linden varsity boys soccer team wins or loses, it seems goals are the name of the game on the new turf on the school's football field.

Linden scored three goals in a 5-3 loss to Oxford, and scored three more goals in a 3-2 victory against Saginaw Heritage on Monday.

In between those games, Linden also defeated Eaton Rapids in the opening round of the East Lansing Invitational 5-2, lost to Ludington 3-2 and tied Plainwell 0-0.

In the 3-2 victory, the Eagles made an impressive comeback, trailing 2-0 at halftime. However, Jarrod Buswell, Aiden Miller and Matt Whitted scored second-half goals, giving the Eagles the victory against their Division 1 foes. Brandon Davis, Cameron Hatfield and Ryan Gillespie had assists.

In net, Lewis Walterhouse earned the victory.

In the loss to Oxford, the Wildcats scored four first-half goals creating a hole too deep for Linden to climb out of. Gillespie had two goals while Jacob Welch had one. Max James, Welch and Buswell had assists.

In the East Lansing Tournament, the Eagles started strong with the 5-2 win against Eaton Rapids. Whitted, and Davis led the offense with two goals each while Gillespie had one. Buswell had two assists while Gillespie, Chad Kinney and Hatfield had assists. Ian Downarowicz had the victory in goal.

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Linden's varsity soccer team (top) was the first varsity program to play a game on the new field. Football players of all ages (immediately above) stand around the Linden Eagles emblem located on the middle of the new turf during a recent ribbon-cutting ceremony. Photo: Mark Bolen

Spencer's itinerary - two more fights in 2018

By David Troppens

Joey Spencer hasn't even boxed as a professional for a year yet.

He's only had four fights, and has only competed in six rounds in those fights. Yet, when it comes to his checklist of "firsts" during his career, it seems the Linden native is way ahead of the curve.

Heck, he's already had champion boxers like Floyd Mayweather and DeAndre Ware actively watch his contests.

"Before my last fight not only was I

the second-to-last fight but 20 minutes before (Spencer's fourth fight on August 4), Floyd walked in," Spencer said. "Both things happened and I had to deal with extra nerves. There is no bigger stage to fight on. I was on TV and had a million people watching. Most young 18-year-olds are not fighting with that many viewers.

"Not to brag, but my experience level is up there (compared to other younger boxers). It's surreal that I've reached a

couple of big benchmarks in my career already. I've been on mainstream TV in front of my biggest childhood idols. I've performed in front of audiences of a million people. Maybe until a pay per view fight I don't know what could pop up that is not already old news (an experience Spencer has already dealt with). When my competition gets better they are going to have those first times and I'm going to have that extra poise.

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“I’m thankful for my management team because they’ve enabled me to have these experiences.”

Spencer is scheduled to fight two more times before the end of 2018. His next fight will be September 30 in Los Angeles, and will be televised on Fox Sports 1. His opponent for the four-round fight is unknown at this time. After that, Spencer’s next scheduled fight will be on December 22 on FOX.

“I’m going to fight two more times this year,” Spencer said. “I want to put on two more great performances this year — hopefully knockouts — and after that go on to bigger and better things.”

During his fourth professional fight against Bruce Lutchmedial (a second-round knockout victory), Spencer was getting advice from Mayweather while he fought.

“He was literally right in my corner. He was in the front row right besides my dad and was screaming for me to do different things during the fight,” Spencer said.

Spencer has four KOs in his four fights, and his fourth fight was the longest of his career, almost going a complete two rounds. However, Spencer’s potent body shots made sure Lutchmedial didn’t finish the



Linden’s Joey Spencer (right) watches over Bruce Lutchmedial after knocking him out in the second round of their fight earlier this summer. Spencer expects to fight two more times in 2018, with his September 30 bout being the next. Photo: Trappfotos

second round.

“(Body shots) have always been my thing,” Spencer said. “It’s funny because you imagine how a fight may go ... and before the fight I told my dad I’d earn a stoppage with body shots. I told him a couple of times that’s how I imagined

the fight would go and it was almost identical of how it went.

“Body shots hurt worse than head shots. You feel body shots and they actually deliver more physical pain. Head shots hurt the next day, but you don’t feel them right away. But body shots

drop you to your knees and hurt. I love working the body.”

Spencer is grateful for all the support he receives from the tri-county area.

“I’m grateful for all of the support people have been giving me,” Spencer said. “It has been amazing.”

Hibbard wins
Tyrone Hills
Senior Open
in playoff

By David Troppens

DeWayne Hibbard and Brent Davies had to do a little bit of overtime to find out who would be the 2018 Senior Men’s Open champion at Tyrone Hills Golf Club recently.

The competitors were tied at 150 after two 18-hole rounds, forcing them to compete in a playoff. Hibbard won the opening hole of the playoff earning the championship.

Hibbard carded a 78-72-150 while Davies had a 77-72-150. Jim Menzing (153), Mark Abbey (154) and Bud Kiefer (157) were each tied for the lead after the opening day with each carding 76s, but they finished third, fourth and fifth, respectively. Mike Coggins took sixth (158) while Mike Verhelle posted a 162.

In the first flight, Tom Hicks took the top spot with an 80-78-158. John Thompson as second with an 80-79-159.

John Izzi was the winner of the second flight with an 87-78-165.

Strong second half sparks
Tigers to 6-1 victory vs. Davison

By David Troppens

What was a tight opening half against Davison on Monday ended up being a blow out in the second half.

Fenton was tied with Davison 1-1 at the half, but the Tigers’ offense scored five second-half goals, earning an impressive 6-1 non-league victory at Fenton High School.

Brady Young was the biggest offen-

sive star. He scored three goals and assisted another. Chase Poulson, Ashton McKellar and Alex Flannery assisted Young’s goals.

McKellar scored the Tigers’ first-half goal off an assist by Poulson. Poulson then scored the team’s next goal off a Flannery cross on a corner kick. Desmond Braham scored the Tigers’ other goal with Young assisting.

PREP REPORT

GIRLS GOLF

► **Holly at Ithaca Yellowjacket Invitational:** The Bronchos finished in third place with a team score of 379 in the 12-team event, finishing just three strokes out of first.

Kate Brown was the co-medalist, carding an 86. Her 39 on the front nine created a new Holly school record for low score for nine holes. Kesley Malone and Megan McReynolds each tied for 10th with 97s, while Ella Lonsbury took 13th with a 99. Each of the girls earned a medal in the event played at The Fields Golf Course.

► **Lake Fenton at Clio Invitational:** The Blue Devils placed fourth at the Clio Tournament, pleasing first-year coach Ally von Dagenhausen.

“They competed with some high level teams. Each time they play I see improvement,” von Dagenhausen said. “I see great things in the future for the Blue Devils.”

Sophia Clements led the offense with 45 kills while Chloe Weiss had 24 kills.

Abby Fletcher and Morgan DeRidder combined for 123 assists while Veronica Cezanowitch had seven aces. Fletcher and Abby Schupbach led the defense.

► **Linden at Benzie Pete Moss Invitational:** The Linden boys took 12th out of 14 teams in the 5,000 meter varsity big race while the girls placed 16th out of 17 teams.

Tyler Buchanan continued his strong start to the season, taking third in 16:05.5 in the boys’ race. The rest of Linden’s top five male runners were Max Garza in 57th place (18:28.7), Liam Sack in 60th (18:29.5), River Meckstroth in 69th (18:46.7) and Grant Maxheimer in 71st (18:48.6).

Zoe Brown led the Linden girls by taking 76th in 21:12.1. The rest of Linden’s scorers were Melanea Strauss in 77th (21:12.2), Alexis Mawhinney in 80th (21:15.1), Kathryn Walterhouse in 88th (21:37.3) and Jessica Jablonski in 91st (21:45.3).

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Obituaries

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Virginia Sue Carmody 1937-2018

Virginia Sue Carmody - age 81, of Fenton, died Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Friday, August 31, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with Rev. Robbie Carnes and Fr. David Harvey co-officiating. Interment will be held at St. John Catholic Cemetery in Fenton. Visitation will be held 5-8 PM Thursday, August 30, 2018 at the funeral home. Virginia was born on July 15, 1937 in Detroit, the daughter of Wesleyan and Ruth (Bowman) Voigt. She graduated from Royal Oak High School in 1955 and attended Wayne State University and Michigan State University. Virginia married Patrick J. Carmody on June 27, 1964 in West Bloomfield and he preceded her in death on November 27, 2016. She retired from Citizens Bank in 2000 as the Executive Secretary to the President and CEO. She also worked with well



known architects, Minoru Yamasaki (Twin Towers) and Eero Saarinen (St. Louis Arch). Virginia was an active volunteer with the local school system and Brownies, and was a member of Fenton First Presbyterian Church. Surviving are: daughter, Bridget Ann Ross of Grand Blanc; son, Kevin (Megan) Carmody of Western Springs, IL; five grandchildren, Alexander, Samantha, John, Matthew and Elle; brother, Kent (Terrie) Voigt. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



Marilou Ensign

Marilou Ensign - age 90, passed away surrounded by her family on August 26, 2018. Her funeral service will be held on Friday, August 31, 2018 at 11 AM at St. Jude's Episcopal Church, 106 E. Elizabeth St., Fenton. Friends may visit Thursday, August 30, 2018 from 4-7 PM at Temrowski Family Funeral Home, and Friday 10 AM until the time of service at the church. www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com.



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CITY OF LINDEN – PUBLIC HEARING RESCHEDULED ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., as part of the regular meeting agenda, in the Council Chambers located at 201 N. Main Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 to consider an amendment to Section 7.8 (Site and Exterior Lighting Standards). A revised Section 7.8 is proposed that would include provisions related to: light and glare from indirect sources; exterior lighting from direct sources; architectural lighting; window lighting; prohibited lighting; exemptions; sign illumination; and, submittal requirements. The text of the proposed amendment is available for review at the city offices during normal business hours. Persons wishing to comment on the matter are encouraged to attend the public hearing or to address written comments to the City Clerk in City Hall at P.O. Box 507, 132 E. Broad Street, Linden, Michigan 48451 prior to the date of the public hearing.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on motion of the township board, as authorized by PA 188 of 1954, as amended, the township board proposes to continue a lake improvement program on Little Long Lake consisting of the eradication and/or control of aquatic weeds and plants and related services, and to create a special assessment district for the recovery of the costs thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment district within which the foregoing improvements are proposed to be made and within which the costs thereof are proposed to be specially assessed are more particularly described as follows:

All parcels of land abutting Little Long Lake

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the township board has received plans showing the improvements, together with an estimate of the costs in the approximate amount of \$18,725, has placed the same on file with the Township Clerk, and has passed a resolution tentatively declaring its intention to make such improvement and to create the aforementioned special assessment district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that said plans, estimates of costs and proposed special assessment district may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours on regular business days from the date of this notice through the date of the public hearing and may be examined at such public hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing on the plans, district and estimates of costs will be held at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center at 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan, commencing at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday September 4, 2018.

At the hearing, the board will consider any written objections and comments to any of the foregoing matters which are filed with the Township Clerk at or before the time of the hearing, and any objections or comments raised at the hearing; and at the hearing (or any adjournment of the hearing which may be made without further notice), the township board may revise, correct, amend or change the plans, estimates of costs or special assessment district. Written comments or objections may be filed with the Township Clerk at the address set out below.

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ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20
If you want to get out and see the sights, you have to plan an excursion, Aries. Start planning a vacation and don't forget to invite a pal along for the trip.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21
Do not be quick to accept the word "no," Taurus. If you are seeking a promotion, it may take another round of negotiations to sell your position to a supervisor.

GEMINI
May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, some things are at play and you may need to gather some facts. Don't try to piece things together, but rather start at the beginning and get a comprehensive view.

CANCER
Jun 22/Jul 22
You have to hunker down and work through tasks that hold little interest for you, Cancer. Success comes from tending to all of the details, even those that are less interesting.

LEO
Jul 23/Aug 23
Plenty of opportunities to make big changes are on the horizon, Leo. You need to figure out what it is you want to do with yourself and where to make change.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, sit quietly aside and let others talk while you listen. Listening can be a great way to learn about others as well as yourself. Use this time wisely.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, indecisiveness may cost you in the days ahead. Try to come to a decision on an important situation so you can begin moving forward once again.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22
Sometimes you don't see the purpose behind certain actions, Scorpio. Don't hesitate to ask questions to clear things up. Forge ahead and things will become clearer.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21
Sooner or later, if you try different things you are bound to stumble on the right course of action, Sagittarius. It just may take longer than you initially expected.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20
Don't worry if you cannot get your act together just yet, Capricorn. You will find your groove soon enough and everything will ultimately fall in place.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18
Some things can't be avoided forever, Aquarius. If you feel like you are running away from problems or things you don't like, you may need to confront them.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20
Funny things happen when you least expect them, Pisces. Just when you may have thought a situation was dire, some fun will change your opinion.

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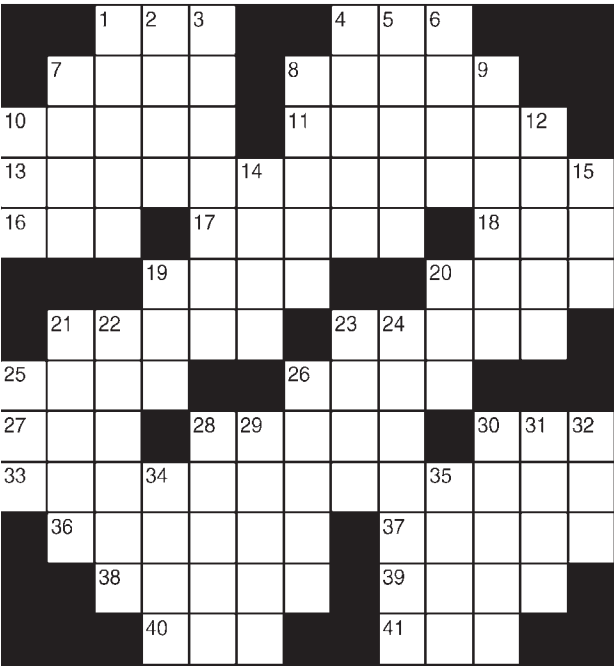
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 - 7 Easter flower
 - 8 Baby's ailment
 - 10 Traffic cone
 - 11 Moon mission name
 - 13 Shakespeare's best-known query
 - 16 "I'll take that as —"
 - 17 Carolers' tunes
 - 18 Vast expanse
 - 19 Coloring agents
 - 20 For fear that
 - 21 Corporations
 - 23 Paperhanger's need
 - 25 Scrawny
 - 26 Dull sound of impact
 - 27 Performance
 - 28 Show smug satisfaction
- DOWN
- 30 Pi follower
 - 33 TLC makeover series
 - 36 Abrade
 - 37 Film
 - 38 Shocking weapon
 - 39 State
 - 40 High deg.
 - 41 Aviv lead-in
 - 1 "The Hobbit" hero
 - 2 Lotion additive
 - 3 Thesaurus entry
 - 4 "Fiddler on the Roof" star
 - 5 Rorschach pictures
 - 6 Riverbed deposit
 - 7 Rhone city
 - 8 Christmas candy
 - 9 Storage area
 - 10 Bake sale org.
 - 12 Not just plump
 - 14 Shad delicacies
 - 15 Chow down
 - 19 Parched
 - 20 "Acid"
 - 21 Botanist for whom a reddish-purple flower is named
 - 22 Unbroken
 - 23 Excellent, in hip-hop parlance
 - 24 Self-service diner
 - 25 Pussy foot?
 - 26 Carrier
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