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“If you continue to say that Foster doesn’t have a mind of his own because he thinks like Trump, would you at least accept that great minds think alike?”

Hard hit prompts visit to doctor — cancer found

■ 14-year-old Linden football player battling Lymphoma

By Hannah Ball

On the day he was released from the hospital, 14-year-old Linden eagle Toby Versola did something no freshman football player should ever have to do — he told the team he wouldn’t be able to play this year because he has Hodgkin Lymphoma, which is cancer that starts in the lymphocytes.

Not only can he not play football, he can’t go to school. Toby will be tutored and homeschooled this year.

“I was in shock to be honest, I never really thought that it could happen to me,” Toby said. He thought about the diagnosis, but his main concern was not being able to play football.

The team was in shock. Some were mad or sad, like they couldn’t believe it could happen to him, Toby said.

“They said that they are praying for me. They wanted me back on the field,” he said. “I told them to tough it out, they can get through it without me, focus on your plays, stick together and practice hard.”

“They said that they are praying for me. They wanted me back on the field.”

Toby Versola
Linden student

The diagnosis

Toby took a hard hit at football practice a few weeks ago, said his father Nick Versola. Days later, his chest was still too sore so they took him to a family doctor for X-rays. The doctor called and said to take Toby to another hospital for a CT scan right away.

That appointment revealed a large mass just under Toby’s ribs and sternum, and over his heart, lungs and a section



Instead of experiencing his freshman year of high school and playing football, Toby Versola, 14, will spend the next few months receiving treatment for cancer.

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of his trachea. He was immediately sent to University of Michigan Children’s Hospital in Ann Arbor.

“What followed was a whirlwind five days of agonizing waiting for the results of more images, tests, and procedures that included biopsies of 12 samples of the mass itself, a bone marrow biopsy, a lumbar puncture, a PICC line placement, ultrasounds, CT scans, and a PET scan,” Nick said.

Toby was a “Titan” throughout the entire process and wasn’t administered any anesthesia because the doctors were concerned about the size and location of the mass if he were lying on his back, unconscious.

Toby said it was some of the worst pain he felt in his life. The bone marrow procedure hurt the worst when they inserted the needle and scraped the inside of his bone. He was officially diagnosed with Stage 2A Hodgkin Lymphoma Saturday, Aug. 18.

Treatment

The treatment plan includes chemotherapy every other week for four months.

“What that means for Toby is cancer, chemo, no football, no regular freshman year of school, diet restrictions, face masks, mass amounts of hand sanitizer” Nick said. “Still, he hasn’t stopped cracking jokes. His confidence is high and rightly so.”

Doctors believe Toby will respond well to treatment and the survival rate for this condition in people Toby’s age is 95 percent.

“Most of the time I can keep a positive outlook but there are still those times when I can’t stand it. Just knowing that I have to go through all this and can’t really do anything upsets me,” he said. “But, his friends and family are supporting him and he’s going to the ‘best hospital’ for treatment.”

He plans to return to sports next year.

Fundraisers

Nick Versola said they’re asking for prayers. To contribute to the family’s Gofundme, go to gofundme.com and search “43TobyVersola.” His jersey number is 43. On Saturday Sept. 8, people can participate in a cornhole tournament at the VFW Post 3243 & Auxiliary in Fenton at 10 a.m. All proceeds go to the Versola family.


NEWS BRIEFS

FIRE DEPARTMENT GETS NEW GEAR RACKS

On Monday, Aug. 27, the Fenton City Council agreed to Fire Chief Bob Cairnduff’s request to purchase new gear racks for firefighters to store their Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), which are in need of replacement. The total cost will be \$13,158. The current racks were moved from the old station to the new facility in 2002. The old racks are failing, are very small, and don’t accommodate all of the firefighters’ gear. The new, sturdier version is larger to accommodate all of the PPE and personal items. The new racks will also feature lockable compartments for each firefighter to store their keys, wallets, phones, etc. while they go out on a call.

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When standard police gear isn't enough

■ Area departments can obtain free military surplus

By Tim Jagielo

The Fenton Police Department (FPD) doesn't own any military-style armored vehicles, but sometimes they're needed.

According to Chief Jason Slater, there were three instances in his memory when his department had to call in the force of the Michigan State Police (MSP) Emergency Support Team (EST) to provide specialized assistance in emergency situations.

This extra support included weapons and vehicles commonly associated with the U.S. military, such as M-16 rifles and armored vehicles, to provide protection for the officers, not to mention their specially trained troopers.

In June, such a vehicle was used to knock down the front door of a home on Hickory Street, because they believed an armed gunman had barricaded himself inside.

Slater said the FPD doesn't have any military style gear, or armored vehicles. "We wouldn't use it enough through the year to justify the expense; it's a phone call away," he said, referring to the MSP team.

However, there are several departments across Michigan that have actual retired, military surplus vehicles, and equipment, which they received for free from the U.S. Government's 1033 program.

This is different from the MSP, which buys new equipment and vehicles specifically for their law enforcement needs.

According to a spreadsheet by the Defense Logistics Agency, many law enforcement agencies across the state have surplus equipment ranging from utility knives to mine-resistant vehicles. According to Michigan Radio, 30 agencies have armored



On Tuesday, June 12, the Fenton Police Department was assisted by the Michigan State Police Emergency Support Team (EST). They used an armored vehicle to knock down the door during what they believed to be a standoff with a barricaded gunman. Photo: Times file photo

vehicles, and 2,500 surplus M-16 rifles.

Holly Police Chief Michael Story said his department has AR-15 rifles procured from other departments, currently. While the department has patrol rifles, he said since 2006, they haven't been used in a situation in the field.

The Genesee County Sheriff's Office received dozens of rifles and related equipment through the years, along with an unmanned ground vehicle.

The Livingston County Sheriff's Office also received a variety of gear some of it as early as this spring.

The Brighton Police Department received a "mine resistant vehicle" in 2016, and is the closest department to the tri-county area.

Genesee County Undersheriff Chris

“We don't have any equipment like that, and if we need it that's when we reach out to the State Police.”

Jason Slater
Fenton police chief

Swanson said his agency doesn't have interest in getting an armored vehicle, but he believes that each department should have the ability to call for one as needed.

"With today's high-powered weaponry available, an Armored Personnel Vehicle (APV) allows the officers to make up-close and personal contact without putting ourselves or others at additional risk," Swanson said.

About the MSP Emergency Support Team (EST)

The EST has five armored vehicles. They are not retired military vehicles, but specifically designed to be used by law enforcement for protection and rescue of both the public and law enforcement members.

The team has responded to approximately 300 tactical calls in the past two years. An armored vehicle was used on 38 calls.

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A LOOK BACK at 1968

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Jeannie C. Riley holds the letter Mrs. Johnson's daughter brought home from the PTA. Photo credit: nofolkdailynews.com

The day her momma socked it to the 'Harper Valley PTA'

By Vera Hogan

Women all over America cheered, "Yeah, mind your own business!" when Jeannie C. Riley's song *Harper Valley PTA*, was released in 1968. The song immediately became a hit for Riley and went to No. 1 on both the Billboard Pop and Country charts, a feat not repeated by a woman until 1981 when Dolly Parton released *9 to 5*.

Harper Valley PTA is about a widowed woman by the name of Mrs. Johnson, who confronts a group of members of the PTA after her daughter brings home a note from school that is critical of her (Mrs. Johnson's) habits of wearing miniskirts, going

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If I Were King...

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Random royal thoughts ...

What is the greatest hypocrisy of all time?

Women's magazines. Every issue since the beginning of time has contained some form of these two mandatory subject stories: 'All Men are Pigs' and 'How to Attract a Man.'

Where does rain come from?

All water originates from glaciers. Several million years ago, the glaciers, through a process called migration, traveled to Florida trailer parks inhabited almost entirely by old men wearing chest-high pants, bitching about taxes, and eating dinner at 4 p.m. During the glaciers' centuries-long journey, they carved out millions of lakes. These lakes, through a process called evaporation, provide the water that creates clouds, which in turn create rain, through a process called precipitation. After falling back to the earth, the rain seeps into underground wells, which are then tapped by a Fortune 500 brewery and made into beer through a process called fermentation. Finally, the cycle is completed when this beer is consumed by swimmers, boaters and fishermen and deposited back into the very lakes it originated from, through a process called urination.

Random thoughts:

- **The problem isn't** that obesity runs in your family. The problem is that no one runs in your family.
- **Does my wife** think I'm a control freak? Well, I haven't decided that yet.
- **Don't you hate** it when someone answers their own question? I sure do.
- **One way to** determine if you are old is to fall down in front of a crowd of people. If they laugh, you are still young. If they start running to you, you're old.
- **Too many newscasters** today see themselves as 'agents of social change' as opposed to performing the politically neutral job description they were hired to do.



• **I suffer from Kleptomania**, but when it gets real bad, I take something for it.

• **I have been** watching professional football for over 40 years. In all those years, I have never seen a black football player kick an extra point or a field goal. Can anyone tell me why that is?

The biggest differences between being young and old:

Then: Long hair.
Now: Longing for hair.
Then: KEG.
Now: EKG.
Then: Acid rock.
Now: Acid reflux.
Then: You're growing pot.
Now: Your growing pot.
Then: Trying to look like Val Kilmer or Kathleen Turner.
Now: Trying not to look like Val Kilmer or Kathleen Turner.
Then: Killer weed.
Now: Weed killer.
Then: 'Whatever.'
Now: 'Depends.'
Then: Hoping for a BMW.
Now: Hoping for a BM.

What single consumer product do you think provides the best value for your money?

Consider the lowly pencil. Lumber workers cut the trees that sawmill workers then shape into milled wood, while miners draw the graphite from deep in the earth, and others smelt and shape it into the thin rod, which is somehow encased in the octagonal tube of wood, which is then gaily painted, varnished and stamped with a name, motto or snappy saying, topped with a milled metal tip (also mined and processed and stamped) which contains a pink eraser made of gum from some remote jungle. This pillar of communication technology then becomes available to you and me at the shockingly, insanely, irrationally low price of — about 10 cents.

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“The problem isn't that obesity runs in your family. The problem is that no one runs in your family.”

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HEY BREASTFEEDING MOM, if you whip it out in public, don't demand privacy by having us 'kindly look away.' If you want privacy, keep it private.

A BIG THANK you to the people who helped me Monday when I fell at a Fenton business. We have a wonderful group of people living in Fenton.

SERIOUSLY? YOU CITE Missouri as a model of political wisdom. Must be another liberal desperately searching to justify flawed political beliefs. You need a cure for Trump Derangement Syndrome.

SO DEBBIE STABENOW is running for the Senate again, after 18 years of doing nothing but naming a few buildings? One would think it's time for her to step down.

YEAH, DONALD TRUMP and all his crooked men are going to jail wearing ankle bracelets and you voted him into office.

THEY CLOSED OFF North Road as if they were going to fix it, then only put two patches down. That makes no sense. Why not fix the whole road?

IF ALL TRUMP does is go golfing, go to self-promoting rallies, criticize heroes like Senator McCain, spend all our money, hurt children, and hire incompetent people, I think Vice President Pence should take over. Maybe he can get the government working again.

HI, I SURE would like to know who the ignorant person who thinks only Republicans love America? I happen to be a Democrat and I love America very much. Thank you.

HERE IS THE OFFICIAL list of people who want ICE to be abolished: 1. Illegal aliens. 2. Terrorists. 3. MS-13. 4. Democrats.

YES, I DID receive a so-called lottery ticket with all the winning numbers. There will be thousands of others with the same ticket. It's a scam sent from Portugal. Danger, beware.

SO YOU LISTEN to Vladimir Putin saying the Russians wanted Trump to become president of United States, and that doesn't bother you?

I JUST SAW the picture of the rendition of what Dr. Wax wants to do in Linden. Leave Linden alone. Let it look like a quaint small town, not like the mess in Fenton.

TO THE PERSON stating 'Trumpism.' The middle class started disappearing when Bill Clinton signed NAFTA, followed by Obama's administration that did absolutely nothing for the unions.

THANK YOU FOR printing 'Truer words were never spoken.' This is the opinion of many Americans stated clearly and succinctly. Thank you.

JOHN MCCAIN HAD more American patriotism in his little finger than the whole Trump family combined.

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Times

Compiled by Gracie Warda, intern

What has been the highlight of your summer?



"Going to Seattle to visit my oldest son and his fiancée. We also did some wedding planning for their wedding next month."

Lori Thompson
Flint Township



"Probably a golf trip that I went on. There are 20 of us that have gone for a number of years. This year we went up by Boyne Mountain to golf at their courses. We ended at Bay Harbor."

Brett Meat, Fenton Township



"I live on Lake Tyrone, so that's an obvious highlight. Everyone on the lake feels like family."

Judy Bemiss
Tyrone Township



"Probably going to the Sleeping Bear Dunes for a long weekend. It was warm and very beautiful!"

Marc Enfroy
Fenton Township



"I didn't really like this summer, it was too hot. I did take it easy this summer, though, and it was sort of relaxing, so that was nice."

Steve Ort
Fenton Township

street talk

Funeral set for Argentine Township woman

■ Found dead in her home Friday, Aug. 31

By Sharon Stone

A 54-year-old woman, later identified as Beth Dailey was found dead in her Argentine Township home Friday, Aug. 31.

Argentine Township police responded to a 911 call in the 7400 block of Jeffery Court at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Police Chief Dan Allen said a man called because his 54-year-old wife was unresponsive. Due to the location of where she collapsed, Allen said further investigation was required.

Police caution tape was strung around the property to secure the scene. The chief believes Dailey suffered a medical episode, which led to her death.

Police do not suspect any foul play in the woman's death.



Police caution tape is strung around this home on Jeffery Court in Argentine Township while police investigate a woman's death. Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

Dailey leaves behind her husband, Michael, three children and seven grandchildren, her parents and several other relatives, according to her obituary. Her funeral is at 11 a.m. Thursday,

Sept. 6 at Hope Lutheran Church in Linden. Visitation will be at Sharp Funeral Homes-Fenton Chapel, Wednesday from 4 to 9 p.m. and at church Thursday from 10 a.m., until the time of the service.

WARWICK

Continued from Front Page
It's a PGA Tour Champions event

A PGA Tour Champions event, which in the past was called the Senior Tour, includes male professional golfers who are 50 or older. So don't expect to see Tiger Woods or Jordan Spieth competing. That said, fans can expect to see some old favorites from the Buick Open days competing.

Among those committed are two-time Buick Open champion (2001, 2008) Kenny Perry, 2000 Buick Open champion Rocco Mediate, 2002 Buick Open runner-up and World Hall of Fame member Mark O'Meara, current U.S. Senior Open champion David Toms, the player currently in second place in the Charles Schwab season point chase Jerry Kelly and seven-time PGA Tour Champions winner Scott McCarron.

As the event gets closer the list of those entering the field should only get better.

Also, many Champions events are three-day 54-hole tournaments, starting on Friday and ending on Sunday. Regular PGA Tour events are four-day 72-hole events.

Just like the PGA Tour has its FedEx Cup season championship, the PGA Tour Champions have a similar season points championship race called the Charles Schwab Cup. Basically a golfer gets a point for every dollar earned. The top 36 players at the end of the regular season will qualify for the playoffs, starting with the Dominion Energy Classic (Oct. 19-21). Golfers will be rewarded with double points during the final three

events. Currently, three of the top five golfers on the Charles Schwab money list (Kelley, Toms and McCarron) are headed to Warwick Hills.

How much will the winner receive?

A \$2 million purse will be up for grabs with the eventual champion earning 15 percent of that total purse, or \$300,000. That's much less than the \$918,000 Tiger Woods earned of the \$5.1 million purse at the Buick Open in 2009.

Tickets/media information

Ticket prices vary greatly depending on what day you go and what type of package you are looking for. Your best bet is to go to ticketmaster.com and check for the package you desire. Thursday's pro-am and tickets cost \$20 (plus fees) through Ticketmaster. At the end of Friday's round country music duo Big & Rich will host a concert, and most ticket prices include admittance to that concert.

Tickets on Saturday and Sunday can cost as little as \$35 (plus fees) for general admission tickets, but can cost much higher. The Ally Challenge is offering complimentary admission to members of the armed forces (active duty, National Guard, Reserve and retirees) and veterans.

For those who want to watch the event from their living rooms, all three rounds will be televised by the GOLF Channel.

Warwick Hills course layout

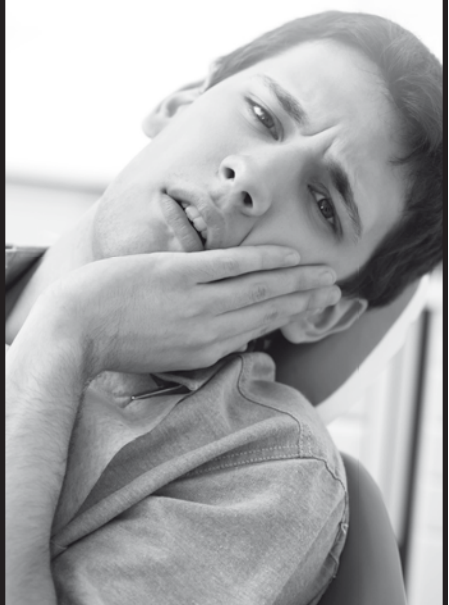
Warwick Hills is a par-72, 7,127-yard layout, and it's a course that's always

been kind to big hitters. Low scores are the norm, as the Buick Open winners usually posted scores at -20 or better. Expect scores to go low for the Championsfield as well. The par -4, 322-yard 14th hole should be a fun hole to watch since many golfers will go for the green on their tee shots, hoping for eagles.

Also, the par-3, 197-yard 17th hole is not only picturesque, it's also the home of some of the most enthusiastic crowds in PGA history. Expect that tradition to continue with the Champions tour.

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HOT LINE CONTINUED

A MILLION THANKS to the person behind me on Aug. 28, on Silver Lake Road, who noticed my dog getting out of the car (while I was driving) and alerted me with a short honk. She was buckled but had somehow hit the release. You may have saved her.

CONSIDER YOUR SURROUNDINGS when buying a home. We had a quiet neighborhood and then someone with loud trucks and loud cars moved in. Please be considerate of other people's lives.

FAILURE TO SIGNAL, running red lights and stop signs, texting while driving and passing on unopened

shoulders, add in the rainy, snowy or foggy days and people driving without headlights on. I didn't beat cancer twice to die from someone's reckless driving.

DID THE DDA law cause the gas tax increase? Did Lansing replace the business tax revenue lost due to the DDA law with the revenue from the gas tax? The timing is right for it.

I KNOW NOW why I call them the loser Lions. Are there any Detroit pro teams that can win?

REMEMBER ALL PRESIDENT'S budgets are dead on arrival at Congress. Why? Because Congress has the power of the purse. There are TV ads ignoring this reality.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

■■■
MOLLIE'S DAD MAY be fine with an illegal immigrant taking the life of his daughter. I am not, and that does not make me a racist.

■■■
THE EDITORIAL WRITTEN by Jim was tremendous. He did miss one thing, the employee has no first amendment rights while on the job. Once he is on his own time, he can say virtually anything he wants. Rioting is not a first amendment right.

■■■
HAVEN'T HEARD ANY conservatives complain about Trump playing golf at his resorts a third of his time in office at a cost of about \$100 million to taxpayers. That is right we have to pay his company for him to stay at his resorts.

■■■
GRANDPARENTS DAY AT Loose Center was very enjoyable.

■■■
AS I READ 'truer words,' Trump's claim that McCain wasn't a war hero burned in my soul. — U.S. NAVY vet

■■■
SO NICE SEEING all the people at the new Linden football field. Keep it up Linden and go Eagles.

■■■
HOW GREAT WOULD it be if only to walk down a shared road and have drivers actually give those on bikes, walking their dogs, kids playing in the street the room to feel safe?

■■■
THANK YOU SOUTHERN Lakes Parks and Recreation for the excellent concerts at the Fenton millpond this summer. I wish it could have continued through September. The last show this summer with the band Magic Bus was like being at a concert at DTE.

■■■

What young drivers should know

■ **Speeding, tailgating, distracted driving bring penalties; school zones carry twice the fine**

By Hannah Ball

Drivers between the ages of 16 and 20 are usually the least experienced drivers on the road, according to the Michigan Secretary of State's Office.

Argentine Township Det. Sgt. Doug Fulton said there's an increase in crashes during the school year because more younger drivers are sharing road space.

"We have a lot of problems with speeding through the school zone," he said, adding that they've increased their patrols around Linden schools when school starts, when school is in session, and when it lets out. "It's after school, everyone's hurrying to get home. A lot of the speeders are also parents dropping their kids off to school and jet off to work."

Teens also have an issue with tailgating and distracted driving.

"We do see kids on their phones. Some of the distracted driving is a car load of teens. We see all of them talking, chatting and the driver is distracted. The next you know we have a rear-end accident," he said.

If you get a ticket in a school zone, the fine and points are double, and it can affect your insurance.

"We're trying to see if there's some way we can get one of those flashing school zone signs in our areas," he said.



Driving tickets are more expensive in school zones, such as Donaldson Drive in Fenton, near the high school.

Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

Alcohol

Teens are a higher risk of being involved in a vehicle crash than older drivers at all levels of blood alcohol concentration (BAC), according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Approximately 24 percent of drivers age 15 to 20 who were killed in crashes in 2016 had BACs of .01 g/dL or higher, and 82 percent of those drivers had BAC of .08 g/dL or higher.

Penalties for purchasing/consuming/possessing alcohol

The first offense is a \$100 fine with no driver's license sanction. The second offense is a \$200 fine and the driver's license is suspended for 30 days and restricted for 60 days. The third offense is a \$500 fine. The driver's license is suspended for 60 days and restricted for 305 days.

Alcohol screening and community service may be required.

Underage drinking and driving penalties

It is illegal for anyone under age 21 to drive with a BAC above .02. The first offense carries up to a \$250 fine and/or 360 hours of community service. The driver's license is restricted for 30 days, four points are added to a driver's license, and they pay a driver responsibility fee of \$500.

The second offense involved one or more of the following: \$500 fine, up to 60 days of community service, up to 93 days in jail. The driver's license is suspended for 90 days. With a prior drunk or drugged driving conviction, the license

Point system

Points on your license are there for two years from the date of conviction. Drivers only receive points after they have been convicted.

Two points

- Driving 10 mph or less over the legal speed limit
- Open alcohol container in vehicle
- Moving violations of traffic laws
- Refusal of Preliminary Breath Test by a driver under age 21

Three points

- Careless driving
- Disobeying traffic signal or stop sign or improper passing
- Driving 11 through 15 mph over speed limit
- Not stopping at railroad crossing
- Not stopping for a school bus, disobeying a school crossing guard

Four points

- Drag racing
- Operating while visibly impaired
- Under age 21 with any bodily alcohol limit
- Failure to yield/show due caution for emergency vehicles

Six points

- Manslaughter, negligent homicide, or other felony involving use of a motor vehicle
- Operating under the influence of liquor or drugs
- Failing to stop and give identification at the scene of a crash
- Reckless driving
- Unlawful bodily alcohol content of 0.08 or more
- Refusal to take a chemical test
- Fleeing or eluding a police officer

is revoked and denied for a minimum of one year, but increases to a minimum of five years if there was a prior revocation within seven years.

With the second offense, four points are added to the record and they pay a driver responsibility fee of \$500.

If you have friends in the car who are under 16, you can be charged with child endangerment, which is a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail.

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Your question asks about freedom of speech.

Freedom of speech does not mean that a person has the right to say anything they want, at any time, or anywhere. However, over time, the protections afforded by the Amendment have evolved and generally speaking, the United States Supreme Court has taken an expansive view of free speech protections.

For example, many types of speech, which could be considered offensive including political speech criticizing the government, and expressive conduct speech such as flag burning and protests are allowed as "protected" speech.

There are many forms of speech, which don't have First Amendment protections including speech which incites imminent lawless action, fighting words, threats, obscenity, invasion of privacy and defamation.

To answer your question, assuming the allegation is false, this would appear to not be protected speech and actually a form of defamation called libel. However, if it is accurate, truth is an absolute defense.

Under Michigan law for a libel case to be proved it must be shown that a statement of fact was about the plaintiff; communicated to a third party; false in a material respect; tended to harm the plaintiff's reputation; and the plaintiff was damaged. Being accused of a crime is defamation per se and is actionable even if damages can't be shown.

A "statement" can be a printing, writing, sign or picture.

If the statement involves a private plaintiff, a negligence standard applies as to the communication of the statement. If it is a public figure plaintiff, the burden of proof is raised to a showing of the defendant having actual knowledge of the statement's falsity or a reckless disregard as to falsity.

Michigan also has a criminal statute, which makes false accusations of a crime a misdemeanor.

Thanks to the First Amendment, more information on this is available on the internet.

Holly Masonic Lodge sale falls through

■ Cash-strapped organization needs sale to help with costs

By Tim Jagielo

The Holly Masonic Lodge building is back on the market, after the sale fell through Thursday, Aug. 30.

"The buyer literally refused to close at the closing table this (morning)," said Realtor Julie LeBourdais.

She said the building at 105 Washington St. had been emptied out, ready for the sale, following the offer being accepted on June 26.

While the building is in good shape, the Holly Masonic Lodge #134 is weathering

financial difficulties, leading to the sale of the building.

In July, Dave Cruickshank, a Mason member said, "We've been struggling to pay the bills for a while and we are out of money. It's very sad since we've had the building since the 1920s."

Their new home has not been decided.

According to the lodge website, the Masons are the longest continually running organization in Holly, forming in 1862.

The building had only been listed for four days before the interest came pouring in. It is listed at \$49,000 cash. It has a total of 2,500 square feet and a

basement. LeBourdais said it is zoned residential in the village.

Building history

The building could have been constructed as early as 1854, said LeBourdais.

It was originally built as a church, and then sold to the McCabe family, who eventually sold it to the Masons in 1920.

With such an old building, finding solid records has been difficult. "The title company is having a hard time clearing it," she said.

LeBourdais spent time combing through microfiche tape to find past bills of sale, because the only physical copy is so deteriorated, and there is no digital copy.

DIXIE CLEANERS

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de-wrinkling a shirt and a loud "ding" announcing to workers that a customer is waiting at the front desk.

Tom and Candy Moleski will be closing their doors for good at noon on Sept. 29, after running a business that has been open since 1968.

Dixie Cleaners has been family owned and operated ever since Fenton residents Herb and Marie Moleski opened their doors, first on Caroline Street, then LeRoy St. and finally, at 218 First St.

SUMMARY

■ Dixie Cleaners in Fenton will be closing its doors for good after the close of business Saturday, Sept. 29 at 12 p.m. The Moleski family has operated this business for 66 years, 50 of those in Fenton.

Tom and his sister Lisa Perczak, grew up in the business, watching their parents work long, hot days behind huge washers and dryers, dry cleaning machines and hot irons. Perczak has worked in the business since she was 15 years old, and became the store's main seamstress for thousands of alterations.

Those were the days of woolens and velvets, suits and dress shirts, draperies and bedding that required specialty cleaning and ironing. Today's casual business attire and wash and wear fabrics have changed all that, along with trendy styles and disposable quality.

"It's a dwindling business," said Tom Moleski, 67, who has worked in the family business for 55 years. "Most clothes today are polyester and cottons. Executives don't wear suits anymore. It's been 'business casual' for the last 10 years."

One thing that has endured in the dry cleaning business has been his marriage to Candy, whom he met when she was a co-op student at Dixie Cleaners at age 16. They'll celebrate 41 years of marriage next month, along with the end of Tom's treatment for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, contracted from Agent Orange during Tom's tour of duty in Vietnam.

Over the years, they've experienced many strange incidents — from \$1,500 found in a pocket and rightfully returned to its owner, to a Superman thong in a guy's pants pocket. "That got thrown away," Tom said. "Another time, a wad of money was found in an inside skirt pocket. That was returned also. We've never kept anything we haven't rightfully earned."

Dixie Cleaners has actually been preparing for this day since 2015, when its dry cleaning equipment broke down and the Moleskis were faced with the decision

to replace it for \$25,000 or not.

They decided to work out an arrangement with Jan's Professional Dry Cleaners in Clio, which picked up and dropped off dry cleaning for local customers. "Sewing has been the only thing we've done on-site for quite awhile," Tom said.

The property and building are currently for sale, and Perczak is planning to open an alterations business in Fenton. For now, customers are encouraged to pick up any items that may be still at Dixie Cleaners — before they close for good. "Anything that's left will go to Jan's in Clio to be picked up," Tom said.

What they will miss the most are the loyal customers that have become like family to the Moleskis. "We've seen generations and generations of people through our doors," Candy said. "We're on two, maybe even three generations."



Tom Moleski and his wife, Candy (left) and Tom's sister, Lisa Perczak, have been in the dry-cleaning business most their lives. On Sept. 29, Dixie Cleaners will close for good. Photo: Tim Jagielo - media editor

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Source: Michigan Secretary of State's Office



The St. John Applefest is a popular event that ushers in the fall season. Photo: Times file photo

MILITARY

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Source: Lori Dougovito, Public Affairs Representative, MSP

Fall means festival time in Michigan

■ From local events to road trip possibilities, there's a festival to suit every interest

By Sally Rummel

Summer may be on its way out, but the coming of fall signals its own wave of fun festivals in Michigan.

Close to home, **HollyDays** will be gearing up for its three-day celebration

in Holly this weekend, Sept. 7-9, followed by **Applefest** in Fenton, Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 13-16.

Jousting and juggling continue to attract visitors to the 17-acres of Hollygrove in Groveland Township near Holly at the **Michigan Renaissance Festival**, weekends through Sept. 30.

To experience downtown Grand Rapids at its artistic best, don't miss **ArtPrize**, an independently organized international art competition taking place every other year. This year's dates are Sept. 19 to Oct. 7, and will alternate years with "Project 1 by Art Prize," a new event to launch in 2019. This event is slated to engage a single artist or small group of artists to present a dynamic citywide public art project, according to Artprize.com.

Fall excitement continues at the **Frankenmuth Oktoberfest**, Sept. 20-23. This is the only officially sanctioned Oktoberfest celebration outside of the original in Munich, Germany, according to Funtober.com. Here, the Hofbrauhaus beer is flowing, the hand-rolled German pretzels are warm and the experience is as close to authentic as one can imagine.

If you love antiques and classic cars, don't miss **Michigan Antique Festivals** in Midland, on Sept. 21-23 and in Davison, on Oct. 6-7. These events have been a mainstay Michigan tradition for more than 50 years.

Celebrating a half-mile area of the raucous saloon days of the late 1800s, **Hell's Half Mile Film & Music Festival** features four days and nights of independent film, music and fun in downtown Bay City, Sept. 27-30.

If you're a car lover, you'll enjoy the **Northwood University International Auto Show**, on Oct. 12-14. Exhibiting more than 500 cars from 65 manufacturers, it's the largest outdoor new car show on the continent, according to Gogreat.com. Best of all, admission and parking are free.

There are tons of other festivals taking place near and far from the **Salmon Festival** in Grand Haven Sept. 14-16 to the **Detroit Fall Beer Festival**, Oct. 26-27. Check out all the possibilities and plan a road trip to enjoy Pure Michigan, in all of its fall glory.

1968

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out with men, and other behavior of which they do not approve.

The climax of the song comes when Mrs. Johnson turns the tables on the PTA and exposes their hypocrisy, one member at a time, noting that their private behavior is far worse than what their letter criticized her for.

Riley and the song became an overnight sensation, and the song earned her the Grammy Award for Best Female Country Vocal Performance and the Country Music Association 'Single of the Year' award. Riley also became one of the few country artists ever nominated in the major pop Grammy Award categories of "Best New Artist" and "Record of the Year." Globally it sold over five and a half million copies.

The song was a phenomenon, which led to Riley making country music history in 1969 as the first female vocalist to have her own major network variety special, *Harper Valley U.S.A.* It also spawned a 1978 film and a 1981-1983 TV series, both called Harper Valley PTA, both starring Barbara Eden (of "I Dream of Jeannie") as the widow, Mrs. Johnson.

Here are the lyrics to this hit song: "I wanna tell you all a story 'bout a Harper Valley widowed wife who had a teenage daughter who attended Harper Valley Junior High.

Well her daughter came home one afternoon and didn't even stop to play.

And she said, Mom I got a note here from the Harper Valley PTA.

Well the note said, Mrs. Johnson, you're wearing your dresses way too high.

It's reported you've been drinkin' and runnin' round with men and goin' wild.

And we don't believe you oughta be a bringin' up your little girl this way.

And it was signed by the secretary Harper Valley PTA.

Well it happened that the PTA was gonna meet that very afternoon.

And they were sure surprised when Mrs. Johnson wore her mini-skirt into the room.

And as she walked up to the black board, I still recall the words she had to say.

She said I'd like to address this meeting of the Harper Valley PTA.

Well, there's Bobby Taylor sittin' there, and seven times he's asked me for a date.

And Mrs. Taylor seems to use a bottle of ice, whenever he's away.

And Mr. Baker can you tell us why your secretary had to leave this town?

And shouldn't widow Jones be told to keep her window shades pulled completely down.

Well Mr. Harper couldn't be here cause he stayed too long at Kelly's Bar again.

And if you smell Shirley Thompson's breath you'll find she's had a little nip of gin.

And then you have the nerve to tell me, you think that as a mother I'm not fit.

Well this is just a little Peyton Place, and you're all Harper Valley hypocrites.

No, I wouldn't put you on because, it really did happen just this way.

The day my momma socked it to, the Harper Valley PTA."



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The Generation GAP



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By Sally Rummel

Editor's Note: This weekly series, The Generation Gap, features opinions from Associate Editor Vera Hogan, 65, a Baby Boomer, and Reporter/Social Media Editor Hannah Ball, 25, a Millennial, and is exclusive to the Midweek.

What is the biggest problem you feel our nation faces today?

Vera Hogan

It would be very easy to blame it on our current leadership, but that's not it. It's a lack of civility. In Washington, we need more true leaders, people who can come up with solutions, not fight each other. I'm not sure this two-party system is great, but it's all we have.

We all need to go back in history and read our Bill of Rights and our Declaration of Independence. We need a refresher course on what these really mean.

The breakdown in the family is huge, too. Lots of it has to do with drugs. Family values have gone by the wayside; they don't get together anymore or rely on each other like we used to. We used to have the whole family get together every Sunday. We insisted on rules, like dinner at home together. Make an environment where your kids feel like they can come to you.

People have too much that they don't have to work for. One thing connects to the other. There are no consequences for negative behavior. We adapt and accept everything, even if it's not the right thing to do.

“It's a lack of civility.”

Hannah Ball

There are two main things: People's unwillingness to seek out the truth — believing their own emotions, rather than just facts. People's unwillingness to read past the headlines makes society stupid.

The second thing is people's unwillingness to look at a point of view besides their own. People have different life experiences. Just because you haven't experienced an issue or problem doesn't mean it's not valid for someone else, Police brutality, for one example.

People thinking that commentary news shows are actually news, when they are not. This also leads to the Alex Jones' of the world — pushing out conspiracy theories like saying the Sandy Hook shootings were fake.

When it comes to politics, politicians drive to win, instead of helping their country. They also do what's best for their party, not country which is completely wrong.

It's also wrong that big corporations can contribute a lot more to political campaigns than individual people can. That allows them to decide the rules for our country, instead of the people. I think Super PACS (political action committees) are terrible for this country. Also, our justice system needs a lot of work.

“People's unwillingness to seek out the truth.”

HOT LINE CONTINUED

I WOULD LIKE to know the plans on repaving our neighborhood roads. We should be ashamed that our city streets are in such bad shape. It seems like all the city cares about is the downtown area.

WE SHOULD BE grateful that the Donald won the Presidential election. If Hillary had won, she is so smart we would not have found out the dirty illegal things her administration would do. The Donald, clearly, is not smart enough to hide his administration's misdeeds.

MY OPINION ON breastfeeding in public — modesty is a virtue; the middle of a room is showing off. There is someplace nearby where a baby can be nursed while being considerate of others.

LIBERAL LOGIC: FOSTER Childs has a different opinion so therefore he is 'The Enemy.'

OF COURSE A Baby Boomer had to chime in and whine because they didn't like Hannah's article. Grow up.

ALL THE BOOMERS who are retiring early should do society a favor and take some college courses with all their free time. Those of us who are half your age are tired of

you wanting help with everything.

IF YOU WERE smart, you would get gas Thursday so that you don't have to pay the holiday gas prices. It's pretty sad how all the oil companies take advantage of everyone like that.

ARETHA FRANKLIN WAS a human not a goddess.

I'M A HAPPY and thankful Fentonite. I am happy because we have a president who is fighting for the forgotten men and women in America and he is fighting to make America great again.

SHOUT OUT TO all the staff keeping the Linden High School, middle school and elementary schools looking fantastic. What a great place to take a walk and the trails are a bonus, thank you for your hard work.

HI, I JUST wanted to give a huge shout-out to (local business) on Owen Road. I've been there for probably the last eight years and every time I go in there, they never disappoint — courteous and kind. They're the best in town. Thanks.

Memorable social media comments



By Hannah Ball

For the past few news cycles, the Times has published stories on local marching bands, accidents over Labor Day, bags of abandoned marijuana being found, using smartphones in elementary school and more.

Here are some of the memorable comments the past two weeks.

Facebook

Craig Salter, new principal of Tomek-Eastern Elementary School, had his first day Tuesday, Aug. 28. On our Facebook post about Salter, we asked what readers remembered from their first days. Cherie said, “First day of fourth grade I fell and broke my right arm.”

On the story questioning if today's adult drivers could pass a driving exam, Beth said, “My mom made me do donuts in the (snowy and empty) parking lot at FHS for an hour before she'd let me take my driving test. Smart.”

We posted the story about a Fenton woman, and a team of people, pushing her wheelchair-bound husband across the Crim finish line on Aug. 29.

Linda said, “Janet Ruggirello was our mother's nurse at Hurley hospital some 17 years ago and her kindness is in my heart like it was just yesterday. God bless them and their team. Mike, you've got the right woman at your side.”

On the story about a bag of marijuana being found at State Road Elementary playground, two weeks after a bag was found on the side of the road in Argentine Township, Heidi said, “Stay tuned, bag three coming soon.”

Twitter

After we tweeted the story about the bag of marijuana, username @lennonscat said, “That was mine. Feel free to return it.”

Instagram

On our post about someone damaging “The Game” statue, username @hopeanyway said, “Classy...Hope he's caught quickly.” Username @nomers99 said, “You just can't have nice things when certain people are around.”

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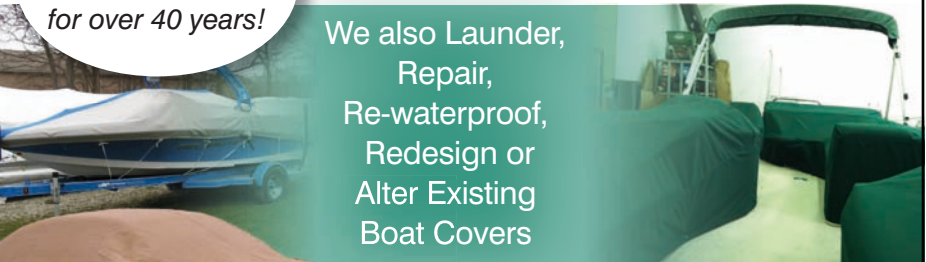
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CEMETERY

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Hill and Germany Roads continues to draw public comments at meetings, and Hot lines in the Times.

Donita Sanders has a drinking water well close to the future cemetery property which is privately owned.

"Several people have said that they might have to think about moving before property values and the water are affected," she said.

Because all the nearby parcels are on wells, property owners were concerned that these burials could negatively affect their water.

Director Hasan Siddiqui lives on the property, and is a Sufi Muslim. "Our properties are the two that are direct neighbors," he said. "Our wells are the closest to the cemetery and are the only wells that would be in the vicinity of the United Nations regulations for distance from a cemetery to a water source."

His family owns the property on which the proposed 1.3-acre parcel is located. By comparison, Fenton's Oakwood Cemetery is on approximately 40 acres.

The central concern for other residents is the burial practices the cemetery would

allow — "green burials," which would not include a coffin at all, but a burial shroud and slab on top of the corpse, and no embalming chemicals would be used, per Sufi Muslim practice.

The cemetery is past the local and county approval stages. The next step is state approval.

The national 'green' burial trend

According to the Green Burial Council (GBC), there are more than 300 "Green Burial Council approved" cemeteries in North America, in 41 states. According to a GBC provider's map, there are 20 such providers in Michigan.

Siddiqui's family will use these "green" burials per Muslim tradition, however their cemetery is technically not religion-based, and the cemetery is open to anyone. "Green" cemeteries and burials don't necessarily have anything to do with religion.

Siddiqui's plans are moving ahead, after he modified the cemetery plans to allow for fewer cemetery plots, at approximately 1,500.

The approval process

Cemeteries are regulated in Michigan by the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

However according to LARA, questions of groundwater effects are addressed in the Michigan Public Health Code, which allows the local health department to regulate cemeteries.

"This has been a very long process," said Matt Boland, director of environmental health for the Livingston County Health Department. His department indicated that the site was suitable for a cemetery and it would not

affect local well water.

The local residents, like Sanders, find the research inadequate. "We truly don't think the threat of contamination has been

investigated properly," she said. Sanders is coming from a long career in science. "I feel the county doesn't have the data from enough core borings to truly know the drainage problems and leach fields that might be associated with this cemetery."

Part of Boland's job is to investigate vacant land and to determine whether the land is suitable for a septic field or cemetery. His department might investigate and permit 500 septic systems per year and a cemetery every five years.

He said that septic fields have to be a minimum of 50 feet from a drinking water well. He said burial sites have to be 75 feet from a residential well, which this site exceeds.

Boland believes that "green" burials are more environmentally safe than standard burials because there is not metal, preserved wood, or embalming fluid.

He said the chemicals emitted by a decomposing corpse are far less than a family of four would discharge into their underground septic system on a daily basis.

Residents, throughout the process, have disagreed with these assessments and findings.

"We have tanks and septic fields which breakdown waste and contaminants and filter out contaminants," Sanders said. "I have never heard of anyone's septic tank contaminating their drinking water, but I have numerous papers about cemeteries contaminating drinking water."

Other community experiences

There are several "green" cemeteries in Michigan. There's an active site in Waterford Township very close to homes, but these homes are on a municipal water service.

In Wisconsin, a community went through a similar process with a "green" cemetery, with homes located on wells.

The Natural Path Sanctuary is located in rural Springdale Township, Wisconsin. According to The Cap Times, in August 2010, residents had similar concerns about their wells, and property values.

The cemetery was approved and has since sold 327 full-body burials and 35 cremations, according to Director Shedd Farley. He said they've buried 120 full bodies since 2011, so far.

He said they've been vetted by soil engineers, hydrologists and geologists.

Township Clerk Susan Severson said that in their case, the cemetery has been an asset, and hasn't seemed to affect property values.

The closest homes are in the \$500,000 range.

The cemetery, which is part of a certified organic nature preserve, has close neighbors in two areas — though they may not be as close as neighbors in Tyrone Township.

The Times attempted to reach residents in the nearby neighborhood, but they did not respond to requests.

"I have never heard of anyone's septic tank contaminating their drinking water, but I have numerous papers about cemeteries contaminating drinking water."

Donita Sanders
Tyrone Township resident

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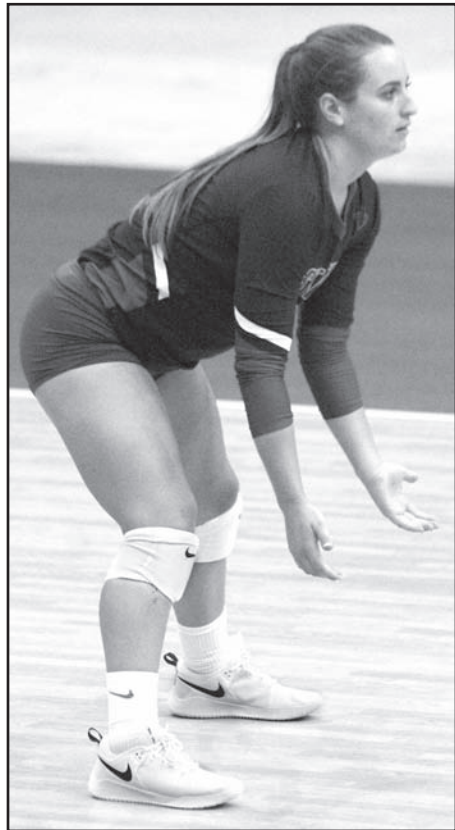
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■Linden resident earns World Grand Champion in adult forms at ITF event

Dolby competed at the 15th annual ITF World Championship in Washington, D.C. and came home the World Grand Champion



Klavitter excelling at Chicago State's volleyball team

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"My goal is to have fun and see how I fare against everyone else, but mostly it's to have fun and support the school," Dolby said. "I was really happy . It was my first

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Linden's Cody Dolby

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■ Cairnduff proves nickname may be faulty, scores only goal in rivalry game

Cairnduff broke a scoreless tie with a shot from about 15 yards out to the far-side corner of the net with just 2:30 remaining in the contest, leading the Tigers to a 1-0 non-league victory against the Linden Eagles. It seemed like Cairnduff's goal was a special one not just for him but his entire team as everyone got into the celebration for more reasons than just beating Linden. The entire team wanted in on congrat-

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Linden's Jarrod Buswell (left) battles with Fenton's Jake Humpert for possession of the ball in the Tigers' 1-0 victory on Thursday. **Photo: David Troppens**

Fenton, Holly XC teams prepare for Metro competition at Saline Early Bird Invitational

Alexa Keiser led all area performers at the event, proving once again why she'll be among the favorites in the

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Fenton's Abbey Lee (right) and Holly's Monia Ruiz (left) are two of the area's returning varsity girls cross country runners expected to compete in today's first Metro League jamboree. The Fenton Tigers are the defending champions for both genders. **File photo**

TIGERS

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10 minutes of the contest when the Eagles started looking like they may be the team to break the scoreless deadlock. Shots by Ryan Gillespie and Jacob Welch gave the Eagles chances to score, but they didn't. The Eagles had one more chance to score after Cairnduff's shot with 15 seconds left, but that shot by Welch went wide.

"I think we are going to be really good this year," Cairnduff said. "We have a lot of team chemistry. We just have a lot of fun together and that's all that matters. We have a lot of talented guys so that's good."

Linden (5-3-2) has had some strong performances during the early fall, but this wasn't one of them according to Linden varsity soccer coach Kevin Fiebertz.

"One moment we look real good and fantastic ... and another we struggle. I would've taken my practice team from last night compared to what this was today," Fiebertz said. "It's puzzling because this is a rival to begin with. It's Fenton. ... We beat ourselves. We came nowhere close to playing the way we are capable of."

Fiebertz cited the team's victories against Berkley and Lakeland as promising victories. The Eagles also have a win against Powers.

"I see the talent. We have the talent," Fiebertz said. "I think our biggest issue is leadership."

"You can't turn the switch of f and on, you have to come and bring it and compete."

Fenton hosts Brandon today at 6 p.m. while Linden travels to Flushing.



(Left) Fenton's Desmond Braham (left) tries to shield the ball from Linden's Chad Kinney in the Tigers' 1-0 non-league victory against the Eagles on Thursday. (Below) Linden's Ryan Gillespie (left) battles with Fenton's Jackson Racette for possession of the ball.

Photos: David Troppens



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posting her best times ever, recording her first sub-20 minute performance in her varsity career at the event.

Jessica Adams was Fenton's sixth runner, finishing in 60th (21:41.0) while freshman Emily Grob took 72nd place (22:06.2).

Holly's girls only had three other runners compete in the varsity gold event. Monica Ruiz took 45th (21:13.5) while Samantha Lilly was 110th (24:03.3). Autumn Mu-

rawski took 116th (24:20.0).

The Fenton boys will have a lot of new faces on their varsity team this fall, as reflected by the event. Adam Jesse remains a strong competitor, taking 10th in 16:23.6 in the boys gold varsity event. He was followed by Samuel Cox in 17th (16:52.3). The rest of the Fenton boys top five runners were Logan Canada in 21st (16:56.2), Nolan Day in 32nd (17:21.2) and Gage Bond in 48th (17:41.4).

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DOLBY

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ing with my parents that this must be what it feels like to win an Oscar. It was crazy."

In forms competitions competitors do detailed choreographed patterns of movements practiced either individually or in pairs. In this case, Dolby competed as an individual. Different competitors do different forms with each having varying degrees of difficulty. The competitors are judged based on their performance doing their specific form. Degree of difficulty may or may not come into play when determining the winner.

Dolby will be the adult form champion until the next World Championship in two years in Orlando, Florida.

Dolby, who graduated from Linden last spring, has been studying his craft at Fenton Karate for 10 years.

Linden's Cody Dolby is a World Grand Champion in Tang Soo Do in adult forms. Submitted photo

KLAVITTER

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High School, Cori Mason, taught me a lot," Klavitter said. "She played a lot at Mott Community College and Saginaw Valley State University. She told me a lot of stories about her college experience, that helped me a lot. There are a lot of good coaches who have helped me, the biggest being coach Mason."

In 2017 and 2018, Klavitter was named to the WAC All-Academic team, which requires an athlete to complete at least one academic year, have at least a 3.2 cumulative grade-point average and participate in at least 50 percent of the team's contests.

"I think to be a collegiate athlete is to be great in the class and on the court," Klavitter said. "It means I'm respected on the court and by my teachers. Cori Mason taught me relentless pursuit in academics and athletics, which I've carried with me to the college level."

Relentless is the perfect word. It was announced in July that Klavitter would not only be the president of Chicago State's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), but vice president of the 2018-19 WAC SAAC as well.

Some of the duties of SAACs as defined by the NCAA are to promote communication between athletics administration and student-athletes, disseminate information, provide feedback and insight into athletics department issues, generate a student-athlete voice within the campus athletics department formulation of policies, and build a sense of community within the athletics program involving all athletics teams.

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Beth Fay (Boggs) Dailey
1963-2018

Beth Fay (Boggs) Dailey – age 54, went to be with our Lord Jesus Christ on Friday, August 31, 2018. Beth was born December 26, 1963 in Detroit at Harper Hospital. Within a few days she was at home in Houghton, MI until August 1965 when moving to Warren, MI. She attended Pennow School through second grade. In 1971, she moved to Whitmore Lake and finished high school in 1982. She later graduated from CMU in 1986. Beth worked at EDS in Human Resources, UofM Dental School, and the State of Michigan Family Services after college. She was baptized at Peace Lutheran Church in Warren and was later confirmed at St. John's Evangelist Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor. Beth had three children; Cherish Fay (Mike) Miotke, Rebecca Dailey (Angie Hurley), Aaron (Jessica) Dailey. She was "Ama" to seven grandchildren; Marissa, Aubrie, Michael, Stella, Reagan, Harper and Leo. She is survived by her husband, Michael Dailey, children and grandchildren; parents, James Sr. and Dollie Fay Boggs of Ann Arbor; brother, James Boggs of Waukesha, WI.; sister,

Brook Ann Boggs of Canton, MI.; niece (God Daughter), Jessica Fay Boggs of Huntsville, AL. As a high school student Beth was in the National Honor Society and graduated in the top five of her class. She was captain of the cheerleaders and was winner in the Miss Whitmore Lake talent contest. Beth played Clarinet in the band and was on the Homecoming and Snowcoming courts several times. Beth fought M.S. for 33 years. She was deeply loved and will be sorely missed by many. As a member of Hope Lutheran Church in Linden, her funeral is scheduled to be held 11 AM on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at Hope Lutheran Church, 7355 Silver Lake Rd., Linden. Pastor Paul Kollek officiating. Visitation will be at Sharp Funeral Homes, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton Wednesday, September 5, 2018 from 4-9 PM and at church Thursday from 10 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions in Beth's memory to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at www.nationalmssociety.org. Online tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



**Gertrude
Katharina Halboth**
1930-2018

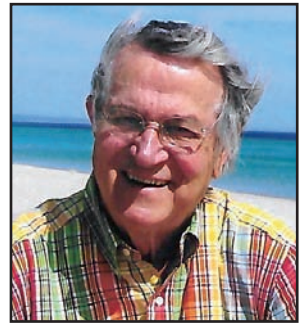
Gertrude Katharina Halboth - age 88, of Holly, died Sunday, September 2, 2018. Services will be held 11 AM Saturday, September 8, 2018 at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 7234 Fenton Rd., Grand Blanc. Reverend Nathan Allen officiating. Visitation will be held at the church Saturday from 10 AM until the time of the service. Those desiring may make contributions to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church or Fenton Adopt-A-Pet. Gertrude was born May 4, 1930 in Heppenheim, Germany, the daughter of Adam and Lisle (Vock) Becker. She married Harry Lynn Halboth July 21, 1956 and he preceded her in death March 20, 2018. She had resided in the Holly and Fenton area for the past 20 years coming from Lake Orion and Oak Park. Gertrude worked as a seamstress at Winkleman's in Detroit and also owned and operated Kowalski Deli Shop in Ferndale for many years. She was a member of Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. She was a volunteer for hospice and Genesys Health Park. Surviving are: her daughter, Christa and husband, Jim McElroy of Holly; grandchildren, Kristie Brosious of Holly and Marnie McElroy of Texas; great-grandchildren, Casey and Aiden Brosious and Noah Garza; brother, Karl Becker of Flawil, Switzerland; and several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by: her parents; son, David Karl Halboth; brother, Franz Becker. Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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John Dennis Chinonis
1935-2018

John Dennis Chinonis - age 82, of Fenton, died Friday, August 31, 2018. Funeral service will be held 11 AM Thursday, September 6, 2018 at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 2245 E. Baldwin Rd., Grand Blanc. Visitation will be held 4-8 PM Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton with a Trisagion service at 7 PM. Interment will be at Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton. Those desiring may make contributions to Assumption Greek Orthodox Building Fund, 2245 E. Baldwin Rd. Grand Blanc, MI, 48439. John was born in Skortsinou, Greece on November 8, 1935, the son of the late Dionysius and Panayiota (Yeotis) Chinonis. John immigrated to the United States in September, 1950 at the age of 14, where he traveled alone to live with his brother, Elias and sister-in-law, Katie from 1950 through 1970 in Flint. He graduated from Flint Central High School, Flint Junior College (Mott CC), began Wayne State University Pharmacy School and graduated from the Ferris State University College of Pharmacy, where he also met the love of his life, Linda (Hall), John and Linda married on October 10, 1971. Having a successful business career as the owner of Franklin Pharmacy, Belsay Square Pharmacy and co-founder of YaYa's Flame Broiled Chicken, all in Flint, John devoted countless hours to giving back. Through his parish, the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, he co-created the Assumption Greek Festival in 1975 which provided funding for the church for over 40 years, founded the Assumption Golf Tournament, established the Greater Flint Orthodox Endowment Fund, served on Parish Council and led the church's efforts to the development

and completion of the new, current site of the Assumption Church in Grand Blanc. As an active member of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), he served as National Chairman and National Advisor to the Sons of Pericles. He received the AHEPAN of the Year Award and National Leadership Awards. Through his alma mater, Mott Community College, John received an honorary Degree in Community Leadership and sat on the Endowment Fund Committee. Through Ferris State University, John led numerous fundraising efforts, including the creation of the Ferris State University Alumni Golf Tournament. He also created the Pharmacist Assistance Personnel program, the first-ever licensed Michigan Pharmacist Association position of its kind. John received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Ferris State University. John's other passions included hunting, snowmobiling and spending time with his wife and family at Durkee Lakes Hunt Club. He loved the game of golf and was a longtime member of Warwick Hills Country Club. Sitting in his deer blind at Durkee, sitting by the pool in St. Thomas, USVI, or riding his pontoon boat on Lake Fenton, grandchildren in sight, John would often say there's no place he'd rather be. John is survived by his wife, Linda; children, Dennis (Patricia) and Tom (Elizabeth); grandchildren, Kate, CoCo, John, James and Kasey; brother, Pano; sister, Vaso (Hasoulas, late husband, Stephano); brothers-in-law, Patrick (Joann) Hall and Michael (Linda) Hall and many cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Elias (Katie) and Constantine "Gus" (Sandra). Tributes may be shared at www.sharpfuneralhomes.com.



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Aries, surround yourself with people who have more experience than you and can offer advice. Listen to the pearls of wisdom they may share with you.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, a new coworker may come to you with questions because you are an expert in a particular area. This presents a good opportunity to serve as a mentor.

GEMINI
May 22/Jun 21
Expensive items have been on your mind, Gemini. However, this may not be the best time to make big financial decisions. Give them a little more thought.

CANCER
Jun 22/Jul 22
Sometimes going about the same schedule day after day can put you in a rut, Cancer. Change up one aspect of your daily life, and you may notice a big difference in your mood.

LEO
Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, if you have been mulling over going back to school, then now is your opportunity to enroll in a vocational class or take college courses for more credit.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, your creative side will be on display this week as you can showcase crafts or artwork that is inspired by the colors of autumn. Put your thoughts in motion.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23
You are very good at compromising, Libra. This is one reason why people like you as a friend. However, do not compromise your own ideals to go along with every plan.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, enjoy socializing with your friends this week. You have been on the go so much that it is time to settle down and enjoy a break and some good conversation.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21
Try your best to turn a situation that could easily get out of control into one you can manage more easily, Sagittarius. It will probably require some quick thinking.

CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20
Family matters come to the forefront this week, Capricorn. You may find yourself in the middle of a siblings squabble. Fortunately, things will blow over quickly.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18
A series of events at work may have you thinking about a change in position and/or career, Aquarius. Don't make any rash moves just yet.


PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20
Try to take emotion out of all your decisions this week, Pisces. Lead with your head instead of your heart, especially where work is concerned.

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26 Side road
29 Tex- — cuisine
30 Historic time
31 "So be it"
32 Dr.'s study
33 Work units
34 Hockey venue
35 Author Fleming
36 Beginning

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37 Recording
40 Sea eagle
41 Humans
45 Short skirt
47 Trawler need
49 Sailor's jail
50 Probability
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